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TRUMP APPLAUDS ASTRONAUTS LAUNCH INTO SPACE FROM U.S. SOIL

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK:
MY TWO CENTS
By Stuart Gorin



Now that things are somewhat returning to normal, it is time again to focus on the upcoming election. Barbara and I are among the enthusiastic supporters joining the President in calling for the re-election of our Florida Congressman Bill Posey.

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Several years ago at a Media Research Center event, we had the good fortune to meet and have our picture taken with the former Navy Seal hero who killed Osama bin Laden. Now, **Rob O'Neill** has had a wonderful message for the protesters and rioters following the tragic death of George Floyd at the knee of a Minneapolis policeman. After watching the violence on TV, Rob wrote on social media: "Un. Believable. I cannot believe I fought to defend you."

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Seeing the violence in a different light, however, were Tweedledum and Tweedledee – otherwise known as Chuck Schumer and Nancy Pelosi – who claimed instead that the President was "ripping our country apart."

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Former Minneapolis policeman Derek Chauvin, whose knee on the neck caused the death of George Floyd, leading to nationwide protests and vandalism, reportedly had 18 prior complaints filed against him with the Police Department's Office of Internal Affairs. He also was one of more than a dozen officers accused of killing civilians. The state's then top prosecutor declined to press charges against any of the officers but did routinely seek longer-than-recommended sentences for smaller offenses, such as vandalism. That former prosecutor? Oh, yes, it's now-Senator Amy Klobuchar.

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After a nine-year wait – including a three-day weather delay – Elon Musk's SpaceX company successfully launched two American astronauts into space from U.S. soil on May 30, as thousands cheered on the ground at and near the Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, Florida.



Nine minutes after liftoff, the Falcon 9 rocket's first-stage booster landed, as designed, on a barge a few hundred miles off the Florida coast, and three minutes after that, the Crew Dragon capsule successfully separated from the rocket's upper stage for the 19-hour flight to the International Space Station. The launch site, Pad 39A, was the site for the last U.S.-based crewed mission – the final space shuttle program in 2011.

President Trump, who flew from Washington for a first-hand look at the take-off, led the cheering, telling the assembled crowd on the ground that this is "a new era for U.S. spaceflight and exploration," and a "great and exciting day for all America and space." Praising the partnership between SpaceX and NASA – which meant the United States no longer has to depend on paying Russia millions of dollars to transport our astronauts to the orbiting International Space Station (ISS) – the President said it has resulted in dramatic cost savings for our space ambitions.

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In addition to destroying businesses, the Black Lives Matter rioters also are vandalizing statues and memorials across America. That included Boston's tribute to the 54th Regiment in the Civil War. If the rioters knew how to read, they might have noticed that the 54th was a pioneering group of Black soldiers marching into battle. They mattered.

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Kudos to the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE) for calling on UCLA to immediately reinstate long-time business school professor Gordon Klein, who was put on mandatory leave for declining to alter his final exam schedule and grading policies for black students during the protests surrounding George Floyd's killing. A petition signed by 20,000 students demanded Klein's firing for not ensuring the exam would only help a student's grade. But FIRE pointed out to school officials that as a public institution, it is "bound by both the First Amendment and the laudable promises of academic freedom it makes to its faculty members."

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The letter "E" instead of "U"

Is the right thing to do.

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If Willard "Mittens" Romney didn't attack every move made by President Trump, the poor man would not have anything to do. His latest effort was to endorse the Dems' "vote by mail" scam. Here's a suggestion, Senator, use your time to support the citizens of Utah who elected you, and stop using it to oppose the President.

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Hearing New Orleans Saints Quarterback Drew Brees apologize for his patriotism because of left-wing back-lash was sickening. One more reason that if and when the NFL plays again, I will continue to boycott the disrespectful kneeling blockheads.

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I just learned that after 130 years, the Aunt Jemima brand and logo are being retired, because "its origins are based on a racial stereotype." Wow, I grew up loving Aunt Jemima pancakes. In reaction, the "Louder With Crowder" writer named Brodigan responded tongue-in-cheek: "We did it, everyone. We fixed racism. After all these years and all these attempts, racism is gone. Celebrities couldn't do it. Influencers couldn't do it. It took the strength, the bravery, and the true grit of a corporation to stand up and say it was time. We're canceling Aunt Jemima. After 130 years, finally this national embarrassment can be put behind us and we can finally work toward racial understanding." Hey, Quaker Foods, how about putting the face of an elderly white woman on the pancake mix boxes, and call it "Aunt Jenny"?

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More Two Cents next month.



Highlighting other space accomplishments by his administration, Trump referred to the re-establishment of the National Space Council after being disbanded in 1993, and the creation of the Space Force – the first new branch of the U.S. military in more than 70 years. He also said NASA is "the greatest space agency of its kind anywhere in the world and will get greater and greater for years to come," promising to go back to the moon, and then on to Mars. The President also credited Musk, the SpaceX CEO and founder, as "the real hero – who truly embodies the American ethos of big thinking and risk taking."

Trump and **Vice President Mike Pence** were accompanied on their Air Force One flight by a number of government officials, including **Florida Congressman Bill Posey**, whose 8th District includes Cape Canaveral. **Florida Governor Ron DeSantis** also was on hand, as were current and former astronauts.



Following their overnight flight on the SpaceX Crew Dragon capsule, NASA Astronauts **Bob Behnken** and **Doug Hurley** docked at the ISS and were greeted by current occupants **Astronaut Chris Cassidy** and Cosmonauts Anatoly Ivanishin and Ivan Vagner. Before returning home, the newcomers can now stay and work in space for up to 110 days.

The \$150 billion ISS orbits about 250 miles above the Earth. It is larger in size than a football field and weighs more than 900,000 pounds.

ELECTION QUALIFYING IN BREVARD COUNTY

As the qualifying period to be placed on the Brevard County ballot ended on June 12, three Republican constitutional officers to automatically won re-election for another four years as they had no opposition.

It will be the fourth consecutive term for **Property Appraiser Dana Blickley**, **Tax Collector Lisa Cullen** and **Supervisor of Elections Lori Scott**. While they all faced initial opposition in 2008, their subsequent re-elections were all unanimous.

In the race to succeed retiring **Clerk of Courts Scott Ellis**, the branch manager of the clerk's Viera office – Republican **Rachel Sadoff** – was automatically elected when another candidate for the position failed to qualify to be on the ballot. Sadoff, who becomes the county's first female clerk of courts, said one of her first priorities will be continuing the efficiency and accuracy of the clerk's office, and introducing a new case management system."

Two of the four Republican members of the Florida State Legislature will face party opponents in the August 18 Primary Election. In District 52, **Representative Thad Altman** is being challenged by **Matt Nye**, the national chairman of the Republican Liberty Caucus; and in District 53, **Representative Randy Fine**'s Republican opponent is businesswoman **Marcelle Adkins**.

One of the five Republicans on the Brevard County Commission has a primary opponent this year – **District 3 Commissioner John Tobia** is being challenged by the Republican Mayor of Melbourne – **Kathy Meehan**.



The BREC Corner By Chairman Rick Lacey

Our first-ever on-line meeting of the Brevard Republican Executive Committee, on June 10, was conducted by Zoom, and with a large number of members signing in, the

event has to be considered a success.

We opened with a call for prayers for **Precinct Committeeman Mike Wilson**, who is recuperating in the hospital following heart issues, and for our late friend, homeless veterans champion **George Taylor**, who passed away last month.

BREC officers then presented their reports. Since the Lincoln-Reagan Dinner had to be canceled due to the coronavirus pandemic, **Treasurer Sharon Rose** made a special appeal for donations to help with our campaigns to elect and re-elect our great Republican team of candidates. Donations of any amount would be greatly appreciated and may be sent to BREC Headquarters at P.O. Box 410153, Melbourne, FL 32941.

One race in particular is critically important – we need to re-elect **Tina Descovich** to the School Board District 3 seat. It is

important to note that the Republican Majority on the non-partisan School Board is at stake.

Secretary Paul Oddo announced that the BREC current roster numbers 188 members. This year, all Committee terms are up for election in the August 18th Primary.

Vice Chair Mark Hutchins announced upcoming events, including an Open House on July 4 from 11:30 to 3:30 at the Trump Support Center on U.S. 1. There will be a Hobnob and Straw Poll on July 3 at the Hilton Rialto in Melbourne. Both of these events have free admission.

The Friends of **Bill Posey** will host a fundraiser on July 7 at 5 pm at the Institute of Military Technology in Titusville. Enjoy dinner and view rooms filled with weapons and military vehicles never before opened to the public. Please join the Trump Girls on July 11 at 1:30-3:30 pm, with Special Guest **Jessie Jane Duff**, a member of the Women for Trump Advisory Board and a retired U.S. Marine Corps Gunnery Sergeant. This event will be held at the Space Coast Convention Center in Cocoa. Also, **Barbara Fine**, President of the North Brevard Republican Club, invites everyone to their meeting on July 21 at 7 pm at the Police Hall of Fame in Titusville.

Ellie Manov, Chairman of Congressional District 8 Caucus for the Republican Party of Florida, announced the election results for Delegates and Alternates to the Republican National Convention in Jacksonville. **State Committeeman Mike Thomas** and **BREC Chairman Rick Lacey** from Brevard County, and **Jay Kramer** from Indian River County were elected Delegates, and **Ruth Waters** from Brevard and **Pat Stelz** and **Val Zudans** from Indian River were elected Alternate Delegates. The dates of the Convention are August 24-27

Finally, Brevard welcomed **Florida Governor Ron DeSantis** on June 11th as he announced that the National AAU (Amateur Athletics Union) selected Brevard County for their event.

Eighth District Congressman Bill Posey, **State Senators Debbie Mayfield** and **Tom Wright**, and I – along with several other elected officials – joined the Governor for this major announcement.



THE 10 MOST DESTRUCTIVE AMERICANS OF THE LAST 80 YEARS

By retired U.S. Army Intelligence Officer Frank Hawkins



“Today, America is a bitterly divided, poorly educated, and morally fragile society with so-called mainstream politicians pushing cynical identity politics, socialism, and open borders. The president of the United States has been threatened with impeachment because the other side doesn’t like him. The once reasonably unbiased American media has evolved into a hysterical left wing mob.

