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BREVARD COUNTY LINCOLN/REAGAN DINNER A SELLOUT AND HUGE SUCCESS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK:

MY TWO CENTS

By Stuart Gorin

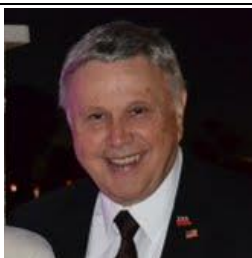
--Florida-based Moms For Liberty is the latest organization to be labeled a "hate group" by the Southern Poverty Law Center, which should look in the mirror before giving that designation to anyone. SPLC's problem with the non-profit Moms seems to be that they discuss race, discrimination and LGBTQ identities, and their members wear shirts and carry signs that say: "We Do Not Co-Parent with the Government."

--Sadly, I have purchased my last chicken sandwich from Chick-fil-A, which the late Conservative owner Truett Cathy opened near my home several years ago. Cathy, who had strong family values, proudly donated restaurant earnings to such faith-based groups as the Salvation Army and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Unfortunately, the family members who succeeded him in the business went fully woke, promoting a leftwing diversity-equity-inclusion agenda, ending those donations as being "too controversial," and funneling money instead to the Southern Poverty Law Center, Covenant House, and other abortion and LGBT activists. It even hired a vice president of DEI. Conservative customers feel betrayed, and Chick-fil-A will no longer provide DEI programs with funding from me.

--Et Tu, Brute – Cracker Barrel! The chain – which places rocking chairs in front of its locations – has shared a Facebook photo of a normally white rocker having rainbow-colored slats – and the message: "We are excited to celebrate Pride Month."

--After the Republican majority U.S. House of Representatives passed legislation to permanently classify fentanyl-related

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Several hundred enthusiastic Republicans crammed into the Hilton Rialto hotel in Melbourne, Florida, on June 17 to attend the Brevard Republican Executive Committee's annual Lincoln/Reagan Dinner and hear words of wisdom from the keynote speaker, retired U.S. Army Lieutenant General Michael Flynn.

Brevard Republican Executive Committee Chair Rick Lacey, who organized the event,

compared Brevard County to the state of California, in opening remarks to Charles Dickens' "Tale of Two Cities." As part of the "it was the best of times; it was the worst of times" analogy, Lacey said schools in Brevard teach common sense, while those in California teach foolishness, and on the subject of crime, Brevard's Sheriff Wayne Ivey leads Brevard in the age of wisdom and conservative Republican government, while the situation in California is still the age of foolishness.



Congressional business kept Florida's two senators – Rick Scott and Marco Rubio – and Congressman Bill Posey in Washington the day of the dinner, but while they could not be there in person, they did provide brief video messages of support and greetings to the attendees.

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substances as drugs subject to the toughest federal prison terms and penalties – a measure that even the Biden White House supports – why would 132 House Democrats have voted “NO”? Are the Democrat voters in their districts pleased with their non-action?

--Here’s the latest “informative” email that I received: Welcome to this week's edition of *Unredacted*, your weekly update on House Republicans’ efforts to investigate Joe

Biden and [REDACTED]

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The CIA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Secretary Blinken [REDACTED]

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Let me close this column with the thought that Republicans need a new slogan going forward, and I would like to suggest: Reinstate Every American Greatness Action Now – REAGAN.

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--More Two Cents next month.

Awards presented at the dinner went to the Frogbones Shooting Gallery and Double Tapp Grill for Business of the Year; to **State Senator Debbie Mayfield** as Legislator of the Year, and to **District 4 Chair Xiaoqi Wang** as Republican of the Year.

As a warmup to the keynote speaker, retired U.S. Army **Lieutenant Colonel Ivan Raiklin**, a former Green Beret Commander, and Constitutional Attorney, said that after observing the illegally certified results of the 2020 election, he used his investigatory skills to investigate everyone involved in the constitutional violation, and as a result, he has faced at least ten federal investigations.



He also said that he decided to retire from the Army due to constitutional violations directed to the Biden administration from the Chinese communist government. He said he is in this fight because before he was born, his parents fled the communist Soviet Union.

Pointing out that the Republican Party started in 1854 in Ripon, Wisconsin, Raiklin said that we are at the crossroads of three major events in our history – the fight for independence, the Civil War, and the rise of **Ronald Reagan**.

“We need to fix our party quick,” Raiklin added.

Lieutenant General Flynn, who closed the dinner event with his keynote remarks to a standing ovation, ended his 33 year military career as Director of the Defense intelligence Agency. Starting in 2014, he served as a private citizen in numerous business, educational and non-profit roles, including briefly being named **President Donald Trump’s** National Security Advisor, the position, he said, “that the Deep State successfully fought tooth-and-nail to get me out of.” Just prior to Trump’s inauguration, Flynn said he had a “dramatic meeting” with government officials.



“I am not anti-war,” Flynn said. “I am anti stupid war.”

Now a Florida resident, Flynn served three times in Afghanistan while in the service.

“We are in biblical times, living in the shadow of darkness,” he said, adding that the best metaphor for us is the 23rd psalm, “The Lord is my shepherd.”

Concluding his remarks, Flynn said, “You can only do for yourself your purpose in life. No one can do that for you. So, find your purpose and get involved out of your comfort zone.”

TRUMP CALLS INDICTMENT CHARGES “FAKE” AND “FABRICATED”



One day before his 77th birthday, former **President Donald Trump** plead not guilty in a Miami courtroom on June 13 to 37 federal counts related to his handling of classified documents after departing the White House, and then just hours later, he traveled to his Trump

National Golf Club in Bedminster, New Jersey, to address several hundred of his ardent supporters to assure them he would fight the charges, which he called “fake” and “fabricated.”

Trump accused President Joe Biden of corruption for interfering with the upcoming 2024 presidential election, and alleged that other presidents in the past also have kept the paperwork they received while in office. Laying out what is

likely to be a key part of his defense’s legal strategy, he said the records were kept under the auspices of the Presidential Records Act.

“Today,” he said, “we witnessed the most evil and heinous abuse of power in the history of our country. A corrupt sitting president had his top political opponent arrested on phony charges in the middle of a presidential election. This is election interference at a scale we have never seen before.”

Noting that “this day will go down in infamy,” Trump said that Biden “will forever be remembered as the president who tried to destroy American Democracy. When you arrest your leading political opponent, we no longer have a democracy.”

He also said that Hillary Clinton, his 2016 opponent, destroyed her email server without facing any consequences, and thus far, neither has Biden, who has kept classified documents at his residence and other locations from his time both as vice president and when he was in the U.S. Senate. And Trump took aim at the media – specifically, “The Washington Post” and “The New York Times” – for writing about leaks from the Justice Department.

The former President also alleged that pictures appearing in his indictment were fabricated; the boxes found at his Mar-a-Lago resident in Florida contained news clippings, mementos, and photographs; and he accused the FBI of staging what they laid out. Calling those who raided the site “gun-toting FBI agents,” Trump said they violated the Fourth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, which protects citizens from “unreasonable” searches.

Pledging to “Make America Great Again” – the slogan appearing on the red caps worn by many in the applauding crowd – the former President, who has been known to speak for more than 90 minutes at a time, held these remarks to a promised 30 minutes.

POLITICAL JOTTINGS AND DOTTINGS.



FLORIDA BUDGET BILL SIGNED. After signing into law several hundred bills passed by the Florida Legislature, **Governor Ron DeSantis** responded on June 15 to the only piece of legislation



that actually was required – the one-year fiscal budget that takes effect on July 1. The Legislature passed a record \$117 billion budget, and DeSantis – using the power of his veto pen – deleted \$510.9 million of that amount, much of it coming from environmental programs, rural and family lands programs, land and water conservation, local government energy programs, water and sewer projects, college building construction projects, and funds for public radio stations, fairgrounds and city fire and police stations. But that still left a record \$116.5 billion state budget that was signed into law. It features higher funding for K-12 schools, health care programs, and a 5 percent across-the-board pay increase to state workers. DeSantis traveled to the Pelican Yacht Club in Fort Pierce to sign the legislation, without commenting on the veto items. That information was released later in the day. What he did say at the signing was “The state is going in a great direction. You’re not going to see us have the type of problems that these other states have with fiscal insolvency, driving people away.”

REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES. The list of Republican presidential hopefuls continued to grow this month, with former **Vice President Mike Pence** filing to run, followed by former **New Jersey Governor Chris Christie**, current **North Dakota Governor Doug Burgum**, **Miami Mayor Francis Suarez**, and former **Texas Congressman and CIA Officer Will Hurd**.

