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45 Words that Shaped America



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America Values and Traditions The Bad and The Good News

The attack on all that America stands for, its values, its traditions, its faith, has developed into a battle that can only be defined as Good versus Evil. This was particularly evidenced, during the week that led up to Easter Sunday, probably the most celebrated, religious time of the year, by those of faith from throughout the world.

The signs have all been there, especially as we continue to watch anti-Semitic protests across our country, many of whom have no problem with Hamas slaughtering over 1,200 Jews on October 7. Yet, we continue to let the media and the mob control the narrative. While at the same time, we and our leaders seem to have forgotten that among those killed were 40 Americans, not to mention that four Americans are among the 130 or so hostages still being held by Hamas terrorists.

Meanwhile in Canada, it was soon after October 7, that we learned that our neighbors to the north in Canada, where most share our same values, representative government, etc. Instead we find more and more, Canada's leaders' policies and ideology, model those who are the most radical in our congress and bureaucrats.

It was in November, when the Canadian Human Rights Commission, published a paper suggesting that statutory holidays linked to celebrations of Christian significance, Christmas and Easter, in particular are evidence of religious tolerance. To the extent that Canada must work towards the "eradication" of such so-called "religious intolerance".

The commission, which takes for granted that "systemic racism is a persistent problem in Canada" and receives \$32 million in taxpayer funds annually, has assumed considerable "judicial power" in recent decades. The issue was that non-Christians may need to request special accommodations to observe their holy days and other times of the year where their religion requires them to abstain from work.

While the Commission initiated that the celebration of Christmas and Easter – in a nation where an estimated 63.2% of the population is Christian – comes at the expense of non-Christians, the Commission acknowledged that Canadian employers and service providers are legally obligated and duty bound to accommodate the religious requirements of clients and employees.

This is just one more reason why the 2024 election is so important for all levels of government.

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Hate and Evil Resides in the White House.... It should come as no surprise that President Joe Biden issued the following proclamation on *Good Friday:* "NOW THEREFORE, I JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority, vested to me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim March 31, 2024 (Easter Sunday) as Transgender Day of Visibility. I call upon all Americans to join us in lifting up the lives and voices of transgender people throughout our Nation and to work toward eliminating violence and discrimination based on gender identity."

Just to note: The Fairfax County Virginia Board of Supervisors also mocked Christians by designating Easter as Transgender Visibility Day.

White House Adds Insult to Injury for Military Families at Easter...Biden's White House has taken it a step further to mock and politicize the annual Easter Egg Hunt and Art Contest this year.

Biden and his administration had invited the children of National Guard families to submit artwork for a completion that is part of the traditional Easter Egg Roll.

"Children of National Guard families from across the United States are encouraged to submit artwork inspired by the theme "Celebrating Our Military Families." Children should depict on an egg template a snapshot of their life — a favorite activity, scenery in your state, your military family, a day-in-your-life," read a pamphlet promoting the contest.

However, the submission guidelines strictly prohibit any religious symbols or themes – even though the winning egg designs will be displayed throughout Easter and Passover.

"The submission must not include any questionable content, religious symbols, overtly religious themes," the White House stated.

This from the White House on one of the most Holiest days of the year. As one reporter said, leave it to Joe Biden to lay a giant egg like this at Easter.

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Biden Flip Flops Again – Joe Has No Principles.....Good old Uncle Joe and his team are already working to claw back the ban on LGBTQ "Pride" flags at overseas U.S. diplomatic facilities, one more example of why he and those in the White House are not to be trusted on anything.

The ban on non-American flags which includes the rainbow LGBTQ banner as well as the flags for Black Lives Matter was one of the few crumbs that were thrown to conservatives in the \$1.2 Trillion spending bill that some House Republicans helped to pass in March.

Another example that proves that Joe and his party cannot be trusted. This is an insult and we should use this opportunity to tell and share the stories of the principles of our founders, such as George Washington. "I cannot tell a lie, I cut down the cherry tree," and the Republican Party's first elected President, "Honest Abe Lincoln."

By the Way, speaking of the U.S. Diplomatic facilities, Joe Biden has set another record – Since he took office in 2021, our country has lost "11 Embassy's", the most closed in the history of our Nation.

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Joe Is Not A Patriot and He Is Nothing But an Empty Shell of A Man....

Did You Know????.... Soon after Joe Biden took office in 2021, He removed music/singer/songwriter Lee Greenwood from the National Endowment for the Arts. "I didn't get a phone call or a letter. It was just an email," said Greenwood at the time.

Greenwood was first appointed by President George W. Bush in 2008, "You know it's a six year appointment and I was appointed by George W. Bush 43," Greenwood told his friends. "So I served his term. Also, President Obama's term and of course President Trump's term.

"And then as you know, President Trump used my song "God Bless the USA," which is unilateral for me," Said Greenwood. "It's meant for all people, not just for a particular political party."

Greenwood added and rightly so...."So hearing how under the Biden administration and he's cleaned house and finally he's fired a patriot, I was quite shocked to tell you the truth."

This is just another slap in the face by Joe Biden to those who serve and give of themselves to all Americans in our nation.

We all need to take the time to Thank God for Americans like Lee Greenwood.

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New York City Firefighters Ordered to Remove 9/11 Memorial....New York City firefighters have been ordered to remove a "red line" flag from a fire truck.

Ladder company 11 had posted the flag to memorialize their fellow firefighters who had died in the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. DC Draino, a popular X page, first reported the news.

"A politician in Alphabet City came by the firehouse and confronted NY's bravest for having the flag on their rig stating, "Isn't that flag in support of the Police?" They explained to him that it's been on their rig for years and it's a part of our 9/11 Memorial as the flag flies next to their fallen brothers," he wrote. "The politician contacted city officials and demanded it be taken down."

The following day a division chief with the FDNY showed up and told them the flag had to come down.

Did you ever imagine a time when New York City Firefighters would be forced to take down a memorial for those who died on 9/11?

Fortunately, after a massive outcry, the flag was restored to the fire truck.

Editor's note: It is time for a Reality Check. We have to stop protecting our young people and educate them about the horrors that Americans have experienced, and most importantly, the bravery shown by real heroes who sacrificed their lives to save others. We have two generations, who for the most part have no idea that America was attacked on our own soil, and right now we have never been closer to this happening again. Hopefully, those who think as I do will be found to be wrong, that it never happens again, on the scale of the attack on the Twin Towers on 9/11.

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Student Refuses to Remove Flag From His Vehicle....In March, 17-year-old Cameron Blasek reported to the principal's office at this high school in St. Leon, Indiana, where he received what he called a "shocking" demand.

His East Central High School counselor and vice principal told him to remove the American flag fastened on the back of his blue Dodge pickup, or be written up for insubordination.

Blasek told a local news reporter that the flag hadn't been a problem all year. It was properly secured to his truck and followed the U.S. flag code. Blasek said he wanted to show pride for his county and pay respect to fallen American soldiers.

A school administrator asked Blasek twice to remove the flag or be disciplined, according to WKRC television.

Blasek stood his ground. The 17-year-old read to administrators from East Central High School's own student handbook, he said, arguing that there were no rules against displaying a U.S. flag.

Blasek's story spread quickly and by the next morning, not only did Blasek arrive for school with the American flag attached to his truck, but so did roughly two dozen other students.

The school has since been on damage control after a social media post by Libs of Tik Tok describing Blasek's encounter went viral, receiving as much as 8.4 million views since March 8.

East Central High School principal Tom Black, sent a letter to parents, calling it "a misunderstanding" and emphasized that the school encouraged "expressions of patriotism and pride."

Blasek was soon rewarded for his patriotism, and today, thanks to a Cincinnati sign shop, the flag on Blasek's truck is even louder than before after the owner of the shop, GCI Imaging, offered to custom vinyl wrap the young man's truck in red, white, and blue. A second company in Indiana, added a flagpole.

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Biden and Dems Are Relentless When It Comes To Getting Trump

House Democrats Push Law To Stop Trump From Classified Briefings

House Democrats are seeking to block former President Donald Trump from receiving classified briefings as the 2024 Republican Presidential candidate – a bizarre and unprecedented attack on U.S. political norms.

The GUARD Act . Introduced by Rep. Mike Sherill(D-NJ), would bar access to classified information by federal officials or candidates charged with crimes related to obstructing official proceedings, endangering national security, mishandling classified materials, and other issues related to national defense.

The legislation marks the latest effort by Democrats to interfere with the 2024 presidential election on behalf of President Joe Biden, the Democrat incumbent. Rep. Sherill's bill, if it becomes law, could have potentially far-reaching impacts – including preventing former President Trump from reviewing classified evidence in his defense against Special Counsel Jack Smith's prosecution against him in Florida.,

In an attempt to frame the legislation in other than a new front in the Biden's lawfare campaign against Trump, House Democrats insist its provisions would apply to other officials like disgraced Senator Bob Menendez (D-NJ). The New Jersey Senate Democrat is being prosecuted on charges of corruption, bribery, and acting as an unregistered foreign agent on behalf of Qatar and Egypt.

Congresswoman Sherrill, who bills herself as a national security hawk – has had numerous investments in Chinese-linked companies. What is also food for thought --- if this law is put in place, would it also apply to Biden now or back in 2020, had we known that Biden was (mishandling classified documents), not as the President, but as a Senator and Vice President?

Biden's New Rule Protects "Deep State" From Trump

The Biden administration recently announced new measures intended to fortify protections for federal government employees.

The latest measures come against a backdrop of leading Republican presidential candidates, including President Trump, advocating for a reduction and transformation of the federal workforce.

According to Stars and Stripes, the blueprint presented by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) emphasizes that federal employees cannot be deprived of specific civil service rights unless they relinquish them willingly.

Additionally, the measures aim to ensure that guidelines for political appointees will not be extended to nonpolitical, career staff, the agency confirmed.

According to Stars and Stripes, the Biden administration's move would, in essence, make it more challenging to reclassify federal workers in a manner that would simply strip them of their civil service safeguards.

Former Trump allies and some conservative groups are currently strategizing on a broad approach to dissolve the "deep state" bureaucracy. The agenda advocated by some conservative leaders is estimated to potentially result in the termination of 50,000 federal employees.

The move by OPM follows President Biden's earlier action to counteract a Trump era order, known as "Schedule F," which aimed to ease the process of dismissing a significant number of federal workers.

