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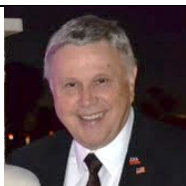
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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK:

MY TWO CENTS

By Stuart Gorin



The beginning of the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution reads: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances."

It's too bad the Amendment did not stop after just the first five words: "Congress shall make no law."

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There's tension in the home of former President Barack Hussein Obama and his wife, Michelle, because he has revealed his need for continued involvement in Democrat politics, and she doesn't want anything to do with it. Barack's need, it seems, is because he believes his party is going sideways, and he blames that – of course – on President Trump. As the "I Stand For Freedom" website points out – it's just another example of him "getting blamed for everything from inflation to insomnia, so why should marital tension be any different?" In the age of Trump Derangement Syndrome, it seems nothing is off-limits.

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When President Trump was interviewed on Fox News about his trip to China this month, he came up with a new spelling for "the other party." The President said to take the word "dumb," but drop the "b" and replace the "dem." So that makes them the "dumocrats."

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Dr. Stephanie Haridopolos, the wife of Congressman Mike Haridopolos, has been tapped to serve as interim U.S. Surgeon

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They also discussed the importance of ending the flow of fentanyl precursors into the U.S. Regarding the Iran war, the White House said both countries agreed that Iran can never have a nuclear weapon and that the two sides agreed that the Strait of Hormuz must remain open to support the free flow of energy, while adding Xi had expressed opposition to the militarization of the Strait of Hormuz and efforts to charge a toll for its use and expressed interest in China buying oil from the U.S.

They also visited the Temple of Heaven, and Xi hosted a dinner banquet, where Trump invited him for a state visit to the United States in September. Xi congratulated the U.S. on its upcoming 250th anniversary and added that China and the U.S. "should be partners, not rivals."



Xi gave a speech in which he said the "great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation" and "Make America Great Again" can go hand in hand. He called the China-U.S. relationship the most important in the world, adding that it concerns the well-being of

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General while the Trump Administration waits for Congress to confirm Dr. Nicole Saphier in the position.

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More Two Cents next month.

the two countries of 1.7 billion population, and the interests of over 8 billion people in the world.

Trump then praised the "magnificent welcome like no other" and said, "It was a great honor to be with Xi". He talked about the history of the relationship between two nations, saying "Benjamin Franklin published the sayings of Confucius in his colonial newspaper" and said a sculpture of Confucius was "carved into the face of the U.S. Supreme Court."

The Chinese "People's Daily" published an article that said the relationship between China and the U.S. had become more equal. It stated that "China does not challenge or seek to replace the United States and welcomes its prosperity and development", but also that any attempts to contain China would end in failure. It also added that rather than seeing the relationship as a zero-sum game, the U.S. should cooperate with China to solve global problems.

In Taiwan, international experts analyzed the Trump-Xi meeting and concluded that Trump maintained an ambiguous stance on Taiwan policy. However, the content of Trump's remarks revealed that while the U.S. government uses Taiwan policy as part of its negotiating strategy, its existing "One China policy" remains unchanged.

At the conclusion of the summit, Trump said China had agreed to purchase 200 airplanes from Boeing. He also called his visit "a tremendous success."

U.S. government officials on the trip included Secretary of State Marco Rubio, Secretary of Defense Pete Hegseth, and Secretary of the Treasury Scott Bessent, Trade Representative Jamieson Greer, and White House Deputy Chief of Staff for Policy Stephen Miller. A number of U.S. business leaders also were included. Xi met with them as well, saying that China's door would open wider to U.S. businesses, and that U.S. companies were deeply involved in the Chinese economy, benefiting both sides.

REMEMBERING BILL POSEY



A Celebration of Life service for former **District 8 Florida Congressman Bill Posey** will be held at Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy in Melbourne on June 13. The popular eight-term Congressman passed away May 9 at the age of 78. A conservative patriot, his long political career also included terms in office in the Rockledge City Council, the Florida House of Representatives and the Florida State Senate,

During his time in Washington, Posey earned a reputation as a principled advocate supporter of the aerospace industry and the communities he represented along the Space Coast. He was an advocate for NASA and the space program and focused on government transparency, veterans affairs, economic policy,

and disaster preparedness for Florida communities vulnerable to hurricanes and coastal impacts. Posey's legacy will endure through the countless lives he touched, the communities he strengthened, and the values he championed throughout his years of service. He said it was a "humbling moment" in November 2025 when the old municipal building in Rockledge was renamed in his honor: the Bill Posey Building.

Posey's successor in Congress – **Mike Haridopolos** – sadly said that he had dedicated his life to serving the people of Florida and our nation "with integrity, humility, and an unwavering commitment to public service. His passing marks the end of a remarkable career that spanned decades of leadership at the local, state, and federal levels. He approached public office not as a path to personal recognition, but as a solemn responsibility to serve others honorably, faithfully, and effectively."

Patrick Gavin worked for Posey for 24 years, including time as Chief of Staff. He said the Congressman "generously mentored many of his colleagues, particularly new members of Congress, emphasizing the importance of staying connected to their constituents, keeping an open mind, and actively engaging with the communities they served. He approached every interaction with warmth, respect, and sincerity. Bill never viewed public office as a means for personal gain, but rather as a responsibility to serve others with integrity. He often remarked that if he ever left politics wealthier than when he entered, it would mean he

had lost sight of his purpose. Those words reflected the character of a true statesman....His legacy will continue to inspire all who had the privilege of knowing him."

Kevin McKeown, chair of the Republican Club of Florida, said that while "Much has already been said about Bill and his career of service to Brevard, Florida, and the United States, It is enough to mention that in addition to being an indomitable conservative patriot, he was a good friend to all of us, and even to many of the liberals who never respected him or gave him credit for all of the good he did for our citizens and our environment."

Tyler Winik, Director of Public Relations for the Brevard County Clerk of Courts, said Posey will be remembered for many things, "but above all for his caring, compassionate nature and steadfast dedication to the people of Florida's Space Coast."

Born in Washington, D.C. in 1947, Posey was only nine years old when his family moved to Florida. Aside from his political career, he had a realtor's office and was an enthusiastic stock car driver – winning many races. He is survived by his wife, **Katie**; daughters **Cathi and Pamela**; grandchildren; and great grandchildren.

Posey is greatly missed not only by family members but also massive numbers of friends and associates. That includes the Editor of this publication, who had numerous occasions over the years to meet with and write about him. The most memorable occasion was when Posey addressed our Heritage Isle Republican Club, and I had the honor to introduce him to the audience. After he spoke, he unexpectedly called me back to join him and totally surprised me with a beautiful engraved

Conservative Lifetime Achievement Award crystal obelisk. It is a treasured gift.

REPUBLICAN STATE PRIMARY MAY ELECTION RESULTS

May 5

Ohio

Businessman **Vivek Ramaswamy** easily won the race to be the party's gubernatorial candidate in the November general election.

Senator John Husted was unopposed in his bid to win another term in office.

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May 12

Nebraska

Governor Jim Pillen and **Senator Pete Ricketts** each defeated several candidates in their re-election bids.

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West Virginia

Senator Shelly Moore Capito defeated four challengers in her re-election bid.

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May 16

Louisiana

In the Senate race, **Representative Julia Letlow** and **State Treasurer John Fleming** won the right to compete in a June 27 runoff election, eliminating **Senator Bill Cassidy's** hopes.

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May 19

Kentucky

In the Senate race to replace retiring **Senator Mitch McConnell**, **Representative Andy Barr** defeated former **State Attorney Dan Cameron**.

In the state's Fourth Congressional District race, farmer and former Navy Seal **Ed Gallrein** defeated incumbent **Representative Thomas Massie**, a long-time "thorn in the side" of President Trump.

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Alabama

In the gubernatorial race, **Senator Tommy Tuberville** easily won the right to compete in the November general election.

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Georgia

In a crowded gubernatorial race, the top two finishers – **Lieutenant Governor Burt Jones** and businessman **Rick Jackson** will compete in a June 16 runoff race.

The top two finishers in the race for a U.S. Senate seat – **Representative Mike Collins** and former football coach **Derek Dooley** – also will compete in the runoff.

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Idaho

Governor Brad Little and **U.S. Senator Jim Risch** were unopposed in their re-election bids.

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Pennsylvania

State Treasurer Stacy Garrity ran unopposed to be on the fall Gubernatorial ballot.

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Oregon

State Senator Christine Drazan will be the Republican challenger in the Gubernatorial election, and **State Representative David Brock Smith** is the presumptive challenger in the U.S. Senate race.

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May 26

Texas

In the U.S. Senate runoff election, **Attorney General Ken Paxton**, who had President Trump's endorsement, defeated four-time incumbent **Senator John Cornyn** by double-digits, and will face a Democrat challenger in the November general election.

State Senator Mayes Middleton defeated **Representative Chip Roy** for the Attorney General nomination.

LET ME BE FRANK

By Space Coast Tusk Designer
Frank Montelione



Iran, Inflation, and the Fight for November

Imagine Iran and the radical Mullahs who control the government with access to a nuclear weapon. During the Obama and Biden years, Iran built up enough highly enriched uranium to raise international concern that it could potentially produce several nuclear weapons if it chose to enrich further.

We all know who the first targets would be. Israel, the Little Satan, will be target number one. And when Iran develops long range missiles, we, the Great Satan, are certain to be target number 2.

They have long-range missiles that can travel about 1,240 miles and have already struck targets as far away as Israel. The closest American targets Iran can likely reach with its current missiles are U.S. bases and military facilities in the Persian Gulf region, including Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar, and nearby areas.

Iran's Revolutionary Guards warned that any new attack on the country would provoke them to spread the war beyond the

Middle East, raising the stakes of diplomatic efforts to end the conflict.

According to Iranian state media, the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps — a powerful military force that appears to be directing the country’s policies while the supreme leader has remained out of public view for months — warned that if “aggression against Iran is repeated,” it would strike back in “places you cannot even imagine.” (New York Times, May 20, 2026)k

That warning is hard to take seriously, since Iran has already threatened neighboring countries and warned that U.S. bases in those countries could be targeted.



Since the Strait of Hormuz has been effectively closed by Iranian threats and the U.S. military blockade, the global economy has felt it right away. A huge share of the world’s oil and natural gas moves through that narrow passage, so

the disruption has quickly driven up the cost of gas, heating, and transportation. Higher energy prices have pushed inflation even higher, raising the cost of food and everyday goods and putting more pressure on businesses and families already stretched thin. Markets have been on a rollercoaster ride, supply chains have slowed, and if the closure lasts long enough, it could drag down economic growth around the world and even raise fears of a recession in some countries. ([Reuters – March 11, 2026](#))

Here at home, the effects are far-reaching too.

