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CONVENTION OF STATES HOLDS RECLAIMING LIBERTY SUMMIT

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

--Our hearts ache for the Floridians and people up North who lost loved ones and had property destroyed when the monstrous Hurricane Ian wreaked



havoc on them with heavy wind, rain, and floods. Those of us who escaped damage must consider ourselves to be extremely blessed.

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- --President Biden managed to politicize the hurricane by calling Democrat mayors and others before finally reaching out to Florida's Republican Governor Ron DeSantis. "Up First Newsletter" reported that "we noticed; the country noticed." -0-
- --Following Biden's two-word gaffe of "made in America" which the Left ignored Colorado Congresswoman Lauren Boebert mocked it by claiming there are only two words in the phrase "Let's Go Brandon." The vicious left then attacked her counting ability without realizing she was simply poking fun at the president.

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- --An example of the satirical humor available on the "Babylon Bee" is this gem: "To help improve the accuracy of calls on the field, the National Football League will now provide each referee with a seeing-eye dog."
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- --Cancel Culture goes after another professional sports team. Washington has already been cowed to change the Redskins to the Commanders, and Cleveland to change the Indians to the Guardians. Now it wants to end Atlanta's use of the Braves

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Jam-packed with inspiring speeches, networking, and collaboration with like-minded conservatives, the 2022 Reclaiming Liberty Summit – Convention of States' four-day event in Orlando, Florida – was an extraordinary success, a moment that will go down in history as a major milestone in the fight to save our country.



The past two years have been hard on every-day, pro-American, liberty-loving patriots, with lockdowns, mandates, Big Tech censorship at the behest of our political "elites" and "experts," and weaponized institutions of power that target the president's political opponents.

These plagues of the far-left have done serious damage to the morale of the American people. And as the mainstream media normalizes Washington's radical agenda, the misapprehension that conservatives are outliers in their own country is solidified. How many of us have asked vourselves: "Am I the only one who cares? Am I the only one who still loves this country and its Constitution? Am I alone in this fight?"

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because it is "racist." If they succeed, how about changing the name to Atlanta Fraidycats? Wait, "cats" might be considered offensive to "dog" lovers.

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--Outgoing Wyoming Congresswoman Liz Cheney is threatening to leave the Republican Party – if Donald Trump is the 2024 presidential nominee. Why make that the factor, RINO Liz? In the words of Nike: "Just Do It." -0-

--Criticizing Florida Governor Ron DeSantis for sending illegal immigrants up north, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said he should have kept them in the state to pick needed crops. Here's a better idea, once she loses her speakership, she should resign from Congress, move to Florida, and become a cotton picker.

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--The definition of Democracy: a non-Bidening form of government.

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--The Biden Administration is working on a national strategy to establish diversity, inclusion, and equity policies for the government that officials hope can be used as a template for companies and other organizations throughout the country. But a reader suggests the acronym for this – diversity, inclusion, equity – or DIE – is lunacy that's killing America. -0-

--There are political gaffes, and then there are political gaffes – such as the one made by Democrat Representative Angie Craig of Minnesota, in a debate with her Republican challenger and Marine Corps veteran Tyler Kistner. There was stunned silence after Craig declared: "I will never stop standing up for Big Pharma and standing against my constituents." Say again??

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More Two Cents Next Month

Thanks to the 2022 Reclaiming Liberty Summit, we now know the answer to those questions is a resounding "no." As the largest self-governing army of grassroots patriots in America gathered for the biggest event in Convention of States history, it became clear that we are not – and never have been – alone in this fight.



For those who don't know, Convention of States is a grassroots movement actively fighting to save our country from tyranny by draining the D.C. Swamp and returning power to We the People. According to Article V of the U.S. Constitution, whenever 34 states make applications for an amending convention, a Convention of States must be called – and there's nothing Congress or Joe Biden can do to stop it.

Through that convention, the states would be empowered to limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government, impose fiscal restraints, and place term limits on federal officials. We know Congress will never limit its own power, which is exactly why the Founders gave us Article V- and exactly why the time to act is NOW.

Every day, our army of supporters is hard at work to reach the 34-state threshold needed to trigger a Convention of States, and 600+ of those grassroots activists gathered in Florida for a week of encouragement and rejuvenation.

The summit kicked off with a rousing speech from Convention of States President Mark Meckler, followed by the founder of Project Veritas, James O'Keefe. Throughout the event, Meckler reminded the audience that all of the speakers, from O'Keefe to Steve Deace and Mark Levin, have our backs and will personally be there for us whenever the fight is too much to bear alone.

"I could call him anywhere in the country, Meckler said of **Lieutenant Colonel Allen West**, for example, "and tell him there was a firefight going on – and I mean a firefight – and he would come. He would be there for you. He would be there for me. Be there for anybody in the conservative movement that needs him."

"Everybody who comes on this stage is a friend of Convention of States," Meckler said at the event's Awards Banquet.

In addition to listening to many unforgettable speeches from renowned COS endorsers (other speakers included former **Senator Rick Santorum, Dave Rubin, Pete Hegseth, Rick Green,** and many more), attendees also had the opportunity to participate in collaborative breakout sessions designed to boost our endeavors to make the first-ever Convention of States a reality.

The sessions covered a wide array of topics such as utilizing social media to spread awareness about Convention of States, influencing legislators, servant leadership, and GOTV efforts in the 2022 mid-term elections.

From beginning to end, sprinkled throughout the entire event, were opportunities to hear tear-jerking stories about how much our grassroots have sacrificed for COS; stories of patriots who have forgone favorite pastimes and hobbies to invest more money and time into this cause that they believe in. Stories of veterans, grandparents, pastors, and other everyday heroes who have answered liberty's call of duty.

In many ways, the 2022 Reclaiming Liberty Summit could be considered a COS family reunion. Coming out of two years of

politician-enforced isolation and division, it was pertinent that the movement regroup in person and revitalize ourselves for the fight to come. To shake hands with and hug the necks of fellow patriots from all 50 states was an emotional, life-changing experience, to be sure.

Attendees left with a palpable sense that we are not alone in this fight. They left with increased devotion to the cause of liberty. Ultimately, they left with a reminder, as Mark Levin said during his keynote address, that "God is on our side."

Convention of States Action has come a long way since it was founded in 2013; it's exciting to see where we will go from here!



LET ME BE FRANK By Space Coast Tusk Designer Frank Montelione

"Oh, the Humanity."

That's the cry heard in the Blue-controlled cities and states over the illegal immigrants flown to their jurisdiction from Texas and Florida.

But listen carefully about how they decry the hundreds of secret flights packed with illegals, mostly adult males, being flown in during the middle of the night by the Biden administration.

According to Axios, "Since the spring, over 10,000 migrants have been transported from mostly Texas to predominantly Democrat-run cities in a bid to test their social safety nets and challenge President Biden's border policies."

How does that compare to "Ghost Flights" supported by the Biden Administration? According to the "New York Sun," the



planes are filled with migrant children and teens and some in their 20's. They are operated by the Immigration and Customs Enforcement, are often flown late at night into small airports without notification to local

officials. These flights are a Biden administration mainstay without a peep from Democrats. They've been flown to states like Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, Iowa and Pennsylvania.

The number of these "children" have soared 656% as of October 2021 according to the "New York Times." In 2021, it said, 71,617 were dropped off in nearly 20 cities including locales as far from the



Mexican border as Atlanta, Chicago, New York and Philadelphia.

Former White House press secretary Jen Psaki confirmed at a press briefing reporting by the "New York Post" that the Biden administration has been quietly flying underage illegal immigrants from the border to New York in the dead of night.

According to The Federalist 2-2022 – "After months of delay, the Department of Homeland Security replied late last month to a congressional demand for information about the number of illegal migrants the department has flown from border towns to communities around the country."

Part of this story has to be the way the media, including social media, has covered up this story. In trying to find information on this, I spent quite some time researching "ghost flights". There were hundreds of thousands of returns when "ghost flights" was queried. However, the vast majority of the returns were about Abbott, DeSantis, Florida and Texas. I had to try many variables of the question to find the information stated here. When facts were finally found, what struck me was that the administration, when confronted, did not deny these allegations, but rather tried to distract the reader from their actions toward Republicans, the previous administration, and the Republican governors.

Oscar Leeser, the mayor of El Paso, began to enact his own transportation program, chartering buses that have taken migrants to cities like New York. According to the "Washington Examiner," the city of El Paso, Texas, has bused almost 9,000 illegal immigrants from the border to New York City and Chicago, outpacing efforts from the governor that have garnered national headlines and criticism over the last few months.

El Paso, a city led by Democrats that is located along the southern border of Texas, has bused roughly 7,000 immigrants to New York City and more than 1,800 to Chicago since late August, according to Reuters. Those numbers far exceed the number of immigrants Abbott has bused to the northern cities, with the Republican governor sending about 3,000 migrants to New York City and more than 900 to Chicago.

I haven't heard any criticism from Lori Lightfoot, the Mayor of Chicago, or New York City's Mayor Eric Adams. What was the administration's response to this? Biden made a personal plea to Leeser to "downplay" this crisis because it makes Biden and his administration look bad!

I'll close with some staggering numbers: According to the Customs and Border Protection, the number of migrant arrivals reported along the U.S.-Mexico border in fiscal year 2022 surpassed 2 million in August, an all-time high driven in part by unprecedented levels of migration from Cuba, Venezuela and Nicaragua, according to government data published on September 19.

On a separate note, I live in a suburb of Atlanta, and have been seeing misleading political ads stating falsehoods about voter

suppression in Georgia – ads stating that you can't have water on voting lines, precincts have been closed, and voting is made much more difficult by Governor Brian Kemp."

