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

June 14 was a trifecta – the 246<sup>th</sup> birthday of the U.S. Army – the 244<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the adoption of the Flag of the United States – and former President Donald Trump's 75<sup>th</sup> birthday. -0-



So Donald Trump questions the results of the 2020 election, and as punishment, is banned from Face(less)book for two years. Meanwhile, Barack Hussein Obama, speaking at an Economic Club of Chicago event, condemned the new voting laws enacted in several states, and charged Republicans – who only want free and fair elections – with "rigging the game" with "dangerous behavior that we're going to have to push back on." His punishment? Nada, zip, nothing.

Joe Biden has declared June as LQBTQ month. Doesn't he realize that LGBTQ stands for Let's Get Biden To Quit?
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Aren't acronyms fun when it comes to politics? Another one is FIRED -- Fauci Incompetence Requires Early Dismissal. And I saw a new bumper sticker that read: "B.I.D.E.N. stands for Biggest Idiot Democrats Ever Nominated!" -0-

Speaking of LGBTQ month, many Catholics were outraged – calling it "a slap in the face" – when the administration approved flying an LGBTQ flag at the U.S. Embassy to the Holy See in Rome to "celebrate" Pride Month. The best comment from one unnamed person was, "Funny how you don't post this flag in Saudi Arabia and other countries." And Evangelical Christian leader Franklin Graham tweeted, "This

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Approving a record \$100 billion budget for FY 2021-22, **Florida Governor Ron DeSantis** on July 2 also used his lineitem veto power to slash \$1.5 billion from the proposal sent to him at the end of the state legislative session.



The spending plan, DeSantis said, reflects "a state government that is meeting the core concerns of Floridians." He said the budget supports our men and women in law enforcement, our K-through-12 education students and teachers, and protects our great environmental and natural resources throughout the state.

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flag is promoting an agenda, not a country, and to give it equal billing with the American flag is wrong."

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"C'mon Man" is Joe Biden's favorite saying. But "National Review" magazine says the phrase should no longer be permitted – because it assumes the gender of the person being spoken about. C'mon – man!

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Georgia Congresswoman Marjorie Taylor Greene, a frequent target by the three Dems known as "The Squad," tweeted back by asking how they can "support Hamas and the LGBTQ community when Hamas kills gay people," adding "You can't have it both way, girls."

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"Women" and "mothers" no longer exist in the crazy Woke world. Even Joe Biden is going along with the new term – "birthing people." Really?

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Minnesota Democrat Congresswoman Ilhan Omar equates the United States (and Israel) to Hamas and the Taliban. Equates? If that is her attitude, why doesn't she just go back to Somalia and be part of it without just having to only "equate"?

"Government of the people, by the people, for the people" is from the end of what powerful speech? On the popular quiz show "Jeopardy," NONE of the supposedly educated (in U.S. schools, of course) contestants knew it's from Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, or even hazarded a guess. The late Alex Trebek must have been spinning in his grave at this ignorance of American history.

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It had to take a British publication — "The Daily Mail" — to get a Facebook executive to confess what we already have suspected — that the company's "fact checkers" could be biased and pursuing their own political agendas." Vice President Nick Clegg admitted it to the newspaper during a discussion about misinformation online. Conservatives and Republicans have charged for years that Facebook "fact checkers" are "extremely Leftist in their political bent."

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More Two Cents next month.

The governor's vetoes were for about 150 of about 700 items requested by individual lawmakers, and the vast majority of the money vetoed were federal dollars that would have gone to a new emergency fund coming from a federal stimulus law that he said could not be set aside to address future needs.

The budget will take effect July 1 and, in part, funds the Department of Transportation's \$9.44 billion work program; provides \$75 million for the Visit Florida tourism-marketing agency; provides \$74 million for the Job Growth Grant Fund

economic-development program; and raises to \$13 an hour the minimum pay of state workers.

Approvals in the budget included \$22.8 billion in spending for public schools, \$102 million for the Florida Forever land-conservation program and \$300 million to acquire land to protect wildlife corridors.

Among other measures signed by DeSantis since our last publication were:

- --The Fairness in Women's Sports Act, empowering female athletes to compete on a level playing field by banning transgender women and girls from participating.
- --A waiver of some educational requirements for employment for service members and veterans who meet specific criteria.
- --Requirement for the South Florida Water Management District to expedite congressional approval of the Lake Okeechobee Watershed Restoration Project.
- --Mandating the Department of Education to establish a Purple Star Campus Program supporting the educational and social-emotional needs of military-connected children, which was proposed by 14<sup>th</sup> District State Senator Tom Wright, who said the program will "ease the transition process for our service members and their families."
- --Protecting Florida's higher education institutions and government from foreign influence and combat corporate espionage, keeping Florida's intellectual property safe within the state's boundaries by creating new criminal offenses for the theft and trafficking of trade secrets.
- --Implementation of the Gaming Compact between the Seminole Tribe and the State of Florida.
- --Stopping the censorship of Floridians by Big Tech.
- --Requiring a "moment of silence" in K-12 public schools at the start of each day starting next school year.
- --Support for Florida's Jewish community and the state of Israel.

# TRUMP RE-EMERGES TO ADDRESS CONVENTION IN NORTH CAROLINA

Former **President Donald Trump**, who had remained quiet since leaving the White House in January, attended the North Carolina Republican Convention in Greenville on June 5, and in energetic and entertaining form for a 90-minute televised speech, reminded people why they miss him.

Trump delivered a scathing indictment of President Biden's leftwing, radical policies, and spoke about the direction in which the county is currently heading.

"Illegal immigration is skyrocketing at a level that we've never seen before. Drugs are pouring in. Gas prices are soaring. Our industries are being pillaged by foreign cyber attacks," he said. And he criticized Biden for betraying Israel while Hamas fired thousands of rockets at the country.