However, Russ Vought, former director of the Office of Management and Budget under the Trump administration, asserted that the OPM's recent announcement amplifies the legal robustness of "Schedule F" and criticized the attempts to place procedural barriers against it.

Several Republican presidential hopefuls have resonated with Trump's perspective on reforming the federal workforce. Businessman Vivek Ramaswamy has expressed his ambition to dramatically reduce the federal workforce during his presidential tenure by 75%.

In contrast, with conservative leaders, Everett Kelley, the national president of the American Federation of Government Employees labor union, which represents 750,000 federal and D.C. Government workers applauded the Biden Administration's initiative, stating, "I have to commend the administration for such a bold move. This puts a stop to potential unethical practices by political appointees."

Liz Cheney and January 6 Committee Get Caught

Former Rep. Liz Cheney's January 6 Committee suppressed evidence that President Donald Trump pushed for 10,000 National Guard troops to protect the nation's capital, a previously hidden transcript by the Federalist shows.

Cheney and her committee falsely claimed they had "no evidence" to support Trump officials' claims the White House had communicated its desire for 10,000 National Guard troops. In fact, an early transcribed interview conducted by the committee included precisely the evidence from a key source. The interview which Cheney attended and personally participated in, was suppressed from public release, until last month.

Deputy Chief of Staff Anthony Ornato's first transcribed interview with the committee was conducted on January 28, 2022. In it, he told Cheney and the investigators that he overheard House Chief of Staff, Mark Meadows push Washington D.C. Mayor Muriel Bowser to request as many National Guard troops as she needed to protect the city.

He also testified that President Trump had suggested 10,000 would be needed to keep the peace at the public rallies and protests scheduled for January 6, 2021. Ornato also described White House frustration with Acting Secretary of Defense Christopher Miller's slow deployment of assistance on the afternoon of January 6, 2021.

Not only did the committee not accurately characterize the interview, they suppressed the transcript from public review. On top of that, committee allies began publishing critical stories and even conspiracy theories about Ornato ahead of follow-up interviews with him. Ornato was a career Secret Service official who had been detailed to the security position in the White House.

Republican Congressman Barry Loudermilk, chairman of the House Administration's Committee on Oversight and its members are reviewing the work of the January 6 Committee, which has been accused of other unethical behavior at the expense of accuracy, as well as collusion with other Democrat efforts to prosecute political opponents.

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The Threat's To Election Integrity

Soros Funded Group Aims To 'Turn Texas Blue' With Mass Immigration:

With 10 million plus illegal aliens in our country, we Americans need to be on the watch more than ever for illegals trying to vote, particularly like those in states like California who have motor voter laws. That which allows illegals to obtain a driver's license and are given a voter registration form when they apply for their license.

Billionaire George Soros and his liberal cohorts are certainly not shy about their agenda for 2024, thanks to Soros funding a political action committee (PAC), who are hoping to "turn Texas blue" with the help of mass immigration.



Texas Majority PAC, run by consultants who worked for Beto O'Rourke, is being partially funded by Soros, who has a net worth of \$6.7 billion and remains one of the largest donors to Democrats.

The group reportedly raised \$2.25 million after the 2022 midterm elections and Soros has given six-figure donations to Democrats in Dallas County and Hidalgo.

"We need millions of more dollars and hundreds of full-time staff to do this," the group's deputy executive director Katherine Fischer told the Texas Tribune, "Texas Majority PAC works with partners across the state to create the conditions that will make flipping the state possible."

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China Run Tik Tok Is Spending Millions Campaigning In American Elections:

The Chinese Communist-controlled social media titan Tik Tok has begun a \$2.1 million ad campaign attempting to unseat its critics from public office in the United States. The move is in response to recent legislation that would force the sale of the app to an American -controlled company, or failing that, ban it from the United States. Similar bans have taken place in India, with almost zero disastrous effects on previous users.

Tik Tok, a product of the China-based parent company ByteDance, enjoys robust popularity, particularly amongst young Americans. Their new ad campaign is set to claim that five million small business owners in America are now self reliant on the Communist-controlled application. The campaign is slated to run through mid-April, as reported by CNBC News.



Tik Tok has confirmed ad reservations in key battle states, including Nevada, Ohio, Montana, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin, effectively holding U.S. politicians hostage using Chinese cash.

Beyond these, the states of Massachusetts, Minnesota, and New York have been identified for the ad campaign, as well.

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Wisconsin Voters Approve GOP Backed Amendment To Ban Private Funding for Elections:

In last month's primary Wisconsin voters approved Republican backed amendments to ban any private funding for elections. This came after Facebook mogul Mark Zuckerberg spent millions of dollars backing groups that funded election administration in counties across the country, including in Wisconsin, during the 2020 election. Critics argued that the massive amount of election funding distributed to non-profit groups, known as "Zuckerbucks," unfairly benefited Democrat dominated counties.

The initiative to ban private funding Question 1 passed with 54% of the vote in favor and nearly 46% against. The second initiative on Question 2, defined who can administer various aspects of elections. It passed with nearly 59% supporting and 41% opposed. It stipulated that "only election officials designated by law may perform tasks in the conduct of primaries, elections, and referendums."

Right now, 26 states have similar bans, leaving 23 states that do not.

Meanwhile in Virginia, the Democrat State Legislators are trying to ban any audits of elections.

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Pennsylvania State Lawmaker Sues To Take Down Biden's Election Meddling Executive Order:

State Rep. Dawn Keefer, a Republican who chairs the conservative Pennsylvania Freedom Caucus, and other state legislators are suing President Biden's executive order aimed at driving up the vote, in what one government watchdog calls "arguably the most important election integrity lawsuit in the country."

Keefer and other state legislators assert that Biden's executive order, as well as separate actions by the administration of Pennsylvania Gov. Josh Shapiro, a Democrat, usurped the lawmakers authority.

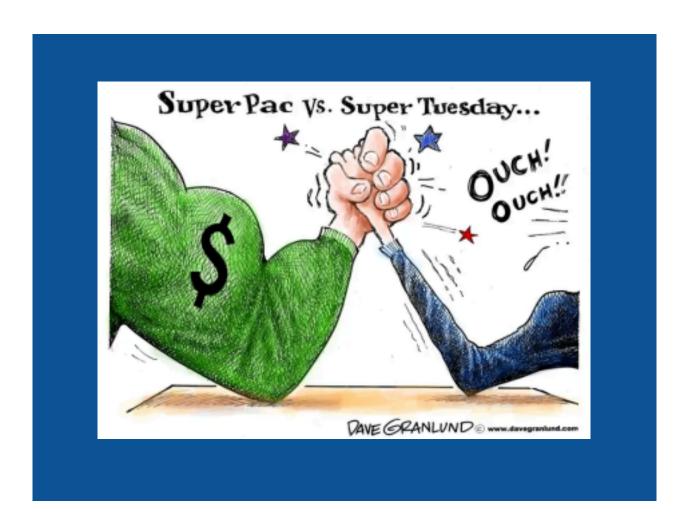
The lawsuit filed in U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, contends that Biden's executive order directing federal agencies to work with private, nonprofit groups in get-out-the-vote efforts violates Act 88, a state law preventing private dollars from funding election administration.

"The president gave his directive to all of his agencies that they are supposed to facilitate voter registration through third party agencies, that we can't get the contracts to or we don't know what any of the details are, who they're working with, and how," Keefer told the Daily Signal.

Then there's the question: "Is the president interjecting here in an election where he's on the ballot? That's another issue that you have here," she added. "Are you trying to interfere in an election where it directly impacts or affects you."

U.S. District Judge Jennifer Wilson, an appointee of President Donald J. Trump, is presiding over the case. \Box

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Zuckerberg Keeps Training Election Workers Despite State Bans

Nonprofits like the **Center for Tech and Civic Life (CTCL)** are still finding ways to influence electoral processes despite a half-dozen states moving to ban their involvement. CTCL, and other organizations received substantial private funding during the 2020 election from tech moguls such as **META** CEO Mark Zuckerberg. Through a series of publicly available webinars, CTCL provides training on topics like working with leftist fact-checking, lobbying elected officials, and building relationships with selected journalists.

Despite promoting a 'non-partisan' public image, CTCL's founders and some board members trace back to Democratic political operations. The organization itself has received millions in funding from left-leaning sources. In response to the laws prohibiting private election funding, CTCL launched the Election Infrastructure Initiative, which aims to pool together election officials, nonprofits, counties, and cities to advocate for "\$20 Billion in federal funding" (your taxpayer dollars) for election processes over the next decade.

Notwithstanding the controversy surrounding the political affiliations and disputed involvement in the 2020 elections, CTCL also continues to train election administrators. Training topics include navigating electoral procedures, lobbying officials, and "targeting disfavored speech about elections."

Zuckerberg has announced his intention to use Facebook and Instagram tools to limit the political content users will see ahead of the 2024 presidential election. Instagram publicly stated; {W}e won't proactively recommend content about politics on recommended surfaces across Instagram and Threads."

The National Pulse has been provided with extensive coverage of Zuckerberg and CTCL's activities. In 2022, The Pulse reported that CTCL launched an \$80 million effort to hijack local elections − ostensibly tilting the races in favor of Democrats. In August of the same year, Zuckerberg himself admitted to interfering in the 2020 presidential election − acknowledging that he and his company, Facebook, censored media coverage of Hunter Biden's laptop on behalf of the FBI. □



Voters Were Warned, Not Only About Biden, but Also Tony Blinken

At this writing, tensions are high due to the expectation of Iran launching a major attack on Israel. At the same time, there is great confusion about what President Biden's position is with

our number one Middle East ally, Israel. To include that of the U.S. State Department Secretary State Antony Blinken.

On April 10, President Biden pressed for Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu' to pursue a ceasefire in the Gaza Strip, calling Netanyahu's campaign against Hamas a "mistake". In an interview on Univision, Biden



said, "What I'm calling for is for the Israelis to just call for a ceasefire, allow for the next six, eight weeks total access to all food and medicine into the country."

Biden seems to have forgotten that it was Hamas that broke the original ceasefire agreement with Israel on October 7, when they slaughtered 1200 Jews and Americans, to include baking babies in ovens, and raping & sodomizing women. He also never mentions the hostages, that also include Americans, that have to be the number one priority in a ceasefire agreement.