First, the Legislature passed the law, not the Governor. Next, campaigns, candidates and PACs cannot provide refreshments to voters in line. In fact, polling places have water available if needed. The precincts closed were ones where there were more precinct workers than registered voters. The early voting dates were expanded, lock boxes for absentee ballots were removed from non-secure areas and voting on two Sundays have been instituted. I went to vote and it took me no more than 15 minutes in the largest county in Georgia and the biggest precinct in the county.



The Georgia Secretary of State's chief operating officer says more than 125,000 voted on day one of early voting on the first day of early voting. The numbers alone should put the rhetoric to rest.

THE BREC CORNER By Chairman Rick Lacey

With less than a month to go, BREC leadership is taking up **Florida Senator Rick Scott's** motto "LET'S GET TO WORK!" On October 12, we hosted a work session for Republican Executive



Committee members and volunteers to prepare for early voting from October 24 to November 5, as well as the November 8 General Election Day. Our goal is to schedule volunteers at BREC tents for the entire 13 days of early voting.

Also, volunteers are needed for phone banks and door-to-door campaigning.

This was an opportunity, too, for BREC members to meet all of our registered Republican candidates who are running in local Non-Partisan election races, including **Gene Trent** for School Board, and in municipalities, **Stephen Sams** in Satellite Beach, **Keith Capizzi** in Cocoa Beach, **Diana Adams, Andrea Young** and **John Dittmore** in West Melbourne; **Nathan White** in Palm Bay, **Mark LaRusso, Julie Sanders** and **Rachael Bassett** in Melbourne; **Herman Cole** in Titusville; **Melvyn Chang** in Indiatlantic; and **Mickey Kellum** and **Carroll Sanders** in Cape Canaveral.

Vice Chair Cindy Roberts distributed our new sample ballot door hangers and our BREC voter guide for judicial candidates and ballot referendums. **Florida Governor Ron DeSantis** signs were distributed as well.

In addition, all of our Committee Chairs made presentations of their respective projects, including the Events, Election Integrity, IT and Communications, Registration and Fundraising Committees.

Finally, I announced the new record of over 65,000 more registered Republicans than Democrats in Brevard County but added an appeal to get to work in these closing weeks to get

out the vote for our fantastic Republican team led by DeSantis, who is "America's Governor."



RENDEZVOUS WITH REPUBLICAN WOMEN By BFRW President Jill Gentis

The Brevard Federated Republican Women's monthly meeting September 7 featured a discussion about several important amendments and referendums that will appear on the 2022 General Election Ballot on November 8. The discussion became a lively debate led by our members **Sandra Sullivan**, **Megan Wright**, and **Connie Smith** as they examined each issue.

Here are the Constitutional Amendments, County Referendums, and County Charter Amendments that voters must be aware of before casting their vote. The Brevard Federated Republican Women have taken a position on each issue. We clearly indicate the issues we support and those we believe to be detrimental to the state and county.

Florida Constitutional Amendments

Number 1. Prohibits flood resistance improvements to a home from being considered when determining the property's assessed value for property taxes. Gives an incentive to homeowners to make improvements to personal property for disaster protection without fear of raising taxes. Vote YES.

Number 2. Abolishing the Constitution Revision Commission. Reduces the complexity and unnecessary bureaucracy in the constitution amendment process. Vote YES.

Number 3. Providing an additional \$50,000 Homestead Property Tax exemption for certain public service workers and service members. If you want to increase compensation to deserving public service workers (i.e., classroom teachers and others), give them a pay increase. Don't make perpetual property tax exemption for everyone a benefit and further complicate the tax code. Vote NO.

County Referendums

Number 1. Ad Valorem Milage to increase teacher pay and other purposes. The 2023 school budget has already been increased by 14% while enrollment has decreased by 2.7%. Lack of student discipline in the classroom is the reason it is hard to retain good teachers not their salaries. Enough is enough! Address the issue! Increasing taxes on residents is not appropriate in these economic times. Vote NO.

Number 2. Environmentally endangered land and water areas Bond. Florida already owns one-third of the non-taxable public lands. Increasing taxes on residents is not appropriate in these economic times. Vote NO.

County Charter Amendments

Proposal Number 1. Attorney Review Panel. The Charter Review Commission only meets every ten years. This

amendment is inconsistent with the Florida Constitution, general law, and the existing charter and the wording is unclear as to what exactly being proposed. Vote NO.

Proposal Number 2. Amend the charter so future amendments must be approved by 60% of Voters. The Brevard County Charter currently requires amendments to be approved by a simple majority. Requiring a majority for approval is a good idea. Vote YES.

Proposal Number 3. Amend the charter to provide a method to recall School Board members. Adds recall of School Board members to the list of county officers who may face recall election and replacement. Makes recall rules consistent for elected official within the county. Vote YES.

Proposal Number 4. Charter Review Commission proposed amendments. This amendment is inconsistent, and the text only describes a process that is related to and contradicts proposed amendment #1. It is unclear as to what exactly is being proposed. Vote NO.

Proposal Number 5. Revises section 2.7 of the Charter regarding the filling of a vacancy in the term of a County Commissioner. The revision is consistent with the Florida Constitution regarding vacancies resulting from death, resignation, or removal from office. Vote YES.

Proposal Number 6. Workforce and Supportive Housing. This amendment creates a new and unfunded Trust Fund for affordable housing. There are already established funds earmarked for affordable housing. An additional unfunded Trust will create unnecessary bureaucracy which will require more tax dollars that most likely will increase resident taxes. Increasing taxes on residents is not appropriate in these economic times. Vote NO.

The meeting concluded with a presentation by **Caron McCullough** about Republican Party of Florida Poll Watcher opportunities. Republican Poll Watchers are very important to the voter process. Each political party and each candidate may have a registered Poll Watcher in each voting location to watch the election process to ensure that election laws are not violated.

The next BFRW Luncheon Meeting will be held on November 2 at the Space Coast Convention Center. Our speaker will be **Grace Glass**, Brevard County's Field Organizer for **Florida Governor Ron DeSantis**. We encourage all attendees, including Political Candidates to attend and wear your political shirts to back the Republican candidates in our November 8, Red Wave to Victory election.

Reservations can be made by calling our 24-hour reservation line at 321-727-1212 or purchased on-line at www.brevardfederatedrepublicanwomen.org.

FRWA IS "A CLUB OF ACTION" By Recording Secretary Carol Vyhonsky

At the October 7 meeting of the Federated Republican Women in Action at MeMaw's BBQ in Palm Bay, there were two guest



speakers: **Ken Delgado**, a member of the Charter Review Commission and a Pastor, and 18th Judicial Circuit Public Defender **Blaise Trettis**, also a member of the Charter Review Commission.

Delgado spoke about the 8 Palm Bay Charter Amendment proposals that are on the November ballot for residents of Palm Bay. He briefly explained each one and gave his insights. He described the process of how one gets on the Palm Bay Charter Review Commission – each City Council member gets to appoint two people to serve, and the Commission convenes once every 6 years to propose revisions to the City Charter.

Trettis was appointed to the Brevard County Charter Review Commission by former County Commissioner Bryan Lober, and he explained that each County Commissioner gets to appoint 3 people to serve on the Charter Review Commission, resulting in a 15-member panel. He explained each of the 6 County Charter Amendment proposals on the ballot and gave his insights on each. Trettis also spoke about the Judges and Justices on the ballot, as well as the two County Referendums.

Our members recognized **Ruth Waters**, "Chief of Staff" at the Brevard Republican Executive Committee (BREC) headquarters and presented her with a Letter of Appreciation signed by FRWA members. She was thanked for her tireless efforts and service to the Republican Party.

Nathan White, a candidate for Palm Bay City Council, Seat 2, was also in attendance and spoke briefly about how we can help his campaign by door knocking and phone banking. He announced that there would be a Palm Bay Super Walk event on October 22, in which he will be joining with the RPOF, Space Coast Young Republicans, and the campaigns of State Representative Randy Fine, Senator Marco Rubio, and Governor Ron DeSantis to knock on doors in Palm Bay. White also announced a "Pray for the Candidates" event that will take place at the Church on the Rock on Saturday, November 5.

It was announced that FRWA would have 3 tents set up outside of different polling locations during every day of Early Voting (October 24 — November 5), and on Election Day, November 8. Our members and volunteers will be there to answer questions from voters and hand out information in support of our Republican candidates. This is considered the main project of FRWA. Anyone interested in helping at one of our tents may contact info@FRWABrevard.org. You do not need to be a member to volunteer. For information on our upcoming monthly meetings and to RSVP, visit our website at www.FRWABrevard.org.

REMEMBER WHEN By President Mike Hoagland Heritage Isle Republican Club

Remember when the world thought we were going to go through another Ice Age? It was not so long ago. For the last couple of



hundred years, scientists were convinced that would be the

case. Of course, as we all know, the earth's climate has and always will continue to change. The causes for change in climate are many, but I am not a climatologist so I can't explain much in scientific terms.

However, at our December Heritage Isle Republican Club monthly meeting, we will have a renowned authority on climate as our speaker – **Harry Taylor**, who along with over 400 prominent scientists, presented a report to the U.S. Senate refuting the claims made by climate ideologues on the threat of global warming. These were scientists from the most prestigious worldwide institutions including Harvard, NOAA, and MIT.

Media and celebrity hype is behind the push to end the use of fossil fuels. Of course, we have authorities such as Al Gore and John Kerry. What I suggest is that we follow the money. I don't think we can even imagine the amount of money that is being made with the "Green New Deal." Windmills are taking up enormous amounts of land. Never mind the bird deaths that result. The commercial fishermen in the northeast United States are fighting for their very existence because the Biden administration has authorized wind mills off the coast of Maine. These take up so much area that the fishermen won't be able to fish....

It is time for Americans to choose their representatives for the Senate and the House of Representatives. Let's reflect on the Democrat party positions and policies. The past two years, we have heard mostly rhetoric of abortion up to birth, elimination of guns, taxing the rich for their fair share, defund police and their favorite, put Trump in jail (January 6 committee led by Lynne Cheney).