As energy prices rise, Americans end up paying more for gas, groceries, shipping, and other everyday essentials. The [Pew Research Center](#) notes that economic issues like inflation, the federal budget deficit, and unemployment are among the most widespread concerns. President Trump has said gas prices will fall quickly once the Iran war ends, saying in April that prices would come down ‘as soon as this ends’ and adding in May that gasoline and oil would ‘drop like a rock.’ ([U.S. News & World Report](#)) Energy Secretary Chris Wright told CNN that while gasoline below \$3 a gallon “could happen later this year, that might not happen until next year.” Trump has acknowledged that gas prices could remain high until November, but he has downplayed the concern. Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent recently projected that prices should drop into the \$3-per-gallon range by summer. According to [AAA](#), gas prices have risen nationwide, with many states now averaging more than \$4.00 a gallon.

Fast forward to November.

The Republican administration continues to say it is making progress in reversing the inflation and rising costs that built up during the Biden years. But voters are more likely to judge the economy by what they see in everyday life—higher prices at the grocery store, higher costs for goods shipped by truck, and more pain at the gas pump. As much as we hear that things will change as soon as the conflict ends and the Strait is reopened, the end does not seem to be anywhere in sight.



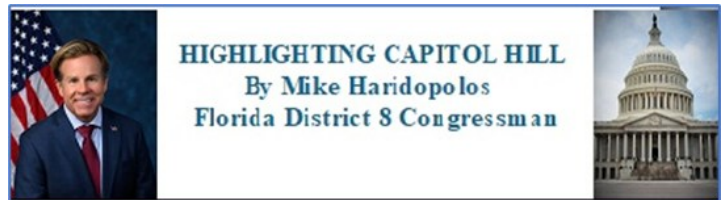
by the Obama administration.

Today’s peace talks are running into the same problem that has shadowed Iran for years: many countries in the region no longer trust Tehran to keep its word. Iran has a long record of using diplomacy to ease pressure while continuing to expand its influence through nuclear advances, proxy forces, and threats against its neighbors. With the Supreme Leader and the Revolutionary Guards still driving the country’s decisions, any new agreement will only matter if it comes with strict monitoring, real enforcement, and guarantees that can be verified.

As things stand now, I am not convinced the President is making the right move by continuing peace talks while Iran rearms, keeps refining uranium, and appears to be using delay tactics in hopes that growing pressure inside the United States will lead to a peace deal more favorable to Tehran.

Come November, most MAGA supporters will likely stay with President Trump and follow his lead. But in purple states like Georgia, where I am writing this, Republicans could lose independent voters if the conflict is still unresolved and inflation keeps rising. If that happens and Republicans lose the House, impeachment efforts will return again and again. And if they also lose the Senate, those efforts could gain real traction.

If peace talks only give Iran more time, then the price will not just be paid in the Middle East. It will be paid by American families at the grocery store, at the gas pump, and at the ballot box in November.



Port Canaveral is one of the most important fuel and cargo hubs in the southeastern United States, helping power the vehicles we drive and the businesses that keep Central Florida’s economy moving. That is why I secured more than \$20 million in federal funding through the U.S. Department of Transportation to rehabilitate North Cargo Berths 1 and 2.

This investment will strengthen our economy, protect our supply chains, and ensure Central Florida families and businesses have the resources they depend on every day.

Combined with funding from the Florida Department of Transportation and Port Canaveral itself, this project provides

more than \$37 million in total investment in one of our region's most important economic assets.

The impact of Port Canaveral extends far beyond the waterfront. Fuel products account for more than half of the port's annual cargo. At North Cargo Berths 1 and 2 alone, more than 12.7 million barrels of fuel (more than 532 million gallons) have been offloaded to support communities throughout Central Florida.

Most Floridians never see these operations firsthand, but they benefit from them every day. Every time families fill up their gas tanks, board a flight, or receive a delivery, Port Canaveral is helping make it possible.

The rehabilitation project will modernize aging infrastructure, extend the life of the berths by up to 30 years, and expand fuel-handling capabilities. These improvements will help ensure the port can continue meeting growing demand while maintaining the reliability our economy requires.

For Florida's Space Coast, the benefits are especially significant. Port Canaveral supports thousands of jobs, generates billions of dollars in economic activity, and serves as a critical gateway for commerce throughout the region. Every investment in the port strengthens our local economy, supports good-paying jobs, and creates opportunities for future growth.

As Florida continues to attract new residents, businesses, and visitors, the demand on our infrastructure will only increase. Strategic investments today help prevent costly problems tomorrow while ensuring our communities remain competitive in an increasingly global economy.

This project is also an example of government working the way it should. Federal, state, and local partners came together to address a critical infrastructure need and deliver tangible results for the people we serve.

As your representative in Congress, I will continue fighting for investments that strengthen our infrastructure, support economic growth, and improve quality of life for families across Florida's Space and Treasure Coasts.



MAYFIELD MINUTE
By Florida District 19 State Senator
Debbie Mayfield

--The 2026 Atlantic Hurricane Season runs annually from June 1 to November 30. Last month, Colorado State University (CSU) released their outlook for this year's hurricane season forecasting slightly below normal activity due to developing El Niño conditions.

The forecast predicts a total of 13 named storms, of which CSU anticipates six to become hurricanes and two to become major hurricanes. These numbers are slightly below the long-term seasonal average of fourteen, seven, and three, respectively.

Florida remains the most vulnerable state, with a 74% chance of a named storm and a 21% chance of a major hurricane passing within 50 miles of the coastline. The Florida Department of

Emergency Management urges Floridians to avoid complacency, despite zero named storms making landfall in the state in 2025.

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--Governor Ron DeSantis unveiled a new statue honoring President James Madison, the fourth President of the United States, in Madison County as part of Florida's ongoing celebration of America's 250th anniversary.

"We honor President James Madison for his integral role in the founding of our nation and the American acquisition of Florida," DeSantis said. "As part of our commemoration of America's semiquincentennial this year, we have unveiled statues of great Americans throughout our state. With this new statue in Madison County, we now have statues of our Founding Fathers in every Florida county that is named for a founder. These statues symbolize Florida's commitment to celebrating our nation's history and the great men who laid the foundation for the American experiment."

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--**Attorney General James Uthmeier** announced the creation of the Public Assistance Fraud Task Force, and named **Assistant Statewide Prosecutor Scott Strauss** as Special Prosecutor. The Task Force offers legal guidance and assistance in the coordination of criminal prosecutions for state agencies and law enforcement in an effort to build solid cases against individuals committing fraud.

"We are launching this task force to bring accountability and prosecute those who are stealing from Floridians," Uthmeier said. "Florida is not Minnesota or California, and we will safeguard the taxpayers' investment in the services meant for the vulnerable."

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--New police chiefs have been named for West Melbourne and Palm Bay. **Michelle DiGiorgio**, a 15-year veteran of the West Melbourne Police Department, has been unanimously appointed as her city's new chief, and **Deputy Chief Jeff Spears**, a 16-year veteran of the Palm Bay Department, was named as his new leader.

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--The American Lung Association's "2026 State of the Air" report says that Florida's Department of Environmental Protection announced the state continues to lead the nation in clean air. The report identified 21 Florida counties as some of the cleanest in the nation for ozone pollution and found that no Florida counties were included on the American Lung Association's list of the 25 most polluted places to live.

"Florida's natural resources are central to our economy, our quality of life and the communities we call home," said DEP Secretary Alexis A. Lambert. "The findings in this report reinforce the progress Florida continues to make through a long-term commitment to sound science and strong environmental standards."

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--White House Chief of Staff Susie Wiles was presented with the Barbara K. Olson "Woman of Valor" Award at the 2026 Independent Women's Gala in recognition of her decades of steadfast commitment to advancing principled leadership at the highest levels of government. The award is named in honor of Barbara Olson, a distinguished attorney, television political analyst, and co-founder of the Independent Women's Forum, who tragically lost her life on September 11, 2001, as a passenger on American Airlines Flight 77.

Praising Wiles, President Trump said, "Not only is Susie the first female Chief of Staff in American history, she's also one of the best White House Chiefs of Staff ever in history."



AN UPDATE FROM MY OFFICE By Florida District 8 State Senator Tom Wright

I have been reflecting on two deeply meaningful events I was honored to attend in Tallahassee on April 27, the Florida Sheriffs Association Law Enforcement Memorial and the Florida Fraternal Order of Police Memorial. These annual tributes are solemn reminders of the sacrifice made by those who wear the badge and those we have lost in the line of duty.

For me, participating in these memorials was more than a duty as a State Senator; it was a privilege. Supporting law enforcement has always been one of my top priorities, and standing with our sheriffs, police officers, families, and communities in remembrance served as a powerful reminder of why public service matters.

These memorials also remind us that behind every badge is a person who chose a profession centered on service, sacrifice, and protecting others. Across Florida, our law enforcement officers continue to face tremendous challenges while working every day to keep our communities safe. I remain committed to ensuring they have the support, resources, and respect they deserve both in Tallahassee and back home throughout Brevard and Volusia Counties.

Shortly after these memorial events, the Legislature returned to Tallahassee for Special Session 2026D beginning the week of April 28. One of the primary focuses of this Special Session was congressional redistricting. Redistricting is always a significant and closely watched process because of the long-term impact it has on representation throughout our state. These discussions involve balancing population growth, constitutional requirements, and ensuring Floridians continue to have fair and effective representation as our state continues to grow at a remarkable pace.

Florida remains one of the fastest-growing states in the nation, and with that growth comes the responsibility to continually evaluate how our districts are structured to best reflect population changes and community interests. While these conversations can at times become highly debated, I believe it is important that the Legislature approach them thoughtfully, responsibly, and with a focus on ensuring Florida remains well positioned for the future.

As I write this, we are currently in the middle of Special Session 2026E to complete one of the Legislature's most important responsibilities, passing the state budget. Budget negotiations are ongoing, and there is still a tremendous amount of work taking place behind the scenes. My office and I are working hard every day to advocate for projects and priorities that will directly benefit District 8 and our local communities.

This year, we have fought hard for projects supporting infrastructure improvements, public safety initiatives, veterans' services, environmental resiliency efforts, transportation upgrades, and community organizations throughout Brevard and Volusia Counties. While the budget process always involves negotiation and difficult decisions, I remain optimistic about many of the projects currently under consideration and hopefully we will be able to bring significant investments back home to our region. I look forward to being able to provide a more complete and detailed update on the final state budget and the projects secured for District 8 in next month's issue once negotiations are finalized.