Criticizing Biden for being soft on China after it unleashed the coronavirus on the world, he called for a global effort to collect a form of reparations for the damage caused. And speaking of Dr. Anthony Fauci of the NIH Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, Trump said he "has been wrong on almost every issue, and he was wrong on Wuhan and the lab also."



The former president also applauded Republican governors for ensuring that future federal and state elections are secure, free of ballot harvesting, unsupervised drop boxes, and dead people on voting rolls. A large Republican turnout for the 2022 midterm elections is important, he added, to regain control of Congress and push back against Biden's out-of-control proposed \$6 trillion in spending.

Trump also introduced his daughter-in-law, **Lara Trump**, to the crowd. News reports had been saying that as a North Carolina native, she would run for the upcoming vacant U.S. Senate seat, but Lara said she had a family to take care of and would not be a candidate.

Following are excerpts of Trump's speech: (Begin excerpts)

"Our industries are being pillaged by foreign cyber attacks. That's a lack of respect for our country and for our leaders. Speaking of our leaders, they're bowing down to China. America is being demeaned and humiliated on the world stage. Our freedom is being overtaken by left wing cancel culture, and the Biden administration is pushing toxic critical race theory and illegal discrimination into our children's schools....

"It took two-and-a-half years of litigation to get to build the wall and what an impact it had. But it would have been completed, totally completed in just a couple of months. And they stopped it...

"After we instituted these policies, the number of illegal aliens coming across our border declined by an astounding 91%. But under Joe Biden, illegal crossings are up nearly 1,000% compared to the same period last year. They're emptying their prisons. They're sending murderers, drug dealers, human traffickers, and others just as bad to the United States. Let the United States take care of them. Remember it's called America last....

"After the pandemic began, we launched the fastest economic recovery on record. We produced three vaccines and numerous therapeutics to defeat the virus. They don't talk about the therapeutics, but we came up with things that are incredible, and I think extremely effective. All Joe Biden had to do was sit back and do nothing and it was taking off like a rocket ship....

"Democrats are now attempting to pass the largest tax hike in American history, and it will affect everybody. They're saying it's against the rich. It's against everybody. A lot of the rich will take off to go to other countries. A lot of the companies that I brought back are going to leave and go back to other countries where they cannot have to pay all of their profits out in taxes. They're talking about the biggest tax hike in history by far....

"While Democrats push economic policies designed to punish American workers, Republicans must keep on fighting to protect, promote, and uplift the American worker who we cherish. That begins with standing up to Communist China. Last year, China inflicted an estimated \$16 trillion of economic damage onto the United States with a virus that I call the China Virus because I want to be accurate, that claimed the lives of hundreds of thousands of our fellow citizens....

"The media, the Democrats, and the so-called experts are now finally admitting what I first said 13 months ago. The evidence demonstrates that the virus originated in a Chinese government lab....

The time has come for America and the world to demand reparations and accountability from the Communist Party of China. We should all declare within one unified voice that China must pay. They must pay. The United States should immediately take steps to phase in a firm 100% tariff on all goods made in China....

"The 2020 presidential election, that election, the 2020 presidential election was by far the most corrupt election in the history of our country. There's never been anything like this. They used COVID and they used the mail-in ballots to steal an election. It was the third world country election like we've never seen before. Look at what took place. I want to congratulate by the way, Republican state senators in Arizona and other places for their great work that they are doing in exposing this fraud....

"If the bill passed by the House Democrats, HR1, is ever signed into law, there will never be another fair election in our country. It can't get worse but it would be almost as bad as the recent presidential election. To fully secure every future election, we must have photo ID, universal signature verification, citizenship confirmation, chain of custody, integrity controls, updated voter rolls for every election. You got to update those voter rolls, not people that have been dead for nine years. You can't have illegal aliens allowed to vote. Strong protection of poll watchers, our poll watchers, our poor, poor poll watchers....

"Here in North Carolina, across the country, the Republican Party will continue to fight for strong families, safe communities, and secure and sovereign borders. We will fight for more jobs, lower taxes, and pro-American trade deals that result in more North Carolina workers, forging more products, stamped with beautiful, beautiful phrases, but in particular made in the USA....

"We will protect innocent life. We will defend our glorious constitution and we will uphold the Judeo-Christian values and principles of our nation's founding. We will break up the big tech monopolies, reject left-wing cancel culture, restore free speech in America, and demand free, fair and honest transparent elections. We will strengthen our military, support our great police, and always take care of our amazing veterans....

(End excerpts)

# MELBOURNE'S LIBERTY BELL MUSEUM HOSTS MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM

The non-profit Honor America, which operates the Liberty Bell Museum in Melbourne, Florida, hosted an outdoor Memorial Day program on May 31 that featured government official speakers, a police color guard, and a brass band ensemble playing patriotic music.



The featured speaker for the event, **Brevard County Sheriff Wayne Ivey**, said, "When you hear someone say, 'they gave it all,' what it really means is that they gave their life for you and your family to live in a free society like no other in the world...in the greatest nation on the planet." He said it means "they gave up their opportunity to grow old with their spouse, to watch their children graduate high school and college, to enjoy Christmas each year with their family, to help their parents as they age and need their children by their side."



**Florida State Senator Tom Wright** told the crowd that it was the 153<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of Memorial Day – originally called Decoration Day – and "we've been remembering our men and

women for that long." He added he was glad of that, but "it's also time for us to remember and honor our Gold Star families. Sometimes we forget about the families that are still missing their loved ones and family members that gave so much for this country."

Melbourne Mayor Paul Alfrey – whose late father passed away from exposure to Agent Orange during his service in Vietnam, and who served himself in the U.S. Coast Guard – said, "Memorial Day is very somber and special to me." He added that he "wanted to give honor and thanks for all the men and women who have given the ultimate sacrifice."