So, what has the Biden Administration and democrats given us over the past two years? Let me count the ways: 1) Inflation that destroys a family's budget; 2) Open borders with millions coming into our country; 3) Exorbitant energy costs; 4) Crime like never before; 5) Reduced military spending, including woke ideology instruction; 6) Taking oil from our strategic oil reserves; 7) Climbing mortgage rates; 8) The FBI focusing on parents at school board meetings as if they are domestic terrorists; 9) Sex education and CRT instruction in elementary schools; 10) Enforcement of Environmental, Social, Governance policies; 11) Hiring 87,000 armed IRS agents to enforce tax codes. Is all this enough?

AN UPDATE FROM MY OFFICE By Florida State Senator Tom Wright

For the majority of October, I have been focused on helping with the recovery efforts of Hurricane Ian. Unfortunately, many families across Volusia County and parts of Brevard County were massively impacted by record levels of flooding across the



region. I am extremely proud of the job done by our incredible

first responders who worked diligently throughout and after the storm to conduct lifesaving operations. I must also commend Governor DeSantis for the state's phenomenal preparation and response to this disaster.

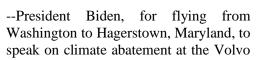
My office has been hard at work assisting constituents who are currently navigating the complex process of dealing with insurance and FEMA claims. One of the largest accomplishments during the month was the opening of a local FEMA Disaster Recovery Center in Daytona, after ten days of repeated demands from my office. This FEMA center was desperately needed in our community as a resource for residents to file initial claims for FEMA assistance, address pending issues with filed claims and to find more information on other available local and state resources.

While much progress has been made in the initial recovery from Hurricane Ian, my office is still hard at work addressing current and future needs. Currently a major priority is our efforts to work with Congressional partners to advocate and find solutions that will address the critical need for longer term temporary housing to be brought into the area. We are also currently working with the Florida Department of Economic Protection to find viable solutions to repair the major erosion found along our beaches.

Should anyone ever need the help of my office, please do not hesitate to reach out at 386-304-7630 or email at wright.tom@flsenate.gov. My office is always here to fight for you and listen to the concerns you have. The voice of the constituency is a critical piece of effective policy making and is necessary for me to represent you in the Florida Senate. I look forward to seeing the recovery of District 14 and could not be more honored to be the State Senator of such a resilient and strong community.

AUDACITY AND IDIOCY

"Winners" for October are:





Group Trucks Powertrain Plant. According to the "Daily Caller," if he had used ground transportation for the 72-mile trip, his vehicle would have emitted 58 pounds of carbon. But Air Force One burned 3,866 pounds of fuel instead.

- --Former President Barack Obama, for resorting to accusations of racism against Americans who are outraged about the Biden Administration's illegal immigrant invasion through our southern border. The number of illegal crossings in the months since Biden occupied the White House, is estimated to exceed five million and rising.
- --Fox News contributor Geraldo Rivera, for a bizarre social media attack on popular Florida Governor Ron DeSantis over his decision to fly 50 illegal aliens to Martha's Vineyard to draw attention to Joe Biden's open borders agenda. Rivera claimed the move would cause Hispanic voters to turn against

DeSantis' re-election bid, but polling shows him with a commanding lead over his Democrat opponent.

- --A Church of England primary school on the Isle of Wight, for ordering a couple and their six-year-old son to believe that girls can become boys and boys can become girls, or else be labeled as "transphobic." With the help of the Christian Legal Center, the Rowe family successfully sued the school, will be getting nearly \$24,000 for their legal costs, and are now homeschooling their children. Meanwhile, the United Kingdom has promised to reform transgender policies for primary schools.
- --New Hampshire Democrat Party Chairman Raymond Buckley, for claiming that the Manchester School District is right to keep parents from being informed about their children's gender identity at public schools, because if they are informed, "not all families are the same, and some kids will be kicked out or beaten to death or commit suicide."
- --Officials for Randolph Union High School in Randolph, Vermont and the Orange Southwest School District for responding to complaints from the girls volleyball team about a biological male changing clothes in the same room and making inappropriate remarks to them by punishing the team, banning it from their own locker room, because Vermont state law allows boys who identify as girls to use the bathrooms and locker rooms of their choice. Now the girls have to change in a single-stall bathroom.
- --Karen Johnson, AKA Whoopi Goldberg, for stating in a podcast that "Women need abortion, so they don't have 'this toxic thing' inside them." Toxic? Her own mother didn't seem to mind.
- --Colorado Democrat Secretary of State Jena Griswold, for mailing messages to $30,\!000$ people with state driver's licenses, urging them to register to vote in time for the November midterm election $30,\!000$ non-citizens who are ineligible to vote.
- --Mark McLaughlin, the superintendent of California's Conejo Valley Unified School District, for responding to the upset mother of a 7th grade girl who was traumatized and scared watching a boy in her class openly masturbating, by just saying, "I don't think this is anything outside the norm."
- --Maskless North Carolina Superior Court Judge Charles Gilchrist, for having handcuffed potential juror Gregory Hahn and sentenced him to 24-hours in jail, with no bond, for refusing to wear a mask in his Harnett County courtroom and refusing the single father the opportunity to contact his young child, despite the fact there is no mask mandate in North Carolina.
- --Executives of NBC affiliate KNOP in North Platte, Nebraska, for claiming that News Director Melanie Standiford "compromised her journalistic integrity" and fired her for volunteering at her church to collect signatures for a local effort supporting Sanctuary Cities for the Unborn. She said, "It did not occur to me that I was doing something partisan. It was within the walls of my church.... Nobody was coerced, I wasn't

a journalist that day." The pro-life organization said the news station's policy may run afoul of Nebraska law, and Standiford is in contact with the national law firm The Thomas More Society.

-- Christopher Kane and Carolyn Elias, two assistant principals at Garret Morgan High School in Cleveland, Ohio, for allowing four masked teenagers – two of them carrying guns – to enter the school despite repeated warnings from security officers not to – because they "feared for the safety of the suspects" since police had arrived on the scene. Police did apprehend three of the suspects – who reportedly arrived at the school in stolen vehicles. The Cleveland Metropolitan School District said it "stands by the administrators who admitted the alleged gunmen into the building," since police were there.

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YOU CAN'T MAKE THIS UP

--Conducting the White House Conference on Hunger, Nutrition and Health – for which the late Indiana Congresswoman Jackie Walorski co-sponsored a bill to convene – President

Biden repeatedly called out her name, asking where she was, and apparently forgetting that when she was unfortunately killed in an auto accident in August, he then issued a statement saying he was "shocked and saddened."

- --Showing that Biden is not the only gaffe prone person in the administration, his Vice President, Kamala Harris, while visiting the Korean Demilitarized Zone (instead of the U.S. southern border), touted the U.S. "alliance with the Republic of North Korea a very important relationship. It is an alliance that is strong and enduring." The problem, which she did not correct, is, of course, that our alliance is with SOUTH Korea.
- --Noting that 58-year-old Vice President Kamala Harris celebrated her birthday on October 20, Joe Biden continued with his gaffes, "congratulating the President on turning 30" that day. And it wasn't the first time he publicly referred to his running mate as "President."
- --According to the website www.radaronline.com, President Biden has spent upwards of \$300,000 of taxpayer money in an effort to combat an inevitable Republican-led investigation into his alleged connections to his son Hunter's overseas business dealings, if the party takes control of Congress in the mid-term elections.
- --Leave it to the "ladies?" of the ABC-TV Talk Show "The View" to nitpick how Florida Governor Ron DeSantis responded to Hurricane Ian by thanking President Biden for lending aid to the Sunshine State. In an interview on Fox News, DeSantis said, "When peoples' lives and their property are at risk like this, you know we all need to work together regardless of party lines. The Biden administration has approved our request for a pre-landfall declaration and did that very quickly. So, we're thankful for that." But the mocking reaction on "The View" was, "Isn't it socialism when the government helps you?"

--According to Conservativeinsider.org, after President Biden signed legislation to allow taxpayers to receive additional child tax credits – amounting to \$93.5 billion by December 2021 – we learned that \$1.1 billion of that amount was incorrectly sent to people ineligible for the credit, such as those with deceased children, parents of adults, or someone who claimed a child that was already claimed on someone else's tax return, and some were sent to the wrong banks.

--Socialists – excuse us -- Democrats in the U.S. House of Representatives have voted unanimously against Republican-proposed legislation that when schools provide mental health services to students related to sexual orientation or gender identity, parental consent must be given first. The Mental Health Matters Act is a bill to provide grants for a network of school-based mental healthcare providers for elementary and secondary schools, allocated by the Department of Education. The failed amendment would have established that parents have the right to be informed about any mental health-related issues with a child and would have addressed the issue of teachers and school employees "bragging" about how they secretly discuss transgender topics with students.

--Revealing the absurdity of radical leftist gender ideology that is spreading throughout society, Dr. Bhavik Kumar, a self-described "family medicine physician and abortion and trans care provider," testified before the House Committee on Oversight and Reform that men – particularly trans men – can get pregnant, and abortion bans are "inherently racism, inherently classist and fundamentally part of the white supremacy agenda."

--At Simpson Central Elementary School in Pinola, Mississippi, it was okay for students to wear coronavirus masks saying, "Black Lives Matter," but a young third-grade girl wearing a "Jesus Loves Me" mask was saddened when told to take it off because it violated school policy. So, Alliance Defending Freedom, supporting the girl and her parents, has filed a federal lawsuit against the school, citing an egregious case of viewpoint discrimination.