It continues to be one of the greatest honors of my life to represent the people of District 8 in the Florida Senate. Thank you for the trust you place in me to serve our communities and fight for the priorities that matter most to our region.

If you have any questions, concerns, or need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 386-304-7630 or by email at wright.tom@flsenate.gov. Until next time – stay safe, stay engaged, and stay informed.



Chairman

David Fosdick



We held the third Brevard Conservative Patriots meeting on May 13, which was an engaging event with a good turnout. The attendees were a mixture of members, speakers, and guests.

As speakers, we invited the candidates for School Board (Districts 1, 2, and 5), County Commission (Districts 1 and 4), and Florida House (Districts 31 and 32) who are registered Republicans. Out of 14 invitations, 10 speakers were able to participate.

The speakers in attendance were:

- District 1 County Commission: **Stel Bailey, Rick Heffelfinger, Micah Lloyd**
- District 1 School Board: **Megan Wright**
- District 2 School Board: **Gene Trent**
- District 5 School Board: **Tammy Dennis, Michele McCormack**



Micah Lloyd

- Florida House District 31: **Robin Hattaway, Matt Woodside**
- Florida House District 32: **Mark Lightner**



Matt Woodside

It was a wonderful change of pace from our previous meetings. Each speaker was given three minutes to introduce themselves. After the introductions, the speakers mingled with the audience, allowing for direct interaction between voter and candidate. BCP members enjoyed this format – it allowed them to mix with the candidates and also catch up with friends from around the county. Every candidate I was able to speak with enjoyed the format and appreciated the opportunity to speak to potential voters.

As for the coalition, we are in the initial stages of team development. We have an organizational structure in place and are clarifying roles and responsibilities for each Action Team, as well as defining roles for each team member. Progress is slow, as the coalition is a part-time activity for most members. It is a lot of work, but I believe the long-term results will be worth it.

An important milestone was achieved in April: a bank account was opened. This was crucial because, as a start-up, the coalition had been self-funded. It is now in a position to fundraise to finance a website and CRM tools; procure banners and tables for events; and produce printed materials as needed.

The coalition is also actively seeking new members. If you would like to attend one of our meetings as a guest, please note that attendance is by invitation only (for more information, please email the address below). After attending as a guest, there will be a follow-up to gauge your interest in becoming a member. We are eager to welcome those who share our values and are ready to contribute to our efforts.

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RENDEZVOUS WITH
REPUBLICAN WOMEN
By Xiaoqi Wang
BFRW President

We were delighted to welcome to our May 6 meeting Congressman Mike Haridopolos, who joined us and shared a legislative update from Washington, D.C.

May is BFRW's "Back the Blue" month. We extend our sincere gratitude to Sheriff Wayne Ivey and the Brevard County Sheriff's Office for their outstanding leadership and unwavering commitment to serving and protecting the citizens of Brevard

County. In recognition of their dedication, we were honored to present a contribution to the Sheriff's Office.

We also proudly recognized two exceptional female law enforcement officers – Sergeant Hannah Harris and Agent Aja Stake – for their excellence and the meaningful contributions they make to our community.



Our program also featured Brevard County Commissioner Rob Feltner, who participated in a thoughtful Q&A with our moderator. The topics included: What are the core responsibilities of a County Commissioner? How does the County Commission work with state legislators and city governments, and what challenges come up? What are the top issues currently facing our county? What concerns do you hear most often from residents? What are the biggest challenges you face in your role? What are the best ways for residents to communicate with the County Commission and stay involved? Looking ahead, what is your vision for the future of our county? Anything you think will help us to understand the County Government?

Understanding how county government works is essential because it impacts many aspects of our daily lives, including public safety, roads, zoning, and local services. When residents understand how decisions are made and who is responsible, they can better engage with their community and advocate for their needs. Thanks to the informed and engaged voters of Brevard County, we have elected capable leaders who serve our community well – let's keep it that way.

BFRW is excited to announce that our America 250 Celebration "Liberty Tea Party & Fashion Show" will be held on Saturday, July 18.

We invite you: 1) Be a Table Hostess. Gather 7 of your favorite friends, design a stunning table, and enjoy an elegant afternoon filled with tea, laughter, and charm. Make it beautiful, make it fun, make it yours! 2) Participate in the Table Design Contest. Let your creativity shine! Guests will vote for their favorite tables, and the winning design will be celebrated at the end of the party. 3) Be a Model. Step into the spotlight and showcase the fabulous collections from Genesis House Boutique—bring style, confidence, and a touch of sparkle to the runway! 4) Enjoy the tea and great songs from soloist Rachel Holt.

Our June 3 luncheon meeting will feature a Candidate Forum. Exhibition tables will be provided for each candidate, and each will have three minutes to address the audience and make their message heard.

BFRW Scholarship. This year, the Brevard Federated Republican Women proudly offers five \$1,000 scholarships to support female high school and college students who demonstrate leadership, integrity, and a commitment to conservative values. We are honored to hold our Scholarship Award at our June Luncheon. Congratulations to our outstanding scholarship recipients:

- **Barbara Davis Memorial Scholarship – Karleigh Burnette**

- Lilian Banks Memorial Scholarship – **Ashlynn Wimmer**
- Future Leader Scholarship – **Madeline Still**
- Bradley Moore Memorial Scholarship – **Natalia Mitchell**
- Moore Family Scholarship – **Madison Sellon**

We are proud to support these exceptional young women as they pursue their educational goals and future leadership opportunities.

BFRW’s GOTV activity – letters to Republican voters. Only 1 in 5 Brevard voters participates in primary elections. That means just 20% of voters decide who will appear on the November ballot – and in many races, who will ultimately hold office.

The Brevard Federated Republican Women is committed to increasing Republican voter turnout in primary elections. This primary, we will send more than 4,000 letters reaching over 5,000 Republican voters throughout Brevard County.

These are voters who are likely to participate in the primary with encouragement but are often not contacted by campaigns or the Republican Party due to limited resources. By reaching these voters directly, we are helping to strengthen Republican participation and ensuring more conservative voices are heard in the election process.

BFRW remembering **Congressman Bill Posey**. The BFRW members are saddened by the passing of former Congressman Bill Posey. He dedicated decades of his life to public service – from the City Council to the Florida Legislature to the U.S. Congress – always standing firmly for conservative principles, constitutional government, and the people of our community.

His support to BFRW, his commitment to our communities, our Space Coast, and our nation will long be remembered. We extend our heartfelt prayers and deep condolences to his family, friends, and all who had the privilege to know and work alongside him. May he rest in peace, and may God comfort all who mourn his loss.



We had a great meeting May 1 with two fabulous speakers – **Palm Bay Deputy Mayor Mike Jaffe**, who is running for re-election; and **Indian Harbour Beach City Councilman Adam**

Dyer, who is running for Brevard County Commission District 4.

We had quite a few guests and want to welcome anyone who wants to join us and learn about candidates and be supportive of the Federation of Republican Women. We are part of a State Federation and a National Federation; we run in parallel to the Republican Party of Florida and are another avenue to support Republican candidates and those in office already. Membership is relatively inexpensive and we certainly get a lot out of being part of the Federation and our local club.



Jaffe spoke first. He told quite a bit about himself and personal life, which is always nice to hear. Jaffe is a Brevard native, married with two children. He is very active with his family. Additionally, he has had a twenty-year career in construction and real estate. He is very well versed in the community and aware of our infrastructure challenges within Palm Bay and spoke on plans to correct these issues, and how he is committed to making improvements while using our resources and money wisely.

Jaffe answered a number of questions about roads, sewers, the compound, the drain on social services and property taxes.

Dyer was up next, and told us of his life in Brevard. He has been a proud Brevard resident since the age of two. He is also married and the proud father of four children. Currently sitting on the Indian Harbor Beach Council, he believes he has much knowledge that will help him in the County Commission role.



Dyer shared two of his major concerns: short term rentals taking over our neighborhoods, and the volunteer fire department. He also expressed thoughts on having impact fees to pay for our growth.

He went on to say that he has the background and leadership to grow the county wisely and safely, and fielded many questions on the topic.

We were also honored to have **Mike Bruyette** come as our guest. He is running for council in Palm Bay and spoke for a few minutes, and will speak again in the next few months in more details.

June 5 will be our next meeting, and it will be all about the school board and openings! School Board Member **Gene Trent** of District 2 will speak and the candidates for District 5, **Tammy Dennis** and **Michele McCormack** will answer identical interview questions. We are very excited to hear the comparison and contrast of the District 5 candidates.

We begin our meet and greet at 11:15 and have a Call to Order at 11:45. Feel free to bring a friend! Nothing is more important than getting to know our candidates.



By President John Scully
North Brevard Republican Club

The North Brevard Republican Club had another great meeting on May 19, welcoming two guests who are running to protect Brevard County.

Matt Woodside, a candidate for State Representative District 31, spoke about his goal to champion faith, family, and freedom. A lifelong Space Coast resident, professional educator, and man of faith, Woodside is perhaps best known locally for his two-year battle against gender policies in Brevard Public Schools, a fight he and concerned parents ultimately won in 2023.

Also joining us was **Greg Loyd**, a military veteran and

candidate for Canaveral Port Authority – District 3. Loyd plans to bring discipline and experienced leadership to the Port Commission. He believes his commitment is to protect taxpayers, strengthen our economy, safeguard our community, and govern with integrity. Loyd also believes the Port should remain financially strong and self-funded, driven by smart investments and responsible oversight – not burdening homeowners with new taxes.

It was a energizing night that reminded us of the many strong conservative voices right here in our community. Mark your calendars for our next meeting on June 16, as we will be hearing from **Jake Johansson**, candidate for State Senate, and **Micah Loyd**, for County Commission District 1. We hope to see you there!



Two Republican candidates seeking to represent Florida House District 31 shared sharply local, experience-driven perspectives on growth, taxes, environmental protection and government accountability during a candidate forum at the April 25 Space Coast Republican Club meeting.



The event featured former Satellite Beach city council member **Mindy Gibson** and Merritt Island businessman **Marcus Herman**, both competing for the Republican nomination to succeed outgoing **District 31 Representative Tyler Sirois**.



Gibson, a longtime Satellite Beach resident, emphasized her years of experience fighting state overreach affecting local communities. She criticized Tallahassee lawmakers for ignoring local officials on issues such as vacation rental deregulation, arguing that decisions made at the state level have damaged neighborhoods, increased housing costs and weakened community character.