Here’s my list of the 10 most destructive Americans of the last 80 years:

10) Mark Felt – Deputy director of the FBI, aka “Deep Throat” during the Watergate scandal. This was the first public instance of a senior FBI official directly interfering in America’s political affairs. He was the forerunner of James Comey, Peter Strzok, Lisa Page, and Andrew McCabe.

9) Bill Ayers – Represents the deep and ongoing leftist ideological damage to our education system. An unrepentant American terrorist who evaded punishment, he devoted his career to radicalizing American education and pushing leftist causes. Ghost wrote Obama’s book, “Dreams From My Father.”

8) Teddy Kennedy – Most folks remember Teddy as the guy who left Mary Joe Kopechne to die in his car at Chappaquiddick. The real damage came after he avoided punishment for her death and became a major Democrat force in the U.S. Senate, pushing through transformative liberal policies in health care and education.

7) Walter Cronkite – A much beloved network anchor who began the politicization of America’s news media with his infamous broadcast from Vietnam that described the Tet Offensive as a major victory for the Communists and significantly turned the gullible American public against the Vietnam War. Decades later, Cronkite admitted he got the story wrong. But it was too late – the damage was done.

6) Bill and Hillary Clinton – It’s difficult to separate Team Clinton. Bill’s presidency was largely benign as he was a relative fiscal conservative who rode the remaining benefits of the Reagan era. But his sexual exploits badly stained the Oval Office and negatively affected America’s perception of the presidency. In exchange for financial support, he facilitated the transfer of sensitive military technology to the Chinese. Hillary, a Saul Alinsky acolyte, is one of the most vicious politicians of my lifetime, covering up Bill’s sexual assaults by harassing and insulting the exploited women and peddling influence around the globe in exchange for funds for the corrupt Clinton Foundation. She signed off on the sale of 20% of the U.S. uranium reserve to the Russians after Bill received a \$500,000 speaking fee in Moscow and the foundation (which supported the Clinton’s regal lifestyle) received hundreds of millions of dollars from those who

benefited from the deal. Between them, they killed any honor that might have existed in the dark halls of D.C.

5) Valerie Jarrett – The Rasputin of the Obama administration. A Red Diaper baby, her father, maternal grandfather and father-in-law (Vernon Jarrett who was a close friend and ally of Obama mentor Frank Marshall Davis) were hardcore Communists under investigation by the U.S. Government. She has been in Obama’s ear for his entire political career, pushing a strong anti-American, Islamist, anti-Israeli, socialist/communist, cling-to-power agenda.

4) Jimmy Carter – He ignited modern day radical Islam by abandoning the Shah and paving the way for Ayatollah Khomeini to take power in Tehran. Iran subsequently became the main state sponsor and promoter of international Islamic terrorism. When Islamists took over our embassy in Tehran, Carter was too weak to effectively respond thus strengthening the rule of the radical Islamic mullahs.

3) Lyndon Johnson – He turned the Vietnam conflict into a major war for America. It could have ended early if he had listened to the generals instead of automaker Robert McNamara. The ultimate result was: 58,000 American military deaths and collaterally tens of thousands of American lives damaged; and a war that badly divided America and created left wing groups that evaded the draft and eventually gained control of our education system. Even worse, his so-called War on Poverty led to the destruction of American black families with a significant escalation of welfare and policies designed to keep poor families dependent on the government (and voting Democrat) for their well-being. He deliberately created a racial holocaust that is still burning today.

2) Barack Hussein Obama – He set up America for a final defeat and stealth conversion from a free market society to socialism/communism. As we get deeper into the Trump presidency, we learn more each day about how Obama politicized and compromised key government agencies, most prominently the FBI, the CIA and the IRS, thus thoroughly shaking the public’s confidence in the federal government to be fair and unbiased in its activities. He significantly set back race and other relations between Americans by stoking black grievances and pushing radical identity politics. His blatant attempt to interfere in Israel’s election trying to unseat Prime Minister Netanyahu is one of the most shameful things ever done by an American president.

1) John Kerry – I regard him as the most despicable American who ever lived. After his three faked Purple Hearts during his cowardly service in Vietnam, he was able to leave the U.S. Navy early. As a reserve naval officer and in clear violation of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, he traveled to Paris and met privately with the NVA and the Viet Cong. He returned to the United States parroting the Soviet party line about the war and testified before Congress comparing American soldiers to the hordes of Genghis Khan. It was a clear case of treason, giving aid and comfort to the enemy in a time of war. We got a second bite of the bitter Kerry apple when as Obama’s secretary of state, he fell into bed with the Iranian (“Death to America”) mullahs,

giving them the ultimate green light to develop nuclear weapons along with billions of dollars that further supported their terrorist activities. Only the heroic Swift Vets saved us from a Manchurian Candidate Kerry presidency. Ultimately we got Obama.

Dishonorable Mentions (just missed the list) – Former CIA Director John Brennan; actress Jane Fonda; entertainers Jimmy Hendrix and Janis Joplin; BET head Robert Johnson; New York Times head Arthur Ochs Sulzberger, Jr.; Obama mentor Frank Marshall Davis; and left-wing billionaire George Soros.

AUDACITY AND IDIOCY

Here are this month's "winners":

--Daughters. In the wake of nation-wide riots over the death of a man at the hands (and knee) of a Minneapolis police officer (since fired and arrested), while Minnesota Governor Tim Walz called for calm, his daughter Hope, a radicalized leftist, was busy on social media advising rioters about the location of National Guard troops, and otherwise assisting them in continuing their reign of terror. And in New York City, Chiara de Blasio, the daughter of Mayor Bill de Blasio, was among 345 protesters arrested for unlawful assembly – refusing to leave a roadway when advised by police. Shockingly (or not), the Mayor's reaction was that he was "so proud" of his daughter for being arrested.

--Democrat Virginia State Senator Louise Lucas, for ordering police in Portsmouth, Virginia, to "stand down" and allow rioting protesters to destroy statues and "any other city property they felt compelled to destroy." Shortly after her asinine and idiotic comments, with a confederate statue being pulled to the ground as crowds cheered, the statue fell on one of the protesters, splitting open his skull. That is when the police intervened, and the latest report had him hospitalized in a medically-induced coma.

--Leftist NPR political correspondent Mara Liasson – while we honored the memory of the American and allied World War II soldiers who landed on the beaches of Normandy on D-Day – for disgustingly comparing their valor to the Antifa thugs, calling the Normandy battle "the biggest Antifa rally in history."

--University of Alabama Professor Sarah Parcak – a specialist in ancient architecture – for launching a series of tweets instructing rioters on how to successfully pull down monuments. Noting that she is an expert on obelisks – the Washington Monument is one – Parcak added that such a symbol "might be masquerading as a racist monument."

--Socialist New York Congresswoman Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, for not only spreading the lie that "white supremacists" are responsible for the violence and riots throughout the country in the wake of the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis, she also used Instagram to give tips on how to participate in "protests."

--Leftist "news?" anchor Don Lemon, for outrageously suggesting on CNN that the unnecessary tragic police-involved death in Minneapolis of George Floyd, an unarmed black man

who was fatally pinned to the ground by the neck on Memorial Day – leading to riots in the streets – was caused by President Trump "trafficking" in racial hatred.

--St. Louis prosecutor Kim Gardner, a protégé of Left-wing billionaire anarchist George Soros, for quickly releasing back onto the streets every single one of the looters and rioters who were arrested during the mayhem in the city while a retired black police captain was murdered, three other police officers were shot and wounded, businesses were burned to the ground, and firefighters were assaulted and blocked from doing their job. To describe Gardner's action, the phrase "criminally negligent" comes to mind.

--Massachusetts Democrat Attorney General Maura Healey, for likening the violent riots occurring nationwide to "the purifying effects of a forest fire – that's how forests grow." Unsaid was whether she would be willing to have her own home burn down in the effort.

--NBC reporter Tom Costello, for referring to the fire set at St. John's Church across from the White House as an example of "some vandalism." Is his work at NBC an example of "some chit-chat"?

--Washington, DC, Democrat Mayor Muriel Bowser, for evicting from their Washington hotel rooms, 200 members of the Utah National Guard, who came to help stem the racial riots breaking out in the nation's capital. Utah Senator Mike Lee called her decision "shameful, petty and discrediting."

--Michigan State University's student government – the Associated Students of MSU – is sharing content defending looting, claiming it is "one of the most righteous anti-white supremacist tactics available." Another article claims that white supremacy, capitalism and government "work together to violently repress people who defend Black life." ASMSU operates on a \$2 million budget and consists of college-educated representatives and others appointed by racial, ethnic and social groups.

--Jennifer Ray, an associate professor of photo media at Wichita State University, who expressed being "horrified and disgusted" in a letter to a newspaper, that First Daughter Ivanka Trump had been invited to participate in the school's graduation ceremony. Ivanka had filmed a virtual address to the graduates, but the letter from the loony associate professor was enough for the school's president to say she would no longer be part of the ceremony "in light of the social justice issues brought forth by George Floyd's death."

--"New York Slimes Magazine" writer Nikole Hannah-Jones, for claiming in the wake of nation-wide protests, violence and looting following the Minneapolis death of George Floyd that "destroying property which can be replaced is not violence. I think any reasonable person would say we shouldn't be destroying other people's property. But these are not reasonable times."

--"New York Slimes" publisher A. G. Sulzberger, for forcing the resignation of Editorial Page Editor James Bennet, who ran an

op-ed in the newspaper written by Arkansas Republican Senator Tom Cotton, in which he said rioters have plunged many American cities into anarchy, with looting that has nothing to do with George Floyd's death, and that an "overwhelming show of force" is needed to "restore order to our streets." The publisher at first agreed with Bennet that the paper is obligated to readers to show them counter-arguments, but later turned around and agreed with other employees who called the op-ed "irresponsible" and that it jeopardized their ability to work safely and effectively.

--And "Philthydelphia Inquirer" Publisher Lisa Hughes, for forcing long-time Executive Editor Stan Wischnowski to resign from the newspaper for the "crime" of approving the headline "Buildings Matter, Too" on a column about looting and vandalism in the city during protests of George Floyd's death in Minneapolis. The article expressed worry that the damaged buildings could "leave a gaping hole in the heart of Philadelphia." But after black staff members angrily condemned the headline, the publisher said in a memo to staff that it was "offensive and inappropriate" and that the newspaper needed "a more diverse workforce."