--A member of the Massachusetts Army National Guard – Lieutenant Colonel Christopher Hoffman – chased down a Florida tour bus filled with senior citizens enroute to a hotel in East Falmouth, yelling at the driver and terrorizing the passengers, mistakenly believing they were illegal aliens sent to Massachusetts by Florida Governor Ron DeSantis. A police report said Hoffman was acting strangely and "something seemed very off with him," and the commander of the national guard unit said his conduct – which was under investigation – was "inappropriate and inconsistent with our military values."

--Philadelphia's Temple University, which is at the forefront of the City of Brotherly Love's "defund the police" movement, is where eight students were robbed of all their possessions at gunpoint over a recent weekend. So ironically, the school has commissioned a study on how to make the campus safer. Wonder what they will come up with. Additionally, the College of Public Health and the School of Social Work are developing a partnership to allow students to respond to mental health calls. Whoopie!

--After the University of South Carolina announced a Business Success Academy for high school students, with the application requirements being "Students must have good grades, strong references, and be of any race – except white," the Campus Reform team at the Leadership Institute exposed this latest example of discrimination and leftist hypocrisy, which generated national attention and outrage. So, the university then caved and changed its application to include students of all races.

--The Tennessee woman is 87-years old, and a World War II Holocaust survivor. When she participated in a peaceful sit in and praying outside an abortion clinic a year ago, local police let everyone go. That was then. This is now — and the Biden Justice Department has just charged her and ten others with federal "blockade" violations. If convicted, they face up to 11 years in prison and fines up to \$350,000. Liberty and Justice for all!!

--The portable A-frame sign reads "Unborn Babies are Human and Feel Pain," and John Roswell has the First Amendment right to display it near the Planned Parenthood facility when he advocates for life and shares information and resources with women. But officials in the editor's hometown of Baltimore do not see it that way, and they have fined Roswell and ordered him to pay high sign permit fees. Now the Thomas More Society has filed a lawsuit against the city on Roswell's behalf. "With its restrictive permit process, where the requirement of a permit is not warranted," his attorney said, "the City of Baltimore is violating John Roswell's guaranteed rights to free speech and exercise of religion."

--The application to vote by mail – purportedly sent to Ruby by the non-profit Center For Voter Information – actually came in an envelope from the Michigan Democrat Party. So, what's the problem? Well, the form was returned, stating not only that poor Ruby was deceased, she also was a pet dog.

THIS AND THAT



Beginning its 2022 session on October 3 – the traditional First Monday in October – the U.S. Supreme Court heard arguments in several cases during the month, including Sackett v. Environmental Protection Agency (are wetlands considered "waters of the United States"); Delaware v/ Pennsylvania and Wisconsin (are banking organizations liable for MoneyGram Checks); Arellano v. McDonough (seeking retroactive disability benefits); Merrill v. Milligan (Alabama's redistricting plan); Reed v. Goertz (DNA testing of crime-

scene evidence); National Pork Producers Council v. Ross (out-of-state housing of farm animals); Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts v. Goldsmith (whether a work of art is "transformative" when it conveys a different meaning or message from its source material); and Helix Energy Solutions Group v. Hewitt (is a supervisor entitled to overtime pay). Without comment, the High Court denied an appeal of the death penalty for mass murderer Dylann Roof, who was convicted in South Carolina in 2015 of killing nine people at a Black church.

FLORIDA GOVERNOR RON DESANTIS. Debating his re-election opponent – former Democrat Congressman and actually one-time Republican Florida Governor himself, Charlie Crist – **Florida Republican Governor Ron DeSantis**



on October 24 in Ft. Pierce, Florida, more than held his own in a series of fiery exchanges on such topics as abortion, immigration, education, and Florida's response to the Covid pandemic. He defended his record to bar transgender girls from competing on public school teams intended only for student athletes identified

as girls at birth, and he fired back against Crist's criticism of laws signed limiting discussions of race and sexual orientation in schools, plus his opposition to gender transition treatments for minors. Asked how he would address the effects of inflation on Floridians, DeSantis mentioned reducing tolls for commuters, making baby items like diapers tax-free, and making pet food tax-free. Pointing to his administration's successes with the state's budget surplus and unemployment rates, DeSantis said, "We have the largest budget surplus in history, and a 2.5 percent unemployment, the second lowest on record." Numerous times in the debate, Crist stressed his support for abortion rights, for which DeSantis sets limitations. But when the discussion turned to gun violence, both candidates said they would have supported the death penalty for Parkland School shooter Nikolas Cruz, who was sentenced to life in prison for the 2018 massacre of 17 people.

FLORIDA SENATOR MARCO RUBIO. Seeking his third term as U.S. Senator from the Sunshine State, Marco Rubio



debated his Democrat opponent for the seat, Congresswoman Val Demings, at Palm Beach State College on October 18, in a heated discussion covering such topics as abortion, inflation, voting rights, gun violence, immigration and foreign policy. Rubio blamed Democrats for the current high inflation rate and said Demings and her Democratic colleagues failed to heed

warnings from economists who had argued that checks designed to help buoy Americans amid the financial challenges of the coronavirus pandemic would "fire up inflation." He also said that in Demings' six years in Congress, the only legislation she ever managed to get passed was to have two post offices named for police officers who died in the line of duty. After Demings said America's primary responsibility is

the safety of Floridians, and Rubio has done "nothing to address gun violence and help to get dangerous weapons out of the hands of dangerous people," the Senator responded, "The truth of the matter is that at the end of the day, Americans have a Second Amendment right to protect themselves. These killers that are out there, if their intent is killing as they are, they have found multiple ways to get ahold of weapons and cause mass destruction." Despite numerous attacks in which Demings called Rubio "a liar," the Senator maintained a relatively cool demeanor, and received several rounds of applause from debate attendees. According to a Spectrum News/Siena College poll, Rubio is leading Demings 48-41 percent.



At the Leadership Institute's Wednesday Wake Up Club Breakfast on October 5, **Dr. Michael New**, research associate of political science and social research at Washington's

Catholic University, said the fact that the

United States has cut the abortion rate in half since 1980, "is a success story we need to promote." New attributed this to shifts in public opinion regarding pro-life vs. choice, and that a smaller percentage of unplanned pregnancies resulted in



abortion. Even before the Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade decision was announced, he said, other factors included debate over partial birth abortions, more volunteers serving at pregnancy resource centers, more states enacting pro-life legislation. Republican victories in state legislatures, television ads, parental involvement laws, and that abortion clinics are closing. But he also stressed that "storm clouds" are on the horizon, including Biden administration policies, Blue states repealing pro-life laws, an increase in chemical abortions, travel being made available to "permissive" abortion states, and a gain in pro-choice sentiment. New said what are needed are more pro-life outreach ministries and scrutiny of Planned Parenthood.

CONVENTION OF STATES TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL. Pollster Robert

Cahaly, leader and founder of the Trafalgar Group, and who has the reputation of being America's most accurate and trusted pollster, participated in a telephone conference with supporters of the Convention of States on September 29, saying there is "no mistaking the current administration has created a 'perfect storm' leading into the midterm elections." He attributed this to the



combination of student loan forgiveness, stock market instabilities, inflation, escalating gas prices, skyrocketing crime, and an open southern border," and stressed that traditional election strategies of placing expensive media ads and commissioning automated robo-calls will not cut through the noise in this election cycle, nor will they persuade the low propensity voter to get out and vote. The Trafalgar Group, he

said, delivers polling questionnaires utilizing a mix of six different methods: live callers, integrated voice response, text messages, emails, and two others proprietary digital methods that are not shared publicly. "The election will be won or lost based on who has the better turnout game," Cahaly said, adding that it is impossible to predict election results six or seven weeks out, but that if the midterms would be in the next week, he believed Republicans would regain control of the Senate by one or two votes, and of the House by between 25 and 30 votes. This, Cahaly said, is "despite what you hear from Democrats," and he added that "other pollsters will underestimate the Republican vote." He said this is because of the fear that Trump supporters will not be polled because of all that the Biden administration has said, and the MAGA voters will be hesitant to even participate. Many people are aware that Convention of States - which sponsored Cahaly's telephone conference – has millions of liberty-loving grassroots activists working with state legislatures on the issue of involvement with proposed amendments to the U.S. Constitution, but they do not necessarily realize that it also has built the most formidable Get Out the Vote machine in the nation.... During an updated phone call with COS supporters on October 13, Cahaly said that the Arizona Senate is anticipated to be close, but that Kari Lake in the Governor's race "may pull the whole ticket across the line. He said that in the Pennsylvania Senate race, Mehmet Oz is pulling close, and the "hidden, submerged vote" could be bigger than anything being seen. Regarding the Nevada Senate and Governor races, recent numbers look very positive for Republicans. In New Hampshire, Senate candidate Don Bolduc "is surprising as the Right begins to unite," Cahaly said, and major shifts are also happening in races in New York and Washington State....And during a second updated phone call on October 19, Cahaly said even later polling indicated that in many gubernatorial and Senate races – even in blue states - there have been indications they are tightening. Discussing votes in several states, he said New York Democrat Governor Kathy Hochul is not far enough ahead to secure a win right now, and the race is going to come down to the wire; there might be some last minutes surprises in the Oregon and New Mexico governors races; the Pennsylvania Senate race is expected to get even tighter; and the Washington Senate race is about rejecting Democrats, failed leadership, and chaos in the streets. He reiterated that traditional election strategies of placing expensive media ads and commissioning automated robo-calls will not cut through the noise in this election cycle, nor will they persuade the low propensity voter to get out and vote.