But prior to that statement, both Biden and his Vice President Kamala Harris, stated that consequences were possible if Israel raids Rafah, the location of the last battalions of the Hamas terrorists and their top leaders.

Biden publicly warned Israel not to attack Hamas in Rafah, due to the presence of large numbers of civilians there which Hamas

uses as human shields, while they hide in their 300 miles of tunnels. Biden and Harris need to be reminded Hamas are not soldiers, they are designated terrorists.

As far as aid and food coming in for Palestinian civilians, it was reported that on April 8, Israel had 400 aid trucks come into southern Gaza. As well, Israel, which is always their practice in urban warfare, hands out leaflets warning civilians ahead of time that Israeli soldiers will be moving into their cities, such as Rafah.

Before aid trucks arrived in the Gaza Strip and Biden's interview on Univision, Netanyahu announced that Israel defense forces will follow through with its planned invasion of Gaza's Rafah and that the date of the operation has been chosen.

Natanyahu on March 15, approved the IDF's plan to attack Rafah, home to about half of the

region's 2.3 million residents, even though President Joe Biden had warned just days earlier that launching such an invasion would cross a "red line."

The Israeli Prime Minister reaffirmed his intention to enter Rafah during a meeting a week later with Secretary of State Antony Blinken,

"I also said that we have no way to defeat Hamas without going into Rafah and eliminating the rest of the battalions there." Netanyahu said after the meeting. "And I told {Blinken} that I hope we will do it with the support of the U.S.. but if we have to, we will do it alone."

It is unknown if or when Iran launches an attack on Israel, if it will be from Iran directly or their proxies, of which there are 13. And during all this, Biden has been highly criticized for his continued weakness and appearement of Iran. In fact, just a few days ago, it was announced that Biden was going to give another \$10 billion in frozen funds to Iran. Also, Biden has yet to replace sanctions on Iran, who continues to make billions on oil sales to China and other countries, both who are providing drones and support to Russia in their war against Ukraine.

Biden has also been criticized and reminded that the United States does not abandon our allies, while also noting his failure to notify our allies ahead of time that the U.S. was pulling out its forces from Afghanistan, in 2021.

As aforementioned, when it comes to Biden's reputation in his 50 years in government, we were all warned prior to his election to the presidency in 2020, when it comes to foreign policy and flip-flopping. The same for Secretary of State Tony Blinken, who also has been the subject of criticism and his incompetence of the Afghanistan debacle.

Flashback: John McCain Warned of Unqualified Antony Blinken - 'Dangerous To America.'

Recently, a nearly two-minute video clip has resurfaced of former Vietnam war prisoner and U.S. Senator, John McCain, warning colleagues on an "unqualified" and "dangerous" Antony Blinken, who served as deputy national security advisor under



President Barack Obama at the time, specifically wanting to withdraw U.S. troops from Afghanistan.

The video, which comprises excerpts from December 2014, depicts McCain approaching the Senate floor to oppose Blinken's nomination as deputy Secretary of State. McCain stated he was opposing the pending vote on Blinken, not only as the most unqualified, but in fact in his view, one of the worst selections of a very bad lot that this president has chosen.

McCain continued to slam Blinken, deeming him the then-deputy security advisor a danger to

the United States. McCain also noted Blinken's role in "conceptualizing and furthering" a failed foreign policy.

"U.S. foreign policy is in shambles," he said. "It's at best a strategic, and at worst, anti-strategic."

Then McCain quoted from Blinken's own words: "I'll move on to Afghanistan, Mr. Blinken said,, "We've been very clear, we've been consistent. The war will be concluded by the end of 2014, We have a timetable and that timetable will not change." This is why I'm so worried about him being in the position that he's in because if they stick to that timetable, I am telling my colleagues that we will see the replay of Iraq all over again. We must leave a stabilizing force behind a few thousand troops or we will see again what we saw in Iraq."



Seven years after McCain's opposition in Blinken's nomination, the latter served as Secretary of State, with many claiming the withdrawal of troops from Afghanistan in 2021, and the Taliban's rapid reconquest of the country, proved the necessity of McCain's foresight.

During the 2020 Campaign For President – **Vanity Fair Magazine**, **April 2019** *"Joe Biden Still Has To Answer For Decades Of Bad Choices"*

It is seven months to the November Presidential election, and it was just four years ago, that President Trump and his administration had coordinated the Abraham Accord Peace agreement with Israel and other middle east countries, with the expectation that Saudi Arabia would be next to sign.

It is also well established that during the four years under the presidency of Donald Trump, Russia led no attacks on Ukraine, unlike the George W. Bush and Obama administrations. And it was a little over a year, after Trump left the White House, that Russia once more attacked Ukraine.

Today, we have a war in Europe and the Middle East, while awaiting to see if Iran will fulfill its promise to attack Israel. Not to mention, that just this week No. Korea was saber rattling.

And, of course what has been at the forefront of the Biden administration, to include his family members, China remains an unknown, as far as fulfilling their promise to takeover Taiwan, not to mention the concern about Biden being compromised by China, due to his son's business dealings.

This all is not to be taken lightly, and that is why it is important to think about the policies and history of two former Presidents, one of whom will once more, occupy the White House.

As aforementioned, we have recent knowledge about former President Donald Trump's policies and successes when it comes to both foreign policy and that particularly with the military, his State Department, and his National Security team.

The same with President Joe Biden, and his record thus far, with 2-years of war in Ukraine, and now the Middle East, but, we also need to refresh our memories about what was said about Biden, before his presidential election, and his time as a U.S. Senator and Vice President.

There was no one that is probably more respected to analyze Joe Biden than Obama's Secretary of Defense, <u>Robert Gates</u>, who said, "I think Joe Biden has been wrong on nearly every foreign policy and national securing issues over the past four decades."

Robert Gates served under every President, both Republican and Democrat, beginning with Richard Nixon and ending his 50 year career in government service under President Obama.

In his book, Gates also depicted the Obama administration as having "very murky lines of communication on military issues."

In 2020, Obama did Joe Biden no favors, when he said, "Don't underestimate Joe's ability to F*** things up."

We cannot be complicit in this election and must all be involved, and urge all to vote, but hopefully as educated voters. Think about your families, and how the decisions and policies of our next President and those in Congress will affect the future of all whom we care about.

The impact of a continued invasion of our own border, potential for conflicts on our allies, and even America or, all that intertwines with our economy. We have to get spending and increased prices under control and once more grow our economy.

I leave you with this food for thought: **Right now, we are paying more interest (tax dollars)** on our national debt than our defense budget. □



The Price Paid For Biden's Border Policy Goes Far Beyond Dollars

Everyday, Joe Biden's illegals are being arrested for committing **felony crimes** like murder, sexual assault, and probably the most horrific and sadistic, that of child sex crimes, all while the numbers of Gotaway's (*those who are unknown and avoid the border patrol, and whose whereabouts are unknown*) increase.

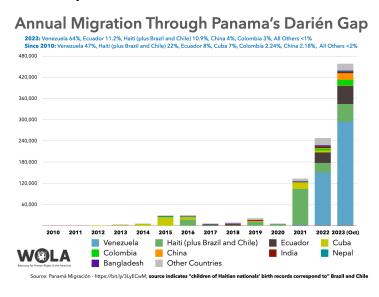


On April 11, it was reported that the number of known

Gotaway's had climbed to 1.8 million, since Biden took office. That same day, the Border Patrol released photos of 54 illegal male aliens, who have been arrested for sexual crimes, to include rape of a child, sexual battery of a child, and assault and rape of the incapacitated. This past week, border agents report they have been averaging 550 Gotaway's per day.

In February, it was reported that ICE agents arrested **26 illegal aliens convicted or charged with murder, homicide, and child sex crimes, including assault against children**, during a sting operation in the **San Francisco Bay Area**.

Those arrested included a 20-year-old Honduran convicted of felony lewd or lascivious acts on a child under 14. Also arrested was a 32-year-old Mexican convicted of the same felony acts, on a child under 14 years-old.



Back in November of 2023, there were 107 incidents of rape and sexual assaults of illegal aliens who were working their way to the U.S. Border, traveling over the Darian Gap, the most dangerous trek to the border. Three of the sexual assault victims were children ages 11, 12, and 16.

Just this month Center Square News, highlighted that arrests of foreign nationals entering into the country are some of the most violent criminals, including gang members. Most come from Columbia, Ecuador,

El Salvador, Honduras, Mexico, and Venezuela, Border Patrol Chief Jason Owens notes.

Recent arrests in the U.S. Customs and Border Patrol of El Paso Sector, which include two **West Texas Counties** and all of **New Mexico**, include individuals with a long list of violent crimes.

Combined **criminal histories** of those arrested include **child molestation**, **rape of a child, sexual assault of a child, aggravated assault, rape, murder, manufacture/trafficking of firearms and theft**, among others.

What has been seldom unreported are those who have **tattoos of images of "La Santa Muerte," or the "Saint of Death,"** and other images of violence, death and gang affiliations. Those who worship



Santa Muerte believe she brings "Santisima Muerte" or the "holiest death," and are reportedly **involved in ritualistic killings**, according to the FBI. Reportedly, one recent arrest of an alleged Mexican gang assassin in El Paso was known for "her extreme brutality such as dismembering bodies, removing hearts, and placing the hearts in front of "Santa Muerte" altars and statues.

The list of crimes and locations of arrests in the Center Square report, is lengthy. Under the Biden administration, the greatest number of gang members arrested totaled 751 in 2022, the majority of which were affiliated with the gang MS 13. In fiscal 2024, (5 months), 195 gang members have

been apprehended, according to the CBP, the majority of who are affiliated with other gangs

So far in **fiscal year 2024 CBP agents have arrested 14,949 criminal illegals, 4,804 in the National Crime Information Center database and 404 with outstanding warrants**, as of February 4, according to CBP data. Among them, **112 criminals with prior convictions for sex offenses** had been arrested through February, according to Border Chief Owens.

Illegals And Guns

In March, Federal officials stopped a major effort to provide Mexican drug cartels with military level weapons.

Five individuals were arrested in an attempt to supply the cartels with more than 100 high-caliber guns, that included FNH SCAR rifles, .50 caliber rifles known for their significant firepower and reliability in combat situations.