REPUBLICAN DEBATE. The Republican National Committee announced that the first presidential debate will be held on August 23 in Milwaukee, which also will be the site of the party’s national nominating convention next year. **RNC Chair Ronna McDaniel** said the organization “is committed to putting on a fair, neutral, and transparent primary process and the qualifying criteria set forth will put our party and eventual nominee in the best position to take back the White House.” In order to participate in the debate, the candidates must have received campaign contributions from 40,000 donors and at least 1 percent support in three national polls or in polls from two separate early voting states and must sign a pledge agreeing not to participate in any non-RNC-sanctioned debate during the election cycle. They also must promise to support the eventual Republican nominee.

LET ME BE FRANK
By Space Coast Tusk Designer
Frank Montelione



The Fall Of Empires - The lower class demands more and rebels against the state. Internal political corruption. Division in the nation. Successful invasion.

These were some of the reasons for the fall of the Grecian and Roman Empires.

Today, our government has been infiltrated by the “woke,” progressive left. We have an administration that is the most secretive and corrupt in the nation’s history. We have been

invaded from the southern border, aided by an inept “czar” who refuses to recognize our dilemma.

Julius Caesar, who was popular with the middle and lower class, was assassinated by members of the elite upper class. Today, we have the Trump Derangement Syndrome and the persecution of political opponents by the current administration, alienating more than half of the voting population.

Greece found it difficult to stand up to a common enemy, the Roman Empire. Today, we have capitulated to China. Rome rose to power and became stronger than the Green City States. Now we have China becoming economically and militarily stronger than the United States. Why this happened, and the ties between the Bidens and China, are grist for another column.

Small family farms in Rome failed and had to sell out to larger farms manned by slaves. Today, America’s food giants have swallowed up the family farm.

Add all that to the decline of moral values in both Greece and Rome – all factors in the fall of two of the greatest empires the world has ever seen.

It is alarming to know that many of the issues that doomed those Empires are now being seen in our United States.

The FBI helped shut down a clandestine Chinese “police station” in Manhattan after the arrest of two alleged operatives in April of this year, but “The New York Post” was told that there are several more of these illegal organizations scattered across the U.S. According to a new report by Safeguard Defenders, in addition to the Chinese police station above a noodle restaurant in Manhattan’s Chinatown, there is another station at an undisclosed address in New York City, as well as an outpost in Los Angeles.”

An article in the “New York Times” reported that a close ally of Vladimir Putin said that Russia has meddled in U.S. elections – and will continue to do so. Asked by a journalist whether Russia was interfering in the U.S. midterms on November 8, Prigozhin answered: “Gentlemen, we interfered, we interfere and we will interfere,” adding “carefully, precisely, surgically and in our own way, as we know how.”

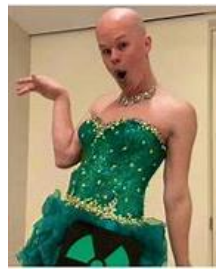
We see transvestites in drag holding reading sessions to our children. We even have transsexuals and transvestites hold some important positions in our government.

Rachel Leland Levine is a pediatrician who is serving as the United States assistant secretary for health. She (?) is also an admiral in the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps.



Sam Briton, who claims to be a non-binary, is former Department of Energy nuclear official Sam Brinton, who was

charged in two luggage theft cases last year and was arrested again this week.



“Drag Queen Story Hour” has become a regular event at North American libraries, schools, and bookstores beginning in 2015. The drag queens – all men dressed up as clownish versions of “women” – read stories to children under



the guise of normalizing “gender fluidity” and giving kids “glamorous, positive, and unabashedly queer role models.”

We have Transgender male athletes competing with natural female athletes in high school and college sports. Children being told to select their “pronoun” in school.

George Santayana is credited with the aphorism: “Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it,”

Greece and Rome lasted for roughly 1,000 years. How long will our beloved Representative Republic last?

In his 1967 Inaugural Address, **Ronald Reagan** said: “Perhaps you and I have lived with this miracle too long to be properly appreciative. Freedom is a fragile thing and is never more than one generation away from extinction. It is not ours by inheritance, it must be fought for and defended constantly by each generation, for it comes only once to a people.”

Are we that generation?

THE BREC CORNER By Chairman Rick Lacey



June has been an extremely busy month for BREC. A Summer Training Camp was held at Viera High School where **J.C. Martin** provided a basic plan for Committeemen and Committeewomen to organize their respective precincts for future elections. Topics included organizing precinct gatherings to recruit block captains, get out the vote ideas, use of web elect tools, and welcome new voters initiatives. **Treasurer Sharon Rose** pitched for voter registration agents and **Secretary Paul Oddo** reminded everyone of the importance of communication for excused absences and sign in for attendees.

The 2023 Lincoln Reagan Dinner was also in June at the Hilton Melbourne. This year’s sold-out dinner featured a patriotic theme highlighting the 248th birthday of the U.S. Army. The honored guest speaker was **Lt. Colonel Ivan Raiklin** who introduced Keynote Speaker **Lt. General Michael Flynn**. **State Representative Tyler Sirois** presented the Business of the Year Award to Frogbones Family Shooting Center, and **State Senator Tom Wright** announced the award for Legislator of the year to **State Senator Debbie Mayfield**. **Vice Chair Cindy Roberts** and I presented the much deserved

Republican of the Year Award to **District Four Chairman Xiaoqi Wang.**

This year's Souvenir Program featured more business ads than ever, and everyone is encouraged to patronize those business advertising sponsors. Finally, I invite BREC members to support the Chairman's Challenge to convert NPA voters to Republican in time for the March 19, 2024, Presidential Primary.



MAYFIELD MINUTE
By State Senator Debbie Mayfield

Saying Florida is “upholding our commitments to military and veteran families and supporting the critical missions of our state’s military installations,” **Governor Ron DeSantis** has announced more than \$6.1 million in awards to military communities through

the Defense Infrastructure Grant Program, the Defense Reinvestment Grant Program, and the Florida Defense Support Task Force Grant Program. Through the collaborative efforts of the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) and Enterprise Florida Inc. (EFI), these programs provide grants to military communities to support infrastructure projects, economic diversification efforts, and military community relations.

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Following the retirement of **Indian River County Clerk of Court and Comptroller Jeffrey Smith**, the Governor appointed **Chief Deputy Clerk Ryan Butler** to the position beginning July 1. Butler, who served nearly 25 years as a state prosecutor, indicated his plans to officially run for the seat following the appointment.

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Governor DeSantis also has announced that Patrick Space Force Base was selected as the home for the U.S. Space Force Space Training and Readiness Command (STARCOM) headquarters, saying “This further solidifies Florida’s dominance as the most military-friendly state and as America’s hub for military and private space operations. From Project Mercury to today’s privatized spaceflight, Americans look to Florida’s Space Coast to see history in the making. We are honored to host the Space Training and Readiness Command headquarters and continue Florida’s history as America’s gateway to outer space.”

STARCOM will prepare combat-ready U.S. Space Force (USSF) Guardians to fight and win in a contested, degraded, and operationally limited environment through the deliberate development, education, and training of space professionals; development of space warfighting doctrine, tactics, techniques, and procedures; and the test and evaluation of USSF capabilities.

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Congratulations to **Jason Steele**, a former chair of the Brevard Republican Executive Committee, for his appointment to the Brevard County Commission. Steele is the director of Government Relations at Smith & Associates and served as a Representative in the Florida House 1980-82. He previously was appointed a member of the Enterprise Florida and Space Florida Boards of Directors and was a founding member of the Space Coast Tiger Bay Club. Steele, who was appointed by Governor DeSantis, will complete the term on the County Commission that was vacated by **Kristine Zonka**, whom DeSantis appointed as the Administrator of the Department of Health in Brevard County.

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Florida Lt. Governor Jeannette Nunez and the state’s **Department of Transportation Secretary Jared Perdue** have announced the milestone completion of the bridge improvement project on the eastbound NASA Causeway, accomplished more than 100 days in advance of the scheduled completion deadline. It replaces the 1964 Causeway drawbridge with a double-high rise fixed bridge. A second bridge for westbound traffic will be built with an expected opening date in early 2026, and until it is completed, traffic temporarily will be two-way on the newly opened bridge.

Nunez also said that this year, the Space Coast is projected to host close to 100 launches, further cementing Florida’s position as the Launch Capital of the World.” With surging demand across the commercial aerospace industry, she added, “We are committed to improving infrastructure to accommodate space payloads making their trek to launch pads. This NASA Causeway Bridge will meet the demands that ensure Florida remains the global hub for all aerospace activity.”



AN UPDATE FROM MY OFFICE
By Florida State Senator Tom Wright

It has been incredible to be back in District 8 full time, and my month has been filled with various events and Legislative Session recaps. It is always a pleasure to meet new constituents and to stay in contact with the great number that

I have already met during my time as a State Senator.