At the 30th annual meeting in Atlanta September 19-22 of the State Policy Network, **President and CEO Tracie**

te Solutions. National Impact. Sharp said

more than 1,400 Network leaders throughout the U.S. engaged with communities, listened to their needs, and advanced policies that promote more freedom and opportunity. She said she was honored to congratulate the Network's 2022 award recipients: The



Georgia Center for Opportunity CEO Randy Hicks with the Thomas Roe Award for advancing free market policy solutions; the Texas Public Policy Foundation CEO Greg Sindelar with the Overton Award for his spirit of servant leadership; Empower Mississippi and the Mississippi Center for Public Policy with the Biggest Win For Freedom Award for the largest tax reform in state history; the John Locke Foundation with the Award for Biggest Home State Win for passage of North Carolina's First in Freedom budget; the Most Influential Research Award to the Georgia Center for Opportunity for highlighting the harm of COVID restrictions on local economies; the Network Award to The Buckeye Institute, Pelican Institute for Public Policy, Liberty Justice Center, Mississippi Center for Justice, Texas Public Policy Foundation, and Wisconsin Institute for Law and Liberty, for striking down the unlawful vaccine mandate; and the Ed Prize Grant Program to ASU Prep, Great Hearts Academies, Hearts of Empowerment in Washington; and Colorado's Reschool, for improving education outcomes.



TULSI GABBARD. To the surprise of practically no one, former Hawaii Congresswoman and Democrat presidential candidate Tulsi Gabbard has announced that after twenty years, she can no longer remain in today's Democrat Party, which is "under the complete control of an elitist cabal of warmongers driven by cowardly wokeness,

who divide us by racializing every issue and stoke anti-white racism, actively work to undermine our God-given freedoms." She added that Democrats vilify the police and protect criminals at the expense of law-abiding Americans and called on "my fellow common sense independent-minded Democrats" to join her.

HERO, HERO. Ava Donegan, a 17-year-old Missouri girl, was out shopping in Excelsior Springs when she found herself in the middle of a crime scene, where a police officer was shot. Using training learned from her medical professional father, she quickly applied a tourniquet to his shoulder, saving the officer's life. He then underwent surgery at a hospital and was on the mend. Another officer stopped the shooting suspect, and Ava was proclaimed to be an "unexpected hero." Also, in Norman, Oklahoma, when a classmate began choking on his lunch in the cafeteria of Lakeview Elementary School, 8-year-old Garrett Brown jumped into action, performing a successful Heimlich maneuver and saving the boy's life. Garrett -- who once needed the maneuver performed on himself – had been trained how to do it properly by his medical professional father, and he, too, became an instant hero.

FLIP, FLIP, FLOP. The "New York Post" compiled a number of once-reported Democrat proposals that are now being rebutted. Among them, President Joe Biden said in July 2020 he absolutely agreed that some of police funding can be redirected. But this August he said, "The answer is not to defund the police, it's to fund the police." In July 2021, Biden also claimed that inflation in the United States was expected but would be temporary; then, in October 2022, admitted that "Prices are still too high." New York State Attorney General Letitia James said

in 2018 that she will work to eliminate cash bail, but in October 2022 said, "We need to look at fixing cashless bail." Texas gubernatorial candidate Beto O'Rourke said in 2020, "I really love that Black Lives Matters and other protesters have put this front and center ... in some necessary cases, completely dismantling those police forces and rebuilding them." But after launching his campaign for governor in 2021, he said, "I don't think I've ever advocated for defunding the police" New York Congressman Jerrold Nadler said in 2020, "We're spending too much on the police." But in August of this year, when asked if he backed more federal funding for police, he responded, "Yes". Pennsylvania Senate candidate John Fetterman said numerous times in 2020, "We could reduce our prison population by one-third and not make anyone less safe." But in October 2022, he said, "This idea that I want to release all these prisoners is just also a lie". House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said in July 2021 that "People think that the President has the power for student debt forgiveness. He does not, that has to be an act of Congress." But in August 2022, she said, "Clearly, it seems he has the authority." Georgia Democrat gubernatorial candidate Stacey Abrams said following the 2018 election, "Despite the final tally, we won." But in October 2022, she said, "I have never been unclear. I did not win the race." And Vice President Kamala Harris oversaw 1,056 marijuana convictions when she served as San Francisco's District Attorney in the 2010's, but in October 2022 said, "Nobody should have to go to jail for smoking weed."

AN UNRELIABLE SURVEY. A recent survey of Americans by the YouGov polling organization showed just how unreliable such polls are. There were eight questions with wildly incorrect results. Participants were asked these questions:

- 1) What percentage of the country is black? Respondents answered 41 percent. Actually, it is only 12 percent.
- 2) What percentage of marriages are mixed race? Respondents said 50 percent. Actually, 1 percent.
- 3) What percentage of the country is "Latino"? Respondents: 39 percent. Actually, 17 percent.
- 4) What percentage of families make over \$500,000 a year? Respondents: 26 percent. Actually, 1 percent.
- 5) What percent of Americans are vegetarians? Respondents: 30 percent. Actually, 5 percent.
- 6) What percent of Americans live in New York City? Respondents: 30 percent. Actually, 3 percent.
- 7) What percentage of Americans are transgender? Respondents: 22 percent. Actually, 1 percent.
- 8) What percentage of your fellow citizens are Gay? Respondents:30 percent. Actually, 3 percent.

Why the huge discrepancies between belief and actuality? It is because of the brainwashing by the ultra-liberal left with the help of the media, which constantly runs unreliable race, gender, and wealth stories. Social media, too, is part of the problem. "Twitter," for example, is used by less than 20 percent of Americans, yet it controls 80 percent of public opinion – also because of the media.

RONALD REAGAN CLUB. Addressing members of the Ronald Reagan Club in Melbourne on October 24, author, speaker and retired U.S. Army Officer **K. Carl Smith,** told them that the way to awaken and educate family and friends



who have been indoctrinated with Marxism is to educate them about the value of liberty. Stop using the word "conservative" to describe your political identity, he said, because to them the word infers racism. Instead, said Smith, who teaches an online course on Frederick Douglass Republican Engagement Strategy, invoke Douglass'

name, and show how the former slave stood for such things as respect for the U.S. Constitution, liberty, life, personal responsibility, and God. "Be a Conservative, just don't call yourself one," he said. Douglass taught himself how to read and write, as a free man wrote three autobiographies and a novel, and served as an adviser to five Republican U.S. Presidents. Smith compared and contrasted Douglass with Karl Marx, the founder of Communism. Both men were born in 1818, he said, but Marx was a political theorist and

revolutionary who believed in government dependence, slavery, and no God. For additional information, visit the website: www.kcarlinc.com.... At the club's September 26 meeting, Ruth Kaufhold, the planned executive director for the County Citizens Defending Freedom (CCDF) pending chapter in Brevard County, said the group empowers and equips citizens to defend their freedoms



and liberties through activism, and it places local government back into the hands of the people - supporting and championing those whose freedom and liberty have been breached. Founded a year and a half ago by Steve Maxwell, CCDF is currently located in several counties in Florida, Texas and Georgia, and Kaufhold said the goal is to establish 100 county chapters by 2024. "This is a long-term fight," she said, "and I am fighting for my grandchildren and their children." She said the goals are to influence both public and private organizations to ensure compliance with the principles endowed by our Creator and guaranteed by America's founding documents. Among their many issues of concern, Kaufhold said, are the separation of church and state, critical race theory, election fraud, climate change, open borders, riots, and the health crisis. Among the counties CCDF still wants to infiltrate, she said, are those with Soros-linked prosecutors who need to be replaced. The organization explains on its website that "When we join together, we become a mighty voice and strong force without our local communities. Help us initiate change." For more information, visit the website: www.ccdfusa.com.



Accompanied as always by his faithful bloodhound Junny, **Brevard County Sheriff Wayne Ivey** visited the Heritage Isle

Republican Club on October 6 and said the most pressing threat facing our country today is the deadly fentanyl that is being brought across the border. In the past two years, he said, there have been 172 overdose deaths just in Brevard County. Just three pounds of fentanyl, he said, is powerful enough to kill 600,000 people. Right before Halloween,



some of the poison being smuggled in is even doctored to look like candy. Discussing the problem of illegal immigration, Ivey said it is impacting every community in every state. "Congress needs to define a clear path to citizenship," he said. "We are a law and order country." On the subject of law enforcement, the Sheriff said that thanks to efforts by Florida's Governor, officers in states across the country where they are not supported, are relocating here. Brevard, he added, is now



40 deputies short and looking to fill some of those positions. ... The second speaker on the program, **Brevard County State Representative Thad Altman**, said he is enraged by what is occurring with women's sports — with the NCAA allowing men to compete and use women's locker rooms. The Republican Party, he said, must support women only

in women's sports, and protect the Title 9 program. And noting the fundamental breakdown of the family unit, he said many problems are caused by the lack of a two-parent home. Speaking of the prison population, he said that 80 percent of the inmates never had a father role model. Regarding child welfare, Altman said the Republican-led State House of Representatives is leading the efforts toward such a bill, but that is not being mentioned by the liberal media. "We are also working on issues to empower foster parenting, and I think we will see positive results," he said.