--Domenick DeMuro, a Philadelphia elections judge and Democrat Party ward chairman, who pleaded guilty in federal court to stuffing ballot boxes in favor of Democrat candidates in elections in 2014, 2015 and 2016, while collecting thousands of dollars in cash to make the changes. When sentenced, he faces up to 15 years in prison.

--University of Illinois English Professor Catherine Prendergast, for referring to Trump supporters as "Nazis," and advocating for an election cycle where whites are "not allowed to vote."

--Columbia University professor Jeffrey Lax, who also serves as deputy chair of the school's Political Science department, for calling on social media a conservative college student – one who attends a community college instead of his university – a "neo-Nazi murderer lover" and told him to "drop dead." The student, Gabriel Montalvo, who never even met Lax, said the attack followed his defense of the President's handling of the coronavirus pandemic. The student then responded, "Professors and higher education establishments should be examples of the exchange of civil discussion, not cyber harassment and perverting a historic tragedy to push an agenda."

--Loony New York Governor Andrew Cuomo, for forcing nursing homes to admit coronavirus patients into their facilities, but then outrageously blaming them for the resulting spread of the disease that led to additional deaths.

--North Carolina Democrat Governor Roy Cooper, for telling the Republican Party that it would have to "scale down" its August scheduled national nominating convention in Charlotte over coronavirus transmission concerns, and then joining a densely packed protest march outside the governor's mansion in Raleigh, removing a facial mask while walking through the crowd.

--Dr. Robert Levin, health director for Ventura County, California, for announcing that his department would forcibly

remove people infected with the coronavirus from their own homes and put into "into other kinds of housing that we have available," if they could not sufficiently isolate from family members in their homes. But later, under fire, Levin said he "didn't mean what he said."

--The owners of Sacramento radio station Sports 1140 KHTK, for firing Grant Napear, the voice of the Sacramento Kings since 1988, for the "unpardonable sin" of responding to a Black Lives Matter tweet by saying that "All Lives Matter...Every Single One!!"

--"The View" co-host Sunny Hostin, for demanding on air that former kneeling NFL quarterback Colin Kaepernick be rehired with back pay, but also that he be given the Nobel Peace Prize. Guess that qualifies her for the "Dingbat of the Year" Award.

THIS AND THAT

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION. At press time, things were still a bit up in the air over the location of the Republican National Convention, which had been scheduled for August 24-27 in Charlotte. But after North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper said he would limit the number of attendees due to the coronavirus, **President Trump** said he would deliver his acceptance speech in Jacksonville, Florida instead. The early portions of the convention might still take place in Charlotte, though.

TRUMP FLAG WAVE. Despite the coronavirus pandemic, Trump Flag Waves continue in Brevard County.



MAYHEM IN AMERICA. As many thousands of protesters, rioters, looters, building burners, and shooters terrorized cities all across America following the death of African-American George Floyd at the knee of a Minneapolis police officer on May 25, authorities now have fired and arrested four policemen. Derek Chauvin, who arrested Floyd on suspicion of using a counterfeit \$20 bill, and then kept his knee on the suspect's neck for nearly nine minutes leading to death by asphyxiation, is charged with second degree murder and second-degree manslaughter. The other three officers – Thomas Lane, J. Alexander Keung, and Tou Thao – who watched the incident without intervening, were charged with aiding and abetting the incident.



DESANTIS STATEMENT ON PROTESTS, LOOTING. Following days of nation-wide protests and lootings in wake of the tragic death of George Floyd in Minnesota at the knee of a fired-and arrested Minneapolis police officer, **Florida Governor Ron DeSantis** issued the following statement on June 1 regarding the Sunshine State: “Florida has zero-tolerance for violence,

rioting and looting. George Floyd’s murder was appalling, and the Minnesota perpetrators need to be brought to justice, but this cannot be used as a pretext for violence in our Florida communities. I am in constant contact with state and local leaders, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, the Florida National Guard and the Florida Highway Patrol. We have devoted significant resources, including the mobilization of 700 Florida National Guard soldiers who are specially trained to support law enforcement. I have also worked with FHP to coordinate more than 1,300 sworn Florida Highway Patrol troopers to support local law enforcement efforts. We will continue to do everything necessary to keep residents safe”....Starting June 5, DeSantis began Phase Two of reopening Florida from the coronavirus pandemic, with bars, pubs, casinos, movie theaters, auditoriums, bowling alleys, arcades, tanning salons and tattoo parlors joining the list of businesses allowed to reopen after shutting their doors in mid-March. Capacity was capped at 50 percent, and businesses must enforce social distancing guidelines and be diligent about cleaning surfaces.

FLORIDA LEGISLATIVE BILLS. In early June, **Florida Governor Ron DeSantis** signed the following bills passed by the State Legislature: 1) providing the state’s 11,000 college athletes the opportunity to receive compensation from the use of their name, image and likeness; 2) changing the boundary line for property located partially in Indian River County and partly in St. Lucie County; 3) plans for the design and construction of permanent Staging Areas for Emergencies (SAFE) as part of Florida’s Turnpike System to facilitate prompt emergency assistance in response to a declared state of emergency; 4) creation of the Florida Office of Broadband within the Department of Economic Opportunity, to lead efforts for high-speed internet installation within or adjacent to multi-use corridors of regional economic significance, including rural areas; 5) Incentives for veterans and military members to adopt children from the state’s child-welfare system, expanding a program that provides incentives to state employees to adopt children. DeSantis said he has specifically put off accepting or looking at the Legislature’s budget measures because of what has been happening in the state due to the coronavirus. “I wanted to see how all this went,” he said. “It wouldn’t have been appropriate for me to have signed the budget knowing we’re going to have, you know, these uncharted waters.”

THE GATEWAY PUNDIT. The conservative website The Gateway Pundit issued this report following a protest demonstration in Virginia: “The young Democrats attempted to destroy a Confederate Monument in Portsmouth, Virginia. When they knocked over one of the statues it landed on a fellow

protester critically injuring the man. A witness said the protester’s skull was showing and he as convulsing on the ground. The black protester actually coded twice having his head smashed by the statue and had convulsions. The man was sent to Norfolk General as what they call an Alpha Trauma Alert. Folks, this is what happens when you try to use anarchy and chaos as a means of bringing about social change. We live in a free country where folks have the right to air grievances by protesting peacefully. Do this. Present your case and your cause. Build websites, write blog posts, pen books, make art. Anything it takes to educate people. Put it on display during your peaceful protests. This will win hearts and minds. It really will. Violence like this isn’t going to solve any issues. It’s going to create whole new ones. This man may sustain permanent brain damage due to the injury he received. How many others will have to suffer the same fate before these angry mobs stop for a minute and think clearly and rationally about what they are doing? How many black businesses have to burn to the ground in the fight for equality? Chaos and anarchy must stop. Law and order must reign. However, changes must be made to our system to ensure that individuals are all treated equally under the law. That cannot be accomplished with violence. Here’s to hoping common sense and peace come forward and that we are able to resolve these riots without further injury to anyone.”

U.S. SENATE CONFIRMATIONS. In a unanimous 98-0 vote on June 9, the U.S. Senate confirmed **U.S. Air Force General Charles Brown** as the next Chief of Staff, to replace **General David Goldfein**, who is expected to retire later this summer. The Air Force said Brown’s swearing-in ceremony will be held August 6....On June 4, the Senate voted 53-38 to confirm media executive **Michael Pack** as the new CEO of the U.S. Agency for Global Media, which oversees the Voice of America (where this Editor worked many years ago). VOA is mandated to fairly present U.S. policy and discussion. Pack’s background includes positions with the National Public Radio and with the Broadcasting Board of Governors (the old name for the U.S. Agency for Global Media)....On May 21, it voted 49-44 along party lines to confirm **Republican Texas Congressman John Ratcliffe** as the next Director of National Intelligence, a position that had been filled temporarily by **U.S. Ambassador to Germany Richard Grenell** after **Dan Coats** stepped down from the DNI position.

MEMORIAL DAY ATTITUDES. What a difference a Party makes. In honor of Memorial Day on May 25, **Republican President Donald Trump** first visited Arlington National Cemetery, where he silently honored the nation’s war dead, and saluted a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. The President then traveled to Baltimore’s historic Fort McHenry – where Francis Scott Key penned “The Star Spangled Banner” – and spoke about the resolve of Americans amid the coronavirus pandemic, saying: “Together we will vanquish the virus and America will rise from this crisis to new and even greater heights. No obstacle, no challenge, and no threat is a match for the sheer determination of the American people.” And then there are the Democrats. Objecting to the visit, Baltimore’s Mayor Bernard Young said Trump “should have stayed home and set a positive example, and not pursued nonessential travel.” Not to be

outdone, the Dems' unsuccessful presidential candidate in 2016 – former Secretary of State and New York Senator Hillary Clinton – said she was “missing our Chappaqua Memorial Day parade” – which was canceled due to the coronavirus –but was “feeling grateful to leaders like New York Governor Andrew Cuomo for making responsible decisions to keep people safe.” She not only ignored that Cuomo’s state executive order forcing coronavirus patients into nursing homes led to the deaths of thousands, the tone-deaf Clinton also failed to honor our military members who sacrificed their lives for our freedom.

U.S. SUPREME COURT. On June 15, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled 6-3 that federal sex-based civil rights law protects workers from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity, meaning workers will now be protected in the 29 states that do not have laws protecting all LGBTQ employees. In dissent, **Justice Samuel Alito** wrote, "There is only one word for what the court has done today: legislation," charging that the majority was guilty of doing what judges rightly have been condemned for doing from the bench over the years: saying the law is what they – politically – think it should be, not what the law states....By a 5-4 vote on May 29, the court rejected an appeal by the South Bay United Pentecostal Church in Chula Vista, California to state limits on attendance at worship services imposed to contain the spread of the coronavirus. The church said limits on how many people can attend their services violate constitutional guarantees of religious freedom, but **Chief Justice John Roberts** joined the four liberals on the court in opposition.