Back around **2022**, it was reported that gun smuggling into Mexico had increased **50** percent, and another reported that machine guns are commonplace weapons for the cartels.

Chicago Judge Breaks U.S. Law

In March, an Obama-appointed Chicago Judge ruled in favor of an illegal owning a gun. Once again we have a justice system that ignores federal law. Illegal aliens – non-citizens are not allowed to own or carry a gun.

China Provides Instructions to Illegal Chinese Aliens

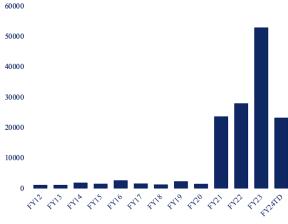


Figure 1: Apprehensions of Chinese Foreign Nationals at U.S.
Nationwide Borders

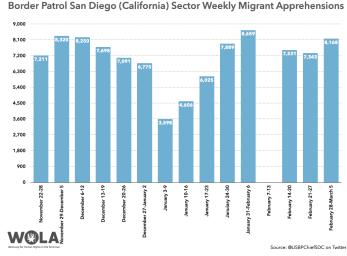
First one must note that the **46,000 plus Chinese**, who have crossed our borders in the last year and half **are military age men**, who have been found to have pamphlets given to them by the Chinese government. Reportedly, the information in the **brochure provides them with instructions on how to go through the process of entering the United States, along with how to purchase a gun and obtain a hunting license**.

125,000 Illegals Released Into San Diego

San Diego County Supervisor Jim Desmond has reported 24,000 illegals have been released from custody, "without proper vetting" and placed on city streets, and more than 125,000, in total, within the past seven months.

Desmond said, "this isn't just a local issue, it's a national issue, as most people are going elsewhere in the county. Desmond stated that due to a lack of resources, migrants are "just walking across the border unimpeded and no one is stopping them."

There is one federally funded migrant center, according to Desmond, but many illegals "loiter" across San Diego because there is "nowhere for {the majority} to go."



"WE don't know exactly where {the migrants} are going, who they are, what their background is, or if they mean harm to us," Desmond said. "There are people who should be on the terrorist watch lists and we're missing lots of them. I don't blame the agents. I blame the Biden administration and Homeland Security for not not enforcing our laws. If seeking asylum you're supposed to be detained until that is found to have validity."

"We're Not Doing That Now," he warned.

In March, the Border Patrol apprehended an illegal alien who claimed to be a member of the **Iran-backed terror group Hezbollah**, and that **he intended to build a bomb** and travel to New York. He told agents he had trained with Hezbollah for 7 years and that his training was centered on "Jihad" and killing anyone "that was not a Muslim." He had planned to go to New York and then travel elsewhere around the country.

Border Patrol recorded **176 encounters with individuals on the terrorism watchlist in fiscal year 2023**, and so far it has recorded 76 for the first five months of fiscal year 2024. The number was 98, in 2022, and 15 in 2021.

Taxpayer Dollars and Loss of Facilities and Services



According to a 2023 report, illegal immigrants are costing American taxpayers \$451 billion a year, for services, such as housing, healthcare, law enforcement, and education.

What isn't factored in the costs, is the drain and impact on many programs and facilities in local communities and neighborhoods, along with health concerns.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has reported a steep escalation in syphilis and other sexually transmitted diseases. There have also been outbreaks of measles reported in some of the shelters. Since day one, of the open border, physicians have been concerned about those arriving who hadn't been

vaccinated for **polio**, or **chickenpox**, and **infectious Tuberculosis**. And , if you remember, during the pandemic, Biden's administration did not require illegal migrants to be vaccinated against COVID-19.

In Madison Wisconsin, the city gave COVID-Relief funds to illegal aliens. The city gave \$700,000 to nonprofit groups that "provide services for illegal migrants, despite those migrants being largely ineligible to receive direct federal or state aid, according to a report by Reforming Government's Center for Investigative Oversight.

Senator Joni Ernst called out the president for prioritizing immigrants and redirecting resources from veterans amid the deteriorating border crisis.

The matter comes amid reports that the Biden administration is leveraging resources and personnel at the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to provide healthcare to illegal immigrants in Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detention.

Illegals Take Over High School Facilities: In Seattle, illegal aliens commandeered a high school's tennis courts after being kicked out of a nearby hotel, after donations dried up paid by Plymouth Church.

After taking over the school's tennis courts, the refugees held a rally demanding King County and others help them secure more housing until they can get work permits and support themselves. The illegals packed up and headed back to the hotel, thanks to an anonymous donor who paid for them to stay in 61 rooms for 11 days.

But there is still no long-term solution in sight though city officials are at least aware of the problem.

Illegals Hide In U.S. School: Santa Teresa Middle School in New Mexico has been forced into lockdown twice in one week due to illegal aliens being discovered on school premises.

The school is about five miles from a gap in the border wall referred to as the "Anaroa Gap." A border patrol representative warned "that a lot of people in that area that try to avoid arrest from our apprehensions do have a criminal history or have immigration issues."

Citizens in both New York City and Chicago have been showing up at meetings complaining about their sports fields, community centers and schools being turned into shelters. In New York there are 201 shelters, to include hotels.

Last September, NY Mayor Eric Adams predicted the city was headed for destruction because of the "migrant crisis".

Adams added, "Every community in this city is going to be impacted. We have a \$12 billion deficit that we're going to have to cut – every service in this city is going to be impacted." The \$12 billion happens to be the amount city officials say the illegals will cost the city in just over three years.

In spite of these dire warnings, in the last 6 months they decided to work on distributing **\$53 million** in prepaid debit cards, for those who are already enjoying \$300 a night hotel rooms. The debit cards will be given out to **500 migrant families**. **\$106,000 Annually!!**

The **\$53 million prepaid debit card scheme** is more than **twice the amount** that New York State plans on spending in 2025 for the Department of **Veterans Services**.

Just recently the city proposed funding \$15 million for mental health services for illegals.

Meanwhile In Chicago, some neighborhood residents were not notified that the city was **moving illegals into a vacant school near their homes**. In another, a community center that offered after school programs and child care services was turned into a shelter. So far the city has paid out \$300 million to shelter and feed illegal migrants.

A coalition of Black Chicago Americans have taken it a step further, suing the city government for placing migrant facilities in their neighborhood, by taking over their local park. When a city official told resident Olivia Reingold that her beloved local park was going to become a migrant shelter, she said, "not on my watch."

The city of Chicago is now facing seven lawsuits, at least three of them filed by people of color, all bound by a concern that their leaders would rather serve illegal aliens than their own vulnerable citizens,"

wrote Reingold

Since August 2022, Chicago has **greeted nearly 35,000 new arrivals with resources like laundry services, mental health screenings, and \$15,000 in rental support per person**" - all could've gone a long way in Amundsen Park," said one resident. The park is located in Chicago's Austin neighborhood, where 28 percent of residents live in poverty.

According to the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, Austin is 75.7% Black, 17.1% Hispanic, and 5.3% white. It has a median income of \$38,407, which is just about half of the national median.

Another resident, J. Darnell Jones, who is also suing Chicago, said "What the Democratic Party doesn't want Black people to hear is that this is Biden's policy," adding, "Biden is allowing the borders to remain open."

The biggest price of all that has been paid, is the loss of hundreds of thousands of mostly young people to fentanyl poisoning and other drugs. Along with those who made the long trek to cross the U.S. border, both southern and northern. Those who cannot be replaced.

Editor's Note: I know that all that I have written about the border is much to absorb, but it is important, because this was all done by one individual and those who lurk in the shadows behind him.

The border policies of Joe Biden have impacted our economy, national security, military, law enforcement, health and educational institutions, justice system, and potentially, this and future elections.

But what is my greatest disdain and what constantly remains in my mind is the overall callousness and disrespect this former U.S. Senator, Vice President and current President, has for the citizens and laws of what is supposed to be the "United" States of America.

Terry Gherardi



Venezuelan Homicides Numbers Fall, and Biden's Crimes Against Humanity Surge

Since the heinous murder of Georgia nursing student Laken Riley, not a day has gone by where there has not been another murder, assault or home invasion by a Venezuelan illegal alien. All

brought to you by Joe Biden, who on day one, with a stroke of a pen, began the cancellation of 94 of President Trump's legal border policies.

So it should come to no surprise that Venezuela is reporting that homicides have fallen to lowest numbers in two decades. In 2024 the number of homicides in the country was 24.6%, compared to highs of 89% in 2017 and 87.4 in 2018.



Remember it was late last year when the Biden administration offered nearly a half a million Venezuelan illegals legal status and work permits. The Department of Homeland Security expanded or redesigned the Temporary Protection Status (TPS) program, allowing recent arrivals to apply for the deportations and work permits offered by the policy.

In September of 2023, it was reported that by "redesigning Venezuela's TPS program, the U.S. is rendering the record number of Venezuelans who have reached the U.S. over the past two years eligible for the status." An estimated 472,000 additional Venezuelans were expected to qualify for the TPS, which had already allowed about 242,000 illegals from that country to obtain that status.



Does Biden and his tone deaf DHS Secretary and Border Czar Kamala Harris really believe that countries like Venezuela, China, Haiti, Iran, El Salvador, were sending their best to the United States?

The illegal animal who killed Laken Riley was a member of the Venezuelan gang Tren de Aragua,

the fastest growing, most dangerous criminal gang in South America, and now spreading into U.S. cities, such as Chicago and New York City, and Miami.

Everyone remembers the recent beating of the two New York Police Officers, who were attacked by members of the Tren de Aragua gang. More recently it was the same for some of the 8 who were arrested at the home invasion in the Bronx, who were operating a drug operation, where several guns were also found. The property was directly across the street

from a public school, and there were numerous reports of drug activity, violence and loud music surrounding the home.

And just last weekend, a member of Tren De Aregua, was arrested trying to cross the Texas border. It has also been reported that in Venezuela, many of these gang members were actually guards at the country's prisons. Tren De Argua, has a long and continued reputation as murderers, kidnappers, and sex and drug traffickers. Their influence has grown from having a huge presence in two South American countries 10 years ago, to seven countries today as aforementioned, now the U.S.

Just this month, it was reported by a news organization that in November of 2023, the border patrol told CNN en Espanol that the agency had arrested 38 possible Tren de Aragua between October 2022 and October 2023.