EXPERTS' EXCERPTS

Reporter **Tanner Stening**, writing on major cases before the U.S. Supreme Court in its 2022 session that began on October 3, at www.news.northeastern.edu:

"As the U.S. Supreme Court decision on President Joe Biden's vaccine mandate shows, the nation's highest court has a full docket of important issues this term. Justices will weigh in on cases that could affect people's right to an abortion, their possession of firearms outside their home, and their free exercise of religion. The high court has ruled on President Biden's



vaccine mandates – a case that had garnered much attention in recent weeks as the omicron variant reignites the COVID-19 pandemic. The court blocked one of Biden's private sector vaccine mandates, implemented amid a rise in COVID-19

cases, while allowing another requirement to stand. There were two requirements in question, one overseen by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, the other through the Department of Health and Human Services and its Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. The former, which the high court struck down, required that all companies with more than 100 employees enforce a rule that their workers get the vaccine or else be tested on a weekly basis. The latter, which the court let stand, requires health-care workers at facilities that get Medicare or Medicaid funding be vaccinated. Here are the other cases experts are keeping a close watch on this year. The Mississippi abortion-ban challenge. Atop the list is a challenge to a restrictive abortion law enacted by Mississippi in 2018, Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization. The law bans most abortions after 15 weeks. The Supreme Court has indicated that it may roll back constitutional protections established by its 1973 decision in Roe v. Wade and reaffirmed in 1992 in Casey v. Planned Parenthood. Roe v. Wade upheld abortion rights and prohibited states from banning abortions before fetal viability, which is roughly 23 weeks. The court heard oral arguments in the case, but a decision is not expected until later this year.... The Supreme Court also will be taking up a major Second Amendment case, New York State Rifle & Pistol Association Inc. v. Bruen, which deals with a New York law that limits a person's ability to carry concealed guns. Specifically, the law requires that applicants show 'proper cause' for a license to possess and carry a handgun outside the home. The courts have since clarified 'proper cause' to mean that an applicant must demonstrate 'a special need for self-protection distinguishable from that of the general community or of persons engaged in the same profession.' At issue is whether the state's denial of two petitioners' applications to carry a handgun on the grounds that they lacked proper cause violated the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution....Questions surrounding religious freedom and the separation of church and state also are on the docket this term in Carson v. Makin. In this case, several families are challenging a law in Maine that forbids families from applying for state tuition assistance if those funds would be used to pay for a students' secondary school education at a school that, in addition to providing academic instruction, taught religion. In 2020, the Supreme Court ruled that states do not have to provide public funding for private schools, but if they do, they cannot discriminate based on the religious status of the institution. At issue in Carson v. Makin is the question of whether public funding can be denied schools that provide religious, 'sectarian.' or instruction. Decisions in New York State Rifle & Pistol

Association Inc. v. Bruen and Carson v. Makin are not expected until later in 2022."

Attorney **Harmeet Dhillon,** writing on the Politicization of the Department of Justice, for Hillsdale College's "Imprimis" publication:

"Depictions of Lady Justice are as familiar as they are instructive: she stands blindfolded while holding the scales of justice, representing her unyielding devotion to equal justice

under the law. Contrary to this ideal, the DOJ today appears to be increasingly motivated by partisanship. Compounding the problem, it has access to the powers of the modern surveillance state. As someone passionate about the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, I believe there is no higher priority than addressing this danger.... Ever since Congress, on a fully bipartisan basis, enacted the Patriot Act six weeks after the attacks on 9/11, the ever-present eye of the government has been searching for new and creative ways to spy on American citizens. The government has the technology to monitor all of our electronic devices, listen to our phone calls, and read our emails and text messages – all under the auspices of national security.... Laws such as the Patriot Act were designed to fight the unique problem of terrorism. But they quickly morphed into a mechanism by which the government keeps constant tabs on law-abiding Americans and threatens to disrupt their lives if they dare act contrary to those in power. And it's within this world of omnipotent oversight and control that the U.S. Department of Justice now operates. They have all the tools of the surveillance state at their disposal, and the only thing standing in their way is an independent judiciary willing to enforce our constitutional rights....Let me discuss three recent examples that illustrate the threats we face from a politicized DOJ: the DOJ raid on Project Veritas journalists, the DOJ raid on Mar-a-Lago, and the DOJ's efforts to undermine election integrity and chill free speech....Project Veritas Raid. The secrecy of this spying campaign was maintained through the use of wide-ranging gag orders, including at least two that were obtained without notice to the judge overseeing the Project Veritas case. Through this spying campaign, we now know that the DOJ obtained approximately 200,000 Project Veritas emails from Microsoft and countless text messages (and heaven knows what else) from Apple, Google, Uber, and other still unknown companies. Only six months after Mr. Garland's memo was issued, the DOJ raided the homes of three Project Veritas journalists, seizing 47 electronic devices.... What was the pretext for the raids? In the fall of 2020, confidential sources had approached Project Veritas journalists with a diary and other materials supposedly belonging to Ashley Biden, the President's daughter.... Ultimately, Project Veritas decided it could not sufficiently verify the allegations and that it would not publish the diary's contents. It then turned the items over to local law enforcement in Florida. The DOJ claims that Ashley Biden's belongings were stolen. The Project Veritas matter is ongoing...Mar-A-Lago raid. Consider first the raid's timing. President Biden's approval ratings have been abysmal, and it is a mid-term election year.... At its core, the problem with the FBI's search of President Trump's home is its inconsistency with the letter and the spirit of the Fourth Amendment. The shroud of secrecy surrounding the probable-cause affidavit used by the FBI to obtain the warrant prevents the public from judging whether the government had a valid reason for this unprecedented search. Even more, the list of places to be searched and things to be seized contained in the warrant application comprised a blanket sweep of the former president's entire private residence and offices, targeting "any evidence" supporting a potential violation of a handful of federal statutes that are the usual suspects when it comes to politicized prosecutions....

Election Integrity and Free Speech. The DOJ is currently issuing subpoenas to individuals who have dared to question the 2020 election results. This is occurring against the backdrop of President Biden's vendetta against what he calls "ultra MAGA Republicans." This is the type of behavior you'd expect in a third-world dictatorship. Included in the DOJ's crosshairs are those who participated in the political process as alternate electors; those in Congress who voted against certifying the election results; those who organized or peacefully attended a permitted rally on the Ellipse in Washington, D.C., on January 6, 2021, even if they had nothing to do with the activities at the Capitol on that day; and those who have raised funds from donors with a promise to investigate and challenge election fraud.... The 2020 election was rampant with reports of irregularities. Some of these reports were more accurate than others. But states were right to take appropriate steps to increase the security of their elections in the wake of such reports. And yet, from its first days, the Biden administration has been bent on waging an intimidation campaign against states attempting to bolster election integrity.... It is not just political activists who are subject to DOJ intimidation. Attorney General Garland recently issued a guidance document prohibiting DOJ employees from speaking directly to members of Congress. This was plainly in response to at least 14 FBI whistleblowers reaching out to members of Congress - including Ohio Representative Jim Jordan and Iowa Senator Chuck Grassley - about misconduct within the DOJ. Garland's action was highly improper, but it pales in comparison to the intimidation of concerned parents at local school board meetings. It is time to wake up to the danger."

Former U.S. Ambassador Stanley Escudero, writing on Biden's Impossible Energy Delusion in the newsletter of the Republican Club of Southeast Volusia:

"The Biden regime and its cultural/economic acolytes claim that we are in transition to a non-pollutive Green economy powered by renewable electrical energy to be derived from solar panels and windmills. They lie -- again. It cannot be



done. To understand what makes Biden's claims fraudulent, consider first that virtually every aspect of our modern technical civilization depends upon electricity. Throughout the late 19th, 20th, and early 21st centuries there has been a direct correlation between the availability of electricity and increased productivity, health, wealth, and national power. This is as true for corporations as it is for countries. From the beginning of the commercialization of electrical energy until the present, electricity has been generated by the burning of fossil fuels coal, oil and natural gas. Fossil fuels, especially coal but increasingly natural gas, are still the electricity generating fuels of choice, because they are cheap, widely available and require only simple well-understood technology to produce and burn. Moreover, natural gas is only half as pollutive as oil. And coal, when burned with super-critical clean combustion processes, is far less pollutive than it once was. Yet, the Biden regime has bent the political knee to the climate change cult and is calling for ever greater replacement of fossil fuels (and nuclear power)

with renewable electric power generated by solar panels and windmills. The truth is that the view that changes in the earth's climate are caused by human activity and the burning of fossil fuels is at best unproven scientifically and has as its real goal the accretion of near total economic and political control by governments and various other structures. But that is too complex an issue for this article. The question I want to answer is: 'Is it possible to provide the amount of electricity demanded by nations and the planet solely or even primarily from solar and wind?'.... First, electricity has to be used almost immediately after it is produced, unlike oil. coal and gas, which can be stored indefinitely or just left in the ground until needed. But solar and wind won't produce unless the sun is shining, or the wind is blowing and there is no adequate means of storing renewable-produced electricity for times when the systems are not producing or demand exceeds the level of energy production...Second, an array of renewables sufficient to provide enough energy to satisfy our national demand would require many solar and windmill fields totaling some 350,000 square miles or 12% of the territory of the entire continental United States. These would have to be located in remote areas, with either lots of wind or sunshine and where the sight and sounds would not disturb people.... Third, renewables have been tried and they will not meet demand nor are they affordable. Bowing to the Greens, Germany shut down its coal and nuclear plants and built large solar and wind arrays to supplement the Russian natural gas on which they rely for heat in the winter. Even before Putin invaded Ukraine, Germany was reopening some of its mothballed coal plants because energy costs had skyrocketed 50% due to reliance on more expensive renewables. Now that the two Nord Stream Russian gas pipelines are not delivering gas to Germany, they are looking at a very cold winter.... In today's world, a world totally dependent upon electricity, the grid must be reliable, affordable and predictable. Renewable energy production is clearly none of these. The United States became the world's dominant economic and political power in large part because of our successful use of fossil fuel to generate the everincreasing amount of electrical energy which we needed and still need to grow and advance. The Biden regime is doing its best to break this successful pattern. Their policies are partly based on the immediate political imperative for the Democrats to appease the Left. But their longer-term goal is to further weaken our economy to ease transition, not to an economy based on renewables, which is impossible, but to an authoritarian socialist state. It may fall to the fossil fuel industry to play a core role in saving the nation and economy which they did so much to build."