“One of the biggest problems is that legislators are not accountable to local residents the way city officials are,” Gibson said, while recounting visits to Tallahassee where local concerns were dismissed. She also criticized what she described as “feel-good politics,” citing both the Marjory Stoneman Douglas school safety legislation and post-Surfside condominium laws as examples of rushed policy decisions that created unintended financial burdens.

Herman, a lifelong Merritt Island resident and former owner of Triangle Auto and Tire, highlighted his business background and decades of community involvement, including service on the Merritt Island Redevelopment Agency (MIRA). He described himself as a pragmatic conservative focused on representing constituents rather than pursuing ideological agendas. “My idea is I’m a representative,” Herman said. “I’m here to represent you all and what your concerns are.”

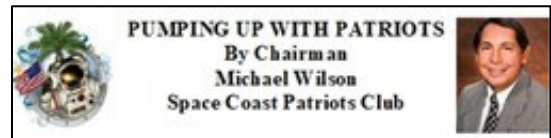
A significant portion of the discussion centered on property taxes and condominium regulations following the Surfside

building collapse. Both candidates acknowledged concerns from residents about rising costs and aggressive condo assessments. Herman suggested expanding Florida’s homestead exemption while warning against eliminating property taxes without replacing local government revenue. Gibson argued that blanket tax reforms could unintentionally harm heavily homesteaded communities like Satellite Beach, which rely on property taxes to fund services such as police protection.

Growth and infrastructure also dominated the conversation. Herman stressed the need for “responsible growth,” especially as Brevard County continues to attract new residents and expanding aerospace industries. Gibson expressed concern over dense apartment developments and advocated for redevelopment and infill projects rather than unchecked urban sprawl.

Environmental concerns surrounding the Indian River Lagoon and industrial wastewater from aerospace operations drew strong audience reactions. Both candidates agreed the lagoon remains one of Brevard County’s most urgent long-term issues. Herman said companies benefiting from the region’s growth “have to be good partners,” while Gibson criticized the bureaucratic delays slowing environmental improvements and infrastructure upgrades.

Despite occasional disagreements, the forum remained largely cordial, with attendees emphasizing the importance of electing leaders who understand the unique challenges facing Brevard County communities.



Florida Gubernatorial Candidate James Fishback was an invited guest of the Space Coast Patriots at our May 11 meeting. Some of his pre-meeting media said he was hosting it, but that was incorrect. He did address a standing room only crowd, though, and many of the attendees were already his enthusiastic supporters.



Fishback is a skilled speaker, adept at hitting hot-button topics and able to use timing and pacing to great effect. He is also well versed in humor to make difficult questions or situations work to his benefit. He began his talk by saying the USA is for Americans and that our land was not stolen, it was fought for.

Among some of his more local campaign ideas, Fishback, a businessman and an investor, feels strongly the Space Coast must remain the Space Capitol of the world and that we should keep all Space X rockets launching from Cape Kennedy. Additionally, he wants to make sure that the space industry does not use the Indian River Lagoon as a dumping ground. He also said as Christians we should protect our land.

When it comes to immigration, he mentioned that the RINO’s had given Haitian immigrants 3 more years of Temporary Protected Status and declared it to be a very bad move.

Furthermore, he declared, “as an immigrant, if you’re not productive, you should go home.”

Regarding education, he said teachers’ pay in the last 25 years has only gone up less than half of what administrative salaries have increased. He said, “it’s time to pay teachers what they are worth.” And, relating to curriculum, he said, “we cannot teach white guilt.” He is also big on the concept of home schooling.

In Florida, Fishback stressed, we have a spending problem, and he said he would cut non-essential spending at local levels as one step to rein in spending. He also thinks Florida government should roll back taxes to the level they were five years ago.

When it comes to technology issues, he feels we should handle AI data center implementation on a state basis and declared there should be no welfare for the tech bros. He feels strongly there should be a ban on AI data centers and they should be established in space.

In his closing comments, Fishback said tourism and space are the “keys for Brevard County.”



REMEMBER WHEN
By Heritage Isle Republican Club
President Mike Hoagland

Those of us who live in Heritage Isle, our safe enclave, can easily forget that there is a world outside of our gates. Our lives can change though with what is occurring politically in our state, our country and our world. Apathy dooms us to failure. Political leaders affect the world and our country’s future.

Our president is altering the landscape of the world and our country for the benefit of America. The haters are coming out with their hate which we witness every day. Who are the haters? They include the media, Democrats, RINOs, deep state bureaucrats, globalists, many foreign governments (NATO, EU), radicals (both foreign and domestic) and low information citizens. This is quite a group.

You may ask “how did Trump get elected?” Well, he came out with his slogan Make America Great Again (MAGA) and his policies were centered on America First. American patriots who supported his agenda overwhelmingly voted for him. His supporters did not care about his personality. They agreed with his policies.

America has been funding the world for decades. Our weak or corrupt political leadership is a large reason we have such a huge national debt. We have funded the world. We have for decades paid most of the NATO expenses. We have tolerated one sided trade arrangements for decades. We have funded the majority of numerous international entities (United Nations, World Health Org, World Economic Forum, Climate organizations and more). We get no benefit from any of this. One of the most egregious reasons for our deficit is all the financial fraud perpetrated by both federal and state actors with their primary support coming from Democrats. We are learning of different fraud schemes in our country almost every day. Almost all are committed by democrats in democrat run areas. Follow the money and you can

understand many of the reasons for all the Trump hate. When money goes away, anger rises.

If the Democrats were able to take over our government, we could expect to see results seen in California, Portland, Minneapolis, Chicago, New York City and other Democrat run areas in other jurisdictions. Anyone who doesn’t understand what this means is one of those low information voters. Democrat political leaders are radical and not patriots. AOC leads in the polls for democrat presidential candidate in the 2028 election. If this doesn’t scare anyone, we truly are in trouble. Anyone interested in how Democrats conduct themselves in Washington should watch some of our House or Senate hearings. Their conduct is hateful and disgusting. Ask yourselves, “What are the Democrat policies?” Their only demonstrated political activity is to spew Trump hate and total disrespect for his cabinet.

In my opinion, by the time Donald Trump’s administration ends, he will have caused the Middle East to be peaceful with Arab countries joining with Israel. Russia/Ukraine will have ended. Cuba will be free and begin a rebuild. Venezuela will be an ally. Iran will have a regime change with Reza Pahlavi as leader and a U.S. ally. Our economy is already booming and gas prices will decline. We have so much for which to be thankful with Trump’s leadership. It is a shame he has to do it all himself without assistance from elected political leaders. I will end now. But please vote for Mike Haridopolis, Mark Lightner and Timi Tucker.

THIS AND THAT

MEMORIAL DAY IN WASHINGTON, D.C. Thousands of American citizens viewed a two-hour Memorial Day parade in the Nation’s Capital on May 25, either in person or on national television. The parade participants included members of all branches of U.S. military service, high school marching bands, vehicles and horses. Following the parade, President Donald Trump – accompanied by Vice President J.D. Vance and Secretary of War Pete Hegseth – visited Arlington National Cemetery, where he laid a memorial wreath commemorating fallen military members at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Addressing the crowd, which included many Gold Star family members, he honored their loved ones, who died in military service. “This Memorial Day, we salute them and thank them for all that we have and all that they gave. They gave everything,” he said. “There could be no Independence Day without Memorial Day.”

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PRIMARY ELECTION DEFEATS. Three never-Trump members of Congress were defeated in state Republican primary elections in their re-election bids in May: Louisiana Senator Bill Cassidy, Kentucky Representative Thomas Massie, and Texas Senator John Cornyn.

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FEDERAL RESERVE. The new chairman of the Federal Reserve, **Kevin Warsh**, was sworn in to office on May 22 by Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas. President Trump attended the



ceremony, in which Warsh promised to oversee a “reform-oriented Federal Reserve” following months of tension between the President and former Fed Chairman Jerome Powell. “While I’m not naive about the challenges we face, I believe, Mr. President, these years can bring unmatched prosperity that will raise living standards for Americans from all walks of life, and the Fed has something to do with it,” Warsh said.

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WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY.

When **Karoline Leavitt** assumed the position of White House Press Secretary, she reshaped the briefing room into a battleground where the media no longer held the upper hand. She forced the reporters into direct, often uncomfortable, confrontations. Now that she is taking leave for the birth of her daughter, the media members – who thought they could once again control the briefing room over a temporary replacement – learned that wasn’t going to be the case. Rather than assign a temporary replacement for Leavitt, President Trump chose instead to use rotating high-level officials to conduct the daily briefings. The rotation could include Vice President Vance, senior cabinet members, and even the President himself.

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VOTER ROLLS. Judicial Watch announced a settlement in its federal lawsuit against Oregon election officials, which confirms 800,000 ineligible voter names are slated for review and removal from voter registration lists. The settlement requires state officials to produce detailed data and enforce federal voter roll clean-up procedures under the National Voter Registration Act of 1993. Judicial Watch argued that 29 of Oregon’s 36 counties removed few or no registrations as required by federal election law, and in response to the lawsuit, Oregon Secretary of State Tobias Read said the inactive registrations are kept separately from the active voter rolls and do not receive ballots.

And when the North Carolina State Board of Elections submitted more than 7 million voter records to the federal Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements database – using names, dates of birth, and last-four Social Security digits – it unexpectedly flagged approximately 34,000 deceased individuals. Officials emphasized this reveals no illegal votes, but underscores urgent needs for list maintenance. In battleground North Carolina, this development arrived as federal tools proved vital for catching anomalies missed by weekly in-state death updates from the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services. Federal law requires states to remove ineligible voters, including the deceased. North Carolina conducts biennial maintenance, purging about 500,000 ineligibles in 2025 alone. Yet deceased voter removals often lag 8-10 years due to data reporting delays from the Social Security Administration.

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ELECTIONS SHENANIGANS IN DETROIT. New Vision News reports that in Detroit, a citizen-led investigation examining nearly one million documents from the November 2020 election uncovered that 12.4% of absentee ballots from

taxpayer-subsidized housing addresses were counted without the official return envelopes required by Michigan law. More than 100 volunteers were reviewing election documents that Detroit fought to withhold until a judge forced their release. The team built a custom website to organize over 155,000 digitized absentee ballot envelopes, examining each one for irregularities. Michigan law requires every absentee ballot to be returned in the official state-issued envelope containing the voter’s signature certificate. Clerks cannot legally process ballots received without proper envelopes. The investigation revealed troubling cases, including a voter registered at a confirmed non-existent address in which someone received an absentee ballot, voted, and then mysteriously disappeared from Michigan voter rolls. Another ballot envelope showed a German address on the USPS delivery label but was officially stamped as received on October 3, 2020, despite the voter’s signature being dated October 30, 2020 – a physical impossibility. In 2020, Michigan Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson was admonished by a judge for mailing 7.7 million unsolicited voter applications statewide without proper approval. She also reportedly directed local clerks to ignore signature verification requirements during the state’s largest mail-in election, when strict chain-of-custody rules were essential.