Republicans in the U.S. Senate recently asked Joe Biden to declare Tren de Aragua a transnational criminal organization, calling the group "an invading criminal army" and claiming the gang's members have spread "brutality and chaos" in the United States. And, yes you guessed it, there has been no response from Biden, his DHS or Border Czar.

This comes of as no surprise, since day one of Biden taking office, requests from mayors, sheriff's and judges, have continued to report that their phone calls requesting to talk to the White House have all gone ignored, And remember it is both Chuck Schumer and Joe Biden who have refused to even come to the table and talk to Republican Congressional members about their border bill, HR 2, that was passed by the House in March of 2023.

But gangs are not just limited to illegals from Venezuela, and law enforcement officials share concerns that the El Salvadoran MS 13 gang members could team up with Tren de Aragua.



Enter China – Since October, there have been 22,000 Chinese illegals who have entered the U.S., with 182 encountered recently, in one day, but what has received very little coverage if any at all, is the Chinese who have come to America and joined a wave of new players rushing into the nation's

billion-dollar marijuana boom. Chinese mobsters who roam from state to state, harvesting drugs and cash and overwhelming law enforcement with their resources and elusiveness.

One of the state's hardest hit is Oklahoma, where earlier this year, four people were shot to death on a farm in Kingfisher County.

Chinese organized crime has taken over marijuana in Oklahoma and the United States," said

Donnie Anderson, the director of the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs, in an interview.

Among the victims are thousands of Chinese Immigrants, many of them smuggled across the Mexican border to toil in often abusive conditions in farms ringed by fences, surveillance cameras and guards with guns and machetes. A grim offshoot of this indentured servitude. Traffickers force Chinese immigrant women into prostitution for the bosses of the agricultural workforce.

From California to Maine, Chinese organized crime has come to dominate much of the nation's illicit marijuana trade, an investigation by ProPublica and the Frontier has found. Along with the explosive growth of this criminal industry, the gangsters have unleashed lawlessness, violence, drug trafficking, money laundering, gambling, bribery fraud, bank fraud, environmental damage, and theft of water and electricity.

Editor's Note: What has been described above by the Chinese, as well as crimes by both Venezuelan and El Salvador gang members, can be best described as committing RICO crimes. You know, RICO, which AOC at a recent congressional hearing, was adamant in her claim that RICO was not a crime.

I believe that most of our readers are aware that RICO is the crime President Donald Trump and others have been charged with by the infamous Georgia D.A. Fani Willis.

Therefore, we need to ask: "If AOC still feels that RICO is not a crime, and still supports the continuance of open borders and Biden's policies and mandates, then perhaps U.S. Attorney General Merrick Garland should charge Joe Biden, as well as DHS Secretary Mayorkas and Border Czar Harris, to include AOC, to continue to be accessories to the "crime" of RICO."

Not to mention, that Biden, along with Harris, and Mayorka violate the immigration and border laws that are on the books. What ever happened to the oath they took, with their hand on the bible, when they swore to uphold the laws in the U.S. Constitution?



Biden Gives The Middle Finger To Supreme Court and Both Houses of Congress

When it comes to Joe Biden's effort to fulfill an illegal campaign promise to woo young voters, not even his good friend Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, or the U.S. Supreme Court have been able to sway him. And in February, Biden gave them his middle finger, giving out and forgiving \$1.2 million in loans for 153,000 borrowers.`

But Biden did not only give the middle finger to the U.S. Supreme Court, when they blocked him from forgiving student loan debt on June 30, of 2023. Biden also gave the middle finger to members of the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, when earlier that month, on June 12, passed legislation blocking Biden's student loan forgiveness problem.

Now Biden is moving forward, with his next round of debt relief, with a handout to 277,000 borrowers to the tune of \$7.4 billion. But overall the plan for the Biden-Harris administration has approved nearly \$138 billion for student loan cancellations.

Hopefully, American voters are smart enough to know that the student loan debt cannot be canceled. The debt remains, and must be paid, of course by taxpayers, layering even more on to the U.S. deficit. And remember, the reason inflation is still high, is due to Biden's continued spending, to the tune of \$10 trillion.

And remember, it was his and Nancy Pelosi's Democrat party that voted for the so-called American Rescue Plan and Inflation Reduction Act, both of which did not receive one vote from Republican Congressional or Senate members.

And one more time a lesson in our representative form of government; only Congress has the power of the purse, and as Pelosi pointed out early on, "can forgive the student loan debt." The House and Senate did its job and passed legislation blocking Biden, even though he promised he would veto the bill.

Even though Joe's middle finger is now up in the air directed to 86% of American taxpayers (those who did not take out student loans), help is on the way, due to legal action by eleven state attorney general's.

Kansas Attorney General Kris Kobach and 10 other attorney generals have filed a lawsuit against President Biden's student loan forgiveness plan.

The states involved in the lawsuit include Alabama, Alaska, Idaho, Iowa,Louisiana, Montana, Nebraska, South Carolina, Texas, and Utah.

Kobach told reporters that "Not since the Civil War has a president told the Supreme Court,

Yeah, you blocked me but I'm gonna do it anyway.' Biden is trying to twist federal law once again, and his plan is just as illegal as the old plan."

"Last time Biden tried this the Supreme Court said this action was illegal. Nothing since has changed, other than introducing more legal errors, into this Rule's underlying analysis," the lawsuit reads.

Biden first ignored the Supreme Court's decision in February, when he forgave loans for 153,000 borrowers. Defendant Biden openly boasted about his defiance of the Supreme Court with this move, stating in Jacksonian fashion. "The Supreme Court blocked it. But that didn't stop me," the filing describes. Kobach said, "This lawsuit is now necessary to prevent Defendants from continuing to flout the law, which includes ignoring Supreme Court decisions."

It is obvious to all that this is a desperate move by Biden to buy the votes of young people and those whose education paved the way for high figure jobs, such as a college professor at about a \$400,000 a year salary.

But it will be hard working Americans, who did not go to college, paid their own way, some even working two jobs to do so. But if Joe should somehow get his way, it is the low and middle class workers, who may end up being the major donors to Biden's re-election campaign. And, No, political donations are not tax deductible.

Terry Gherardi





Gen Z is Not as Lost as You Might Think

PINION: Trump-Backing Teen Says

Post-Millennials Have Much At Stake

By Jordan Brace, March 25, 2024 4:01 pm

With the 2024 presidential elections getting closer by the day, I want to take some time to speak out about why I think it's important for my generation, Gen Z, to get involved in the political process. With an age range of 12-27, many of us can't even vote yet, but we can get involved in many other ways. I know there are a lot of negative impressions about my generation so I'm here to set the record straight.

When I look at the current conditions of our country, once the strongest and most respected nation on earth, it pains me and so many of my friends to see how broken it's become in many ways. I live in California so I have a front row seat to just how bad things have become.

While many aspects of our country are failing, I'm confident that it can be fixed and it's up to my generation to help do that. I sadly see so many kids that aren't aware of how critical it is to be the voices for our own futures.

We as Gen Z are the future so if we don't care, if we don't get involved what kind of country can we expect to have?

Our forefathers fought and died for our freedoms, our independence, our constitutional rights and the Democrats are trying to take those rights away from us every single day. I believe conservative values are loving and believing in God, family and country, in preserving life, in living by the constitution, in strong morals, ethics and basic values.

I and many of my friends were raised to know lying is a sin, that you always do the right thing even when it's not easy and those ideals, those values are what conservatives live by. I don't understand how we can get so far away from family, God and country and care more about something like TikTok when our futures are at stake.

I was 7 years old when I got interested in politics. Yes, you read that correctly! At a very early age I saw how Obama was dividing our country and making everything about race. I hated that.

By the time I was 8 I knew I wanted to become President of the United States one day and I knew this race division had to end.

I always loved President Trump and the conservative America First values he stood for and still stands for today. Conservatives don't see or judge based on race or religion, we care about what kind of person you are and your actions.

We care if you love our country, our Heroes and live with a belief in God rather than defying God as the Democrats do. I am a conservative because I love my family, God and country.

I believe in preserving life, there are only 2 genders, I honor my mom, all our Great Heroes and I appreciate all the sacrifices made to preserve the freedoms we are blessed to have in our Great Country.

I believe it's an honor to vote and it's up to all of us to be involved in shaping the future of our country. The Democrats today aren't Democrats, they are communists and we cannot give in to the socialist regime they want for our country. I believe in America First and protecting our great allies like Israel.

I am a proud Jewish American conservative, a proud President Trump supporter and I want to live in a country that I will hopefully represent one day as a Great President myself.

I want to live in a country where I will be proud to raise my kids someday. President Kennedy once said, "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country." I do believe he would be a Republican today.

In closing, I want the audience to know that the Gen Z generation is not as lost as you might think. We see what's happening and we aren't having it! I am a 16, almost 17 year old Gen Z conservative because I want to help make our country a better, safer and stronger place for our generation and all future generations. Fighting for the future of our country begins at home and it continues with love of country and the basic values and principles this great country was built on. Don't give up on my generation just yet, together we will make America great again!

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Editor's Note: Jordon Brace and her mother live in El Dorado Hills, and was the speaker at our El Dorado West Republican Women Federated March meeting. Young women like Jordon, and so many others like her, are what this next election is all about. It is our duty to ensure that they have the America that our Founders and fellow Republicans fought (Civil War) so hard to create.

Is Media Public Enemy # 1 When It Comes To The First Amendment?

In a recent Substack article, American political journalist, Michael Shellenberg, wrote that "Censorship Was All Much Worse Than He Thought," stating that over the last three years, we have come to learn of the role that our own government officials have played in demanding censorship by social media platforms. Some of this censorship," he added, "was overt, particularly as it related to COVID."

"However," said Shellenberger, "some of it was also done in secrecy, as we discovered in the Twitter files. Many of us thought that once we had uncovered the censorship, governments would be sufficiently embarrassed to stop doing it. And to some extent that has been the case."

He continued, "But now governments around the world are stepping up their effort to demand more censorship. Last week," he said, "the Federal Bureau of Investigation quietly announced it had resumed its outreach to social media companies. Scotland's Police could even investigate comedians under a new hate speech law if someone complains about a joke. Major media outlets are currently working with government-funded censorship activists at the University of Washington and Stanford Internet Cybersecurity to demand greater censorship in the case of 'Saving Democracy'."