Columnist **Wayne Allyn Root**, writing on "How Different Would America Be Today if Trump Were Still President?" at www.creators.com:

"It's so simple to imagine what America would be like today if former President Donald Trump were still president. What a tragedy that we allowed a brain-dead,

feeble, confused, old man with dementia and diapers, and his radical, anti-American, globalist, communist handlers to

months.... Look what they did to us after rigging and stealing the election. They quickly put a plan in place to disassemble America: overwhelm the economy, make America poor, destroy the middle class, make America unsafe and open the borders, making America foreign to Americans. And as a bonus, they put in place a disastrous foreign policy of liberal weakness, wokeness and appearement that has set the entire world on fire.... I believe with every bone in my body that Trump is the rightful, 100% legitimate president. This should never have happened. If Trump were still president...We would have energy independence. We'd be selling our oil and gas to other countries all over the world. Gas would be \$3 per gallon and middle-class Americans would be enjoying low prices and record prosperity. OPEC would no longer have power over our lives, and we certainly would not be begging our socialist enemy Venezuela for an oil deal. We would have low to zero inflation. Groceries would cost dramatically less than they do now. Middle-class consumers would be dancing in the aisles. The stock market would be thousands of points higher. Trillions of dollars have been lost since Biden became president. All those trillions would be back in the hands of consumers, business owners and the retirement accounts of Americans. Russia would have never invaded Ukraine – so. not only would there be no threat of World War III or 'nuclear Armageddon,' but American taxpayers would have an extra \$100 billion still in the bank (that's the money we've given away to President Volodymyr Zelenskyy and his Ukrainian mafia and Nazi cronies). North Korea wouldn't be shooting rockets over Japan. Iran would be broke - starved of funding by Trump. The Taliban would not have \$80 billion of our military equipment. And 13 U.S. soldiers would still be alive, looking forward to Christmas at home with their families. Our cities would not have been destroyed by the worst crime wave in history -simply because Trump doesn't allow violent criminals to walk free while defunding and demoralizing police. A large percentage of police would not have retired in the past 22 months. We'd have plenty of cops to keep us safe.... There would certainly not be 87,000 new IRS agents hired to harass, intimidate and bankrupt the American people. Millions of Americans would never have been forced to take the experimental jab or risk losing their job. Trump is strongly against mandates. He would never have forced one American to take the vaccine against their will.... I saved the most important for last: open borders. With Trump in the White House, we'd have a secure border. That means five million new migrants allowed in since Biden became president wouldn't be in our country. How many billions of dollars would be saved? Think of all the criminals who have come through that open border. How many Americans murdered in the past 22 months would still be alive? How many communities and schools would be safer? If Trump were still president. America would be a much nicer, wealthier, healthier and safer place. There'd be prosperity instead of inflation. We'd still be dominating the world, instead of facing World War III. America would be great again. What a difference. Night and day. Life and death."

destroy the greatest country in world history – in only 22

Senior Analyst **Laurence Sanford**, writing on the China Crime of Fentanyl, as a position paper for the American Security Council Foundation website: "The Chinese Communist Party (CCP) has foisted a fentanyl/opioid plague upon Western Civilization and, in particular,

the United States. This undeclared war



follows recent CCP crimes against humanity with the Wuhan Virus (Covid 19) and genocide against the Uighurs. More than 100,000 Americans died last year from opioids, with fentanyl being the leading cause of death. Fentanyl is cheaper and easier to make and 50 to 100 times more deadly than morphine or heroin. An estimated cost to the American economy over five years is \$819 billion. A significant percentage of American males are not participating in the labor force due to synthetic drug opioid addiction. Also, less than 20% of young American males are eligible to serve in the U.S. military due to obesity, lack of education, criminal records, and drug abuse. And of those eligible, only 2% demonstrate any interest in joining. All military branches are behind in recruitment goals. A factor in the lack of interest in the military is that young men and women interested in serving their country are not attracted to a culture based on Marxist racist 'wokeness' ideology that denigrates America and American history.... China has no significant drug problem due to its culture and a police state that punishes retail drug dealers with death. However, the CCP has no problem with Chinese chemical companies manufacturing for export the precursor chemicals that go into fentanyl and other opioids. The Chinese government also subsidizes manufacturing through subsidized research and development zones and tax credits for export. After U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's recent visit to Taiwan, China announced that it was suspending counter-narcotics cooperation with the United States. The limited cooperation had stopped directly processed fentanyl exports from China through the U.S. Postal System. Instead of processed fentanyl, bulk precursor fentanyl chemicals are now shipped to Mexican and Chinese cartels for manufacture in Mexico for shipment to the U.S. The Mexican criminal Sinaloa and Jalisco cartels dominate the market for supplying fentanyl to the U.S. It is easy to make in makeshift labs and is cheap to manufacture. The cartels have long established drug smuggling routes that quickly adapted to the changing drug markets. The cartels are

also the leading force in guiding the massive influx of illegal

immigrants into the U.S., adding to the difficulty of enforcing

drug laws. The most recent opioids look like colored candy

and are even more potent. Enforcement of drug imports is

difficult since many of the precursor chemicals are also used to

manufacture legitimate pharmaceutical drugs. CCP operatives

working with Mexican cartels have taken over money

laundering operations in the U.S. Millions of drug dollars are

being flushed from the U.S. to China, often through Chinese

students in America on student visas. The students bring

suitcases full of money to Chinese money brokers operating

through restaurants and other storefront businesses. Thus,

China's covert opioid war with the U.S. is not only

contaminating our youth, but China's war is also being

financed by Americans....Why the U.S. government has not been aggressively prosecuting these money laundering operations through racketeering laws is a mystery. RICO statutes could be used against Mexican cartels and Chinese crime groups. China's war on the U.S. should be viewed as a national security issue. Why not revoke the student visa of every Chinese "student" who picks up money for the cartels? We have met the enemy, and he/she is us."

Columnist **Star Parker**, writing on Time for a Commitment to America, at the Patriot Post:

"If you don't believe hard work will get you anywhere, so the American dream collapses. This is the great divide today in our nation. Republicans are gearing up for elections in November by drawing a clear line in the sand between their party and



Democrats. Republicans have rolled out what they call Commitment to America. And this is exactly what it's about. Our country embodies a worldview, and it is that worldview, and the principles that capture that worldview, that made and makes America a great nation. The deep tear in our national fabric today is about a large part of the nation - those who support and vote for Democrats - that does not buy into the American dream. The stark differences are evident in new polling from 'The Wall Street Journal.' When asked if you agree that America is the greatest country in the world, 91% of Republicans agree, and 6% of Republicans disagree. In contrast, only 61% of Democrats agree that we live in the greatest country in the world, and 34% disagree with this proposition. What are the driving factors behind this deep contrast between the take of Republicans and Democrats on our nation? I would call this a deep difference in belief in freedom.... Regarding the proposition 'If people work hard, they are likely to get ahead in America,' 85% of Republicans agree, and 13% disagree. However, only 53% of Democrats agree with this proposition, and 46% disagree.... The nation's founders were clear in the Declaration of Independence. All men are endowed with the right 'to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness,' and 'Governments are instituted among men' in order to 'secure these rights'.... Individual freedom is the core pillar of American reality. Government is there to protect individuals and enable them to live free lives. If you don't believe hard work will get you anywhere, so the American dream collapses. This is the great divide today in our nation.... Our country is moving further and further away from individuals being able to live freely and control their own life. The result is the inflation we're now experiencing and slow economic growth. Individuals sit by the sidelines, convinced they have no control over their own life, and want to turn it all over to government. It is destroying our nation. This is what the Republican Commitment to America is about. Restoring the right to life, liberty and pursuit of happiness that once was the American dream. For most of our history, Americans celebrated freedom. The civil rights movement in the 1960s was about Black Americans protesting their inability to participate fully in this freedom. But once they got it, many chose to not embrace it and turn their lives over to government. But freedom is not something we can live without successfully. Democrats want Americans to buy that government power is the answer. But the data, and human history, strongly suggest otherwise."

THOUGHTS TO PONDER

"Far-left political elites from the president of the United States on down to governors, mayors and radical George Sorosfunded district attorneys, fuel a raging fire of violence, murder and crime in our cities. And then, those same elites blame NRA members, law-abiding gun owners and our constitutional freedoms for the carnage....All that Biden, Schumer and Pelosi need to completely destroy the Second Amendment – and other fundamental individual rights and freedoms – is a Congress that will vote their warped agenda into law. When you and I go to the polls just weeks from now, we will not be deciding the direction of our country for the next two years. We'll be deciding the very survival of our freedom and our nation for generations to come."

--National Rifle Association Executive Vice President Wayne LaPierre, on America hanging in the balance -0-

"Since its founding in 1829, the Democrat Party has fought against every major civil rights initiative and has a long history of discrimination. The Democrat Party defended slavery, started the Civil War, opposed Reconstruction, founded the Ku Klux Klan, imposed segregation, perpetrated lynchings, and fought against the civil rights acts of the 1950s and 1960s. In contrast, the Republican Party was founded in 1854 as an antislavery party. Its mission was to stop the spread of slavery into the new western territories with the aim of abolishing it entirely.... Now, the Democrat Party prospers on the votes of the very people it has spent much of its history oppressing. Democrats falsely claim that the Republican Party is the villain, when in reality it's the failed policies of the Democrat Party that have kept blacks down. Massive government welfare has decimated the black family. Opposition to school choice has kept them trapped in failing schools. Politically correct policing has left black neighborhoods defenseless against violent crime. So, when you think about racial equality and civil rights, which political party should come to mind?"

--Vanderbilt University Political Science and Law Professor Carol Swain, on political party differences -0-

"'Follow the money' is a cliché in politics. It shows how knowledgeable people expect an officeholder to act. For Congresswoman Val Demings, a Democrat, who is running against Florida's incumbent Senator Marco Rubio, a Republican, the facts show that liberal, progressive donors in California and big labor unions expect her votes to be aligned with their interests and agendas, not necessarily Florida's. Moreover, Demings' voting record in Congress confirms her alignment with the policies of liberal House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, from California, whose legislative leadership has led directly to our current inflation and recession."