At the end of the program, an estimated more than 150 attendees were invited inside the museum to view the replica of the Liberty Bell and thousands of military items from the earliest days of our nation to the present.



#### The BREC Corner By Chairman Rick Lacey

What a great turnout at our June 9 meeting. BREC members had the opportunity to hear firsthand "A Tale of Two Cities," namely, Washington, D.C. and Tallahassee.

Florida 8<sup>th</sup> District Congressman Bill Posey informed us of how dysfunctional our federal government is under the Biden-Pelosi-Schumer troika. He spoke of the ridiculous rules House Speaker Nancy Pelosi has placed Members of Congress under, and the obstacles that exist for the House to accomplish anything. The only bright spot, Posey said, is that the President is "so bad," that Republicans have an excellent shot at winning the House and the Senate next year and restoring sanity in the nation's capital.

By contrast, Florida District 51 State Representative Tyler Sorois illustrated how good government actually works when Republicans are in charge. This past state legislative session produced a series of new conservative laws to improve Florida's economy, increase quality education in schools, and crack down on anyone or any group that intends to riot or destroy property in our state, he said. Sirois also talked about the successful agenda of Florida Governor Ron DeSantis with the Legislature, and he stated that "Florida is showing the rest of the country how to govern."

Members were urged to purchase tickets for the upcoming Lincoln Reagan fundraising dinner, scheduled for June 24 with two guest speakers — **South Carolina Senator Tim Sc**ott and **Florida Senator Rick Scott.** 

**Treasurer Sharon Rose** reminded members of the opportunity to participate in voter registrations in the county, and **State Committeewoman Kim Adkinson** presented details of the Welcome to the Neighborhood project designed to introduce new Brevard County residents to the Republican Party and help them register to vote.

The Committeeman of the Month Award for June was presented to **Bill Prince**, for an outstanding job in getting the new BREC

Award went to Marcie Adkins, who worked tirelessly on the Bylaws Committee and serves as BREC Parliamentarian.

**BREC Vice Chair Cindy Roberts** swore in nine new members as Precinct Committeemen and Committeewomen.



Congressman Posey and BREC Chair Rick Lacey with the nine new BREC members sworn in

#### AUDACITY AND IDIOCY

-- VP Kamala Harris, for her Memorial Day tweet of a picture of herself with the words "enjoy the long weekend," but ignoring mention that Memorial Day is a tribute to the members of our military



who sacrificed their lives to defend our freedom and liberty.

- --Fox News "journalist" Chris Wallace, for asking West Virginia Senator Joe Manchin – who announced his opposition to the Democrats' bill to end the filibuster and install sweeping voting rights on all states – if he (Manchin) isn't being "naïve" about the matter.
- --MSNBC "journalist" Brian Williams, for publicizing the farleft Antifa terrorist group's new Lincoln Project ad likening Antifa to the World War II patriots who invaded Normandy and helped defeat the Nazis in Europe.
- --RINO Former House Speaker Paul Ryan, for urging attendees of a program at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library to reject President Trump's "divisive" politics, and "those Republican leaders who emulate him," and referring to the January 6 activities at the U.S. Capitol, for saying it was "horrifying to see a presidency come to such a dishonorable and disgraceful end." In response to news reports of Ryan's talk, Trump said the "weak and ineffective" former Speaker "has been a curse to the Republican Party. He has no clue as to what needs to be done for our Country."
- -- Democrat Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg, for explaining in the "New York Times" that racism is physically built into American highway systems because they are destroying cities by dividing neighborhoods and separating black and poor neighborhoods from wealthier ones. And, of course, the concrete mixed in the road surfaces make them appear to be "white."
- -- The Chicago Police Department, for issuing a formal policy that officers are prohibited from engaging in a foot chase against suspects for an offense less than a Class A misdemeanor; for traffic offenses that do not endanger the safety of others; or if the | committee that climate change is a serious threat facing the

office in working shape, and the Committeewoman of the Month | immediate need to apprehend the subject is not worth the risk to responding officers, the public, or the subject. The policy also mandates after-action reviews of foot pursuits.

- -- Dozens of snowflake Georgetown University students, for signing a fake petition - created by the Leadership Institute's Campus Reform staff - to "unrecognize Memorial Day as a federal holiday because it celebrates American Imperialism." Is there any hope for our future?
- -- Loudon County, Virginia, Public Schools officials, for placing physical education teacher Tanner Cross on administrative leave for the "crime" of declaring at a county school board meeting that he would not "lie" to his students and "defile" God by affirming that "a biological boy can be a girl, and vice versa." He had voiced his opposition to new transgender-affirming policies pushed by the school district that require all staff to use a student's preferred gender pronouns and permit transgender students to participate in activities consistent with their gender identity rather than their biological sex.
- -- The Progressive website Vox.com, for urging the public to consider other animals as pets than dogs and cats, because "their respective diets and lifestyles contribute to global warming." Are climate activists now trying to cancel pets? Have the Pet Police arrived?
- -- Twitter Idiots with nothing better to do, for scrolling through old records and "deciding" that actress Ellie Kemper, who was named the Queen of Love and Beauty in St. Louis at the Veiled Prophet Ball 22 years ago - when she was a freshman at Princeton and a top scholar and athlete – was a "racist" because the pageant's sponsoring organization, which was founded in 1878 by wealthy white elites, "emphasized the existing power structure" at that time.
- --Sociology Professor Jacqueline Battalora of St. Xavier University in Chicago, for lamenting that she was born white, and telling her white students that they and all white Americans are racist.
- --Oregon Governor Kate Brown and her Democrat-majority State Legislature, for the new law requiring that every firearm in the state be kept under lock and key, a move that will prevent easy access should gun owners need them if they are confronted by an intruder bent on evil.
- -- The Oregon Department of Education, for taking \$50,000 from an initiative meant to cut absenteeing among disadvantaged students, and using the funds to pay Nikole Hannah-Jones, founder of the infamous "1619 Project," to give two virtual speeches to educators on the topic.
- -- President Biden, on his European trip, for telling U.S. troops stationed in England that "This is not a joke: you know what the Joint Chiefs told us the greatest threat facing America was? Global warming" due to its effects on population movements, increased scarcity of land capable of growing food and possible fighting over land. This was followed the next day by Chairman of the Joint Chiefs General Mark Milley telling a Congressional

United States – one that the military must take into account. China, anyone? Russia? The Left in our country?