Shellenberger added, "Without a doubt, those of us who have uncovered censorship have had an impact. On "60 Minutes" last month, the government funded advocates of censorship at the University of Washington said they have stopped demanding censorship of social media platforms. Simply drawing awareness to who is demanding censorship and who is funding them has weakened their power."

Shellenberger went on to say, "But governments, government-funded NGOs, and the news media have been relentless in their demands for a crackdown on speech they deem hateful and false. At the Supreme Court," he added, "Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson expressed unironic concern that the 'First Amendment restricts the government's ability to censor. And everyone from the New Yorker to the New York Times to NBC is suggesting that the only people

who are worried about the government censorship are Trump supporters, which is obviously false." said Michael Shellenberger.

"The 60 Minutes segment," he said, "was particularly shocking. Lesley Stahl never mentioned the mass censorship of accurate information about COVID's origins, COVID'S vaccines, and lockdowns. She falsely suggested that shining a light on the censorship activists was tantamount to persecution. And she suggested that if the government didn't do more to censor misinformation, Trump supporters would overthrow the government, which is a form of disinformation aimed at scaring people into getting up our first and most fundamental freedom," Schellenberg concluded.□

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In Case You Missed It.....Or The Headlines Read

Foreign Policy and Diplomacy

Has Biden United Our Adversaries?

"In March, the three countries of China, Russia and Iran kicked off a series of joint military drills in the Gulf of Oman, displaying their unified military might among ongoing terror attacks by Tehran's proxies on Western shipping vessels and military possessions.

Chinese Envoy Meets With Hamas

China's Ministry of Foreign Affairs envoy emphasized China's relationship with Hamas, in March, during the first meeting between a Chinese official and a Hamas leader since the terrorist group's October 7, attack on Israel.

"Israel Says It Intercepted Iranian Weapons Shipment Intended for Terrorists."

Israeli officials, in March, said they intercepted a massive shipment of advanced weapons from Iran to help Palestinian militants on the West Bank launch attacks against Israel. Weapons included 31 rocket propelled grenades, 50 handguns, grenade launchers, cluster bombs, anti-tank mines, and, tank shoulder missiles.

<u>Hamas Admits It May Not Have Enough Living Hostages For Ceasefire Deal With Israel.</u>

On April 10, in talks for a temporary ceasefire, with Hamas for the remaining hostages in Gaza, of which there are over 130, at least 36 of whom are dead. The deal on the table is for Hamas to free 40 civilian hostages, in exchange for a 6 week ceasefire and release of hundreds of Palestinian prisoners. But the terrorist group cannot guarantee it has enough living civilian hostages to release to meet the deal.

Major Focus of U.S. Intel Agency and Biden Admin. Is An Insult to Jewish and U.S. Citizens

To All Trump Supporters, Conservatives, Christians, Republicans: Just Think About This!!

The United State's top intelligence agency wants to ban its spies from using "biased language" including the terms "radical Islamic" and "jihadist," saying these terms "are hurtful to Muslim-Americans.

Republican House Bill Would Bar Biden From Spending Taxpayer Dollars on Diplomacy To Advance Iran Nuclear Deal.

Rep. Bob Good (R-VA) has introduced a bill, putting Iran's alliance with China center stage as both regimes work to implement a 25-year cooperation agreement worth \$400 billion.

Beijing has become a top buyer of Iranian heavily sanctioned Iranian crude oil, providing the hardline regime with billions in cash that is used to support terror proxy groups across the region. Illicit Iranian oil sales have brought in around \$90 billion in total since the Biden administration took office.

<u>Kim Jong Un Ramps Up Rhetoric, Threatens No. Korea's Enemies "With Deadly Blow" Despite Biden's Appeasement Attempts.</u>

Kim Jong Un delivered a speech at the Kim Jong II University of Military and Politics, reaffirming his goal of building the "world's largest army" and warning his enemies that hell awaits them. He also told the academy, "to make greater successes in education, so as to fill the different levels of the entire army with competent and versatile commanding officer's."

Kim made the speech the same day that President Biden reportedly appealed for Kim to accept a Japanese proposal for international talks. According to the Associated Press, Biden has "repeatedly expressed openness to talks with Kim since taking office in 2021, but has never received a response."

Kim, meanwhile has continued to act more and more aggressive, in stark contrast to how he'd acted with former President Donald Trump,

Meanwhile, Back At The Border

Democrats Demand Biden Fast Track Citizenship for Millions of Illegals

Nearly 20 U.S. Democrat Senators have called on Joe Biden to fast-track citizenship for millions of illegal immigrants residing in the U.S. They argue that those with no record of criminal acts and longstanding connections to the country should be allowed to quickly achieve lawful immigration status, disregarding their illegal entry into the U.S. is, in fact, a criminal act.

The senators proposed several recommendations, including "executive action."

<u>Biden Says His Next Supreme Court Justice Nominee "Will Be An Illegal Immigrant, I</u> Mean Undocumented"

In a rare back-and-forth with the media outside the White House, earlier this month, Biden told reporters, "If given the opportunity to nominate another justice to our nation's highest court, or if I change my mind about *expanding* the court, my next nominee will be the first

illegal immigrant ever nominated to the United States Supreme Court,"...Oops..."Sorry I meant to say undocumented. The next Supreme Court Justice on my Court will be an undocumented immigrant of color," Was that another Oops?

When Biden was at the border earlier this year, he used the term "Newcomer" to describe illegals.

Biden Funds Border Security for Foreign Countries, Excludes United States.

The recently proposed \$1.2 trillion budget bill allocates \$380 million for "enhanced border security" in Egypt, Lebanon, Oman, Tunisia, and Jordan.

Former Ice Field Office Director John Fabbricator condemned the foreign funding. While our border falls about, the Biden administration will be giving \$380 million dollars to other countries to secure their borders, he wrote on X, "That's right, you are being conned. Are you angry yet? Have you had enough?

Democrat Fundraising Platform Processing Donations For Illegal Bail Fund.

Act Blue, a Democrat fundraising platform, has reportedly been processing donations for the Black Immigrants Bail Fund – a project of the Haitian Bridge Alliance and the African Bureau for Immigration and Social Affairs.

These groups provide free assistance and relief to black immigrants in pursuit of "Liberation and Justice," and their goal is to end supposed "mass incarceration of black immigrants and level the playing field of equity in due process, transforming one life at a time." Adding, "We are not stopping until EVERY Black immigrant in ICE detention is FREE."

Editor's Note: Act Blue is the same fundraising platform, where millions of dollars in donations was collected for Black Lives Matter, during the 2020 Summer of Love Riots

<u>Every Democrat In The Senate Voted For Taxpayer Funded Plane Rides Bringing Migrants To U.S. Towns.</u>

Senator Bill Haggerty (R-Tenn) shined a light on President Joe Biden's party's unwillingness to curb the flow of illegal aliens into the country. This was in the wake of the Biden regime admitting flying 326,000 illegal immigrants secretly, to lessen border crossing numbers.

This is under the parole program that gives them benefits and work permits. Both President's Obama and Trump administrations, authorized this parole status to about 5,600 per year. The numbers for Biden are 800,000 in 2022, and 1.2 million in 2023, according to Senator Marsha Blacxkburn (R-Tenn).

On Capitol Hill, Senator Haggerty expressed his frustration: "Let me cut through the procedural

language here. I'm bringing forward a vote on a very simple question. Do you support American taxpayer dollars being used to fly illegal immigrants from countries like Venezuela and Haiti into America to be settled in towns and cities near you? If so, then vote against me. Vote no to preserve the practice of using taxpayer dollars to charter planes that have and import thousands of illegal aliens into your states.

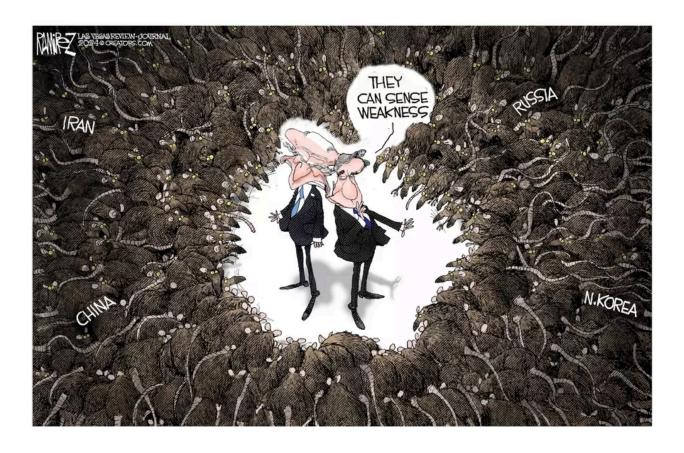
The vote was 51-47, with the amendment failing to pass.

This direct flight program is in addition to another one that gives the CBP One users a green light into the U.S. That program has brought in another 420,000 migrants from nearly 100 nations from May of 2021 through December of 2023. And remember, unlike U.S. citizens, illegal migrants are not required to show an ID to board and fly on an airplane, charter or not.

Editor's Note: At the time the "Being Right" newsletter was ready to be circulated, the attack by Iran on Israel was just getting under way. Prayers go out to all in Israel and our allies, our men and women who serve in our military, and to all Americans, as we face a world of the unknown.

But as I said when I wrote the very first article for this issue of our News Magazine, this is all about "Good versus Evil."

Terry Gherardi



71-Year-Old Woman Convicted For Praying In Capitol on January 6



Rebecca Lovrenz, known on social media as the "J6 Praying Grandma." was convicted last week of four federal misdemeanor charges charged by a D.C. Jury related to her participation at the Capitol on January 6.

The 71-year-old from Falcon, Colorado faces up to a year in prison and more than \$200,000 in fines.

According to federal court documents, Lovrenz's crimes were entering and remaining in a restricted building, or grounds,

disorderly conduct in a restricted area, disorderly conduct in the Capitol building, and parading, demonstrating, or picketing in the Capitol.

Lovrenz had been in the Capitol for about 10 minutes and was not accused of engaging in violence or destroying any property.

"God wanted it to turn out this way so my voice could be amplified. We have to wake up our country," Lavrenz said after her conviction.

"The deliberation was good because obviously at least one person on the jury was fighting for me, and many people have been convicted in the first hour," she continued.