A noteworthy event in June was the ribbon cutting ceremony for the first half of the NASA Causeway Bridge. This project has come in under budget and ahead of schedule, displaying the incredible ability of Florida to effectively and efficiently maintain our critical infrastructure. The construction of a new bridge will ensure that the space industry has the ability to continue expanding the projects being worked on and launched from the Kennedy Space Center. The space industry is thriving and is a major economic driver, not only in the Space Coast, but across the great State of Florida.

Another major moment this month was **Florida Governor Ron DeSantis** signing the 2023-24 State Budget into law on June 15, 2023. We have successfully passed one of the strongest budgets in Florida history with a \$116.5 Billion spending plan that includes record levels of investment into critical needs like K-12 funding, public safety agency salaries and environmental and water resource protection. Florida has also maintained healthy state reserves totaling more than \$15.3 billion.

And a great topic to bring up is that I have begun to have many of the bills that I passed through the Legislature this session signed into law by the Governor. One that I would like to highlight is Senate Bill 1318: Spaceflight Entity Liability. I introduced this bill to ensure that Florida law is up to date with the continually evolving space industry. In recent years we have seen an incredible growth of commercial space companies, especially right here in the Space Coast. This legislation updated terms like “spaceflight entity” and “spaceflight activities” to ensure that they truly define what these words have evolved into. The bill also modifies the current spaceflight liability laws so that commercial companies can use the same waiver that has been utilized by NASA for government astronauts. This now signed legislation helps Florida stay on the forefront of the space industry and is one piece to making sure that Florida stays the Space Capitol of the World.

Should anyone ever need the help of my office, please do not hesitate to reach out at 386-304-7630 or by email at wright.tom@flsenate.gov My office is always here to fight for you and listen to the concerns you have.



**Brevard
Federated
Republican
WOMEN**

**RENDEZVOUS WITH
REPUBLICAN WOMEN
By BFRW President
Jill Gentis**

At our June 7 luncheon meeting, we awarded four \$1,000 Scholarships to high school graduates selected by **Dr. Dixie Riepl**, Committee Chairperson, and her committee. We also heard from **Matt Susin** and **Megan Wright**, who took time from their busy schedules to comment on the positive changes made by the new Brevard School Board.

Susin and Wright also presented the recipients their Scholarship Awards. All four of them are exceptional women and recognized leaders who excel in academics, community volunteer work and active participation in numerous school activities.

Olivia Eames received the Bradley Moore Memorial Scholarship. She is a graduate of the Classical Conversations of South Melbourne Homeschool Program, and has been accepted at Hillsdale College, where she will study Psychology and Law.

Isabel Miles received the Barbara Davis Scholarship. She is a graduate of West Shore High School, and intends to study

Neurology at Baylor University, as well as use those skills to help her community.

Chloe Nason received the Lillian Banks Scholarship. She is a graduate of Astronaut High School and intends to attend the University of Florida, where she will pursue a Degree in Sports Medicine after a summer internship.

Victoria Wilkie received the Brevard Federated Republican Women’s Scholarship. She is a graduate of Melbourne Central Catholic High School, where she is recognized for exemplifying the virtues of humility, integrity, generosity, and inclusivity. She was not present at the meeting because she has begun attending Florida State University.



(In front are BFRW member Patricia Carroll-Moore, Oliva Eames, Chloe Nason, Isabel Miles and Megan Wright. The proud mothers of the scholarship winners are in the second row, and Matt Susin oversees the group from the back. Wright holds Victoria Wilke’s photo.)

Susin and Wright need no further introduction to the ardent readers of the Space Coast Tusk. They, along with Gene Trent (who wasn’t present), have revitalized Brevard Schools in their short term in office. Together they have managed to deliver the highest increase of teacher salary in the history of Brevard County, partner with **Brevard Sheriff Wayne Ivey** to return control of the classrooms back to the teachers, ban Cell Phones in the classrooms, enforce zero tolerance on violent offenders, remove pornographic books from school libraries, and institute a new Dress Code Policy banning short shorts and other inappropriate outfits.

Susin also said the School Board has just begun plans to partner with prominent area businesses to further improve the quality of education in Brevard County.

At our next meeting, on July 5, our speaker will be **Tim Bobanic**, Brevard County Supervisor of Elections. He recently received awards from the United States Election Assistance Commission and recognition for “Outstanding Innovations in Elections. Reservations can be made at www.brevardfederatedrepublicanwomen.org.

**REMEMBER WHEN
By Heritage Isle Republican Club
President Mike Hoagland**



Remember when we thought our country offered its citizens a constitution affording freedom and a republic of laws. We thought

our judicial system was unbiased and fair. We thought our federal law enforcement agency (FBI) was unbiased and fair. We thought our Department of Justice was unbiased and fair. With the leadership of these agencies serving at the pleasure of this White House, we know there is no such thing as fair as this has become the most corrupt government in our history. They trample the constitution as we have seen repeatedly. Who cares? What can be done. Citizens in 1776 determined how a tyrannical government would be dealt with. The Marxists control this country currently. These communists began the takeover of this country when the USSR broke up. It gave them cover for their agenda.

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Also, remember when our founders declared their independence from England? They fought a war and won. As a result, we became a country. What makes a country? Borders, culture, and language are what make up a country. How have we done in the last 250 years? With the Biden White House, the democrat party, and their media cohorts, we practically have no borders. They allow everyone into our country. I think the democrats give out voter registration forms to complete before releasing the illegals into our country. We give them phones, food, medical care, legal advice and transportation to wherever they would like to go.

We do not enforce our immigration laws. Terrorists, criminals, gang members come into our country along with some very decent people. So, I ask "Do we have borders?" "As for culture, we now erase our history. We rewrite history textbooks. We remove national monuments that some deem racist or controversial. We remove names on buildings including George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, and Thomas Jefferson. Our history is diverse and there are many lessons to be learned from the good and the bad in our history. That is our historical culture.

What has our culture become? We promote LGBTQIA2S ideology. We promote sex education for youth K-12 without any parental consent. We advocate for schools to assist k-12 students with proper gender identification without parental knowledge. We promote transexual entertainment to include minors. We allow trans men who declare they are female to compete against real females in many Olympic or collegiate events. Look at Target's youth clothing displays. They are promoting sexual orientation for ages starting at one year old.

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And remember when in order to socialize one had to talk on a party-line phone (not a lengthy call), write a letter, go to someone's home, meet somewhere or become part of an organization. Social interaction was rarely contentious.

What has changed over the last several decades? The internet was created. Email was developed. Look how Facebook, twitter, Tik-Tok and Instagram have altered how we socialize with each other. It will be many years in the future for sociologists to evaluate the consequences of society's use of social media.

Personally, I think that these social media platforms are the most devastating technologies ever developed for use by mankind. The level of bullying can be witnessed at levels never before seen in society. Bullying is not only done by our youth, but at all age groups and all institutions. Suicides by our youth are unbelievable. I suspect adults are affected as well. People can bully others via all these electronic means without consequence. Since people no longer must come face to face with those with whom they may disagree, they can disparage unmercifully. It seems to me that individuals are almost dehumanized. We are losing civility.

Then, of course, we have the political issues associated with social media. These outlets are influencers. All the social media companies are liberal progressive institutions. Twitter may change since the Musk purchase. We will see. Our corrupt U.S. government effected the outcome of our last presidential election. The FBI, DOJ, and White House conspire with these media outlets to control what people hear. The bias exhibited by these social media companies is only now becoming known.

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Another Remember When -- prior to the COVID mandates, we all thought our youth were receiving an education in our public (government) schools? Well, the onsite learning woke up most of the nation and families with children in school. Many say that Randi Weingarten, President, American Federation of Teachers, is the most dangerous in the world. At this point in time, we have had a minimum of two generations indoctrinated with what I refer to as a Marxist culture.

We have all witnessed the decline in academic achievement of our youth. We have witnessed the level of indoctrination placed in the classrooms without parental consent. The Marxists say that the government is responsible for raising children, not just parents. You have all heard this from this current White House. Parents who started complaining at school board meetings were either arrested or removed from the meetings. Biden had the DOJ arrange for the FBI to attend school board meetings and keep track of parents in attendance. Parents just do not want their children subject to a liberal ideology. All of the societal issues of the day were forced upon children without the knowledge of parents. The cat is now out of the bag.

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And remember when, last April, we said education was an area in which we would become active? We did. We supported Republican candidates. The Brevard County School Board went from liberal to conservative. We don't need to rehash what was going on in our schools. Just know that everything you saw occurring across this country was going on in our schools.... I am a firm believer that education is key to our country's very existence.

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Anyone who watched Mark Levin on his June 11 show has got to be coming out of their skin with the level of governmental corruption exhibited by our federal judicial system regarding the Donald Trump persecution. Keep in mind that Donald

Trump was president and as the chief executive of the United States, every governmental agency and department reported to him. The head of National Archives worked for the president. The constitution permits the president absolute authority to classify or declassify ANY document solely at his own discretion without any approval or input from anyone else. HE IS THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE and everyone else works for him!