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FLORIDA CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 11. Florida Congressman Daniel Webster,

who has represented District 11 since 2011, has announced his retirement at the end of the current session. A family man and small-business owner, Webster served with honor and integrity, and advanced reforms and principled policy. Prior to his Congressional career, he served as Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives and as Majority Leader in the Florida State Senate. After he announced his pending retirement, **Anthony Sabatini**, the current Lake County District 1 Commissioner and a former Florida State Representative, announced he will run in the 2026 election to fill the Congressional seat.

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TULSI GABBARD. Director of National Intelligence Tulsi Gabbard

announced on May 22 that she is resigning her position effective June 30 in order to be with her husband, cinematographer Abraham Williams, who has been diagnosed with an extremely rare form of bone cancer and faces major challenges ahead. In a letter to President Trump, Gabbard – a former Hawaii congresswoman and retired Army Reserve lieutenant colonel – said she is “deeply grateful for the trust you placed in me and for the opportunity to lead the DNI Office for the last year and a half.” The President characterized her resignation as “unfortunate,” and announced that **Aaron Lukas**, the principal deputy director of national intelligence, will step in as acting director after she exits.

Democrat California Senator Adam Schiff, who is noted for often putting his foot in his mouth, reacted to the resignation by claiming that her decision was “the only positive contribution” she has made to national security. In the past, Schiff has even authorized leaks of classified information to tarnish President Trump’s image.

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THE “LADIES” OF ‘THE VIEW.’ After President Trump

scored another major victory for everyday Americans by slashing the prices of hundreds of prescription drugs, the TV show's "ladies" are furious with blind hatred, because they want to see Trump fail, even if it means their fellow citizens will fail too. Through the new TrumpRx platform, though, more than 600 medications are now available at dramatically lower costs directly to consumers. Even though Trump's name is not on the prescription drugs themselves – they're sold through a price comparison platform – Joy Behar told her audience that "Once Trump puts his name on prescriptions, we're all going to die, okay?" Reacting to that comment on X, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Director Dr. Mehmet Oz posted on X: "Unfortunately, we still have no medications for Trump derangement syndrome on TrumpRx.gov, but we're working on it."

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DEMOCRAT PLANS. If the Democrats win the mid-term elections, they are reportedly openly declaring their plans for a post-election witch hunt. Massachusetts Senator Ed Markey has said they will launch investigations targeting President Trump, his family, and those associated with his administration. He promised to restore Medicaid cuts, Affordable Care Act cuts, and every reduction aimed at wind and solar projects, electric vehicles, and batteries. According to Markey, this agenda would somehow deliver "true energy independence." But the DCJournalDaily website says "This isn't governance. It's a declaration of political warfare against a president who delivered results for everyday Americans. While families struggle with inflation from the previous administration, Markey and his allies dream of endless hearings designed to paralyze the executive branch."

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MEDICAID FRAUD. Vice President **JD Vance** has suspended over a quarter-billion dollars in Medicaid funding to Minnesota and issued a stark ultimatum to all 50 states: eliminate fraud or face similar federal cuts in what the Trump administration is calling a "War on Fraud" against taxpayer-funded programs. Vance and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Administrator Dr. Mehmet Oz detailed findings from a federal audit showing Minnesota providers billed Medicaid for millions in services without adequate verification. The audit identified systematic problems across multiple sectors, including daycare facilities in Minneapolis – particularly Somali-owned centers previously investigated for ghost billing – as well as non-emergency transportation companies and personal care attendants. Vance emphasized that providers were claiming reimbursement for services with no documentation that care was actually delivered, describing a pattern of exploitation that undermines public trust in safety-net programs.

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LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE. The Wednesday "Wake Up Breakfast Meeting" of the Leadership Institute on May 6 featured **HUD Assistant Secretary Benjamin Hobbs**, who spoke about his experiences working in the Trump administration. Currently serving the Department of Housing and Urban Development in the Office of Public and Indian Housing, Hobbs said his work includes bipartisan legislation on



Tribal programs and reforms to low-income programs. "It has been my life mission to reform the welfare system to be there when people need it, but also to help them get back on their feet," he said. "I fundamentally believe that nobody wants to be on welfare." Hobbs said there are six objectives in his position: 1) Promote work and economic self-sufficiency, to break the cycle of generational poverty; 2) Ensure HUD assistance only benefits American citizens and families, not non-citizens; 3) Use tools, including vouchers, to help families transition away from public housing; 4) Strengthen oversight and accountability of public housing authorities across the country; 5) Modernize the technology at HUD and the Office of Public and Indian Housing and make it more efficient; and 6) Reduce regulatory burdens and empower local innovation. President Trump nominated him to his current position, and he was sworn into office this past January. During the first Trump administration, Hobbs served on the Domestic Policy Council as a Special Assistant, and was its lead on affordable housing, economic development, entrepreneurship, public assistance, and homelessness. Previously, he served on Capitol Hill on the staff of the U.S. House Committee on Ways and Means and the U.S. Senate Special Committee on Aging. Hobbs said his earlier career also included work in the private sector with nonprofit agencies. He is a graduate of Denison University and has a Masters Degree from the London School of Economic and Political Science.

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HERITAGE ISLE REPUBLICAN CLUB. Speaking at the Heritage Isle Republican Club meeting in Viera on May 7, attorney **Timi Tucker**, who is a candidate for the Brevard County Court Judge Group 3 seat, said that while some judges in the United States "are becoming more and more active" in their decisions, she firmly believes "the Constitution is a document that does not change," and "judges should not change either." Tucker also said she believes parents have the "fundamental right" to parent their children, and they have protection to do so under the Constitution. Noting the way that some schools treat their students, she stressed that "a school is not a parent." Now working as a family law attorney in her own firm – Tucker Mitnik, P.A. in Melbourne and Rockledge, Florida – she has practiced law for more than 31 years and has tried more than 25 jury trials. Previously, she was a Senior Attorney for the Florida Department of Children and Families. Tucker also has served as President of the Brevard County Bar Association and held leadership roles in several legal and community organizations. She is a graduate of Cumberland College and received her Juris Doctorate from the University of Kentucky College of Law in 1992.

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RONALD REAGAN CLUB. Five Brevard County judicial candidates addressed the Ronald Reagan Club meeting on May 18, answering questions asked by the panel moderator – **County Clerk of Court Rachael Sadoff**. The candidates, who will compete as non-partisans in the August 18 primary election, include the current Circuit Court Judge for Group 18/4 **Robert Segal** and challenger **Larry Freeman**; **Andrea Fant** and **George Gaspard** competing for the open Group 18/13 seat; and

open County Court Group 3 seat candidate **Timi Tucker**. Segal, who has been serving in Circuit Court since 2018 as an Administrative Family Judge and an Appellate Judge, said he loves to analyze problems and solve them, and he previously served as a public defender. Freeman, who has been an engineer as well as an attorney, said he wants to serve his community. And he believes every person entering a courtroom deserves to be heard, treated with dignity, and judged fairly under the law. Fant has worked as an Assistant Public Defender and said she has spent her career fighting for fairness and giving back to the community. Gaspard serves as Legal Counsel for the Brevard County Sheriff's Office, advising law enforcement personnel on complex legal issues, and previously served as an Assistant State Attorney in the 18th Judicial Circuit. He said he is committed to fairness and impartial application of the law. Tucker, who heads her own law firm where she handled hundreds of cases over the years representing victims of domestic violence and other family related matters, said she



wanted to serve to be able to “give back to our community”....At the club's April 27 meeting, **Layla Collins**, the wife of **Florida Lieutenant Governor Jay Collins**, spoke about her two decades-long military career with the U.S. Army, in which she was deployed in support of military operations in Afghanistan, Iraq, and other hotspots around the world as a member of a Special Actions

Team evaluating security protocol. She also spoke about her husband's outstanding military and political career and now serves on the Florida State Board of Education and has been active with education for her two sons – Gabe and Colt – as well as substitute teaching.

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REPUBLICAN LIBERTY CAUCUS. Brevard County native **Mark Lightner**, whose career is in the transportation industry supporting America's space and defense operations, told the Republican Liberty Caucus meeting in Melbourne on April 28 that he is a Republican candidate for the District 32 seat in the Florida State Legislature because he believes in protecting our freedoms, defending our families, and keeping government in its proper place. “That means standing up for parental rights, supporting law enforcement, protecting the unborn, and ensuring Florida remains a place where hard work is rewarded, not punished,” Lightner said. “I don't believe Tallahassee always gets it right, and I won't be afraid to stand firm on principle when it matters most. This campaign isn't about politics. It's about stewardship. It's about honoring the past, protecting the present, and securing the future. I'm asking for your support, your prayers, and your vote as we work together to keep Florida strong for the next generation.” Noting that he is “not a career politician,” the 25-year-old husband and father of two said he “feels a strong responsibility to help shape the future of our state. I was raised on the values that built this community: faith, family, hard work, and personal responsibility. I believe those values are worth fighting to preserve.” Lightner added that he and his wife are “thinking about the kind of world our kids will grow up in, the schools they'll attend, the values they'll be taught, and whether they'll

have the same opportunities we've had. I also think about the generations before us, those who sacrificed, served, and built the foundation we stand on today. We owe it to them to protect what they created, not watch it slip away. That's what pushed me to run for the Florida House.”



YOU CAN'T MAKE THIS UP

--In an unhinged social media tirade, Composer Vivian Kubrick, the daughter of the late filmmaker Stanley Kubrick, attacked Erika Kirk, the widow of assassinated conservative leader Charlie Kirk, and demanded that President Trump dismantle Turning Point USA. Claiming that her entertainment industry background gives her “unique ability to spot phonies,” Kubrick called Erika Kirk “a threat to my country,” and suggested that she resembles “a military or intelligence operative” and “definitely some kind of sociopath.” Social media users quickly condemned Kubrick's statements, questioning her irrational hatred toward a widow with two small children whose husband was recently assassinated.