#### THIS AND THAT

NEW YORK MAYORAL RACE. Two Republicans, 8 Democrats, and 5 third-party candidates are vying to replace term-limited Bill DeBlasio as mayor in the heavily-Democrat Big Apple. Radio talk-show host and Guardian Angels founder Curtis Sliwa was to face businessman Fernando Mateo in the June 22 Republican primary, and the winner goes against the Dem primary victor and the third-party candidates in the November 2 general election. Noting that New York City stands at the crossroads, the "New York Post" asked, "Will we continue to surrender our streets to homelessness, filth, crime and guns, to betray our children's future, to push away residents, businesses and wealth?"

**MOMS FOR LIBERTY**. Podcaster and journalist **Megyn Kelly** (center) met with members of the Brevard County chapter of Moms for Liberty in Cape Canaveral, Florida, on June 11, speaking in support of their goal of challenging decisions by school boards



To mandate mask wearing in public schools and allowing male students who identify as "female" to participate in women's sporting events and use public bathrooms and changing rooms in line with their "gender identity." Former Brevard County School Board member **Tina Descovitch** (**left**) – a co-founder of Moms for Liberty – introduced the program, and Kelly was interviewed by Tiffany Justice (right), the other co-founder and a former member of the Indian River County School Board. Sharing her story, Kelly said it was important to be "fearless in the face of opposition," and she shared that she and her husband made the difficult decision to pull their own children from their schools in New York after finding some aspects of the curriculum "problematic." Noting that the organization's mission is to empower parents to stand up for their children, Justice said, "Education steers the future of our country and parents are the key to righting this ship. If you do not want to watch America sink, grab a bucket and join us." One attendee said the interview of Kelly was "very informative, inspiring and well-received, and a touch of class." Since being founded in Brevard County only six months ago, Moms for Liberty has grown to include 27 chapters in 15 states and is changing weekly.



District 51 State
Representative Tyler Sirois,
who earned an A+ rating from
the Republican Liberty Caucus
for his term at this year's Florida
State Legislature, told the
Republican Liberty Caucus of
Central East Florida on June 7

he is grateful for the rating — "I tried really hard to listen" — and for the opportunity to serve, adding he will continue to fight for fiscal conservative values. "I will do my best to stand between you, the voter, and those who will chip away at our freedom," he



said, adding that he will protect the security and transparency of elections. Regarding reaction to the coronavirus pandemic, during which Florida remained open while many states closed facilities, Sirois said, "We choose Freedom over Fauci." A strong supporter of the Second Amendment, he said it is important to eliminate gun-free zones in Florida, and to repeal the red flag laws and return to age 18 the

right to bear arms – rights taken away in the aftermath of the mass shooting two years ago at Marjory Stoneham Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida. Also a strong supporter of the military, Sirois said he is proud of the bills signed by the governor to help the military, especially one to help military members transition back to civilian life and get into the workforce. Florida is the most veteran-friendly state in the country, he said. For additional information, visit the website: www.tylersirois.com ....RLCCEF Chairman Bob White, who also heads RLCFL, said the goal for the rapidly growing organization of having 300 members statewide was actually reached in February, and the new goal is 500 members. White said details of the annual fundraising Constitution Day Dinner will be forthcoming, but he is very pleased to announce now that the speaker for the September 11 event will be conservative commentator and activist Candace Owens.





Discussing her new book "The United States Constitution: How Our Liberty Came to Be"

with members of the Heritage Isle Republican Club on June 3, Mary Ellen Galanopoulos said the origins

of our Constitution date back more than 1,000 years of British history



to the times of kings who either did or did not support freedom for their subjects. There are pages of art work in the book covering Kings Edward, Harold, William of Normandy, Robert, William II, Henry I (who created the 1100 Charters of Liberty), and John (who took away those promises and then signed but failed to support the 1215 Magna Carta). Centuries then passed, and Queen Elizabeth I was the monarch who cultivated the Renaissance Era. Later, King William III and Queen Mary II signed the Bill of Rights for people's liberty. But in '760, King George III was on the throne, and his acts against the American colonists led to the Declaration of Independence and our U.S. Constitution. Galanopoulos, who serves as Assistant Principal at Cocoa Beach Jr.-Sr. High School, said she wrote the book for children to understand the origins of our history, but is for adults to read as well. "We were under tyrant rule for centuries," she said, "and today, we are fighting to keep our liberty" .... Following her remarks, attorney William Salzwedel, a visitor from California, briefly spoke about the Left's Critical Race Theory (CRT) that is being forced on students at every grade level – including on university campuses – calling it "a dire threat to civilization." There is a need to address changes in school curriculums, he said, adding that back home, he is helping to draft legislation requiring parental consent before a student can be given transgender treatments.



The following report on the June 2 meeting of the Brevard Federated Republican Women was written by **Xiaoqi Wang**, the club's Media Coordinator: Our BFRW June Luncheon was dedicated to

**President Trump** in honor of his birthday and was a great success. BRFW has recommitted itself to working with all Republicans in Brevard County to defeat the radical left and Keep American Great!