Furthermore, he is permitted to keep the documents that he chooses. So, a Librarian went to the White House to complain. The White House referred them to the DOJ. The DOJ then contacted the FBI and so the merry-go-round begins. It demonstrates how severe this “Deep State” bureaucracy can adversely affect our nation. Unelected bureaucrats run this country along with unelected judges in the DOJ. They can persecute a president they don’t like because they can. The people of this country elected Donald Trump, and the bureaucrats can’t stand him.

THIS AND THAT

UNEQUAL JUSTICE UNDER THE LAW. While former President **Donald Trump** has been arrested (the first time for a chief executive in U.S. history) and charged with 37 counts of illegally retaining classified documents, and absurdly facing several hundred years in prison if convicted – but pleading not guilty and calling the charges a “witch hunt,” the Justice Department also has been looking for months into charges against President Joe Biden’s son Hunter Biden, involving tax evasion of more than a million dollars, and lying on a federal form to obtain a gun while using illegal drugs. Now, it appears Hunter is pleading guilty to the charges, but will be receiving a sweetheart deal – no jail time – and there was no mention of any of the reports of his receiving funding from China and Ukraine.

SECURING THE U.S. BORDER. Under President Joe Biden’s watch, record-breaking numbers of illegal aliens, including criminals – as well as dangerous drugs like fentanyl – have entered the United States through the open southern border. Republican governors, state legislatures and Attorneys General are now taking action against the illegal immigration crisis. The Biden administration is using the “Circumvention of Lawful Pathways” rule to make it easier for illegal aliens to enter the country, but now **Florida Attorney General Ashley Moody** and 17 other state Attorneys General have filed a complaint to stop this rule, saying it is “pure political gamesmanship and smokescreens.” Since taking office, Moody said, “this administration has taken step after step to dismantle our public safety-immigration structures...moving unvetted migrants to ports of entry does nothing to stop the crisis at the border, and Floridians deserve to know the truth.”



At press time there were still several decisions from the 2023 term unannounced. On June 15, the Supreme Court

ruled 7-2 to uphold the Indian Child Welfare Act that gives preferences for Native tribes when Indian children are adopted, ruling that the law does not discriminate on the basis of race and does not impermissibly impose a federal mandate on traditionally-state-related areas of power. The Act had been challenged by several prospective adoptive parents and the state of Texas.... By a 5-4 decision on June 8, the Supreme Court ruled (with Justices John Roberts and Brett Kavanaugh joining the three liberals on board) to strike down Alabama’s congressional map, saying it likely violates the Voting Rights Act by diluting the power of Black voters. The state is now ordered to create a second majority-Black district in its seven-district total. The decision is expected to guarantee that after the 2024 election, Alabama will have a second Democrat seat in Congress.... In *Marion County v. Talevski*, the high court also ruled 7-2 rejecting a bid to prevent an Indiana nursing home resident’s family from suing over his care at a government-run facility, preserving the ability of people to sue for civil rights violations under an 1871 law.... And the court ruled 9-0 in favor of the Jack Daniels whiskey company in its dispute with the dog accessory company VIP Products LLC, which sold a parody chew toy resembling the distiller’s black label whiskey bottle. The dispute had pitted trademark rights against “creative expression” On June 2, the Court ruled 8-1 in favor of the Glacier Northwest Inc/ concrete business, which had sued a local affiliate of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters after a work stoppage forced the company to discard undelivered concrete. The justices said the company’s claims were not preempted by a statute called the National Labor Relations Act on the grounds that the union had failed to take “reasonable precautions” to prevent a foreseeable and imminent harm to the employer’s property resulting from the strike...In the case of *Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette v. the Coalition to Defend Affirmative Action*, the Court also ruled 6-2 that the 14th Amendment’s Equal Protection Clause does not prevent states from enacting bans on affirmative action in education. The case arose after Michigan voters approved an initiative which amended the state constitution to make affirmative action illegal in public employment and education.... Following a 14-year-battle with the Environmental Protection Agency, Michael and Chantell Sackett, who purchased a lot to build a house near Idaho’s Priest Lake, had been ordered to halt construction because their lot contained a “federally protected wetland,” and threatened to fine them \$40,000 per day. The Sacketts’ lawyers argued in the court system for years that the land was not protected, because there was dry land between it and the lake. Finally, on May 25, the Sacketts won a 9-0 decision from the Supreme Court – all the justices agreed that this case did not qualify for EPA protection..... Also on May 25, the court ruled 9-0 that Hennepin County, Minnesota, unconstitutionally retained the excess value of 94-year-old Geraldine Tyler’s home above her tax debt, in violation of the takings clause. It reversed a lower court’s earlier decision that favored the county.

FLORIDA STATE SUPREME COURT. The newest member of the Sunshine State’s high court is **6th District Court of Appeals Judge Meredith Sasso**, appointed by **Florida Governor Ron DeSantis** to replace **Justice Ricky Polston**, who resigned from the Supreme Court to seek another position. Sasso, 40, graduated from the University of Florida in 2005, and earned her law degree there in 2008. After representing clients in the private sector, she served as Deputy General Counsel for **former Governor Rick Scott**.

ANOTHER MOVE FOR RICKY POLSTON. Former **Florida Supreme Court Justice Ricky Polston**, who spent 14 years on the high court and then resigned last March to become the General Counsel and Chief Legal Officer at Citizens Property Insurance Corporation, served in that position for less than three months and then decided to leave there on June 30, to head to Shutts & Bowen, a law firm that has seven offices in Florida and has provided leadership and high-quality legal services to businesses and individuals for more than a century.



The Brevard Chapter of County Citizens Defending Freedom (CCDF) – an organization having roots in Christian conservatism and using the U.S. Constitution to justify its priorities and accuse the government of stepping on people’s guaranteed rights – will hold a Courageous Freedom Fundraiser Luncheon on July 15 at American Legion Post #117, 189 Veterans Drive SE, in Palm Bay, beginning at 11 am. The speakers at the event will be author Trey Boyer and Patriot Academy Director of Coach Operations Adam Bell. A \$30 donation is requested at the door. For registration, contact Ruth Kaufhold at rkaufhold@ccdfusa.com or call 321-390-2575.

CONGRESSIONAL BASEBALL GAME. On June 14, Republican legislators defeated their Democrat colleagues 16-6 in the annual seven-inning Congressional Baseball Game held in the stadium where the Washington Nationals play. It was the third victory in a row for the Republicans, who hold a 45-42-1 record in the series that began in 1909. It is a charity event attended by thousands of fans, this year raising about \$1.8 million for 44 different charities in the Washington area. The Republican players wore red uniforms with an elephant logo, while the Democrats wore blue caps, but their jerseys were from local high school, college, or professional teams in their individual congressional districts..... Meanwhile, for our readers’ amusement, here is a link to a pertinent short video from back in 2016 to relive some memories. [Click here.](#)



Addressing the Leadership Institute’s Wake Up Club Breakfast on June 7, author and Heritage Foundation fellow **Stephen Moore** said that during the Coronavirus pandemic, the government never should have



been allowed to shut down churches, businesses, and especially schools – which was “the greatest episode of child abuse in history.” During President Trump’s term in office, he said, the president’s “biggest mistake” was not firing Dr. Anthony Fauci. Moore said the country spent more money on Covid than was spent during World War II, and when President Biden took over in 2021, “he did not save us from Covid” because by then the crisis was over. What is scary to conservatives today, he said, is that in 2022, the Biden administration government spending exceeded the size of the U.S. private sector, officially making us “a socialist country.” This is the first time, he said, that our debt rose and stayed up after a war or a crisis., and “we are spending out of control.” What we knew previously, he said, is that when the U.S. had lower tax rates, there were higher returns in the economy. Moore said that higher taxes are “an assault against prosperity.” Noting that the Biden administration seeks to destroy energy production, he said it is the “dumbest policy in U.S. history.” Under President Trump, he added, energy production tripled. He also said that under Biden, the idea of government-private partnerships is “not good.” He said he favors a flat tax that would get rid of all deductions. On the subject of inflation, Moore noted that 12 Nobel Prize-winning economists had written a letter to the “New York Times” telling people not to worry, because Biden’s policies will not cause it. Moore suggested that these noted economists “should turn in their PhD’s.” Today, Moore said, the United States is more “red and blue divided” than any time since the Civil War, with Republicans leaving Blue States for Red ones that have no state income taxes. It is the states, and not the federal government, he said, that should be making economic decisions.