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--Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Grandmother Roxanne Record is facing prison for allegedly killing her 4-year-old granddaughter China Record by forcing her to drink more than a half pint of whiskey as punishment. The child's mother, Kadjah Record, is also charged with murder for allegedly watching the fatal punishment take place and failing to intervene. Officials said the child's blood alcohol content measured more than eight times the legal limit for adult drivers in the state.

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--Bexar County, Texas, Court Judge Rosie Speedlin-Gonzalez – the country's first openly homosexual judge – serves on the bench no longer, receiving a lifetime ban for a criminal indictment. First elected in 2018, Democrat Speedlin-Gonzalez erected a Pride flag behind her bench and had multiple accusations of judicial misconduct with the State Commission on Judicial Conduct. The indictment came following a trial incident in which she reportedly ordered a bailiff to handcuff a female defense attorney and toss her in the jury box.

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--After a federal grand jury indicted Cole Allen for interrupting the White House Correspondents Dinner with weapons and attempted to assassinate the President, Magistrate Judge Zia Faruqui, who gained his post during the Biden Administration, called an emergency hearing – not to discuss the charges, but to apologize to the shooter for his jail conditions. Conservative Underground News reported that Fox News host Jesse Watters said Faruqui “has been a problem on the bench for years,” and that Texas Congressman Brandon Gill called for his impeachment, saying “This is a judge who has made it his mission to wage courtroom jihad against the American people.” Faruqui built his career around criminal justice reform and DEI before the Biden administration put him on the D.C. bench in September 2020, and since landing on the bench, has fought President Trump's Justice Department at every turn – calling his D.C. crime crackdown a “constitutional crisis,” saying the rule of law was “being flushed down the toilet,” and refusing to

accept indictments in at least seven Trump-era enforcement cases.

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--Exposing the Left's contempt for Americans who champion traditional values, unfunny so-called comedian Kathy Griffin has sparked outrage by calling assassinated conservative leader Charlie Kirk a "straight-up Nazi" and mocking his grieving widow, Erika.

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--One-time actress "Hanoi Jane" Fonda – infamous during the Vietnam war for sitting on a North Vietnamese anti-aircraft gun while American pilots were being shot down – is now calling the U.S. Government "authoritarian." This pronouncement followed the FCC decision to review ABC's broadcasting license after unfunny comedian Jimmy Kimmel "joked" about President Trump passing away.

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--During New York University's annual Grad Alley block party on May 13, a Nazi swastika flag was hoisted above the school building named in honor of philanthropists Michael and Judy Steinhardt, billionaires who have donated to Jewish causes. University spokesman Wiley Norvell said the flag was "quickly taken down after around 15 minutes, but graduating students were left disturbed. Campus Safety responded immediately to remove it, and we are working closely with the Police Department to identify whoever is responsible." Norvell added, "We are shocked and deeply troubled that this hateful symbol expressing antisemitism was raised. We are one community. We protect each other. And we will not let hate and division find a foothold on our campus."

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--First Daughter Ivanka Trump was targeted for assassination by Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps- trained terrorist Mohammad Baqer Dawood Al-Saadi in a twisted plot to avenge the President taking out his mentor – Iranian military chief Qasem Soleimani – six years ago. Al-Saadi, a high ranking figure in Iran-Iraq terror circles, was arrested in Turkey and extradited to the U.S., where he is charged by the Justice Department with 18 attacks throughout Europe and the U.S., in addition to targeting Ivanka Trump and stating that he knows where she lives. Sources said he even had a blueprint of her Florida home.

EXPERTS' EXCERPTS



Former **U.S. Ambassador Stanley Escudero**, writing on Countering Immigration Jihad:

"It is time to respond to the threat posed to America by the gradual infiltration of jihadist Islam. Most Muslims are about as observant as most Christians. But the comparison stops there. Modern-day Christianity does not require the conversion of non-Christians by any means necessary. Islam does and it always has. The basic tenets of Islam are totally incompatible with American law and culture and the Judeo-Christian principles upon which this country was founded. If we are to avoid the development within our country of majority Muslim

centers opposed to our society, as has happened in Europe, we need to find a constitutional means to require the assimilation of immigrants. Muslims believe that the Prophet Mohammad was the direct messenger of God (Allah) who received the words of God from the angel Gabriel. The Koran and the later sayings ascribed to the Prophet, known as the Hadith, impose on the Muslim faithful not just a religion, but a complete template for society, for one's personal life, and for dealing with non-Muslims. Under Islam, the world is divided into the World of Islam (Dar ul-Islam) and the World of War (Dar ul-Harb). The Prophet said: 'I have been commanded to wage war against mankind until they testify that there is no god but Allah and that Mohammad is the Messenger of Allah.... If they do so, then their land and property is protected....I have been made victorious through terror.' If they refuse to convert, infidels may be killed or submitted to a subject status, called Dhimmitude. Dhimmis must pay a special tax, (jizya), cannot own land nor marry Muslim women, and have been required to give their firstborn sons to military service. Early on, dispensations were granted to the so-called 'People of the Book,' Christians and Jews, but Mohammad later recanted those. 'Fight then among the People of the Book who do not believe in Allah nor the Last Day, nor forbid what Allah and his Messenger have forbidden, nor embrace the religion of truth, until they pay the jizya with willing submission and feel themselves subdued.' The nations once called Christendom have been at war with Islam, off and on, for 1400 years during which massacres and rapine took place at levels which boggle the mind. Christians were described as'vile animals and beasts, the worst of creatures and demons; perverted transgressors and partners of Satan to be fought until religion is Allah's alone. They are to be beheaded, terrorized, annihilated, crucified, punished and expelled, and plotted against by deceit.'" To be fair, Christian armies sometimes did almost as bad in reprisal. But Christianity and the laws of war approved by Christendom tell us not to do these things, even during war. The Holy Prophet Mohammad commands his faithful to commit these horrors. The warring sides are simply not comparable. By the end of WWII, Western science and military technology had advanced. The last of the Islamic empires had been destroyed, but the Western colonial empires had also fallen, European Christian power was weakened and America was far away. The fundamental confidence of the West was deeply shaken by the devastation of the two great wars and by the rise of atheistic Marxism, which challenged its bases of Christian faith, democratic governance, and the capitalist practice upon which its economy was based. Some radical Islamic thinkers saw an opportunity. They rejected a resumption of traditional violent jihad, in favor of a more insidious but safer course: the slow gradual infiltration of western societies by expanding Muslim communities. One need only look to Europe to see where this process will lead. Former colonial countries admitted huge numbers of their former subjects, most of whom had far larger families than do today's Europeans. The result has been accretion of Islamic power to ever growing communities which reject assimilation. Already increasingly socialist, the internal welfare programs of many European nations have become economically stultifying, their capacity to defend themselves against potential Russian threats are virtually non-existent, their foreign policy is feeble and self-deprecating and,

tellingly, they have virtually no capacity to restrict the flow of immigration or re-establish dominance of their original populations. The same thing is beginning to happen here, but it is not too late to do something about it. America is faced with a red/green alliance of our socialist and Islamist enemies. Because it has taken deep root in the Democrat Party, the red part of the threat can only be defeated at the polls. The green Islamic part is another matter. Unassimilated Muslim power centers have grown political influence in places like Dearborn, Michigan; Minneapolis, Minnesota; Portland, Maine; and even in the proposed Islamic Epic City of Texas. They argue that U.S. constitutional guarantees of freedom of religion do not require assimilation while their faith prevents them from adoption of American cultural norms. That does not mean that Islamic immigrants cannot become fully Americanized, accept our values and bring honor and benefit to their community. But the threat is growing. The routine objection is that “We are a nation of immigrants” and the Constitution guarantees freedom of all religions in its first amendment which states, *inter alia*, “Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof ... But virtually all of our past immigrants were Europeans, either Christians who shared our religion or Jews, who shared the Old Testament principles on which much of the Christian religion depends. Muslims cannot be true believers of their religion unless they reject the requirements of that very Article 1 which they hide behind. However, they can lie about acceptance of our values, in keeping with the Islamic principle of dissembling – *taqiyah*. Fortunately, many constitutional scholars have argued that the drafters of the Constitution referred only to Christianity when drafting Article 1, as their intent was to prevent a future government from creating an official state version of Christianity, as Henry the Eighth did in the England which had been the homeland of the Founders. Our Constitution’s drafters were Christians who knew virtually nothing of other religions. Even so, there is a great deal of U.S. case law based on the erroneous interpretation that the First Amendment applies to all faiths. The obvious correction would be to amend the First Amendment but the political divide in America is so strong that no such amendment could ever gain approval. However, the Constitution might also be reinterpreted by the current Supreme Court to loosen the restrictions of the First Amendment as currently written. Conservative states like Florida, Texas or others, might propose amendments to their state constitutions along the following lines: “The State of Florida is predominantly Christian and adheres to the principles of Christianity and Judaism which motivated the Founders of our nation. The Legislature of Florida shall make no establishment of the religion of Christianity, Judaism or any other Faith. Adherents of religions other than Christianity or Judaism may practice their Faith provided that they adhere completely to the laws, culture and values of the United States and of the State of Florida and that they fully assimilate into the society thereof.” Inclusion of such language in the Florida state constitution would provide a basis for the passage of laws providing punishments for those who fail to assimilate or who appear to do so but in secret practice do not. Inclusion would also immediately face legal challenge from Democrats and Muslim organizations. Because the suits would involve state

constitutions, they would have to be resolved by the Supreme Court, whose judgement might enable protections for our traditional values.”