Our guest speaker was **Florida State Senator Tom Wright**, who gave us an update on legislation passed and not passed during the

2021 legislative session. While some blue states have not reopened and have gone deeper into debt because of the COVID pandemic, he said, the Florida Senate passed bills to set \$6 billion to the State's reserves; to enact \$196.3 million in tax cuts for Florida's families, students and businesses; and to make significant investments in education, health care, restoring and protecting our



environment. We agreed with Wright that Florida's Republicanled government has done a great job for their constituents. We thank the Senator for securing more funding for the areo-space industry, veterans and education, security and wellbeing of Brevard County's residents. Senator Wright told us he will work hard to assure that Florida enforces its laws equally; that our school system operates in the right direction and that our children understand the freedoms we fight to protect. Wright also said he will work to assure that Florida honors and supports its veterans and their families through employment, job trainings, and education programs. He took questions from the audience after his prepared remarks. We believe that communication is important - all Floridians should communicate with their government representatives at all levels. Doing so assures that our government works for and is responsive to we the people. Doing so will assure that we Keep America Great!

#### RONALD REAGAN CLUBS. Attorney Alex Penalta and Joe



Alex Pinalta

Finley, a retired FBI Special Agent, led discussions on the Biden Administration, the U.S. Supreme Court, and the Left's Anti-White Critical Race Theory with members of the Ronald Reagan Clubs in Melbourne on May 26. They said that while many Conservatives believe the 2020 election was stolen from President Trump, therefore making the current administration illegitimate, "it doesn't matter because it is what it is." They

added that it was critical therefore, to get state legislatures on board for the 2022 and 2024 elections to ensure that mail-in ballots and other election matters are handled properly. Noting that the January 6 march to the Capitol Building was preplanned and not a spontaneous grassroots effort, they said the Left must be stopped because America is "well on the way to being turned into a socialist country." Even though the U.S. Supreme Court



Joe Finley

now is considered to be a 6-3 conservative majority, recent court decisions have gone the other way because the new conservative members have been "intimidated" by the Left, they said. Regarding the Critical Race Theory that is being forced on school boards throughout the United States to have students reject their "white privilege," Penalta and Finley said that "we have to take back education" at every level in America.

#### **EXPERTS' EXCERPTS**

Radio host and author **Mark Steyn**, writing on our increasingly unrecognizable civilization, in Hillsdale College's "Imprimis" newsletter:

"I live about 20 minutes south of the Canadian border, which used to be called the longest undefended frontier in the world. People moved freely back and forth



across it all day every day. But now it's been closed for over a year.... Look at just three things we have lost. One is equality before the law, something absolutely essential to a free society. In its place, we now have politicized law. If a policeman fatally shoots someone, whether his name is released to the public depends on whether the shooting is consistent with the preferred narrative of the ruling class.... Second, border control. Functioning societies, at least since the Peace of Westphalia three centuries ago, have borders. America has no southern border and no plans to get one. The official position of our government seems to be that any of the seven billion persons on this planet has a right to come and stay in the U.S. for three years, until his or her assigned court date comes up.... And third, dare I bring up the fact that it is a real question whether we can go back to agreeing to have open and honest elections? And if we don't have open and honest elections, control of our borders, and equality before the law, then we don't have the conditions for politics or free government. And here's the thing. It is not at all clear to me that many of America's conservative politicians understand the seriousness of all this. You can see it in the fact that they go around trying to scare people with the specter of a 'radical socialist agenda.' For well over a year now, we have been living in a world in which it's accepted as normal that the state has essentially unlimited power – and in which our freedom to decide for ourselves has been diminished almost to invisibility.... Over the same period as the pandemic lockdowns, we have seen an escalation of so-called wokeness. And if you look at one of the most startling manifestations of this, transgender fanaticismwhich involves, after all, the abolition of biological sex and, I'm sorry to have to say it, the physical mutilation of children – one notices that America is farther down this road than any other country in the Western world. In other words, at this moment of crisis for Western Civilization, or for what we used to call Christendom, the leading country of the free world is pulling the wrong way....Dr. Fauci has been a federal government bureaucrat since 1968. He's the J. Edgar Hoover of public health. He talks about the COVID virus as if we're at war. But he seems to think a country wins a war by taking it out on its own population rather than the enemy, which is what we've done....At the root of our problems is that we have seen the emergence of a true ruling class, like Grand Dukes in medieval Europe. Its members intermarry. They send their kids to the same schools. They circulate back and forth between government and the private sector.....The Left wins because it seizes language. Take the policy of letting people vote who are not U.S. citizens and shouldn't be voting. The Left calls this policy 'counting every vote.' Therefore someone who wants to make sure voters are citizens is opposed to 'counting every vote.' If we don't take back the language, we will lose the truth. Even on FOX News, I have noticed, news anchors now talk about 'gender assigned at birth,' as if that's something different from one's biological sex. There may be 57 genders, but there are only two biological sexes. Don't surrender the language. Reclaim the language. It's the first step to recovering our civilization."