Attendees of the Republican Liberty Caucus of Central East Florida meeting on June 5 unanimously agreed with a name change for the organization to the Republican Liberty



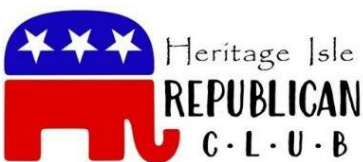
Caucus of Brevard. **Josiah Gattle**, the new chair of the group, said the change comes

from the remarkable leadership of former Chair **Bob White**, who still retains the position of Chair of the entire Republican Liberty Caucus of Florida. With the establishment of RLC clubs in every surrounding county, Gattle said, "We must refocus our efforts on the county we love - Brevard." He said that under White's guidance, "our organization has experienced tremendous growth and influence, leading to the expansion of liberty-minded individuals throughout the region. The decision to rename our organization to the Republican Liberty Caucus of Brevard ensures that we can concentrate our resources and energy on advancing our mission within our county. We are refocusing our efforts and reaffirming our commitment to advancing liberty within our beloved county. We have an opportunity to make a lasting impact in Brevard." Gattle added that all liberty-loving individuals in Brevard are invited to join the grassroots Republican Liberty Caucus and become part of a community dedicated to restoring liberty, shrinking government, reducing taxes, abolishing unnecessary programs, and promoting the freedom and independence of our citizens....



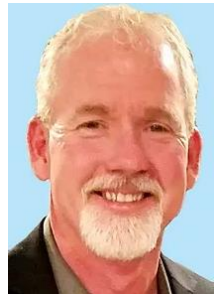
The speaker on the program for the meeting, **District 51 State Representative Tyler Sirois**, said that while there usually are three or four "priority" bills each legislative session, during the successful past one, "nearly all the bills were priority." Regarding ESG legislation, he said Florida has been "a leader in the world" by passing legislation in opposition to environmental, social and governance

measures. Recalling legislation that passed following the Parkland school massacre five years ago, Sirois said some legislators are trying to rescind the part of it that infringed on Second Amendment rights – primarily not-allowing citizens under the age of 21 to purchase weapons – because "the Second Amendment right exists, period." That battle will continue next session, he said. While the Biden Administration is talking about creating digital currency and doing away with cash as legal tender, Sirois said that must be preserved as legal tender, and the same is true for gold and silver. Noting that banks are considering tracking the use of credit cards to determine what is being purchased, he said he prefers using cash instead. Social media, he said, constitutes the greatest threat the county faces. Expressing his opposition to forced Covid shots, Sirois said a medical situation should not affect employment. While the Legislature did pass an election integrity bill, he said he was not happy that omitted citizenship verification. But, Sirois said, he did like the provision of voter identification for a first-time absentee ballot request...The Republican Liberty Caucus of Brevard will not meet in July, but at the August 7 meeting, the speaker will be Brevard's new **School Superintendent Mark Rendell**, who will discuss his expertise and insights into education and public policy.



The recently elected District 2 School Board Representative for Brevard County, **Gene Trent**, told the Heritage Isle Republican

Club on June 1 that as a Conservative, he will fight to protect the rights of parents to be involved in the education process of their children because he believes "education should be a partnership between parents, students, teachers, the administration, and the community." He added that parents are the ones that can best determine their child's unique educational needs, and it's through school choice programs such as recently passed House Bill 7045 that gives the power to the parents where it should be. Trent, a native of Illinois who was a long-time teacher in both Chicago and Brevard County, said he decided to run for the School Board when he did not like the way the liberal majority old board acted, not following proper policy. In addition to his district last November, two additional ones switched as well, giving the Brevard board a conservative majority. Expressing his opposition to Critical Race Theory, Trent said he believes that simply teaching a child that "everything that has happened or will happen in the world is racist, and that he or she is part of the problem because of the color of their skin, is not only detrimental to the child, but also violates existing law." CRT has no place in education, he stressed. Trent, who was on the goal of putting students first as well as protecting parents' rights, said that 15 years ago, electronics – he meant ear buds and cell phones – started destroying our school system, but now they are not being allowed in class. Discussing the fact that the county school superintendent resigned shortly after the new board was formed, and a temporary replacement was suspended, he said he was excited about the new person selected for the program – **Mark Rendell**, the principal at Cocoa Beach Junior-Senior High School. There were 33 applicants for the position, Trent said. Upcoming projects that the Board has to discuss, he said, include what books are appropriate for the school libraries, teacher pay, classroom discipline, and a critical shortage of school bus drivers in the county. But even with problems to resolve, Trent said, "the future is bright for Brevard."



AUDACITY AND IDIOCY

Here are this month's "winners":



--U.S. District Court Judge Robert Hinkle, who was nominated to the court in 1996 by President Bill Clinton and is known for controversial rulings against conservatives in Florida, for two more decisions – blocking legislation signed by Governor Ron DeSantis to safeguard children from being prescribed puberty blockers and cross-sex hormones under the guise of "gender-affirming care" – claiming that gender identity is "real"; and striking down legislation to require individuals with criminal records to pay outstanding court debts before being allowed to vote – claiming that would violate the constitutional ban on poll taxes for nearly 775,000 felons with unpaid fines.

--The absurdly woke U.S. Capitol Police, for interrupting mid-performance a group of South Carolina school children inside Statuary Hall, and ordering them to stop singing, because

“people might be offended by the song.” Speaker Kevin McCarthy’s office had invited the group to perform. So what song were the children singing to upset the police so much. Hip Hop? No. Rap? No. It was none other than “The Star-Spangled Banner.”

--Florida actress Denee Benton, for using her time as a Tony Award presenter to besmirch Governor Ron DeSantis as a KKK Grand Wizard, garnering giddy applause from the ceremony’s woke audience. The “Hamilton” actress also urged DeSantis to “change the name” of the Florida town known as “Plantation.”

--Officials at Harvard, Princeton, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the California Institute of Technology, Carnegie Mellon, and the University of California at Berkeley, for all of them rejecting the application of a Florida student from Miami Coral Park High School – even though he had achieved a 4.65 grade point average and a Scholastic Aptitude Test score of 1,590 out of a perfect 1,600. Why? Because Jon Wang is an Asian-American, whose parents are first-generation Chinese immigrants. He said high school guidance counselors told him it’s tougher to get in “as an Asia-American,” and even though he eventually was accepted by Georgia Tech, he is now among the plaintiffs challenging Harvard in court over race-based admissions and affirmative action practices.

--Police in Reading, Pennsylvania, for arresting, handcuffing, and charging with disorderly conduct street preacher Damon Atkins for briefly speaking in opposition to a pride event at City Hall.

--The honorable judges on the federal district court in Massachusetts, for ruling that it is okay for students at Nichols Middle School in Middleborough to wear pro-transgender t-shirts to class, but it is not allowed for them to wear shirts that read “There are only two genders.”

--California Governor Gavin Newsom, for claiming that a recent mass shooting in Hollywood, Florida, is the “fault” of Governor Ron DeSantis for signing legislation that “removes requirements for background checks, firearms instruction, training and oversight.” But the problems are that the measure states, “eligible citizens ages 21 years and older can carry a firearm without asking the government for a permit and without having to pay a fee.” The federal government still requires licensed firearms dealers to run background checks on buyers, and despite Newsom’s argument to support his left-wing agenda, DeSantis’ bill does not even go into effect until July 1.

--Hollywood actress Charlize Theron, for threatening to “f-anyone-up: who opposes drag queen events,” claiming that drag possessed “inherent virtues and had the power to uplift viewers, making them better individuals through its captivating artistry.” She also claimed as “stupid policies” the legislation proposed in several states to limit sexually explicit performances in the presence of children. According to Theron, these events are “protecting children.”

--The administrators at Kellogg High School in Kellogg, Idaho, for denying senior student Travis Lohr the right to walk in the school’s graduation ceremony for “offending them” by publicly stating that “Guys are guys and girls are girls. There is no in-between.” It’s too bad that he didn’t add “And the school administrators are morons.” Ironically, so many students and parents protested the ruling that the school district announced it would be postponing the graduation ceremony, claiming that “threats” had made the situation unsafe.

--Superintendent Jennifer Gillis of Manchester School District in New Hampshire, for announcing that Manchester West High School – which has \$4,000 of federal COVID money left over – will use those funds not to offset damage down by lockdowns, but instead to fund Pride events and hire drag queens. She even said, “Events such as this are consistent with the goals of our community-developed strategic plan and in-line with District policies.”

--The woke Girl Scouts organization, for encouraging its young members to participate in Pride Month by offering a special patch for completing a series of LGBT-themed activities, including joining in pride celebrations and completing educational assignments about gay and transgender activism.

--Dr. Demetre Daskalakis, an LGBT promotor with an affinity for Satanist emblems, for partnering with FBI Chief Christopher Wray to teach FBI agents about the Bureau’s Pride Month in an event that offered them credit toward mandatory training by the agency’s Office of Diversity and Inclusion.