FLORIDA SUPREME COURT. **Florida Governor Ron DeSantis** on May 26 named attorney **John Couriel** and **15th Judicial Circuit Court Judge Renatha Francis** to fill two vacancies on the Florida Supreme Court. Jamaica-born Renatha will be the first Caribbean-American to serve on the state’s high court. They were chosen from a pool of nine nominees selected by the court’s Judicial Nominating Commission, and will replace **Robert Luck** and **Barbara Lagoa**, who were elevated by **President Trump** to the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. Couriel and Francis will face a merit retention vote on the November 2022 ballot.

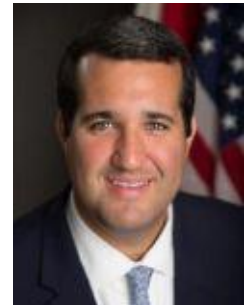
FREE SPEECH ALLIANCE. Responding to **President Trump’s** executive order addressing social media platforms’ bias against conservatives, the 50-member Free Speech Alliance (FSA) on June 3 released a statement setting out four principles that the social media platforms – FaceBook, Twitter and Google/YouTube – need to adopt. The principles are: 1) Provide Transparency – detailed information so everyone can see if liberal groups and users are being treated the same as those on the right; 2) Provide Clarity on ‘Hate Speech’ – a common concern among social media companies, but no two firms define it the same way; 3) Provide Equal Footing for Conservatives – top social media firms have chosen to work with dishonest groups actively opposed to the conservative movement; and 4) Mirror the First Amendment – tech giants should afford their users nothing less than the free speech and free exercise of religion embodied in the First Amendment as interpreted by the U.S. Supreme Court. Since its inception, the FSA has been declaring that social media companies have layered on new rules, added restrictions, employed biased “fact-checkers,” and created

a leftist oversight board. Just a few of the conservative leaders of organizations comprising the FSA are the Media Research Center’s **Brent Bozell**, the Leadership Institute’s **Morton Blackwell**, the Tea Party Patriots Action’s **Jenny Beth Martin**, FreedomWorks’ **Adam Brandon**, Citizens United’s **David Bossie**, Liberty Counsel’s **Matthew Staver**, ACT! For America’s **Brigitte Gabriel**, the Center for Military Readiness’ **Elaine Donnelly**, and the Heartland Institute’s **James Taylor**.

THE TRUMP GIRLS REPUBLICAN WOMEN. The special guest speaker at the July 11 meeting of the Trump Girls Republican Women will be retired U.S. **Marine Corps Gunnery Sergeant Jessie Jane Duff**, who serves on the advisory board of both Women for Trump and Veterans for Trump. Her military career spanned multiple deployments and exercises, and she provided logistical and training support to combat arms and wing units. Duff received several medals and awards for excellence during her active duty time. She appears on television and radio programs and has written articles and op-eds for numerous publications. The July 11 meeting will take place at the Space Coast Convention Center in Cocoa from 1:30-3:30 pm. Admission is free with advanced Event Brite Registration at <https://thetrumpgirls2020.eventbrite.com>.



BREVARD FEDERATED REPUBLICAN WOMEN. Discussing the 2020 Florida State Legislative Session with the Brevard Federated Republican Women on June 3, **District 51 State Representative Tyler Sirois** said he was proud of the success of one of his proposed bills – allowing pharmacists in the state to test for the flu or strep throat without a patient having to see a doctor first. The measure passed, and **Florida Governor Ron DeSantis** signed it, he said, but the next step for the legislature next session will be to pass a measure that will allow these pharmacists to actually get paid by insurance companies for these tests. Sirois also said he was proud to support another successful bill in the legislature – giving classroom credit for military preparedness to high school students in the Junior ROTC program. Thanking the BFRW members for allowing him to serve in the legislature, Sirois said his interest to do so, plus his interest in history, comes from a deep love for our country. The frustrations everyone has over the coronavirus pandemic, he said, is understandable, but we have a responsibility for their safety. Regarding the death in Minneapolis of black American George Floyd, he said, “It is tragic. There is no way to sugarcoat it,” and added that the Florida Legislature “has done a lot of criminal justice reform, but needs to do more.” He added that he looks forward to working on that. “For better or worse,” Sirois said, “it is our system of justice in the United States.” Asked why Democrats “do such a poor job” in Congress and the Legislature, Sirois responded with a smile, “How much time do we have?”





REPUBLICAN LIBERTY CAUCUS OF CENTRAL EAST FLORIDA. For the first time since the Coronavirus pandemic broke out, members of the Republican Liberty Caucus of Central East Florida met on June 1, with **RLC-CEF Chair Bob White, RLC National Chair Matt Nye and Brevard County**

Clerk of Courts Scott Ellis participating in a panel discussion on issues involving the county. All three agreed that the pandemic lockdown was unnecessary. White expressed opposition to the idea of contact tracing of individuals' whereabouts; Nye said that economically, "we shot ourselves in the head;" and Ellis accused Dr. Anthony Fauci, head of the U.S. National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, of plotting to "destroy Republicans" with his advice to the President. White added that during the last State Legislative Session, when the RLC sent thousands of post cards to key members of the Senate in opposition of proposed anti-Second Amendment legislation, the effort was effective in eliminating the most egregious parts of the bill. Comparing Florida's balanced budget to New York's bloated one that fails to cover all the state's expenses, he said that Blue States "need to reduce their budgets" and not expect citizens in Red States to bail them out through additional taxes....Listing upcoming events, White said the RLC, joined by the Trump Club of Brevard, will sponsor a Space Coast Hob Nob and Straw Poll on July 3 at the Hilton Rialto in Melbourne from 11:30 am to 4:30 pm, to which candidates for office will be invited. On August 17 at the Police Hall of Fame in Titusville, White will be joined by **Brevard Sheriff Wayne Ivey**, Shooting Straight radio host **Royce Bartlett**, attorney **Kendra Parris**, and **WMMB radio host Bill Mick** in presenting the North Brevard Second Amendment Gun Rights Forum. The annual RLC Constitution Day Dinner will be held September 13 at the Hilton Rialto in Melbourne. **Cliff Maloney, Jr.**, the national president of Young Americans for Liberty, will be the keynote speaker.

EXPERTS' EXCERPTS



Editor and attorney **Daniel Horowitz**, writing on recent U.S. Supreme Court liberal decisions at www.rt.com:

"The Supreme Court has extended employment protections to gay, lesbian and transgender employees, and tossed out landmark border control and gun rights cases, all seen

as massive setbacks for U.S. conservatives. Many Republicans have long held that despite the liberal bias of the media and the left-wing activism dominating the streets, their real power came from their hold over the U.S. judicial branch....Justice Neil Gorsuch and fellow conservative John Roberts sided with the court's four liberal justices to extend workplace discrimination protections to gay, lesbian, and transgender employees in a surprise 6-3 decision. The six justices ruled that the 1964 Civil Rights Act's prohibition of discrimination based on 'sex' extends to sexual orientation as well. Gorsuch's opinion was clear: nobody may be fired for 'traits or actions' that would not be

'questioned in members of a different sex.' LGBT advocates cheered the decision, and one would think that most conservatives would accept a simple ban on unjust dismissals. However, dissenting Justice Samuel Alito argued that the decision could have far-reaching consequences. Alito argued that by conflating 'sex' with 'sexual orientation and gender identity' in an employment statute, similar laws surrounding issues of 'sex' will be interpreted the same. Transgender people, he wrote, will now 'be able to argue that they are entitled to use' bathrooms and locker rooms reserved for one gender. Likewise, he argued that religious schools and universities may no longer be able to legally segregate dorm rooms, healthcare providers may be forced to cover sex-reassignment surgery, and employers and teachers may be punished for addressing their employees and students by incorrect pronouns. Democrats have thus far failed to pass the Equality Act, a piece of legislation that would grant these provisions.... The Right's losses weren't limited to the LGBT decision. The court also chose to toss out a dozen gun rights cases, which sought to overturn a slew of state-level firearms restrictions, including magazine capacity limits and handgun carry bans. Furthermore, the court threw out the Trump administration's case against California's 'Sanctuary State' laws that forbid local authorities from assisting federal immigration authorities. Trump has previously called these laws '*deadly and unconstitutional*,' and claimed that the Golden State '*provides safe harbor to some of the most vicious and violent offenders on Earth*.' Altogether, the Supreme Court dealt Trump a devastating three-punch combination. Religious freedom, gun rights, and strict immigration control are cornerstones of Republican orthodoxy, and the LGBT ruling's basis on the Civil Rights Act makes it politically impossible to argue against, considering the 'Black Lives Matter' protests consuming the U.S. at present."

Political commentator **David Limbaugh**, writing on Obamagate at www.wnd.com:

"No, President Donald Trump is not ranting and raving about Obamagate to keep himself center stage or to distract attention from COVID-19, as liberal media are suggesting. They still don't get Trump. Two recent columns contend that Trump has ulterior motives in harping on Obamagate – the notion that the Obama administration tried to destroy Trump with the myth that he colluded with Russia to steal the 2016 election. Wrong.

How about we draw the most obvious inferences from Trump's statements instead of the liberal establishment's theories, which are far more outlandish than the Obamagate conspiracy they're ridiculing. Everyone knows that Trump has long been outraged by the Russia hoax, and with good reason. Even after he has been thoroughly vindicated of this frame job, the perpetrators have escaped accountability, and the left still pretends Trump is the guilty party. Trump was effectively exonerated when the vaunted, high-powered and obscenely funded Mueller team couldn't find a shred of evidence to tie Trump to Russian election meddling. Now, with the revelation that Obama administration officials and the FBI collaborated to incriminate Gen. Michael



Flynn, we have a smoking .357 Magnum in the hands of scores of those officials. It is the liberal media – not Trump – who are trying to divert the public's attention from a story – the one showcasing the Democrats' complicity. If we had never heard of COVID-19, Trump would be railing against this corruption even more vigorously than he is now, because most of his day is consumed by virus-related health and economic issues. But don't bother telling that to Trump-obsessed journos....Actually, Trump wants us to focus on the virus and on out-of-work Americans because he is determined to prudently reopen the economy precisely to help the same people these journos claim he is ignoring. If Trump were trying to shift our attention from the economy or the virus, why would he publicly disagree with Dr. Anthony Fauci on the reopening of schools in the fall? Moreover, it is inconceivable that he could avoid virus-related issues during the campaign even if he tried. The media's diversion claim is patently absurd....The left can smear Trump from their basements for not waving his wand and immediately accelerating our COVID-19 testing capacity to a billion per month and for the economic devastation caused by shutting down the economy. But they show unprecedented audacity blaming him for a death count that would have been worse and for an economic shutdown that would go on indefinitely if they were in charge. Unhappily for the media, President Trump is alert, engaged and proactively addressing a comprehensive range of issues affecting Americans. He is fully capable of calling attention to this Democratic corruption of shocking magnitude without impeding his efforts to make America well and prosperous again.”