--Rabbi Sanford Olshansky, a member of the national Leadership Council of the Republican Jewish Coalition, on why Demings, if elected in Florida, would actually be California's third Senator

"In May 2019, Florida Governor Ron DeSantis went to Jerusalem to sign a law that makes religion a protected class with respect to discrimination in public education, equating antisemitism with racism. In signing the bill, protecting students from discrimination based on religion at all grade levels, K through college, Governor DeSantis said, 'Antisemitism has no place in our state and our educational institutions will not tolerate discrimination against the Jewish people'.... According to the 'Jerusalem Post,' DeSantis 'prides himself on being the most pro-Israel governor of the most pro-Israel state.' Even liberal Jews, who have voted consistently for Democrat candidates through many election cycles, should mark their ballots for Governor DeSantis, a true friend of the Jewish people and of Israel."

--Another Olshansky comment, on support for DeSantis' reelection -0-

"Transgender top surgeries, in which a female's breasts are amputated to relieve distress due to their womanly appearance, have reportedly 'exploded' among minors in recent years. While there are no official statistics on how many minors receive double mastectomy transgender top surgeries each year in the U.S., the numbers that *are* available indicate that such operations have skyrocketed over the past few years....A survey of 26 leading pediatric gender clinics in the U.S. found that many reported long waiting lists for adolescent top surgeries. Eleven clinics reported a total of 203 procedures on minors in 2021, but this is only a fraction of the total number of teen top surgeries for that year. This explosion in self-identification as 'transgender' is largely driven by social media, mainstream media, and peer influence. "

--Life Site News journalist Emily Mangiaracina, on increases in transgender top surgeries among minors

"Since the reversal of *Roe v. Wade*, several states have passed pro-life protections, while others have doubled down on their pro-abortion measures....In 2020, just two states – California and New York – collectively committed well over 264,000 abortions – or nearly 30 percent of all abortions reported in the United States. California committed the highest number reported among all states and the District of Columbia (D.C.) in the nation, with New York coming in a close second, according to data published by Planned Parenthood's former 'research arm' and 'special affiliate,' the Guttmacher Institute."

--Live Action News writer Carole Novielli, on U.S. abortions -0-

"If you like higher taxes, vote for Democrats. Local, state, federal. If you want to see open borders and more drugs for across the southern border, vote for the Democrats. If you want to see more huge government giveaways that don't help our

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economy and don't make sense, vote for the Democrats. If you want to defund police departments and have less law and order, vote for the Democrats. If you like higher gas prices, vote for the Democrats. If you like to be dependent on other countries for energy rather than being energy independent, vote for the Democrats. If you like inflation, vote for the Democrats. If you are good with food prices going through the roof, vote for the Democrats. If you want to see more criminals, including felons, let out of jail, vote for the Democrats. If you want the gay, lesbian, transgender agenda to continue to be crammed down your throat and talk to your children, vote for the Democrats. If you want the teacher unions to raise your children and keep your parents in the dark, vote for the Democrats. If you're okay having guns confiscated, vote for the Democrats. If you want to see the country push down the road of socialism, which is total government control of our lives, vote for the Democrats. If you like to see homelessness, crime, drugs take over the streets of our cities, vote for the Democrats. If you support biological men freely using women's restrooms, vote for the Democrats. If you support males competing in athletic programs for women and girls, vote for the Democrats. If you support the hiring of tens of thousands more IRS agents, vote for the Democrats. If you support abortion, vote for the Democrats. If you support a weaker military, vote for the Democrats. If you're sick and tired of free speech, vote for the Democrats." --Samaritan's Purse President Franklin Graham,

"Thieves broke into the Magic Mall in Orlando, Florida, in an attempted smash and grab, where they were greeted by an armed store owner who shot at them before authorities arrived. Police who arrived at the scene found one of the assailants already deceased, while a second was later found dead from a gunshot wound in the car the others used to flee the scene. Incidents like this are a perfect reminder for why guns in the proper hands can be used as effective instruments for personal good and self-protection. While police did eventually end up on the scene, the store would have suffered much worse losses had the owners been completely reliant on the police to intervene."

amusingly giving reasons (NOT) to vote for the Democrats

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--Media Research Center reporter John Simmons, on using guns for self-protection -0-

"It is my duty and responsibility as a consultant cardiologist and public health campaigner to urgently inform doctors, patients and members of the public that the COVID mRNA vaccine has likely played a significant role of being a primary cause in all unexpected cardiac arrests, heart attacks, strokes, cardiac arrhythmias and heart failure since 2021, until proven otherwise...I was willfully blind, certainly in relation to the vaccine and the harms, until I wasn't. It's crucial that the issue be tackled both with the facts and with compassion, because there are many people who are still willfully blind."

--London cardiologist **Dr. Aseem Malhotra**, on not taking the COVID vaccine

"The global controllers of the world's wealth have achieved what Klaus Schwab, Executive Chairman of the World Economic Forum, terms as the era of the Corporate-Government New World Reset. Covid, Climate Change, Global Warming, vaccination, open borders, food shortages, unemployment, energy crises, interest dabbling, inflationary theft, are all man-made products of that PLAN. Corporations now are the field hands for governments who will decide who is favored and who is not. With that power, they can decide every aspect of your existence from housing, eating, working, family, church, thoughts, and morals. Without the protections of laws, constitutional rules, universal morality, and strict enforcement, all life on this planet will be in accordance with your assigned position."

--Ronald Reagan Club founder Dale Young, on what is happening on Planet Earth today

UPCOMING BREVARD COUNTY EVENTS

--November 1: Moms For Liberty meeting, Frogbones Double Tapp Grill, Melbourne, 6:30 pm.

--November 2: Brevard Federated Republican Women meeting, Space Coast Convention Center, Cocoa, 11 am.

--November 3: Heritage Isle Republican Club meeting, Heritage Isle Clubhouse, Viera, 10 am.

--November 5: Republican prayer meeting conducted by Savitrie George, Chaplain of the Space Coast Republican Club, to pray for Brevard County and the upcoming 2022 elections, Police Hall of Fame, Titusville, 10:30 am to

--November 7: Republican Liberty Caucus of Central East Florida meeting, Frogbones Double Tapp Grill, Melbourne, 7 pm.

--November 8: Mid-term Election Day.

--November 8: Space Coast Young Republicans meeting, Pineda Inn, 6:30 pm.

--November 9: Brevard Republican Executive Committee meeting, Space Coast Association of Realtors Building, Melbourne, 7 pm.

--November 11: Federated Republican Women in Action meeting, MeMaw's BBQ, Palm Bay, 1 1:15 am.

--November 14: Space Coast Patriots meeting, Merritt Island Library, 6 pm.

--November 15: North Brevard Republican Club meeting, American Police Hall of Fame, Titusville, 7 pm.

--November 17: Republican Women's Network of South Brevard meeting, Beachside Hilton 3003 N Hwy A1A, 11:30 am

- .--November 26: Space Coast Republican Club meeting, Red Lobster, Merritt Island, 11:30 am.
- --November 28: Ronald Reagan Club meeting, Frogbones Double Tapp Grill, Melbourne, 6 pm.

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

COMICAL CLOSER.

More from the satirical "Babylon Bee" about Vice President Kamala Harris:

During impromptu questioning while leaving an event, Harris was asked about the border crisis, and responded, "The border is like a line that goes between things, which when you think about it, is like a border. This border then divides one thing from another thing, and that is division, and we should all, I believe, work to overcome division."

Asked what that meant, Harris said she honestly did not know, because she was absent from school the day they taught the "talking like a person thing." She then proceeded into her usual cackle, which caused thousands of crows to rise out of nearby trees, momentarily blocking out the sun.

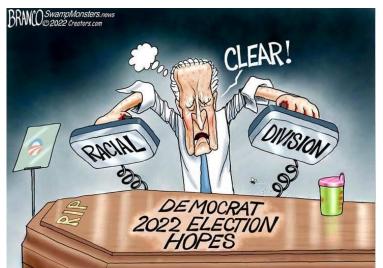
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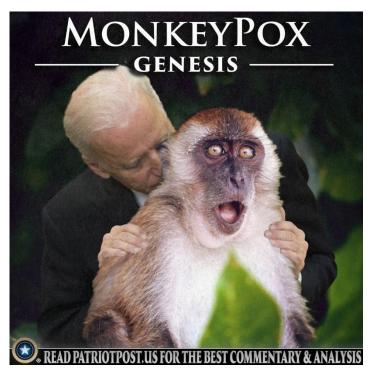












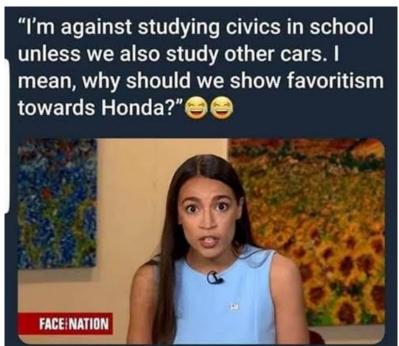
If you're OK with letting Joe tell you how to raise your children, you might first want to consider how Hunter turned out.



The government today announced that it is changing its emblem from an Eagle to a CONDOM because it more accurately reflects the government's political stance.

Damn, it just doesn't get more accurate than that!





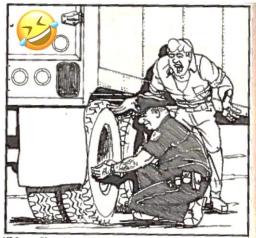












"Now I've heard everything, you're going to fine me for having Indiana air in my tires while I'm driving through Illinois!"







January 6th.

So....They can't locate illegals for deportation.
But they can find them to give them money.

The federal government, which has "Tomahawk" cruise missiles and "Apache," "Blackhawk," "Kiowa" and "Lakota" helicopters - and used the code name "Geronimo" in the attack that killed Osama bin Laden, officially objects to the name of the Washington Redskins.

Really?