YOU CAN’T MAKE THIS UP

--While protocol states that the U.S. flag should always be front and center in any official display in America, President Biden broke that tradition at the White House on June 10 during an “historic” gay pride celebration. A photograph from the event showed the gay pride flag flanked by two American flags. Was this a subtle message that the nation has a new official flag? The president even used the event to call for children to be medically mutilated, and he praised transgenderism.



--Unfortunately, the sixth branch of the U.S. military – the Space Force that former President Donald Trump proudly created – has gone completely “woke.” The unit’s commander, Lieutenant General DeAnna Burt, spoke nonsense at a recent Department of Defense Pride event, saying that “access to gender surgery” is a bigger priority for the Space Force than is accepting better qualified candidates. “Transformational cultural change requires leadership from the top, and we do not have time to wait,” Burt said. “Since January of this year, more than 400 anti-LGBT+ laws have been introduced at the state level. That number is rising and demonstrates a trend that could be dangerous to our service members, their families, and the readiness of the force as a whole.” Not surprisingly, backlash from many military members and veterans has been severe.

--If we can believe www.thedailycaller.com, leaked documents by unnamed employees indicate that Fox News – the once conservative news channel – is now encouraging them to read gay erotica, donate to pro-child castration groups, use the bathroom matching their “gender identity” rather than their biological sex, and even dress in accordance with that identity. And the Murdocks wonder why their viewership is tanking.

--Now it is “Sesame Street,” the TV show beloved by four-year-olds, that has gone woke. Seeking to influence at an extremely early age, the producers of the show have even posted a Twitter message calling for children to celebrate diversity and unity and to spread love and acceptance. “Elmo and I wanted to share that everyone is always welcome on Sesame Street,” said Ariana DuBose. “This month and every month, we want to uplift and celebrate our LGBTQIA+ family, friends and communities.” Guess it’s time now to shut down the street to the public.

--Last year, Randolph Union High School in Vermont suspended 14-year-old student Blake Allen, and fired her father, Blake Allen, as a soccer coach, because both of them spoke out against a biological male using the girls’ locker room at school. Represented by Alliance Defending Freedom, they sued, and the Orang Southwest School District reinstated the coach, cleared the girl’s suspension record, and agreed to pay the family and their attorneys \$125,000. ADF called it “a resounding victory for freedom of speech.”

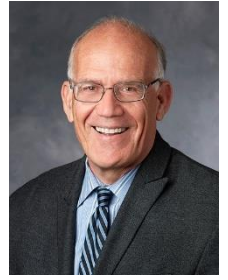
--A group of sixth graders at Marshall-Simonds Middle School in Burlington, Vermont, faced accusations of “intolerance and homophobia” from school officials when they protested a Pride celebration at their school – by chanting “USA” and referring to it as “our pronouns.” An LGBT Spectrum Club had organized the event, and Burlington Superintendent of Schools Eric Conti even wrote a letter to the protesting students’ parents, criticizing their actions. “USA” indeed!

--The conservative Florida Family Association continues to express its disgust with the Girl Scouts of the USA, which reminds everyone that even scouts in kindergarten through the fifth grade are eligible to earn an “LGBTQ+ Pride Month” merit patch to add to their collection of “woke “achievements. FFA reminds its members that introducing young girls to this lifestyle and sending them to such events is “reckless and shameful,” and children are far too immature to be exposed to gender or sexual preference situations.

--Before the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in 2022 that the state of Maine could not prohibit religious students or schools from applying for the state’s tuition program, Maine anticipated the decision and amended the Human Rights Act to bar state funds from being used for religious educational purposes. Now several parents and a Catholic high school have filed a lawsuit against Maine Department of Education Commissioner Pender Makin for allegedly discriminating against religious students and schools seeking state tuition funding.

EXPERTS’ EXCERPTS

Historian Victor Davis Hanson, writing on “A Country We No Longer Recognize; a Coup We Never Knew,” in numerous publications:



“Did someone or something seize control of the United States? What happened to the U.S. border? Where did it go? Who erased it? Why and how did 5 million people enter our country illegally? Did Congress secretly repeal our immigration laws? Did President Joe Biden issue an executive order allowing foreign nationals to walk across the border and reside in the United States as they pleased? Since when did money not have to be paid back? Who insisted that the more dollars the federal government printed, the more prosperity would follow? When did America embrace zero interest? Why do we believe \$30 trillion in debt is no big deal? When did clean-burning, cheap, and abundant natural gas become the equivalent to dirty coal? How did prized natural gas that had granted America’s wishes of energy self-sufficiency, reduced pollution, and inexpensive electricity become almost overnight a pariah fuel whose extraction was a war against nature? Which lawmakers, which laws, which votes of the people declared natural gas development and pipelines near criminal? Was it not against federal law to swarm the homes of Supreme Court justices, to picket and to intimidate their households in efforts to affect their rulings? How then with impunity did bullies surround the homes of Justices Brett Kavanaugh, Samuel Alito, Amy Coney Barrett, Neil Gorsuch, John Roberts, and Clarence Thomas – furious over a court decision on abortion? Since when did Americans create a government Ministry of Truth? And on whose orders did the FBI contract private news organizations to censor stories it did not like and writers whom it feared? How did we wake up one morning to new customs of impeaching a president over a phone call? Of the speaker of the House tearing up the State of the Union address on national television? Of barring congressional members from serving on their assigned congressional committees? When did we assume the FBI had the right to subvert the campaign of a candidate it disliked? Was it legal suddenly for one presidential candidate to hire a foreign ex-spy to subvert the campaign of her rival? Was some state or federal law passed that allowed biological males to compete in female sports? Did Congress enact such a law? Did the Supreme Court guarantee that biological male students could use gym locker rooms with biological women? When did the government pass a law depriving Americans of their freedom during a pandemic? In America can health officials simply cancel rental contracts or declare loan payments in suspension? What happened to election night returns? Did the fact that Americans created more electronic ballots and computerized tallies make it take so much longer to tabulate the votes? When did the nation abruptly decide that theft is not a crime, assault not a felony? How can thieves walk out with bags of stolen goods, without the wrath of angry shoppers, much less fear of the law?Who redefined our

military y and with whose consent? Who proclaimed that our chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff could call his Chinese Communist counterpart to warn him that America's president was supposedly unstable? Was it always true that retired generals routinely libeled their commander-in-chief as a near Nazi, a Mussolini, an adherent of the tools of Auschwitz? How did a virus cancel the Constitution? Did the lockdowns rob of us of our sanity? Or was it the woke hysteria that ignited our collective madness? We are beginning to wake up from a nightmare to a country we no longer recognize, and from a coup we never knew."

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Senior Analyst Laurence Sanford, writing on China in Cuba for the American Security Council Foundation: "China is paying Cuba billions of dollars for the right to build a spy station to gather signals communications intelligence against the United States, according to the "Wall Street Journal."

Cuba is just 90 miles off the coast of Florida. The spy base will be able to sweep electronic signals from the southeastern area of the U.S., which is home to many military bases and space launch facilities. John Kirby, spokesman for the National Security Council, said the report was 'not accurate,' without detailing how it was inaccurate. The Cuban embassy called it 'mendacious,' and the Chinese Embassy had 'no comment.' China is reciprocating U.S. signals intelligence gathering against China from military bases in South Korea, Japan, Okinawa, and the Philippines. The U.S. also gathers intelligence through ships and airplanes transiting the South China Sea and Taiwan Strait, which China claims as territorial waters. Chinese claims to these waters are not recognized by international organizations or by neighboring countries. China buzzed a U.S. Air Force US RC-135 Rivet Joint reconnaissance aircraft in an 'unnecessarily aggressive maneuver' while transiting through South China Sea international air space on May 26.' On June 4, the U.S. guided-missile destroyer 'Chung Hoon' was forced to slow down to avoid a collision in the Taiwan Straits. China claims the U.S.'s provocative and dangerous moves in its territorial waters and air space are the root cause of maritime security issues. Guantanamo Bay, the U.S. Naval Base at the southeastern tip of Cuba, is a consistent source of Cuban protests. The base has been under U.S. control since the Spanish American War and has been under a treaty with Cuba since 1903 with no expiration date. Cuba claims the treaty was imposed under force and is illegal under international law. China supports the Cuban position. Cuba in 1960 was the first Latin American country to recognize the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) rule in China. Now all of Latin America – with the exception of Belize, Guatemala, and Paraguay – recognize the CCP. Two-thirds of Latin American countries are ruled by socialist leaders friendly towards China, though most are careful not to antagonize the United States openly due to important trade relations.... Cuba has had nearly \$5 billion in debt forgiven by China. In 2015, the Paris Club forgave \$8.5 billion of \$11 billion owed. Cuba's finances are considered

state secrets, and the current total debt owed is not known. Cuba has suffered from totalitarian communism and a U.S. embargo since the 1960s.... Totalitarian ideologies such as communism, fascism, and Islamism are like mushrooms. They thrive in dark, dank, and dirty environments. Exposure to light causes mushrooms and totalitarian ideologies to shrivel and shrink, ultimately ending up on the 'ash heap' of history. President Reagan used the term 'ash heap' in his speech before the British Parliament in June 1982 to describe the future fate of communism in the Soviet Union. Bringing darkness to Western civilization is Marxist cancel culture shouting down free speech in universities, and Islamophobia accusations shouting down discussions on Islamic atrocities....China is not going away. The United States must increase its own 'gray zone' activities built upon a strong military and economy. Reciprocity to CCP actions is essential. Renew American civilization and stop indoctrinating our citizens with the Marxist ideologies of Woke, DIE (Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity), and Critical Race Theory (CRT)."