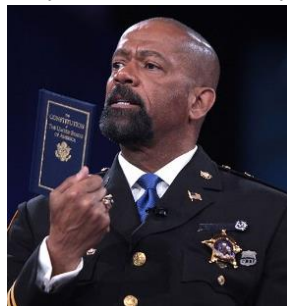
Editor **Art Moore**, writing on interviewing former **Milwaukee Sheriff David Clarke** at www.wnd.com:



Art Moore

“Defunding police is yet another proposed solution based on a false narrative that will only make life worse for blacks in America, contends the former, four-time elected sheriff of multi-racial Milwaukee County. ‘The biggest losers in all this will be poor black people in crime-ridden ghettos.

The police are the only thing standing between them and violent criminal predators,’ said David Clarke in an interview with WND. ‘You'd have to loathe black people to do that to them.’ Clarke, 63, said the proposal advocated by the Black Lives Matter movement, which has quickly gained traction among Democrat leaders in cities such as Los Angeles, New York and Minneapolis, ‘isn't a serious public policy proposal, it's buffoonery. Police departments are already underfunded, why not just turn policing into a 9 to 5, Monday through Friday operation? That is all they'll have money for.’ Clarke rejects the assumption at the heart of the defund-police movement of ‘systemic racism’ in American law enforcement while acknowledging there are bad cops. Reforming police is the ‘low-hanging fruit,’ Clarke said. ‘They won't push back. But the police



Sheriff David Clarke

are not the problem.’ He contends ‘racialist’ black leaders such as Al Sharpton are largely ignoring the devastating impact of the \$22 trillion spent on welfare and poverty programs over the past 50 years that have had the unintended effect of fostering fatherless homes, with 75 percent of blacks born out of wedlock. ‘The first thing we need to do is a self-examination of our black community. Leave white men out of this for now,’ he said. ‘Look at the cultural dysfunction, the growing underclass, the ineffective parenting, the fatherless homes, the school failure, dropping out of school early, joining gangs, drug and alcohol abuse, teenagers having kids,’ he said. Clarke acknowledged he was ‘blessed’ to grow up in a two-parent household. He was reared by a veteran of combat in Korea and a mother who provided the love as a stay-at-home mom for most of our young life. ‘My dad instilled a sense of discipline in me, and he taught me to respect authority, and it started with him,’ Clarke said. ‘He was my first authority figure’. David Clarke, Sr., now 89, was an airborne Army Ranger during the Korean war who served in a segregated unit.... Clarke began his law-enforcement career in 1978 with the Milwaukee Police Department. He was a patrol officer for 11 years and then a homicide detective. He became a lieutenant in 1993 and a captain in 1999. He won election four times as sheriff of Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, from 2002 to 2017. A speaker at the 2016 Republican National Convention, he later joined the super PAC America First Action as a spokesman and senior advisor, serving until February 2019. He now focuses on his consulting business, America's Sheriff LLC, and speaks nationwide, mostly to Republican and law-enforcement groups. Clarke called the actions of Minneapolis police officer Derek Chauvin in the death of George Floyd ‘abhorrent’ and ‘bad tactics’ but an ‘anomaly,’ noting statistics compiled by the Washington Post and studies such as one reported by the Post showing officers are three times less likely to shoot unarmed black suspects than unarmed white suspects....In contrast, he pointed out, over the last three weekends in Chicago alone, 175 black people were shot by other black people, leaving 42 dead. Clarke said there is ‘too much groupthink’ in the black community, quashing critical, independent thought and debate.”



Bob Unruh

Author **Bob Unruh**, writing on former Vice President Joe Biden gaffes compiled by talk-radio host Larry Elder, at www.wnd.com:

“Many believe Hillary Clinton's 2016 campaign was doomed from the point she declared half of Trump supporters belong in a ‘basket of deplorables.’ Now presumptive 2020 Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden has confirmed he believes there are tens of millions of people across the nation who are just ‘not very good.’ His actual comment was that from 10 to 15 percent of the nation fell into that category. That would mean he would consign from 30-plus million people to more than 45 million people in America to that basket. His comment came during a virtual town hall event on ‘The Shade Room,’ with actor Don Cheadle.... Talk-radio host **Larry Elder** recently compiled a list of Biden's ‘serial wrongheaded



Larry Elder

statements, verbal blunders and confusing comments.’ Here is his sampling: ‘Those kids in Parkland came up to see me when I was vice president.’ – August 10, 2019. The Parkland shooting was a year after Biden left office. ‘We choose unity over division. We choose science over fiction. We choose truth over facts.’ –

August 8, 2019. ‘Poor kids are just as bright and just as talented as white kids.’ – August 8, 2019. ‘(Mitt) Romney wants to let the – he said in the first hundred days he's going to let the big banks once again write their own rules, unchain Wall Street. They're gonna put y'all back in chains.’ – August 14, 2012, before a largely black Virginia audience. ‘Margaret Thatcher, um, excuse me, Margaret Thatcher – Freudian slip. But I knew her, too. The prime minister of Great Britain, Theresa May.’ – May 4, 2019, at a fundraiser. Thatcher left office in 1990.... ‘If (President Obama and I) do everything right, if we do it with absolute certainty, we stand up there and we make really tough decisions, there's still a 30 percent chance we're going to get it wrong.’ – February 6, 2009. ‘Look, (John McCain's) last-minute economic plan does nothing to tackle the No. 1 job facing the middle class, and it happens to be, as Barack (Obama) says, a three-letter word: jobs. J-O-B-S.” October 15, 2008. Stand up, Chuck, let 'em see you.’ When Chuck did not stand up, Biden said, ‘Oh, God love ya. What am I talking about? I tell you what, you're making everybody else stand up though, pal. Thank you very, very much. I tell you what, stand up for Chuck! You can tell I'm new.’ September 9, 2008, at campaign rally, referring to Missouri State Senator Chuck Graham, a paraplegic confined to a wheelchair following a car accident. “When the stock market crashed, Franklin D. Roosevelt got on the television and didn't just talk about the, you know, the princes of greed.” In a 2008 CBS interview. Television had not yet been invented in 1929, and Roosevelt was not yet president. ‘This election year, the choice is clear. One man stands ready to deliver change we desperately need. A man I'm proud to call my friend. A man who will be the next president of the United States, Barack America!’ – August 23, 2008, at an Illinois campaign rally. ‘I mean, you've got the first sort of mainstream African American who is articulate and bright and clean and a nice-looking guy. I mean, that's a storybook, man.’ – January 31, 2007, in a conference call with reporters. ‘You cannot go to a 7-Eleven or a Dunkin' Donuts unless you have a slight Indian accent. I'm not joking.’ – June 17, 2006, to a voter referring to the growing number of people from India living in Delaware. Elder pointed out his collection did not include Biden's near expulsion from Syracuse University's College of Law over a plagiarism scandal. In a letter to the faculty, Biden pleaded, ‘If I had intended to cheat, would I have been so stupid?’ Nor does it include Biden's plagiarism, during the 1988 presidential campaign, of a speech by British politician Neil Kinnock, a scandal that helped torpedo that campaign.”

Freedom Works Vice President of Development Parissa Sedghi, writing on elections by mail at www.patriotpost.us:

“On May 26, President Trump sent a series of tweets deriding the possibility of a ‘mail-in election,’ an idea that has been endorsed

by prominent Democrats as a ‘response’ to coronavirus. This dangerous idea to conduct an entire U.S. election by mail would eliminate the tradition of Americans voting in person at the polling station in the privacy of the voting booth. With nationwide mail-in voting, ballots would be distributed by state governments to every address at which an eligible voter is registered. Residents would then ‘mail in’ their completed ballots by Election Day to be counted. Leftist politicians and media talking heads have insisted that this is not only a ‘safe alternative’ in the age of COVID-19 to in-person voting but that such a system would not be susceptible to fraud. This is by no means as safe and easy as they make it out to be.... Despite outcry by Democrats and the media, President Trump is correct. Mass mail-in voting would jeopardize the sanctity of the 2020 election. The use of mail-in ballots on a national scale would surely encourage fraud and invite abuse of the voting system. The ease with which vote tallies can be manipulated in such a scenario is not only deeply concerning but has the potential to alter the outcome of national elections. According to ProPublica, a 2005 bipartisan commission led by former President Jimmy Carter and then-Secretary of State James Baker III found that mail-in ballots remain ‘the largest source of potential voter fraud’. There are countless examples documenting the susceptibility of a mail-in system to fraud and abuse. The Texas Tribune reported in 2017 that a controversy surrounding city-council races in Dallas ignited a legal firestorm after more than 700 ballots were sequestered following a review by the county’s district attorney. This came after complaints from residents that they received an excessive number of mail-in ballots. A man was arrested for unlawfully filling out and turning in a blank ballot he was not issued. Another avenue for fraud associated with a mail-in election is ‘ballot harvesting,’ a popular practice in Democrat strongholds such as Orange County, California, during the 2018 elections. The Wall Street Journal points out that 27 states have laws in place that permit voters to designate an individual to return their ballot. Although such a policy may appear reasonable at first glance, there are often no restrictions on who these ‘returners’ are. According to the Orange County registrar, it was not uncommon to see one individual drop off 100 to 200 ballots. Can we be certain that all such returners would act fairly and in good faith under nationwide voting by mail? In May 2020, a Pennsylvania mail carrier faced federal charges of election fraud for doing just the opposite. President Trump, conservatives, and all those who advocate for fairness in our elections must continue to demand that a mail-in election not take place in November. Giving in to the power-hungry Democrats on this issue will assuredly compromise the integrity of the 2020 elections. Those who stand opposed to this leftist lunacy must continue to speak out against it and call it what it is: A power grab by the Democrat Party.”