**Retired U.S. Ambassador Stan Escudero**, writing on "WHEN IN THE COURSE OF HUMAN EVENTS," for the South East Volusia Republican Club newsletter:

"We continue to witness the Biden/Harris regime and their

cultural allies in the media, big tech, the educational system and the entertainment industry engage in the calculated destruction of our republic. Their proposals to spend our economy into bankruptcy and collapse, replace free and fair elections with a fraudulent process in which they would always control the outcome, eliminate freedom of speech and thought, brainwash our children, replace the stabilizing



Ambassador Stan Escudero

influences of family and faith with dependence on the state, pack the Supreme Court, politicize our military into a weapon of state control and create a surveillance state all work toward the end of the United States of America and its replacement with totalitarian socialism. Our Founders experienced tyranny far less absolute than what the Democrats have in store for us and they rebelled, while developing the finest system of self-government yet devised. The constitution which they created has seen us through countless crises and enabled the creative power of the American people to turn our weak gathering of former colonies into the wealthiest, most powerful and most influential nation in world history. But that constitution and the laws which implement it were blatantly ignored and trampled upon in the last election. A calculated and coordinated system of fraud was successfully implemented and the clear evidence of such fraud was never considered in open court. We are assured on a daily basis that the 2020 election was fair and that Biden/Harris really won. But we know the truth. We weighed the proofs and we are well aware of the centuries-long pattern of Democrat electoral fraud from Tammany Hall in New York, to Cook County in Illinois, to the Jim Crow laws in the old south, to ACORN in recent years and now to the mass illegal and unconstitutional fakery which put Biden and Harris in office. We know that Donald Trump really won the election. This is, in the words of the Left, 'Our Truth'. But it is not the meaningful truth, because it is not the truth upon which the current federal regime took office. That 'truth' led the corrupt and mentally-challenged Joe Biden to swear as President to faithfully execute the laws and constitution which he ignores on a daily basis. And it cemented in power at the federal level those who would distort and deform our once free nation into a poor, weak mass, subject to and dependent upon an authoritarian central government. It may yet prove possible to forestall the Democrats by retaining the filibuster in the Senate. But there we are dependent upon the votes of one or more Democrat senators and the overall political trend for the past 65 years, with the exception of the Reagan and Trump years, has been a gradual slide toward greater socialism. Our majority of conservative states may also play a salvational role but only if they act in coordinated concert and they do not seem to be organizing to do that. And the Left will not abandon their century-long quest to destroy our free capitalist republic and build a socialist dystopia on the ruins. To save our republic, the Left must be defeated root and branch, but the political, demographic and cultural trends are all strongly against us. My friends, the time has come to consider alternatives. We have reached the point in our history, 'When, in the course of human events it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another'.... This is how our valiant ancestors responded to absolutism. We yet have several alternatives: resistance through our existing system as long as possible, separation into more than one state, civil war, or submission. But the time will soon be upon us when we must make that choice."

Columnist **Robert Knight,** writing on the Left's "chutzpah" in "The Washington Times":



"Two recent opinion columns were eye catchers. A Wall Street Journal piece by James Carville was headlined, 'Democrats Are the Anticrime Party.' Seriously? The other, by The Washington Post's Dana Milbank, said, 'The GOP's fixation on race is on full display.' Seriously? Both men are undoubtedly familiar with the definition of 'chutzpah.' It's someone killing his parents and then falling on the mercy of the court

on account of his being an orphan. Or the old Marx Brothers query, 'are you going to believe me or your lying eyes?' Democrats still claim that the Russians secured Donald Trump's election win in 2016 and that the Bidens are cleaner than Mother Teresa when it comes to dealings in Ukraine and China. Now, under the premise that the best defense is to go on offense, they insist that Republicans, not Democrats, are obsessed with race and that the Dems are tough on crime. These guys make Anthony Fauci look like a respectable medical authority. Mr. Carville, who managed Bill Clinton's 1992 presidential campaign and has long been a fixture of Democrat politics, blamed Donald Trump for the 2020 Antifa/BLM riots that tore up hundreds of American cities and left dozens dead. He also blamed Republicans in general for the subsequent quantum leap in violent crime in cities run by Democrats. He said that Trump's 'lies' spawned it all.... Accusing Republicans absurdly of 'defending violent attacks on law enforcement and voting against funds for the Capitol Police,' because they wouldn't go along with Nancy Pelosi's witch hunt over the January 6 riot, Mr. Carville asked, 'So who really voted to defund the police?' Well, that would be Democrats in many large cities like Minneapolis, Portland, N.Y. and Los Angeles, all of which have seen a shocking upsurge in crime in general and homicides in particular, most of it black-on-black. As for Mr. Milbank's fantasy that it's the Republicans who are obsessed with race, maybe he should be reminded of who's pushing Critical Race Theory and the 1619 Project, rubbing salt into racial wounds daily, and promoting the fiction that the greatest threat to the republic is 'white supremacy'...Leftwing 'journalists' had a field day when Mr. Biden went to Oklahoma to mark the 100th anniversary of the Tulsa race riot in 1921. That's when an entire black business district was burned down, and hundreds of blacks murdered by a white mob. For the record, many Americans were unaware of this travesty, and needed to know about it. It started with a white woman screaming in an elevator operated by a black man. He had apparently stepped on her foot by mistake. This triggered a false narrative of attempted rape, which ended in utter horror and devastation. A dark day, indeed, and worth marking.... Like others on the Left, Mr. Biden paints America as a terrible, racist land where whites are essentially evil from birth. Every police shooting of a black, unarmed suspect is held up as the norm and hammered into the

nation's consciousness.... One last, dishonest headline to consider, from the April 5 Washington Post's A Section: 'A surprise of Biden's presidency: Harmony with the Left.' Somehow, I don't think the Biden Administration's socialist lurch is a 'surprise' to the folks in that newsroom. They pushed the false Biden-as-moderate narrative during 2020, knowing full well what was coming. Along with Big Tech, they openly campaigned against President Trump, suppressed news that would have damaged Biden's candidacy, and helped seat the farthest-Left administration in American history. You don't need 'harmony' when you're already joined at the hip."

#### THOUGHTS TO PONDER

"We now have PROOF that Facebook's fact-checker program actively suppressed valid debate about the origins of Covid and instead promoted Chinese propaganda. Facebook must end their fraudulent fact-check program now that we know how dangerous it is.....These are the consequences of Big Tech playing speech police. Censorship prevents pursuing the truth. We should be able to talk freely on social media platforms. Instead, we are forced into discussing what their biased 'fact-checkers' deem true."