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Conservative activist **Peter LaBarbera**, writing on vulnerabilities exposed in Dominion voting machines, at www.wnd.com:



"A 96-page report by a computer expert in election security has found that one model of Dominion voting machines widely used in the 2020 election 'suffers from critical vulnerabilities that can be exploited to subvert all of its security mechanisms.' In the unsealed July 1, 2021 report, University of Michigan computer science professor Alex Halderman, with the help of Professor Drew Springall, conducted a 'security analysis' of Dominion Voting System's ballot marking devices. The recent unsealing of the 'Halderman Report' by a federal judge is part of a long-running case brought by citizens attempting to block Georgia from using the Dominion machines. Halderman's deep analysis has led many of the same media who belittled Donald Trump and conservatives who claimed vote fraud in 2020 to switch their attention back to the potential for hacking in Dominion Voting System's voting machines....Dominion – which recently reached a \$787 million settlement with Fox News over what it said were erroneous claims by Fox hosts about its voting machines – has downplayed the potential for hacking into its devices, NBC reported: 'But federal authorities have identified the same vulnerabilities, and more than 20 cybersecurity experts rushed to defend Halderman's report' The Dominion voting machines are used in various states across the United States, but 'Georgians who vote at a polling place generally have no choice but to use the [Dominion] BMDs,' according to Halderman....'I demonstrate that these vulnerabilities provide multiple routes by which attackers can install malicious software on Georgia's BMDs, either with temporary physical access or remotely from election management systems (EMSs). I explain how such malware can alter voters' votes while subverting all of the procedural protections practiced by the State,' he writes in the report. Ominously, Halderman writes about how easy it was for him

to “compromise” the Dominion machine: ‘I played the role of an attacker and attempted to discover ways to compromise the system and change votes. I, along with my assistant, spent a total of approximately twelve person-weeks studying the machines, testing for vulnerabilities, and developing proof-of-concept attacks. Many of the attacks I successfully implemented could be effectuated by malicious actors with very limited time and access to the machines, as little as mere minutes’.... Halderman concludes: ‘No grand conspiracies would be necessary to commit large-scale fraud, but rather only moderate technical skills of the kind that attackers who are likely to target Georgia’s elections already possess. Unfortunately, even if such an attack never comes, the fact that Georgia’s BMDs are so vulnerable is all but certain to be exploited by partisan actors to suppress voter participation and cast doubt on the legitimacy of election results.... My research focuses on computer security and privacy, with an emphasis on problems that broadly impact society and public policy. Among my areas of research are software security, network security, computer forensics, and election cybersecurity. I have authored more than 90 articles and books, and my work has been cited in more than 12,000 scholarly publications. I have served as a peer-reviewer for more than 35 research conferences and workshops.’”

THOUGHTS TO PONDER

“This day will go down in infamy. The unprecedented and corrupt indictment of President Trump is built on sand and is brazen election interference. It is an indictment about nothing. Biden’s further transforming of the FBI and Justice Department into political enforcers in order to jail his leading political opponent could lead to the end of our constitutional republic. The indictment has followed years of prosecutorial misconduct, harassment, and abuse victimizing Trump. Not only is Trump innocent but he is a crime victim.”

--**Judicial Watch President Tom Fitton**, on the Democrats’ indictment of President Trump

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“The American Republic is unravelling before our very eyes. Though widely anticipated, the indictment of Donald Trump was the modern political equivalent of the Democrats’ firing on Fort Sumpter. And it will doubtless be followed by more indictments in Washington, Miami, Atlanta, and New York as the Democrats fully unveil their police state against their most formidable rival. This is unquestionably a continuation of the rolling coup against the Republic undertaken in earnest by Barack Obama through his weaponization of the IRS and shamelessly expanded by Hillary’s non-prosecution, the Russia Hoax, the phone call impeachment, the rigged 2020 elections, the burying of Hunter’s laptop and now the undeniable evidence that Joe Biden and his family have treasonously sold out our country. Our nation’s internal divisions are so great that the indictment will provoke both outrage and applause.”

--**Retired U.S. Ambassador Stanley Escudero**, on the Democrats’ coup against President Trump and all Republicans

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“Every administration since President Ronald Reagan’s has mismanaged classified documents, according to National Archives and Records Administration officials who spoke to a congressional committee behind closed doors in March. Mark Bradley, who directs the agency’s Information Security Oversight Office, said that since 2010, his office has gotten more than 80 calls from libraries that have found classified information in papers belonging to members of Congress.... President Biden seemed to have dumped classified documents just about everywhere he set foot. Never mind Hillary and her server. Or the other manifold examples. Since old dogs never learn any new tricks, this is once again a process crime created by the Democrats investigating Trump. Indicting presidential associates on process crimes is one thing, but going after Trump on a process crime is unrealistic. But then this isn’t about actually winning the case but winning an election.”

-Investigative journalist **Daniel Greenfield**, on Trump being indicted for a crime that every administration in the last 40 years was guilty of.

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“Democrats’ indefensible opposition to Voter ID laws, their expansion of Election Day into Election Month, their flat-out unconstitutional alteration of state election laws such as occurred in 2020, their promotion of universal vote-by-mail with the simultaneous abandonment of traditional safeguards, their advocacy of the fraud-plagued practice of “ballot harvesting,” their perverse opposition to cleaning voter rolls, their insistence that ballots mailed late be counted, and a multitude of other strategies all testify to their love affair with election fraud....The key to understanding how Democrats can feel morally superior about encouraging and abetting election fraud – which is both a crime and a mortal assault on the most essential foundation of a civilized society – is recognizing that they tend to regard their opponents not just as wrong, but as evil.”

--WND.com **Managing Editor David Kupelian**, on why Democrats secretly embrace rigged elections.

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“We need to replace these left wing Biden policies with common sense, conservative government and we need to do it in the 2024 election. Once again, Florida will play the major role in electing America’s President. In 2024, the Sunshine State will be the largest swing state in the US with 30 Electoral Votes (3rd highest). Now with two great Florida Republicans, President Trump and Governor DeSantis running for the Republican nomination, Florida will be in the spotlight for the next two years. As Republicans, we fully realize that primary contests can be rough and tough, however it is up to us at the grass roots level to keep the campaign to a battle of ideas not personal attacks. So, let’s commit to supporting Republican candidates in the Presidential primary, and then rally behind the winner to save our nation from the socialist policies of Biden and the looney left. Let’s get to work!”

--**Brevard Republican Party Chairman Rick Lacey**, on the 2024 presidential election

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“We have entered the month of June, and I am seeing the word ‘pride’ pop up everywhere. The last Monday in the month of May is Memorial Day, which began as Decoration Day in 1866. On that day many Americans take time to remember the saying, ‘All gave some, and some gave all.’ It is somewhat amazing that we spend only one day taking ‘pride’ in remembering the sacrifices of those who gave the last full measure of devotion and honoring them. Now we have the following month where the word ‘pride’ is displayed everywhere, but for what purpose? Does it have to do with something that we widely admire?”

--American Constitutional Rights Union Executive Director and Retired **Lt. Colonel Allen West**, on the more important use of the word “pride”
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“I first became active in politics because of the assault on women's sports and women's spaces. As a D1 swimmer for the University of Kentucky who was forced to compete against biological males, and even share locker rooms with men, I felt like our elected leaders had abandoned us – until Governor Ron DeSantis. Governor DeSantis shined a spotlight on the cruelty girls and women were being subjected to, and even went as far as to reinstate victories of women who had lost titles and sacrificed their athletic careers because of these men competing in our leagues....In America today, sanity is in short supply, and common sense has become an uncommon virtue – but Governor Ron DeSantis has proven with his leadership that he can put an end to these woke Olympics.