LAURENCE F. SANFORD, American Security Council Foundation vice president for operations, writing on “**Drones Over B-52 Air Base**” in his “**Sanford on Security**” publication:

“Drone swarms shut down the B-2/B-52 bomber Barksdale airbase in Louisiana. Between March 9 and 15, multiple waves of 12 to 15 drones operated over restricted areas of the installation. The drones (UAV-unmanned aerial vehicles) displayed non-commercial signal characteristics, long-range control links, and resistance to jamming. Barksdale plays a critical role in the command and control of the Air Force’s nuclear defense capabilities. It is the home of the Air Force Global Strike Command (AFGSC), which is responsible for all of America’s intercontinental ballistic missiles and nuclear bombers. The drone flights lasted around four hours each day and came in waves, entering and exiting the base in a way that suggests trying to avoid the operator’s location. The drones may have been testing security responses within restricted airspace. Two golf courses flanking Barksdale, to the north and south, are owned by a Chinese intelligence official. Two miles to the north of Barksdale is The Golf Club at Stonebridge, and two miles to the south is Olde Oaks Golf Club. Since 2013, both courses have been owned by Eugene Ji, a Chinese-American businessman who has held multiple positions in the Chinese Communist Party (CCP), including the United Front Work Department (UFWD), an arm of the CCP’s influence and intelligence agency. The golf courses had been previously owned by the Municipal Police Employees Retirement System and were losing money. Ji bought them for \$3 million. Where did the drones come and go from? Could they have come from the golf courses? Trucks could easily transport the drones, unload the drones, and then hide them in more secure areas, such as storage lockers away from the base. And who were operating the drones? Possibly some of the 100,000 Chinese nationals, men of military age and fitness, who entered the US via the Darien Gap in Panama under Biden’s open border policies. Why couldn’t Barksdale security shoot down the drones with shotguns or sniper rifles, as do the Ukrainians against Russian drones made with Chinese parts? Why couldn’t forces be deployed to track the drones? The Air Force had four days to get their act together. The drone attacks coincided with and interfered with the beginning of Operation Epic Fury against Iran. A “shelter-in-place” order was implemented. For the first time in American history, an Air Force base was shut down due to enemy air activity. The drones that operated over Barksdale were far more sophisticated than those seen in Ukraine. The attack on Barksdale is not an isolated incident. Other drone attacks include: 1) Langley AFB in Hampton, Virginia. F-22 stealth jets had to be relocated; 2) Edwards AFB in Palmdale, California. Home to Skunk Works and other classified engineering projects; and 3) Fort Leslie J. McNair in Washington, DC., where Secretary of State Marco Rubio and Secretary of War Pete Hegseth live. Whiteman Air Force Base in Missouri, home of B-2 bombers used over Iran, borders a trailer park owned by a Chinese national with CCP intelligence

links....Action to be taken: 1) Recognize that the CCP is waging a smokeless war and act accordingly; 2) Educate and engage fellow Americans and leaders on CCP actions; and 3). Contact elected government officials to develop coherent strategy among federal agencies in countering drone attacks. Not only are drones a threat to military installations, but they are also a threat to civilian activities in industry, and sporting/entertainment facilities and industry.”



“**New York Post**” Columnist **Miranda Devine**, writing on the Trump Administration going after violent leftists:

“Jihadis and cartels are targets of the new White House counterterrorism strategy, but so too are Antifa, Trantifa, and other violent domestic left-wing anti-American groups. It’s a sharp departure from the Biden administration’s sinister national strategy on counterterrorism that pretended groups like Antifa didn’t exist and instead targeted Catholics at traditional Mass, parents questioning gender ideology at school board meetings and Donald Trump supporters who, President Joe Biden told us repeatedly, were “ultra-MAGA,” “semi-fascist” domestic terrorists. Hence the January 6 Capitol riot by unarmed Trump supporters, most of whom committed no violence and many of whom did not even enter the Capitol, became the biggest investigation in FBI history under Biden, prompting one of the greatest miscarriages of justice in American history. Thankfully, President Trump’s White House counterterrorism director, Sebastian Gorka, has reoriented national security back toward violence, rather than vague “anti-government” or “anti-authority” sentiment, which can be easily – and was, under Biden – weaponized politically....It’s welcome news to the majority of Americans who have felt trapped in a Kafkaesque nightmare since 2020’s “Summer of Love,” when organized left-wing militias and well-funded Antifa-style terrorists hijacked Black Lives Matter protests and tried to turn them into a violent overthrow of Trump. They got their wish, and part of Trump’s 2020 defeat – or his inability to win enough votes to overcome the Democrats’ sly election rigging – has to be attributed to the general sense of chaos and unrest created by his ideological opponents. The same tactic has spiraled into the present day, with evolving causes hijacked to justify the violence. It started with racism and so-called white supremacy, defunding the police, abortion, transgender ideology, anti-ICE and anti-Israel, which has morphed this week into masked terrorists hunting Jews on the streets of New York and assaulting children outside synagogues....Yet the establishment media, and Democratic leaders and their administrative stooges, have downplayed the violence, pretended it didn’t exist, or tacitly condoned it, while exaggerating right-wing violence, despite data, including from the Center for Strategic and International Studies, showing record highs in left-wing violence....The Trump administration’s reality-based new focus is welcomed by Andrew Kolvet, who was Kirk’s right-hand man at Turning Point USA and has taken over hosting The Charlie Kirk Show. ‘This is a huge topic for us, obviously, because Charlie was assassinated by somebody that had a romantic relationship with a trans-identifying person in Utah,’ Kolvet says, pointing to the last message Kirk sent to White

House deputy chief of staff Stephen Miller the day before Kirk was murdered. Miller quoted from the message in a special episode of The Charlie Kirk Show the day after Kirk was murdered: ‘The last message that Charlie sent me was that we need to have an organized strategy to go after the left-wing organizations that are promoting violence in this country. And I will write those words onto my heart and I will carry them out’....As per usual, the left-wing media’s response to the new counterterrorism strategy was alarmist hyperbole in defense of their pet revolutionaries. The Guardian dismissed the memo as a ‘bizarre’ and ‘unhinged’ attack on the president’s enemies, the Biden administration, transgender people and some Islamist groups. Mother Jones’ headline was even more dishonest: ‘Counterterrorism Now Officially Means Targeting Trans People.’ The left needs to wake up and disown the menace it has been coddling.”

THOUGHTS TO PONDER

“Between April 23 and 27, U.S. Customs and Border Protection arrested more than two dozen Disney Cruise Line employees in a major child-pornography sting. Local LA outlets reported the arrests May 5. The *New York Post* took the story national May 6. Yet Disney-owned ABC News has delivered six straight days of total silence. Not one word on air. A company built on magic, families, and children now sees its own news division refuse to report employees allegedly preying on kids....In cases where scandals hit Disney directly, ABC goes mute. If the same scandal had involved News Corp, Fox News’ parent company, ABC would have delivered wall-to-wall outrage and endless sermons on corporate culture, accountability, and protecting children.... Much more stands at stake than ratings or embarrassment. When media outlets claiming to defend the public instead shield corporate parents from child-sex scandals, trust dies, and real children pay the price.”

--Media Research Center President David Bozell, on ABC burying a scandal
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“The winner of the Pulitzer goes to...Not the *Washington Times*. Not the *New York Post*. Not *The Daily Caller*. Not *The Federalist*. But the usual suspects cleaned up. The Pulitzer Prizes turned Trump-attacking into a trophy sport – the narrative practically swept the awards. *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Chicago Tribune*, AP, and Reuters were all there, patting each other on the back. That’s exactly why the MRC created the Bulldog Awards – to honor conservative voices the Pulitzers will never touch. The ones who tell the truth and refuse to bend to the progressive herd mentality that defines today’s media.”

--Another **Bozell** comment, this one on this year’s Pulitzer Prize “winners”
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--“Anthony ‘The Science’ Fauci kept insisting for years that COVID originated zoonotically at a wet market. His version painted the Chinese *people* as third-world rubes....A CIA whistleblower revealed that Fauci knew *and goaded the CIA to cover up* the origin of COVID. ‘National Review’ reports: ‘James Erdman, a career CIA operations officer who spent

much of the last year on joint assignment for the Director of National Intelligence Director Initiatives Group (DNI DIG), testified before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs on May 13, telling committee members Fauci influenced the analytical process and findings by leveraging his position to ensure the [intelligence community] consulted with a conflicted list of curated subject matter experts, public health officials, and scientists'....You might say that Fauci spread a virus of misinformation. Lying to Congress is a crime, and Fauci did that every time he sat in a hearing. That's to say nothing of his virtual money laundering operation or bearing outsized responsibility for wrecking the U.S. economy, destroying children's education, ruining people's lives when they lost their jobs, and leaving us six years later still saddled with persistent inflation that began as a result of policies he pushed."

"Patriot Post writer Nate Jackson, on Fauci's COVID comments
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"Star Wars actor Mark Hamill apparently believes his status as a celebrity of some fantasy movies authorizes him to cast judgment on President Donald Trump, who unlike actors with armies of guiding hands telling fictionalized stories on screen makes life-or-death decisions. He recently posted a photo depicting Trump as deceased with a caption that read 'If Only,' just days after an assassination attempt at the White House Correspondents' Association Dinner. Hamill wrote, 'He should live long enough to witness his inevitable devastating loss in the midterms, be held accountable for his unprecedented corruption, impeached, convicted & humiliated for his countless crimes. Long enough to realize he'll be disgraced in the history books, forevermore.'"

--"World Net Daily" writer **Bob Unruh**, on Hamill's remarks

NOTE: In response, the White House issued a statement saying the Star Wars actor is "one sick individual," adding, "These radical left lunatics just can't help themselves."

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"The Goldwater Institute asked the U.S. Supreme Court to take up a shocking case of discrimination involving two Minnesota children who were taken from the safe, loving foster home where they had lived for most of their young lives and sent hundreds of miles away to live on a reservation far from the medical care they need – all based on the color of their skin. It's just the latest example of the injustices inflicted under the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) and its Minnesota state version, known as MIFPA.... The twins do have Native ancestry, which makes them eligible for membership in the Red Lake Nation. And that means they qualify as 'Indian children' – and that empowered tribal officials to take the children and place them instead on a reservation 300 miles away, with a cousin of their birth mother, even though the birth mother objected.,,What children like these twins need are caring and conscientious families – they don't care about the color of someone's skin. But federal and state law does care about that – in fact, race is all that ICWA and MIFPA care about. That's why there have been so many horrific stories of the ways in which ICWA and MIFPA deprive 'Indian children' of the legal protections provided to kids of other races."

--**Goldwater Institute official Timothy Sandefur**, on discrimination against Indian children

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"It's a banner month for Jew-hating propaganda at 'The New York Times,' where libel against the state of Israel is normalized and celebrated. Jaws dropped everywhere when the so-called Newspaper of Record won a Pulitzer Prize for the 2025 work of a Gaza-based contributing photographer best known for a picture so misleading, fraudulent, so useful in the quest to ramp-up antisemitism, the paper was forced to issue a correction. This was followed by a disgusting and false opinion piece penned by two-time Pulitzer-winning Times columnist Nicholas Kristof, who has a long pattern of getting suckered into promoting hoaxes. In it, he accuses Israelis – even their dogs – of frequently and cruelly sexually assaulting mass numbers of Arabs. It's a pity I have to draw attention here to such blatant and hideous balderdash. But this is what passes as news to the Gray Lady, and this is what's held up as great journalism. It cannot be ignored."