--Media Research Center President Brent Bozell, on Facebook's fraudulent fact-checker program

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"The President's latest \$4 trillion 'infrastructure'" initiative – the most expensive non-emergency legislation in more than half of a century – includes hundreds of billions in new corporate welfare subsidies and a grab-bag of items from the liberal wish list, all while shortchanging traditional infrastructure. In fact, leading economic forecasters at the University of Pennsylvania have concluded that the President's American Jobs Plan would actually reduce jobs, wages, and economic growth over the long-run.... President Biden is gambling America's economy on the hopes that soaring deficits will not harm the economy, interest rates will stay low forever, and historic new taxes will be welcomed by the American people. Nothing less than the future of the U.S. economy is at stake."

--Manhattan Institute senior fellow **Brian Riedl**, on Biden mortgaging our future

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"When President Biden promises not to raise taxes on people who make less than \$400,000 a year, he is profoundly misleading the American people. His big spending, big big deficit program will raise the price of everything – and everyone will pay the hidden Biden tax. Most of us are already paying the hidden Biden tax every time we go to buy gasoline. This is thanks to the combination of killing the Keystone XL Pipeline, restricting exploration on federal land, and a weakening dollar.... As you shop, keep watching for the hidden Biden taxes."

--Former **House Speaker Newt Gingrich**, on inflation being a "hidden tax"

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"Our Constitution's framers brilliantly conceived the independent judiciary, invested with lifetime tenure, as a guardian of our freedoms and a constraint on government

excesses. We all disagree with some court decisions. But by and large, the courts have shielded our Constitution and the precious rights it protects. It is a unique part of our American constitutional inheritance that we must preserve, as the oath of allegiance for new citizens and the oaths of office for all federal government officeholders reflects, against all enemies, foreign and domestic."

--Arizona Supreme Court Justice Clint Bolick, on an independent judiciary being crucial to protect the Constitution -0-

"Many on the left claim that voting integrity measures such as Voter ID, are throwbacks to the Jim Crow era. Since Jim Crow laws were enacted by Southern Democrats to force racial segregation and block economic and political power among Black Americans, Democrats should know their current claims are preposterous."

--Family Research Council Distinguished Fellow Ken Blackwell, on Democrats obfuscating Jim Crow history -0-

"Despite our Founders efforts in the Charters of Freedom, we have never had any Rights beyond those we are willing to fight and die for. The Founders documents made it possible for Americans to protect and defend their Rights peacefully, so long as Americans never stopped being 'forever vigilant' in that pursuit. Today, most Americans no longer even know what their Rights are, much less have the courage to stand up and defend any of them, or know what to do, even if they can see what's happening. Soon, they will run out of time and opportunity to do anything about it at all.... To quote a buddy of mine, 'COVID is the tool, Fear is the weapon, Control is the goal.""

--Keystone Federated Republican Women President Lynn Stafford, on rights from the Founders

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"To those who believe Critical Race Theory is a vehicle to discuss race in America, they mistake the goal of CRT, which has little, if anything, to do with race. You cannot engage in a meaningful discussion about race with the threat to demand 'the white man' surrender his achievements to bring about an ambiguous quest for parity, notwithstanding the history that gave many a head start. Rather, the response must be, 'Get out of my way, and let me catch up.' The demand to be 'woke' and surrender, because of intersectionality, is nonsensical, unproven and unbiblical."

-- CURE American Action Executive Director Marc Little, on Critical Race Theory

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"Democrats and the legacy media in America have lambasted former President Trump over and over, claiming protesters were removed from Lafayette Park near the White House last year so he could walk across to a church there and have a photo op, holding a Bible. Only that's not what happened. A report from the DOJ's inspector general found that, 'On the morning of June 1 (2020), the Secret Service procured antiscale fencing to establish a more secure perimeter around Lafayette Park that was

to be delivered and installed that same day. The USPP, in coordination with the Secret Service, determined that it was necessary to clear protesters from the area in and around the park to enable the contractor's employees to safely install the fence." --WND columnist **Bob Unruh**, on events in Lafayette Park -0-

"Suddenly and tragically there is a movement afoot to erase womanhood. The 'woke left', progressives, some well-meaning conservatives and even my own President have decided that in order to appease then tiniest of slivers of humanity who believe they can change their genders by surgically altering their bodies they must completely erase womanhood for all of us. It has come to the point where our own governmental and academic institutions have replaced the word 'mother' with 'birthing person' as if that is some type of equality.... You will not steal my God-given and gloriously created form. You will not reduce me to a function – a person who can give birth. You will address me with the respect I deserve, the respect my mother and her mother and her mother before her fought for. The respect I deserve, and I have earned as a WOMAN."

--"RedState" editor-at-large **Kira Davis,** on the "birthing person" idiocy

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"We conservatives like to claim that our principles are timeless and universal. If they are, they don't apply only to Americans of European descent. They apply also to the 'Third World foreigners' and the descendants of liberated slaves. We've talked a lot about the white working class over the past four years. But it is only when conservatives gain the allegiance of all members of the working class — black, Hispanic, Asian, white, and everyone in between — that we will be able to vindicate the uniquely American experiment in self-government."

--Foundation for Research on Equal Opportunity President Avik Roy, on restoring the conservative conscience -0-

"The state of journalism became clear when Barack Obama took over the White House. The coverage morphed into a defense of the Democrat and his liberal policies, but then just as quickly returned to nonstop naysaying when Republican Donald Trump became president. And now, President Biden is enjoying a compliant media, intent on keeping their man in office."