"The whole reason I went to the Capitol was to pray," Lovrenz said. "I didn't get into this for myself, I was there to stand up for my country. God led me to go there and into the building to stand up for my first amendment rights to petition the government for a redress of grievances."

While in the Capitol, she "felt God's presence on me," s	sne said. L	
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The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

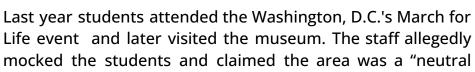
Philippians 4:5-7

Smithsonian Pays Settlement After Banning Christian Students

The Smithsonian Air Force and Space Museum has agreed to pay a \$50,000 payment after banning Christian students wearing pro-life apparel.

Students "were required to cover up their pro-life apparel, or leave the buildings, in violation of their free speech rights as protected by the First Amendment," the American Center for Law

and Justice (ACLJ) said. "Not long ago, the ACLJ achieved its first major victory against the National Archives in one of the cases we filed in support of those pro-lifers. Now we have achieved our second major victory, this time against the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum.





zone" where pro-life statements could not be expressed. Students were then removed from the Smithsonian.

As the students left the building, the employee "was rubbing his hands together in glee as they exited the building," the legal group wrote.

According to court documents, the Smithsonian will also "provide a private tour to be given by the director of the National Air and Space Museum, personal apologies, and the public dissemination of an 'after action' report that was conducted by the Smithsonian after the incident that occurred.

The museum will "further reiterate via a bulk distribution method to all security officers stationed at all Smithsonian museums open to the public and the National Zoological Park, the current Smithsonian policy regarding the wearing of hats or other types of clothing with messages, including religious or political speech."

ACLJ noted that the case is one of the "largest reported settlements ever against the federal government in a First Amendment case." \Box

Terry Gherardi

All Three Freedom's Are Under Siege, Speech, Religion and Press

Biden Just Imposed The Largest Fine Ever on a Christian School

The Biden administration has imposed a record fine of \$37.7 million on **Grand Canyon University (GCU)** which has experienced significant growth and success. Grand Canyon College is a Christian college.



The Department of Education's penalty is notably larger than fines imposed on schools involved in serious criminal cases.

The government's actions are seen as targeting institutions that don't align with public government run school ideology.

GCU has been accused of violating federal disclosure laws, but the motivation behind the fine appears to be punitive, rather than evidence-based.

The government alleged that the university violated disclosure laws by insufficiently disclosing to PhD students that they may have to take continuing courses while completing their doctoral dissertations.

The Goldwater Institute has sought transparency on the matter and intends to sue for disclosure if necessary.

Despite the challenges, GCU continues to provide innovative and affordable education, standing up against what is perceived as an assault on higher education.

Elementary School Denies Prayer Club, Welcomes Pride Club

A Washington elementary school has been accused of violating two students' First Amendment rights after it denied them their request to create a prayer club.

The principal told one of the students that the process of creating clubs ended in October. But despite the claim, the school permitted a Pride Club to be formed the same month the two students requested to establish an interfaith prayer club.



First Liberty Institute sent a letter to Creekside Elementary School saying that the students, referred to as L.A.W. And J.W. "have friends from many different faiths who feel marginalized."

"L.A.W. has had an especially difficult experience as a religious student in fifth grade. Because of her experience, L.A.W. And J.W. Decided to start an interfaith prayer club so students like her could have a place after school where they feel safe and welcome, and where they can bring other students to serve their community," First Liberty Institute wrote, "The club would be open to all students, regardless of their faith background, and L.A.W. And J.W. Have many ideas for club activities, including prayer, and do community service."

The school principal told L.A.W. That she could not have an interfaith prayer club, but could "fill out an application to pay to use the school after school, I would allow that."



"Denying the formation of a religious club while allowing other clubs violates the Constitution," said Associate Counsel at First Liberty Institute Kayla Toney, "School officials at Creekside Elementary are engaged in religious discrimination against an eleven-year-old girl who simply wants to pray, feel support from other friends, and do community service."

In her letter to the school Toney referenced the eight-year battle, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled on in the case of also a Washington state high school football coach, Kennedy, where the court ruled that students and staff can pray at school—and to prohibit them violates the First Amendment.

In the court's decision, Judge Neil Gorsuch stated, "the best of our traditions counsel mutual respect and tolerance not censorship and suppression, for religious and nonreligious views alike."

In the letter, Toney wrote"Where the Free Enterprise Clause protects religious exercises, whether communicative or not, the Free Speech Clause protects overlapping protection for expressive religious activities," The result is that the First Amendment thereby protects religious speech."

Terry Gherardi Source American Faith

The California Elitists-Marxists Are Taking No Prisoners

One thing we can now rely on to be true, is that Biden and Newsom are already lining up an army of Climate Soldiers, and bureaucrats to protect California and the nation against a second Trump administration.

Biden has been very clear, since the first days of his campaign, that he was going to shut down the United States oil and gas energy industry, while with California's visible meltdown, the elitist leftist Governor Newsom is focused on climate change.

A message to Republicans or those who have "Had Enough" of the Word Police. Do not call Newsom or other Democrats Progressives. They are anything but pro-progress in the positive sense.

And as far as "Climate Change", start calling it what it is, it's called "Weather.", and it is time that they start "following the science."

Newsom and his kingdom have a lot to be worried about, since he decided to put himself in the spotlight, by putting his nose in other states, traveling the world, and having a love fest with Joe Biden, as his number one surrogate.

The wantabe President Newsom has been to the White House, when Joe Biden wasn't home. He went to Israel, and China, where he stated that. "California could learn a lot from China." I am sure, Joe Biden has also educated him about the benefits one can reap from the Chinese Communist Party as well.

Remember when Newsom rolled out the red carpet for President XI, and cleaned up San Francisco, by moving the homeless vagrants to Oakland, along with their public toilets and street camps. This he did for the Communist Party, but not for the people who live and operate businesses whose tax dollars pay for his salary and the likes of Senator Scott Weiner (SF-D), who offer no return on your investment.

Did you know that Newsom did the same at Levi stadium in Santa Clara County, by moving the homeless out of sight, when the 49ers had a big game. The same occurred by the Hollywood crowd, during COVID, when they put the homeless in expensive Los Angeles hotels, to hide them from the celebrities and media during the Academy Awards show.

Remember, as well, it was California, where a bio-lab was discovered, and as we speak, thousands of Chinese adult men flood our border near San Diego.

So, while Newsom and his administration are imploding over the possibility of Trump being elected and rolling back left-wing policies. What most Californian's and those in other states are questioning and focused on is California's \$73 billion budget deficit. Also of great concern, California ranks dead last in the nation's job growth, has over 200,000 homeless zombies, has out of control crime and rampant drug use that is taking over its cities.

What also continues to grow, is a long list of failings by Newsom and his friends in the state legislature, who have done nothing to improve the golden state's financial numbers, not to mention secure infrastructure for water and electricity. Remember this is the second year in a row that Newsom's administration has had a budget deficit, with \$31.5 billion in 2023, and more than double that amount this year.

As Katy Grimes stated in the California Globe, "California officials are dusting off the playbook that made them a bulwark against former President Donald Trump from 2016-2020."

She added, "From the elite leftist media, to elite leftist politicians, Democrats openly show their contempt for the people and the working class."

According to Politico, Trump campaign officials have been up front about their plan to attack California policies, that the state's electric vehicle programs would be a top target.

And once again, please people, do not be silent and remember to tell people that your Congressional and State Legislators did not legislate any of the climate hoax policies. And, stop calling them mandates. These policies and regulations were dictated by Newsom and his non-elected boards, councils, or committees, of bureaucrats.

While the Trump campaign officials address California's draconian worst-in-the-nation climate change regulations, costing taxpayers billions, and amount to nothing more than climate woo-woo conferences and round table discussions – and state funding funneled to connected elitist and also leftist NGO's and nonprofits.

"Under President Donald J. Trump's leadership, the United States became the number one producer of oil and natural gas on earth, achieving American energy independence and delivering historically low costs for oil, gas, diesel, and electricity to consumers and businesses," Trump says.

When President Trump left office, the average price of gas in the United States was \$2.39 a gallon. In California, drivers pay about \$1.50 more per gallon, thanks to regulations and increasing taxes every year. Thanks to Brown, Newsom and again the Democrats/Marxists in the State Legislature who pushed and lied about Proposition 6 (Gas Tax) on voters in 2018. Today, the national average price is \$3.63 a gallon. In California it is once again around \$5 a gallon and climbing.

Climate Change is the Marxist's "gaslighting" tool used to distract you from all the dollars wasted, lies told, the \$24 billion spent on the homeless problem with no resolver, again another record budget deficit, number one in unemployment, number one for most unfriendly to business, and worst of all ranks number 50 in education. And, don't forget California took the lead (first state to do so), in being

a sanctuary for illegal aliens and for minor children who seek gender affirming care and medications, plus abortions, without the knowledge of parents.

Now, Newsom is once more in America's media spotlight, due to his failure to heed warnings about how disastrous the \$20 fast food minimum wage would be by his billionaire Panera Bread owner friend. But he signed the bill into law anyway. Fast food restaurants began laying off employees, before the April 1, effective date. And now he's chosen his favorites in the fast food industry by exempting high-cost locations: airports, hotels, event centers., casinos, while ignoring the small franchise owners who will be forced to pay the \$20 minimum wage, which is a 25% increase, for what are usually mom and pop operations.

This is a clear attack on the middle class, and continues to grow. The far left wing of the Democrat party, are no friends to small businesses, middle class Americans, and certainly not to those who want to work their way out of poverty.

It is time to ask why Newsom is allowed to make agreements with foreign countries like China? Former Governor Brown did the same. But Newsom took it further, by agreeing with China "to refine cap-and-trade markets, decarbonize industry, promote biodiversity and transition to zero-emission vehicles."

Newsom needs to be challenged. It is my understanding that states cannot make agreements with foreign governments, as well it would appear that Newsom thinks the state can print money like the federal government, and keep on spending our children's and their children's future into oblivion,

And, what is becoming more and more commonplace, when it comes to one party rule blue states, and the Biden administration, is that illegals come first, at no concern for the cost to American citizens, and that of veterans and those who serve.

Every citizen better wake up, wake up, because it does not matter what political party you are affiliated with, your color, your race, your faith, or your gender, when it comes to their agenda and quest for power, they will take no prisoners.