Parissa Sedghi

THOUGHTS TO PONDER

“In the last few months, the Big American Ranch has come under attack in a way never seen before – an attack from forces within.

We are witnessing the reveal of two opposing sides more clearly than ever before. The struggle is almost biblical in nature: The children of light (Sheepdogs) and the children of darkness (Wolves). The Wolves are outnumbered by both the Sheep and the Sheepdogs and yet Wolves hold strategic positions in government, politics, the economy, the educational institutions and, as can be seen more clearly than ever before, the media, including social media.....When the President stood in front of St. John Church with a bible in his hand, it sent the Wolves into a frenzy. This tells us what we already knew, now, more than ever, this is a spiritual battle as much as a political battle....In this dramatic and decisive hour for all of the creatures of the Big Earth Ranch, which side are you on? Let us pray for President Trump, our Sheepdog first responders, and for everyone who understands and is engaged in this epic struggle for the heart and soul of the Big American Ranch.”

--**Florida Republican National Committeeman Peter Feaman**
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“The pretext for this entire nationwide riot is that America is a racist country. That is not true. America is not a racist country. America is a country that has strived, imperfectly but passionately, to live up to its founding promise that all men are created equal. There is not – and will never be – a greater barrier to racism, or to tyranny in any form, than this American idea. The reckless charge that American law enforcement is ‘systemically racist’ is also not true. As with any large organization of men wielding power, some will abuse that power. But police do not systematically target innocents – either by race or any other criteria. Any fair-minded review of the available data demonstrates that.”

--**Foundation for Liberty and American Greatness CEO Nick Adams**
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“Regardless of the circumstances of George Floyd’s death, it would not justify the destruction of this Republic, or even the burning of cars and private property, unless you think there are different classes of criminal permissions. In that case, law and order no longer prevails, and local officials who grant that permission are as guilty as the arsonist and looter. They are unfit for office. They have abandoned their position under civil law and adopted the current party line of blind loyalty..... Even more mystifying is how officials claiming to be conservatives grant credibility to the Marxism and Anarchy of this ‘social revolution.’ Is it fear of the mob, or just a lack of confidence in their own governmental participation? We are seeing high-level officials of Congress, the military, the church, and the Republican Party who have expressed support for the rampant lawlessness being allowed under Democrat administrations. That is inexcusable!”

--**Ronald Reagan Clubs President Dale Young**
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“No industry is safe from the Democrats’ abolish culture. First they wanted to abolish private health insurance, then it was capitalism and now it’s the police. What’s next, the fire department?”

--National Republican Congressional Committee spokesman
Michael McAdams

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“Liberals are dismissing ‘Obamagate’ as another one of Donald Trump’s ‘conspiracy theories.’ Never mind that Trump has been right from the beginning about the Obama administration spying on his campaign. James Comey sanctimoniously denied spying on Trump Tower, even as spying warrants giving him the power to intercept communications there sat on his desk. And never mind that Obama’s fingerprints are all over the Flynn-related espionage. Liberals love to sanitize their own scandals. Once censorious of the CIA and FBI, they now act like it is inconceivable that those agencies could ever abuse power, could ever spy on anyone improperly, could ever be weaponized politically.”

--“American Spectator” Senior Editor **George Neumayr**
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“I’ve lived under 12 presidential administrations, and this President has been the most pro-black President in my lifetime. But when I say ‘pro,’ I’m saying pro in the sense of being proactive. He’s been proactive, rather than reactive, to issues concerning minority, underserved and disadvantaged communities than any other president in my lifetime. I really believe history is going to be kinder to you, Mr. President, than the fake news media is today.”

--**Pastor Darrell Scott** of the New Spirit Revival Center in Cleveland Heights, Ohio
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“American cities have descended into chaos as otherwise peaceful protests against the death of George Floyd, a man horrifically killed while in police custody, turned into violent, destructive riots. This is absolutely the last thing this nation needed. While the vast majority of American citizens and politicians have the same view about Floyd’s killing, many on the left are determined to use the event to divide us anyway. None more so than Hillary Clinton, who has once again come out of the woodwork to accuse Trump of ‘calling for violence’ when he has done absolutely nothing of the sort. In fact, he’s been calling for peace!”

--The editors of **LibertyBell.com**
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“It is amazing to me that there are some governors and mayors who are struggling to condemn what can only be described as domestic terrorism. This is not about George Floyd. It is about the anarchy of the progressive socialist left’s two spawns of the devil, Antifa and Black Lives Matter (BLM). Truth be told, George Floyd’s horrific murder is not something they remember, it is something they exploit. And shame upon the same ol’ cast of mindless lemmings and useful idiots who answer the call each time to enact violence upon our streets....The same political philosophy that gave birth to Antifa and BLM would put their knee upon the freedoms, liberty, and individual rights of Americans until they choked them out. In the end, it’s the same result – death of a man, death of a nation.”

--Retired **U.S. Army Lieutenant Colonel Allen West**
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“Americans must speak up and reject the racism and division in

their own communities. There has always been a remnant outside the black community fighting for racial equality. It can no longer be just a remnant. Racial equality is something that every one of us, regardless of skin color, must work toward on a daily basis. Individually, we can make a difference by promoting peace and prosperity for all people, knowing that life is better for everyone when we as Americans succeed together.”

--**Heritage Foundation President Kay Coles James**

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"Antifa is simply a new name for all of these left-wing, Democrat Party-aligned and sponsored protest groups going back to the sixties. You had the Weathermen ... the SDS, Students for Democrat Society. I can't even think of all the names. Antifa is Occupy Wall Street. It's Black Lives Matter. They're all the same people and thinking under different names. They have different organizations for the purposes of fundraising. Membership is actively recruited. But it is the Democrat Party. They are the Democrat Party. What you see on the streets of New York and all these other blue states, this is – what's the term, the outgrowth? This is what you get. This is the Democrat Party. This is what they sponsor. This is what they inspire. This is what their policies lead to. Democrat Party policies are conceived and created in rage and anger."

--Radio talk show host **Rush Limbaugh**

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“Anyone following the news these days might conclude New York Governor Andrew Cuomo is setting a standard for future leaders to respond to the next pandemic, while thinking Florida Governor Ron DeSantis is foolish for opening up his state’s economy. In reality, the reverse is true. People in Florida are resuming their lives not based on a rejection of the science but in response to understanding it. As a result, Floridians are beginning to thrive while keeping the coronavirus in check....Meanwhile, Cuomo had his state, including hard-hit New York City, endure one of the nation’s strictest lockdowns all while experiencing the nation’s highest death toll....Making matters worse, Cuomo wants the rest of America to bail out his state, and it’s not all due to the virus. It’s due to the Democrat governor’s decade of mismanagement.”

--“The Patriot Post” columnist **Brian Mark Weber**

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“The push in Congress and in many states to force an all-mail national election in November and in the remaining state primaries is both unwise and unnecessary. It is unwise because absentee or mail-in ballots are voted outside the supervision and overview of election officials – thus destroying the secret ballot, an important hallmark of American elections for more than a century. ...It is unnecessary because elections have been successfully held under much more onerous conditions, such as in Liberia in 2014 in the middle of the West African Ebola epidemic. There is no reason we cannot do the same in our neighborhood polling places, using all of the same safety protocols that are allowing all of us to go to the grocery store, pharmacies, and other retail establishments.”

--**Heritage Foundation senior legal fellow Hans von Spakovsky**

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“The unique role of a free press in an open society requires members of the media to maintain strict impartiality when publishing news stories – their own industry ethics require it. Incredibly, this is the exact source of growing mistrust of the press by the American people in recent years, as the media obstinately refuse to meet their own standards to be impartial.”

--**Liberty University President Jerry Falwell, Jr.**

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“As much as it’s a holiday reserved for remembering those lost in war, Memorial Day has lessons for the crisis of the moment. Memorial Day in 2020 is a day of grief happening in the midst of a season of grief.... As the country slowly begins to confront the sheer enormity of its loss, we should learn from the power of Memorial Day. When we can gather again – when we can comfort our neighbors in person – remember not just who they lost but what they lost. They lost a ritual of grief that can never be restored. In the months and years to come, however, we can pause for them – we can pause with them – and give them the moments they need to help them heal.”

--“National Review” writer **David French**

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“The most disturbing thing came courtesy of the New York Times. On Memorial Day weekend, the ‘Old Gray Lady’ ran an editorial entitled, ‘Why Does The U.S. Military Celebrate White Supremacy?’ As evidence, the Times noted that a number of military bases are named after southern historical figures. That's right. They chose the weekend during which we honor the men and women of all races and ethnic backgrounds who have laid down their lives for this country to attack the military for white supremacy. Shame on them! This is the kind of idiocy that exemplifies progressives today.”

--**Campaign For Working Families President Gary Bauer**

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“Students For Life attempted to hold a virtual graduation for pro-life students over Zoom. Conservative commentator Liz Wheeler delivered the commencement address. Her remarks about the sanctity of life would have been impossible to deliver on many university campuses. But within minutes of Wheeler beginning her remarks, hackers ‘Zoom bombed’ the event and posted Nazi imagery and graphic pornography. Thankfully, Students For Life was able to regain control of the broadcast and continue the virtual graduation. Sadly, this is just one more example of the radical left attempting to shut down debate and impose its values on the rest of society....The progressive movement has no interest in tolerance or free speech. It wants to be the only group that is allowed to speak.”

--Another **Gary Bauer** comment

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“Statues of Christopher Columbus were beheaded in Boston and toppled in Richmond. What was Columbus's sin? He discovered what became America. We have been pointing out these attacks on our monuments and memorials and will continue to do so because they are revealing about the progressive left's real agenda. Progressives attacked the World War II Memorial, dedicated to the Greatest Generation who defeated fascism. They attacked the Lincoln Memorial, dedicated to the Great

Emancipator who kept our country together. If the progressive movement could topple the Washington Monument, it would. ...What is driving the left today is hatred for America, a burning desire to destroy America and Western Civilization. Why are people rioting in Europe? It has nothing to do with the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis. It is all about hatred for Western Civilization.”