--"Washington Times" columnist **Joseph Curl**, on not trusting the U.S. news media

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"Here are 12 issues that conservatives have answers for. Together, they make up a platform that a majority of Americans can rally around: 1) Protect our vote, 2) Secure our border, 3) Stop adding debt, 4) Stand up to China, 5) Don't raise taxes, 6) Stop the Woke, 7) Cut red tape, 8) Help us sleep safe at night, 9) Stop Big Tech, 10) Deliver school choice, 11) Empower patients in health care, not government, and 12) Make our streets safe. "

-- The Heritage Foundation Vice President Charmaine Yoes on a platform that a majority of Americans can rally around

#### **UPCOMING BREVARD COUNTY EVENTS**

- --June 24: Lincoln Reagan Dinner, Space Coast Convention Center, Cocoa, 6 pm.
- -- June 26-27: Republican Liberty Caucus National Convention, Rosen Centre Hotel, Orlando, all day.
- --July 1: Heritage Isle Republican Club meeting, Viera Clubhouse, 10 am.
- --July 2: Federated Republican Women in Action meeting, MeMaw's BBQ, Palm Bay, 5:30 pm.
- --July 6: Moms for Liberty meeting, Frogbones Double Tapp Grill, Melbourne, 6:30 pm.
- --July 7: Brevard Federated Republican Women meeting, Space Coast Convention Center, Cocoa, 11 am.
- --July 12: Space Coast Patriots meeting, Merritt Island Library, 6 pm.

- --July 15: Republican Women's Network of South Brevard meeting, Eau Gallie Yacht Club, Indian Harbor Beach, 11:30 am.
- --July 19: New Millennium Conservative Club meeting, Suntree-Viera Library, 6:30 pm.
- --July 20: North Brevard Republican Club meeting, American Police Hall of Fame, Titusville, 7 pm.
- --July 22: Space Coast Young Republicans meeting, The Grill at 1450, Melbourne, 6 pm.
- --July 24: Space Coast Republican Club meeting, Red Lobster, Merritt Island, 11:30 am.
- --TBD: Ronald Reagan Clubs meeting.

**BREC** Will not meet in July

#### 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 CLOSER**

Billy was having trouble in school. His teacher constantly yelled at him: "You're driving me crazy, Billy! Can't you learn anything?" Billy's mother met with his teacher and was told he was a disaster, getting the lowest marks of any of her students, and that she had never had such an unmotivated and ignorant little boy in all of her teaching career. Shocked at this feedback, Billy's mom withdrew him from school in Detroit, moved to Cleveland, and enrolled him in a private school.

Twenty-five years later, the teacher was diagnosed with a severe cardiac disease. Her doctors advised immediate open-heart surgery and that only one surgeon in the Cleveland Clinic could perform the procedure. The teacher agreed to have it, and it was remarkably successful. Then, in the recovery room, she saw the young doctor who headed her surgical team, smiling down at her. She wanted to thank him. Instead, her face suddenly turned blue as she tried to speak, and she quickly died.

The doctor was shocked, wondering what suddenly went wrong. When he turned to leave the room, he saw that Billy, the janitor at the Cleveland Clinic, had unplugged the life-support equipment in order to plug in his vacuum cleaner.

If you thought that Billy had become a heart surgeon, there is a good chance you voted for Joe Biden!

#### SEVERAL PAGES OF PERTINENT POLITICAL CARTOONS AND PHOTOS FOLLOW



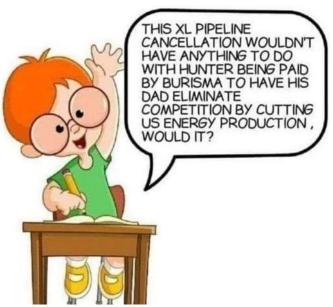






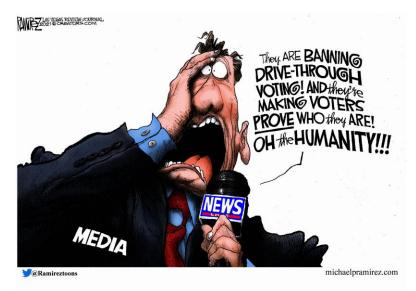


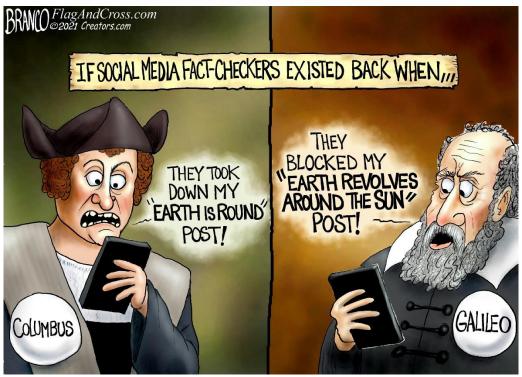




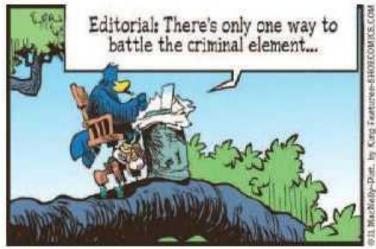
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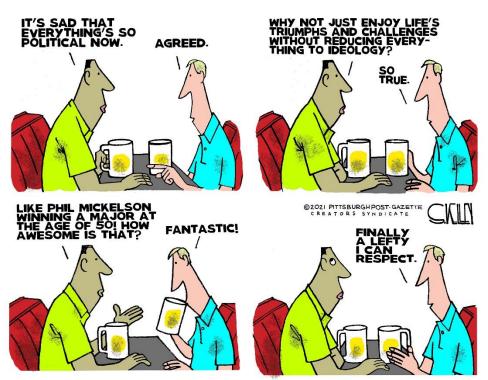
















If the new standard is that things with ties to slavery and racism get canceled, the Democrat Party must be disbanded immediately.