Californian's also need to question: "What's up with Newsom and the Chinese Communist Party?

California's governor is the poster child for Elitism, Narcissism, and Totalitarianism.

It is way past the time to Recall Gavin Newsom and Vote his buddies in the State Legislature, out of office. \Box

Terry Gherardi and California Globe

There Is Good Reason for Another Recall

If you thought there was a good reason to **Recall Gavin Newsom** the first time, the reasons have grown tenfold, since then, as there should be for most of the Democrats or what Newsom calls his Progressives in the State Legislature.

So What Is New Under The Dome In Sacramento?

Yes, we still have a **\$73 billion dollar deficit**, but as we speak, more and more evidence is coming forward that incompetence and deceit reigns in those top offices of our state government.

And it does not take a rocket scientist to know that if you continue to be dubbed in the Nation:

- The Most Business Unfriendly State
- Highest Taxes
- Highest Gas Prices
- High Housing
- High Energy Prices

...you can pretty much count on losing a large number of businesses and the wealthy who contribute to your state's tax base.

And here is a perfect example of the insanity of those, of whom I speak. Again the California deficit is \$73 billion and growing and Newsom and his Sacramento Progressive Democrats will be cutting funds for schools, roads, fixing or making bridges safer, and public safety overall. But Hollywood billionaires will be getting \$152 million, so they can make bigger profits.

Taxpayers will be funding **\$152 million** in tax credits to 12 television projects through its state's Film and Television Tax Credit Protection. The Governor claims that the 12 shows are projected to bring in more than \$1.1 billion to the state's economy, along with jobs. Hopefully, this is not another ploy, such as that supposed surplus Newsom claimed we had, just before he announced last year's deficit of \$31.5 billion.

And hold on to your wallet, **they're back! Reparations**. As you know, Newsom's and his Reparations task force received a lot of backlash from those who pay taxes and did not like looking at the possibility of shelling out what could be millions, in lump sums to those who might be a descendant of a slave, even though California since its first day of statehood was a free state.

But Assemblyman Reggie Jones-Sawyer, who has one of the proposed 12 reparation bills, feels he might have a more acceptable plan. Reggie wants consumers to pay a tax on those buying wine, olives, cane sugar, rice, coffee, cotton, and any other goods linked to the trans-Atlantic trade.

The funds from your taxes on top of already high food prices, would go toward helping them cover housing loans or pay any tuition. Yes, that's right in a state that has the highest housing prices, not to mention, insurance, highest electricity rates (remember "All Electric" is coming if Newsom and his activists have their way). Not to mention when it comes to college tuition, where California colleges want to again raise tuition amounts.

The rate of the tax is not specified and if passed, the bill would go into effect in July of 2025, at a sale's point of purchase.

In the past, the Reparations Task Force proposed a \$1.2 million payout to Black residents.

And if you thought that was insane, here's more from your elected: There is also a bill to create a new State Agency, the California American Freedom Affairs Agency to assist Californian's with any approved reparations programs. Senate Bill 1403, authored by Senator Steven Bradford (D-Gardena), passed in the Senate Judiciary Committee last week with a vote of 8-1, with 2 abstentions.

Then There's This:

Does the legislature have so much time on their hands that they feel compelled to look for an issue that needs a bill? Assembly member Matt Haney, (D-San Fran), introduced a proposed California law to create a right-to-disconnect that guarantees employees uninterrupted after work personal and family time, free from calls from the boss.

Again, I say, please, stay out of my business, get off my lawn, stay out of my garage and my kitchen, etc.

There is **Some Good News**, from Republican Senator Shannon Grove, who has introduced Senate Bill 1203,, which enacts the Education Flex Act, which would establish a fund that would authorize certain children eligible to be enrolled in K-12 to establish a Special Education Flex Account.

This is basically another attempt for school choice, which is so desperately needed in this state, and would probably be less costly, while at the same time assist in reversing California's students' failing test scores.

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Trouble In Dam Removal Paradise Kiewit Has Pulled-Out of Klamath River Dam Project



KRRC contractors dumping hundreds of tons of polluting sediments into Jenny Creek, which empties into the Klamath River. (Photo: Bieke Lieckens)

April 9 Letter from FERC to KRRC, '... Kiewit has aborted the Iron Gate Development drilling program in its entirety...'

This is part of a series about the Klamath Dam Removal project in Siskiyou County.

The removal of dams along the Klamath River in Siskiyou County, Northern California was sold as necessary to save salmon – specifically, "to restore habitat for endangered fish."

The dams are part of the <u>Klamath project</u>, a series of seven dams built in the 1910's and 1920's in the Klamath Basin to bring electricity and agricultural water mitigation for Southern Oregon and Northern California, the Globe <u>reported</u> in 2020. However, in recent years, concerns over the dams' effect on the wildlife and fishing industry have been raised, especially regarding claims of <u>fish facing extinction</u> because of the dams.

According to an April 9th Letter from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to Klamath River Renewal Corporation, "... Kiewit has aborted the Iron Gate Development drilling program in its entirety..."

An old NASA phrase comes to mind... Houston, we have a problem!

In a letter dated April 9, 2024 from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ('FERC'), Office of Energy Projects to Mark Bransom, CEO of the Klamath River Renewal Corporation ('KRRC'), FERC stated the following in Item 6 of their Letter (attached PDF):

6. According to Mr. Sean liams' March 27, 2024 email to Ms. Elisabeth Jacquot-Matt of this office, Kiewit has aborted the Iron Gate Development drilling program in its entirety negating the requirement for the DPP. Therefore, we will not provide comments on the DPP. We remind you

that you may not proceed with exploratory drilling in any of the project embankments without prior authorization from this office

In the concluding paragraph of the April 9th Letter from FERC to KRRC, FERC said:

"We cannot authorize the Iron Gate Dam removal at this time based on the above comments."

Maybe the engineering report from Stephen Koshy about the dangers of decommissioning a "clay-core" dam might have finally come to light, and may have some folks worried! It would make sense that the insurance underwriters on this project are starting to get really nervous about this ill-fated project.

And I am certain that the states of California and Oregon need to be worried, since they are on the hook for all cost overruns as well as liabilities on the Klamath Dam Removal project, according to an order by FERC.

Earthen dam engineer Stephen Koshy has written a Letter (attached PDF) to FERC and other agencies offering a grave warning. Maybe the insurance underwriters for project contractor Kiewit have new concerns?

(Please Note: It seems that Google and or some cooperating agencies have disabled and scrubbed links to the Koshy Letter that is attached to this article as a PDF)... WHY?

Here is an excerpt from dam engineer Stephen Koshy's Letter (attached PDF) to various agencies and the County of Siskiyou CA:

This is an engineering issue; not a political issue. The consultants made an error and BOR engineers misinformed the rest. You could demand from the BOR a response to my observations. A soul search, a departmental enquiry and a Congressional enquiry will be in order.

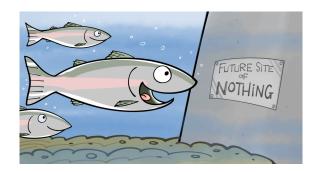
The decision makers will never determine to remove the dams if they are otherwise correctly informed. It is critical to inform the Honorable Governors of California and Oregon, the Honorable Secretary DOI, the Honorable Secretary DOE, the Honorable Senators of California and Oregon, the Honorable Congressmen and the Honorable elected officials from the area, and the public. As a Civil servant all my life, I feel compelled to intercede and correct a catastrophic error of epic dimensions.

And:

The "clay", after decades below water, develops high pore pressure (pressure of water between its microscopic clay particles). Any attempt to breach an <u>earth</u> dam, with its clay in such condition is unsafe. When the breach nears the clay's saturation level, the clay will yield to the Gravel's pressure, and the dam will collapse catastrophically. It is a certainty, not a probable event.

In the forgoing dam collapse scenario, over a million tons of mud-gravel and rock debris would move down the Klamath River covering the river bank and properties, including homes. The loss of life would be significant!

Source - CA Globe



COST OF SURGE ON CALIFORNIA BORDER

California is now the state that is number three, when it comes to the number of illegal migrants crossing the Border, that include many Chinese military age males.



Newsom has budgeted \$300 billion to fund medicaid insurance for about 700,000 current illegals, but obviously that number will probably grow.

Now we live in the state with the highest taxes, homeless population, highest poverty, gas prices, and on and on. And, according to what I have read, about 59% of migrants in the United States are on some kind of public assistance. In Germany, which was invaded by migrants way before Biden took office, 60% of welfare recipients are from migrant backgrounds.

Latest surveys show that 22% of Americans are skipping meals so they can pay for housing, while as you read,

illegals are staying in \$300 a night hotel rooms, receiving laundry service.

In New York, some schools are overcrowded with illegal migrants, having to also learn English, and relying on assistance from their American classmates. At a time when children are still trying to overcome their learning losses. In California, students are failing in math and reading.

All must get involved in some way or another in this election. The Recall of Newsom, has given us an opportunity to get out in front of voters and share our knowledge about Newsom and those in our state legislature, who want to gut your property tax protection. This at a time when both your house and car insurance costs have gone up about 25%.

Yes, this is all bad news, but you need to reach out to all you know, and have them do the same. This is the year that all must be involved in this election, even if it is just talking to someone in the grocery store, calling friends and families, sitting down with your children or grandchildren, who are going to spend their lifetime paying for the policies of the worst President in our history. \Box

Terry Gherardi

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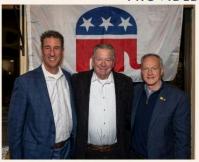
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Guest Speaker

Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association

Scott Kaufman

Legislative Director for the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association,
California's leading taxpayer organization. He previously served as the
Education and Workforce Development Task Force director at the American
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News Group Scott is a fifth-generation Californian and baseball purist. He
thinks there should be a constitutional amendment banning the designated hitter.

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You're cordially invited to join El Dorado West Republican Women, Federated. Our mission is to provide a forum for all women to be key participants at the political table on national, state and local issues. Our members are dedicated volunteers, networking collectively to educate and empower Republican women locally in California and the USA. As part of the National Federation of Republican Women, we are a sisterhood working together to further Republican values and improve government. Join us today by completing and mailing this form and applicable fees below. *Your participation makes a difference*.

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