--And yet another **Gary Bauer** comment

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“Joe Biden’s faux pas on race (‘If you have a problem figuring out whether you’re for me or Trump, then you ain’t black’) dominated cable news in recent days....There remains an uncomfortable bottom line to this latest outburst from Joe Biden. Do not be swayed by the mea culpas, crocodile-teared apologies or attempts to minimize the affront or change the subject. Those who live and breathe identity politics are imprisoned by it; it limits their ability to think outside the box and encourages embarrassingly deep dives into condescension. Maybe, just maybe, another Trump win – with a measurable uptick in minority support – will finally put a dagger into such thought. One can only hope.”

--Former **Maryland Republican Governor Bob Ehrlich**

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“It seems like guns aren’t quite so distasteful anymore, since now with uncertainty in the air due to the Covid virus, gun sales have rocketed, and a full 90 to 95 percent of all new gun sales for many gun shops are NEW gun buyers! It’s interesting how our rights under the Constitution fade in importance until they’re denied or needed! Then all of a sudden, the non-believers become believers.... Well before the corona virus was a household word, the FBI’s background check system had already reported 2.8 million inquiries from potential gun-buyers. That was up from 2 million during the same time last year, and the third-highest monthly total since the agency created the system in 1998. And since then, gun sales increased even more along with demand. These are all Americans who are purchasing a firearms as a way to protect themselves amid fears that the coronavirus situation could lead to a complete societal breakdown.... Welcome on board the train to liberty and understanding the Constitution.”

--“Western Outdoor News” Northern California editor

Bill Karr

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“Frankly, I don't know what it is about California, but we seem to have a strange urge to elect really obnoxious women to high office. I'm not bragging, you understand, but no other state, including Maine, even comes close. When it comes to sending left-wing dingbats to Washington, we're Number One. There's no getting around the fact that the last time anyone saw the likes of Barbara Boxer, Dianne Feinstein, Maxine Waters, Kamala Harris, and Nancy Pelosi, they were stirring a cauldron when the curtain went up on 'Macbeth'. The five of them are like jackasses who happen to possess the gift of blab. You don't know if you should condemn them for their stupidity or simply marvel at their ability to form words.”

--“Los Angeles Times columnist **Burt Prelutsky**

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“Reporters are clearly kowtowing to Democrats in fear that if they win in 2020, they’ll act with vengeance against any reporter who failed to follow their dictates....It was one thing to spin the Russia collusion hoax during a time of mass elite freakout. But now everyone knows it was false. The truth is an existential threat to journalists, which is why the more activist among them are scrambling to kill the story and paint it as a distraction. These reporters won book contracts, TV gigs, promotions and political success by peddling the hoax. They truly can’t be honest about it.”

--“The Federalist” Senior Editor **Mollie Hemingway**

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“A number of well-known Establishment Republicans say they will not be voting for President Trump in the presidential election. Colin Powell, Jeb Bush, Mitt Romney – and even former President George W. Bush – according to ‘The New York Times.’ Powell says he is going to vote for former Vice President Joe Biden – a notorious pro-abortion politician. There’s no word on who the other turncoats are going to vote for. But let’s be honest – it’s unlikely that Willard and his merry gang of RINOS voted for President Trump the first go-around. So the Establishment Republicans are upset because of the president’s tone and tenor. I get it – but Washington, D.C. is not a Sunday school class – it’s a dirty swamp filled with all sorts of slithering snakes and creepy critters.”

--Conservative commentator and columnist **Todd Starnes**

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“Our founding Declaration asserts that ‘all men are created equal.’ We have struggled to live up to that creed, and fallen short, and gotten back up to struggle again. But it is our struggle, all of us together. The work of achieving a more perfect union is, for Americans, a shared labor of shared love. That’s the story of America. And it is one worth defending.”

--**Missouri Senator Josh Hawley**

UPCOMING BREVARD COUNTY EVENTS

With clubs and organizations cancelling events due to the coronavirus, readers are encouraged to check with their groups to see if there will be July meetings.

We do know there will be:

- July 1: Brevard Federated Republican Women meeting, the Space Coast Convention Center in Cocoa, 11 am.
- July 3: Hob Nob With Republican Candidates and Straw Poll, Hilton Rialto in Melbourne, 11:30 am.
- July 3: Federated Republican Women in Action meeting, McMaw’s BBQ, Palm Bay, 6 pm.
- July 4: Trump Center open house, Melbourne, 11 am.
- July 6: Republican Liberty Caucus of Central East Florida meeting, Frog Bones Double Tapp Grill, Melbourne, 7 pm

--July 7: Fundraiser for Congressman Bill Posey, Institute of Military Technology, Titusville, 5 pm.

--July 8: BREC meeting, location TBD, 7 pm.

--July 11: Trump Girls event, Space Coast Convention Center, Cocoa, 1:30 pm.

--July 21 North Brevard Republican Club meeting, The Police Hall of Fame/Museum, Titusville, 7 pm.

ABOUT THE NEWSLETTER

Through email, website and Facebook, we are now reaching nearly 2,000 people on our ever-increasing distribution list. The newsletter goes to readers not only all over the country, but beyond. **Editor Stuart Gorin and Designer Frank Montelione** hope to see the numbers continue to grow as we pass on information. We continue to cover activities of the Brevard Republican Executive Committee, Republican clubs in the county, and conservative organizations, so both elected officials and the typical “man-in-the-street” are kept abreast of what is happening at the local, state and national levels. Since Republicans as well as Conservatives will never agree 100 percent on all issues – for example, differences between Conservative members and establishment Republicans – we will not necessarily support any writer’s positions, but will present them so you, the reader, can make up your own mind – fair and balanced. There is a link to this issue at www.thetusk.org and several recent back issues are available in the archives on the same website. To sign up for your free subscription (or to unsubscribe, if you are so inclined), or to send your comments, suggestions or information to share, email: spacecoasttusk@gmail.com.

COMICAL CLOSERS

Hot Off The Press from the satirical website “The Babylon Bee”:

“Nancy Pelosi, Chuck Schumer, Bernie Sanders, Joe Kennedy III, Eric Swalwell, Richard Blumenthal, Adam Schiff, Jerry Nadler, and dozens of others formally turned in their resignations today in order to combat the prevalence of white privilege in our country. Elizabeth Warren will remain so as to give Native Americans a voice....Joe Biden also declared he would be resigning from Congress but aides quickly reminded him he's not in Congress and he's running for the presidency and his name is Joe Biden.”

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Attending a dull DNC dinner, Jill Biden leaned over to New York Senator Chuck Schumer and said, “I bought my husband, Joe, a parrot for his birthday, and that bird is so smart, Joe has already taught him to say more than 200 words.” Schumer said that was impressive, but added, “You do realize that he just speaks words. He really doesn’t understand what they all mean.” Jill responded, “Oh, I know, but neither does the parrot.”

SEVERAL PAGES OF PERTINENT CARTOONS AND PHOTOS FOLLOW



Pence is in charge of the Coronavirus task force? Really? They should've picked me.

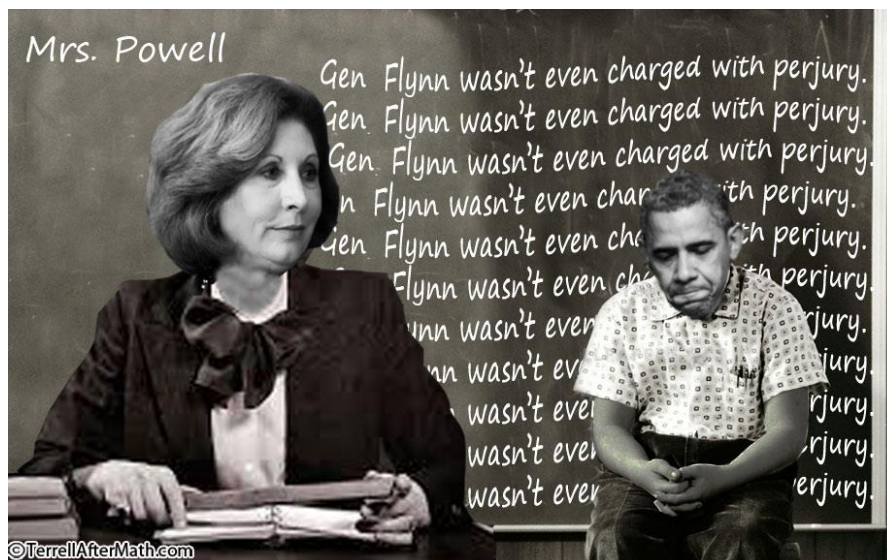
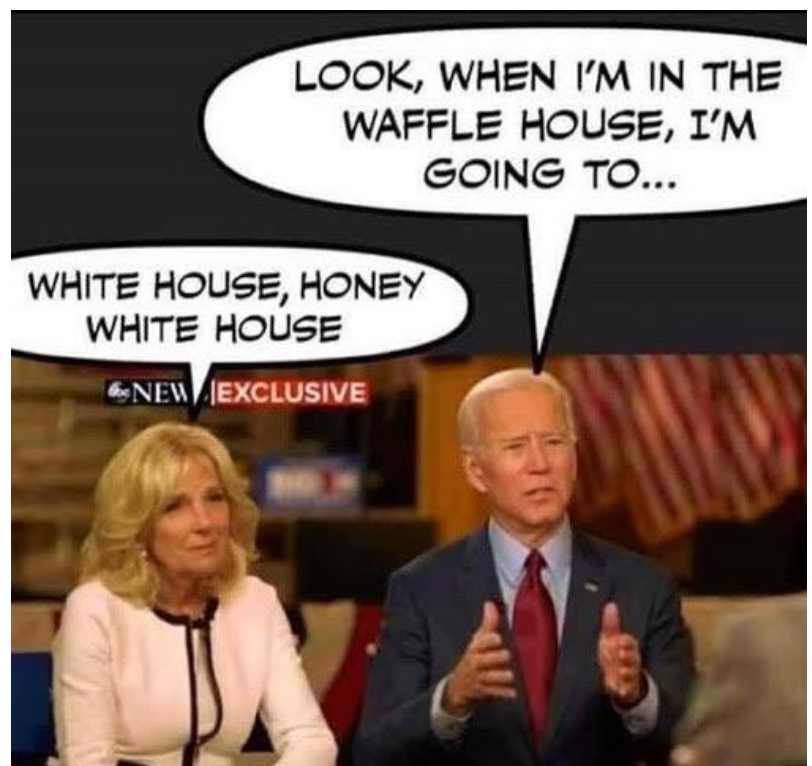
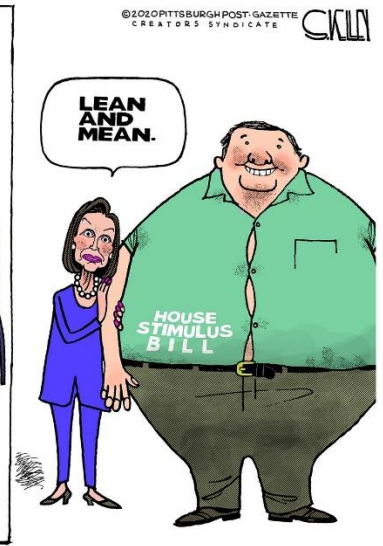