--Successful female swimmer **Riley Gaines**, on support from Florida Governor Ron DeSantis
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“Chicago residents are taking legal action against the city over a proposal to house migrants in a vacant high school. J. Darnell Jones, one of the plaintiffs in the lawsuit, discussed his concerns surrounding the plan and the lack of transparency in the city’s decision-making process....’We’ve had a problem with police response in our neighborhood in the past,’ Jones said, ‘so to bring someone in and say that they are going to have police presence for 24 hours a day does a couple of things. First of all, it’s a slap in the face to those of us who have not had police presence when we needed it. Secondly, it provides a resource to someone who does not pay taxes in our community when we have been starved of those resources ourselves’.... I would be willing to bet that neighborhood strongly voted for the polices they are dealing with. You get what you vote for.”

--“Red Right Patriot” writer **Christopher Price**, on a neighborhood being furious about a migrant influx
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“Turkiye does not belong in NATO. It does not meet membership values and has destabilized the Alliance. Let no one forget Turkiye’s genocide against Christian Armenians and Assyrians early in the 20th century, when an estimated 1.5 million people were killed. Turkiye has continued with its genocides in Cyprus, Syria, and against Kurdish peoples.... Turkiye harbors terrorist groups such as Hamas and the Muslim Brotherhood and assists ISIS – all against Western

interests and values. If Turkiye continues to blackball Swedish entry into NATO, then NATO should expel Turkiye from NATO. Time To Trot Turkiye out of NATO.”

--**American Security Council Foundation Senior Analyst Laurence Sanford**, on the Islamic autocracy’s NATO moves against Sweden’s Christian democracy
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--“Fox News has a lot of good talent and produces much-needed, conservative content. But if that network turns on its currently loyal fan base – and becomes like literally every other broadcast and cable news outlet – its most avid viewers will go somewhere else, and they will do so quickly, never to return. But for the fact that there is no other large cable news company in America that is widely known as conservative, or even right of center, this account could prove devastating.”

--**Utah Senator Mike Lee**, on Fox Corporation’s promotion of Pride Month, imperiling itself by deliberately pushing away its loyal conservative audience
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“If you don’t read the newspaper you are uninformed. If you do read the newspaper you are misinformed.”

--The late author **Mark Twain**, on a situation that still exists today
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“I’ve noticed that everyone who is for abortion has already been born.”

--The late **President Ronald Reagan**, speaking ironically on his pro-life stance
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“During the Great Depression, President Herbert Hoover ordered the deportation of all illegal aliens in order to make jobs available to American citizens that desperately needed work. After World War II, President Harry Truman deported more than two million illegal aliens to create jobs for returning veterans. After the Korean War, President Dwight Eisenhower deported 13 million Mexicans so war veterans would have a better chance at jobs. So why cannot this be done today? Quite simply, the answer was that Hoover, Truman and Eisenhower were men of honor, not untrustworthy politicians looking for votes. Reminder: Don’t forget to pay your taxes – 12-20 million illegal aliens are depending on it.”

--Author unknown

UPCOMING BREVARD COUNTY EVENTS

- July 5: Brevard Federated Republican Women meeting, Space Coast Convention Center, Cocoa, 11 am.
- July 6: Heritage Isle Republican Club meeting, Heritage Isle Clubhouse, Viera, 10 am.
- July 7: Federated Republican Women in Action meeting, MeMaw’s BBQ, Palm Bay, 5:30 pm.
- July 10: Space Coast Patriots meeting, Merritt Island Library, 6 pm.

- July 13: Brevard Republican Executive Committee meeting, Space Coast Association of Realtors Building, Melbourne, 7 pm.
- July 15: County Citizens Defending Freedom, Brevard Chapter meeting, American Legion Post #117, Palm Bay, 11 am.
- July 18: North Brevard Republican Club meeting, American Police Hall of Fame, Titusville, 7 pm.
- July 20: Republican Women’s Network of South Brevard meeting, Beachside Hilton, Hwy AIA, 11:30 am.
- July 20: Space Coast Young Republicans meeting, Pub Americana, Melbourne, 6:30 pm.
- July 22: Space Coast Republican Club meeting, Red Lobster, Merritt Island, 11:30 am.
- July 22: Truth Fest meeting, Destiny Church, Merritt Island, 7 pm.
- July 24: Ronald Reagan Club meeting, Frogbones Double Tapp Grill, Melbourne, 6 pm.

The Republican Liberty Caucus of Florida and Moms For Liberty will not meet in July

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COMICAL CLOSERS

Visiting a small, remote rural town, a politician asked the locals what the government could do for them.

"We have two big needs," the townspeople said. "First, we have a hospital, but no doctor." The politician whipped out his iPhone, spoke for a while, and then said, "I have sorted that out. A doctor will arrive here tomorrow. What is your other need?" The townspeople replied, "We have no cell phone reception in our town."

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--Leave it to the satirical “Babylon Bee” to find a way to poke fun at trans activist Dylan Mulvaney, by claiming he has begun blackmailing companies by threatening to publicly endorse their products. After nearly destroying Bud Light as its spokesperson, Mulvaney now sent another company this chilling, grainy video: “I’ll post a full video across all social media platforms, tell everyone to buy your product, the whole works. My demands are simple: \$10 million and a Louis Vuitton handbag. You have 24 hours.”

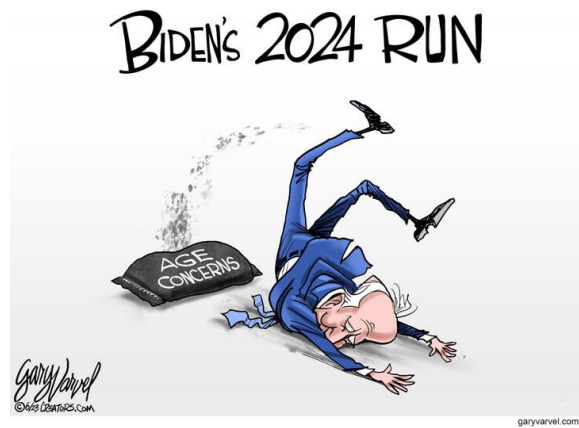
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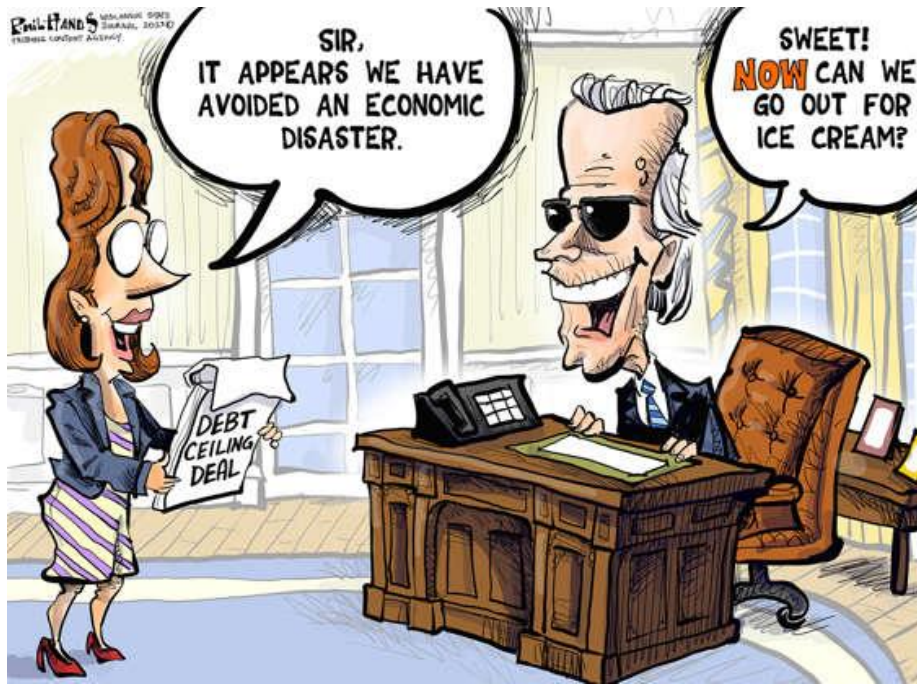
--When it came to Pride Month, the “Bee” – with a smile – said that President Joe Biden would be updating the Iwo Jima memorial to represent the brave “non-men and non-women and those other things who are fighting even more bravely than the soldiers of World War II.” He also said, “the six Marines raising the American flag on Mount Suribachi will be replaced with the six members of the disco group The Village People, raising a rainbow flag atop a glittering, pink pedestal.”

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--And here is what the “Bee” had to say about wildfires – that by 2025, “all of them will be required to be electric – powered exclusively by clean, electric energy.” Biden’s administration told reporters they’ve spoken with wildfires across the country, “and have nearly reached an agreement with the fires, which includes provisions to convert current wood-burning fires into electric-only in just three years.” Biden hailed the move as “another major step forward in the on-going commitment to spend as many federal dollars on completely normal, practical, common-sense climate initiatives as possible.”

TRUMP WILL SOLVE THE PUZZLE





"HELLO JILL. I LOCKED MY KEYS IN THE CAR AGAIN..."