--"**New York Post**" opinion writer **Andrea Peyser**, on the Times' libelous campaign against Israel

UPCOMING BREVARD COUNTY EVENTS

- June 3: Brevard Federated Republican Women meeting, Space Coast Convention Center, Cocoa, 11:30 am.
- June 4: Heritage Isle Republican Club meeting, Heritage Isle Clubhouse, 10 am.
- June 5: Federated Republican Women in Action meeting, Memaw's BBQ, Palm Bay, 11 am.
- June 8: Space Coast Patriots meeting, Merritt Island library, 6 pm.
- June 16: North Brevard Republican Club meeting, the North Brevard Shrine Hall, Titusville, 6:30 pm.
- June 17: Brevard Conservative Patriots meeting, 3695 Lake Avenue, Cocoa, 6 pm.
- June 18: Republican Women's Club of Brevard meeting, Suntime Country Club, 11 am.
- June 18: Space Coast Young Republicans meeting, Whiskey Business, Melbourne, 6:30 pm.
- June 18: Florida Republican Assembly Brevard meeting, 705 Harrison Avenue, Titusville, 5:30 pm. 6:30 pm.
- June 22: Ronald Reagan Club meeting, Oceanside Community Church, Satellite Beach, 6 pm.
- June 23: Republican Liberty Caucus of Brevard meeting, Italian American Club Melbourne, 7pm
- June 27: Space Coast Republican club meeting, Red Lobster, Merritt Island, 11:30 am.

Brevard Republican Executive Committee – to be determined

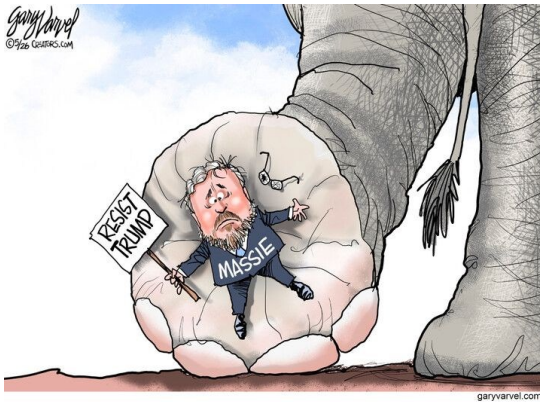
ABOUT THE NEWSLETTER. Through email, website and Facebook, we are now reaching nearly 2,000 people on our ever-increasing distribution list. The newsletter goes to readers not only all over the country, but beyond. **Editor Stuart Gorin** and **Designer Frank Montelione** hope to see the numbers continue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

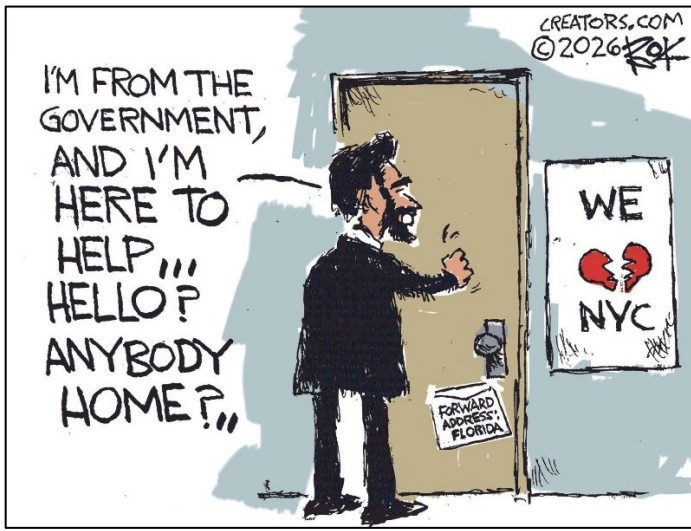
COMICAL CLOSERS. What did the white smoke continuing to rise over the city of Los Angeles indicate? Did it mean that scores of wildfires continued to haunt the city, or – as the satirical Babylon Bee website indicated – it means that Karen Bass is still the city’s mayor?

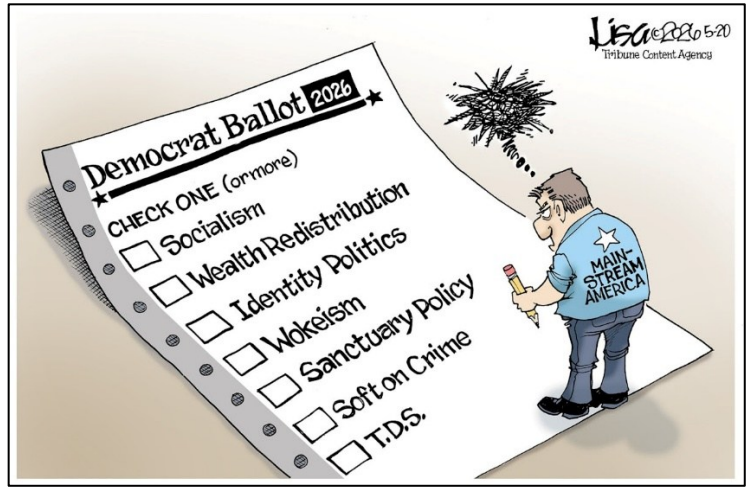
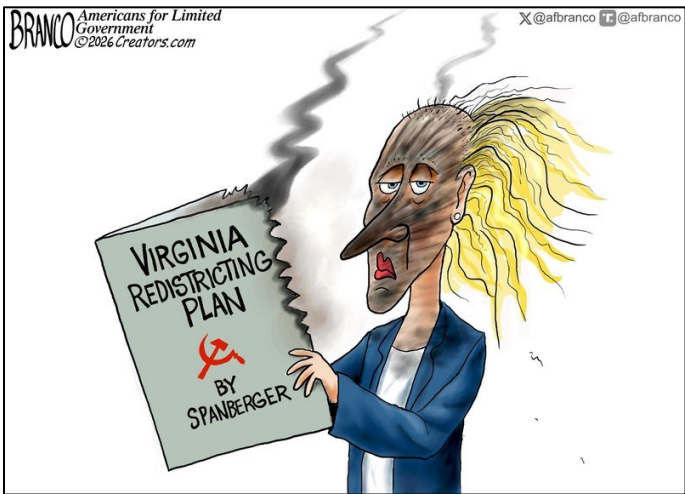
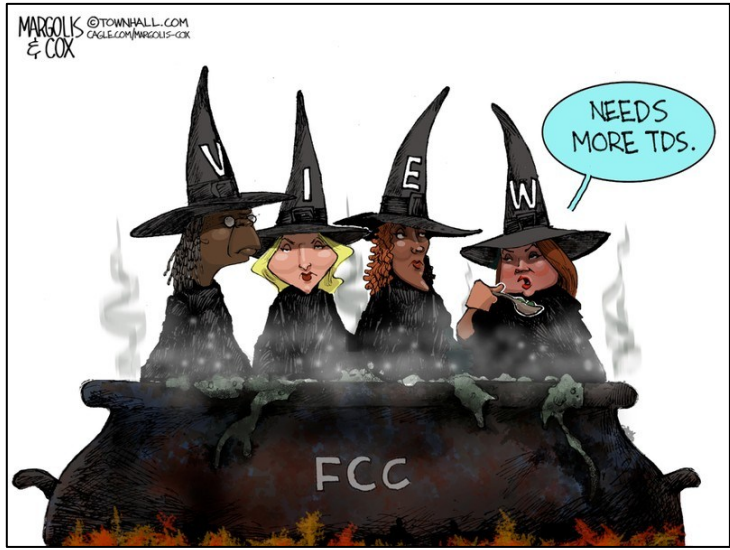
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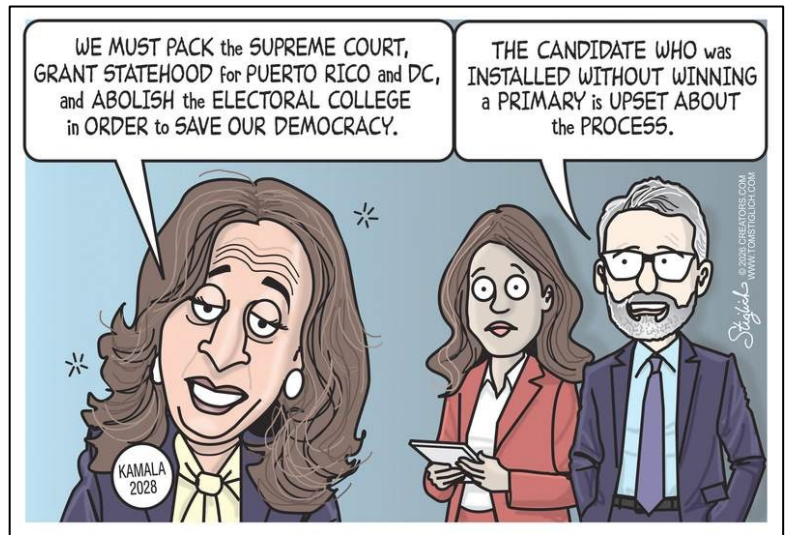
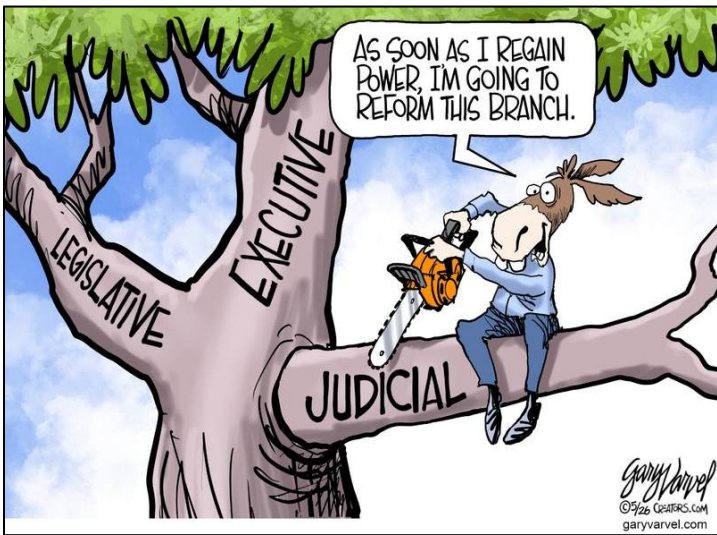
Question of the month: Why did the Mexican toss a jar of Hellman’s into the lake? It was in celebration of Sinko de Mayo.

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Remember when "king" Trump shut down your church, stopped you from visiting loved ones in the hospital, forced a job to keep your job, and fined you for not buying insurance?

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