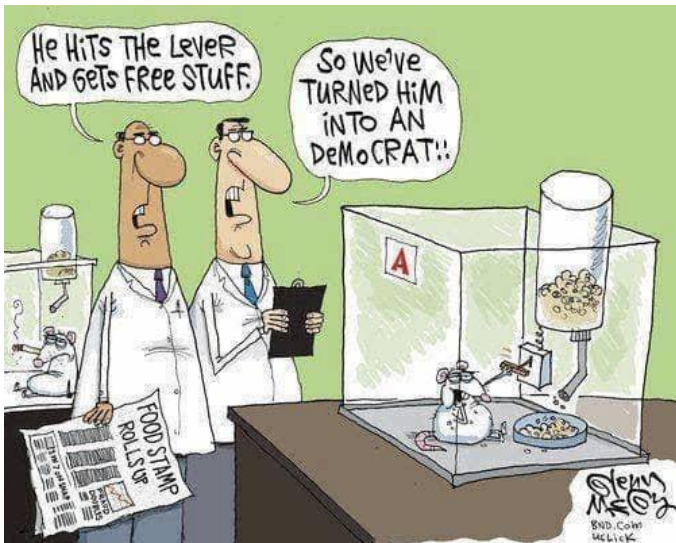
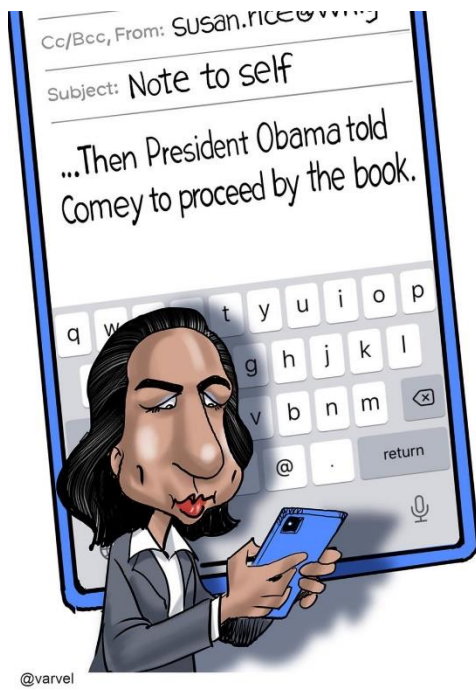
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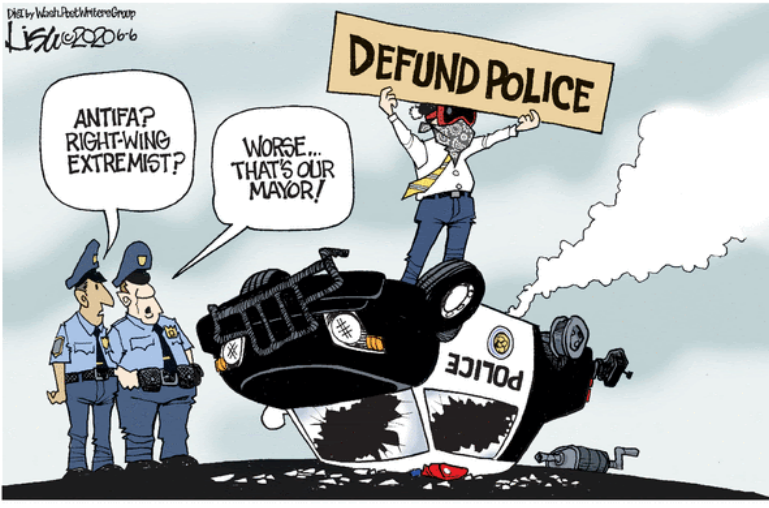
Has anyone else noticed the word "pandemic" is just dem" surrounded by panic, 😂

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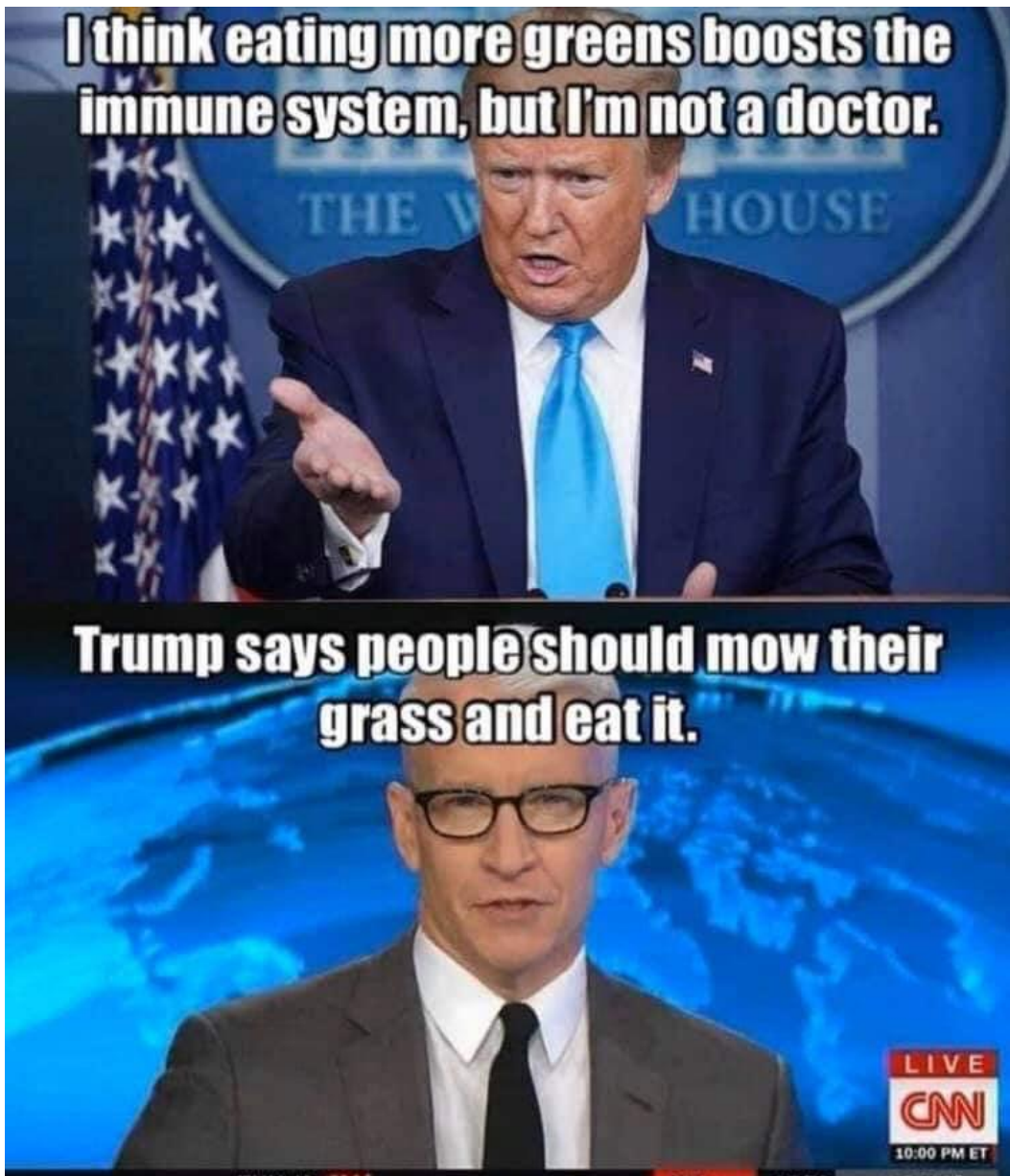
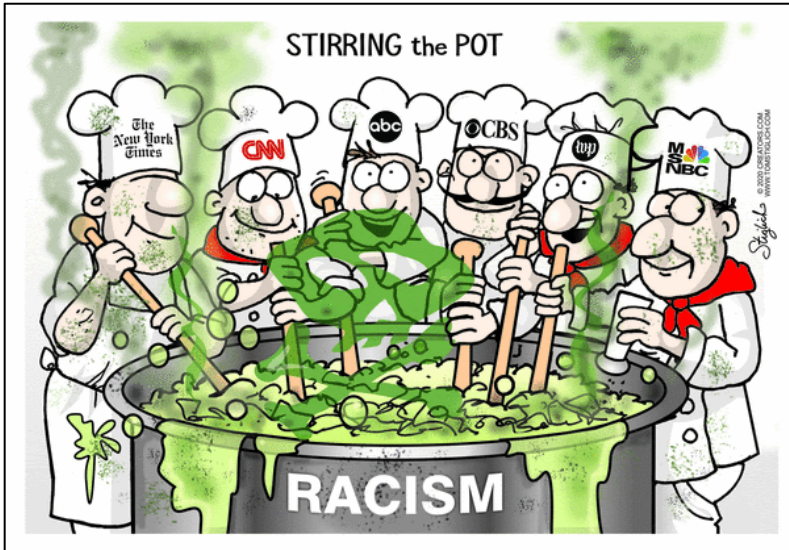
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Quakers were vital to the American
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Objecting to the Betsy Ross flag, because
they say it represents slavery, shows their
complete and utter ignorance of the truth



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