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GOP urges Congress to investigate whistleblower claims of child trafficking under Biden

By American News

In response to a video released in late November by Project Veritas, three US Senators penned a letter to Sen. Gary Peters, chairman of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs demanding that the committee hold a hearing into whistleblower allegations of child trafficking.

"We write in response to recently reported claims by federal employee whistleblower that the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is knowingly transferring unaccompanied migrant children in the custody of criminals, including sex traffickers," the letter from Senators Ron Johnson, Rick Scott, and Josh Hawley began.

"This cannot be swept under the rug," the letter continued. "Congress must immediately take action to stop the atrocities this whistleblower claims are being committed by the federal government itself."

"The Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs must call a hearing to further investigate these whistleblower claims."

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COP-27 financiers and merchants of death

Africa resists policies that demand primitive farming and energy, and making muffins out of flies

By Paul Dreissen



As Americans give thanks this week for our many blessings, let us recall the Pilgrims' and Native Americans' primitive agricultural knowledge and technologies, the hunger and disease that were constants in their lives – and how so many around the world are not much better off today.

Much of Africa still lives on the edge, with well over 600 million people not even having

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Global Health and the Art of Really Big Lies

By David Bell



In a former role I had a boss who lied a lot. The lies were pure fantasy, but massive in scope and delivered with sincerity. They were very successful. This success was based on the reluctance of most people to consider that someone in a position of authority in a humanitarian organization would completely ignore any semblance of reality. People assumed the claims must be true, as fabricating information to that extent in those

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FDA Says Telling People Not to Take Ivermectin for COVID-19 Was Just a Recommendation

By Zachary Stieber



The U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) guidance for people to "stop" taking ivermectin for COVID-19 was informal and just a recommendation, government lawyers argued during a recent hearing.

"The cited statements were not directives. They were not mandatory. They were

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Russia enacts total ban on LGBT 'propaganda' for minors and adults

By Lifesite News

MOSCOW (LifeSiteNews) — Russia has completely outlawed LGBT "propaganda" regardless of age, making its promotion punishable by fines.

According to TASS, a news agency owned by the Russian government, President Vladimir Putin signed a law Sunday banning "propaganda of nontraditional sexual relations, gender reassignment and pedophilia" among all ages.

TASS reports that the ban includes "propaganda" disseminated via books, movies, social media, advertisements, and traditional media. Individuals who violate the new law could be slapped with a fine up to 400,000 rubles ($6,400), while organizations could face up to a 5 million ruble fine ($79,900), according to Bloomberg.

Foreigners, meanwhile, could face expulsion from the Russian Federation if caught violating the law.

The new law expands Russia's ban

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If You Really Wanted To Destroy the U.S., Then...

By Victor Davis Hanson

First, you would surrender our prior energy independence.

Reduce new gas and oil leases on federal lands to the lowest levels of any president in history. Cut back production at precisely the time the world is emerging from a two-year lockdown with pent-up consumer demand.

Make war on coal and nuclear power. Drain the strategic petroleum reserve to make the pain for consumers more bearable for midterm election advantage.

Cancel the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge oil and gas field. Block pipelines like the Keystone oil pipeline and the Constitution natural gas line.



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A Republican House Must Still Honor its Commitment to America

By Williams Kovacs



Dear Republicans, the talking heads and the pollsters were very wrong about the definite red wave. But it looks like you will win control of the House of Representatives. It will be a trying time since the loudest voices will seek retribution against Democrats through much-needed investigations. Undertake a few very well-structured investigations to expose the corruption in the Biden administration, but, please do not forget your Commitment to America. Some

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Cdl. Sarah: 'Religious liberty is under threat in the West'

'God has been forgotten,' the cardinal lamented, urging Catholics to deepen their prayer life. 'Confusion reigns everywhere.'

By LifeSiteNews

VATICAN CITY (LifeSiteNews) – Cardinal Robert Sarah, former Prefect of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Sacraments, has warned of the paramount importance of preserving the freedom to worship God rightly in the true faith, and

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The Chinese Communist Party Is Inside Our Gates

By Larry Bell



As the Biden White House wages war and American wealth on climate change, white supremacy and domestic terrorist parental school board protests of sexually age-inappropriate materials, FBI Director Christopher Wray warns of an even greater national security concern.

Speaking last July alongside his British counterpart, Wray called China the "biggest long-term threat" to both the U.S.

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Steve's Say . . . Time to Take the Red Pill Normies*

I have yet to see the movie "The Matrix" but I've heard alot about it and find the plot concept beyond intriguing. Apparently the "real" world around you doesn't actually exist in physical reality, but actually an AI construct . The actual physical world looks unlike anything you think you know.

In the movie the main character confronts what turns out to be a profound choice - the red pill or the blue pill. What do these two pills do? What does this choice represent? Here's one commentary from the internet:

"As narrated, the blue pill will allow the subject to remain in the fabricated reality of the Matrix; the red serves as a "location device" to locate the subject's body in the real world and to prepare him or her to be "unplugged" from the Matrix. Once one chooses the red or blue pill, the choice is irrevocable."

Here's another commentary which I find to be an exact match to our world today:

"The pills represent a choice we have to make between accepting the truth of reality (red pill), which could be harsh and difficult, and maintaining our blissful ignorance of the world (blue pill), which is way more comfortable."

Guys, it's time. The choice lies before you. Red Pill or Blue Pill?

We need not discuss the Blue Pill. That road all can see, the road of the mainstream media narrative, the New World Order/One World Government pushers, World Economic Forum, Green New Deal/Climate Alarmists, Abortion, Pedophilia, Transgender and LGBTQ advocates, body parts sellers and population control freaks. In other words, a Godless world built upon lie after lie after lie, with vicious attack dogs ready to tear apart anyone who even acknowledges a choice exists, that there even is a blue pill and a red pill.

So lets move on to the Red pill. Before anyone can even get at the Red pill you must first fight off the barrage of hobgoblins and demons put forth to scare you back into your little corner. You're a QAnon conspiracy theorist. You're a right-wing terrorist. You're a racist, climate denier, election denier and a Nazi. You hate women. Just like a shadow or CGI image, none of these constructs has any physical substance. Yet these designed character assassination labels keep most people cowering in the corner, afraid to speak up or say anything at all. Frankly I believe this pathway tests who believes in Jesus and the Lord God, for I see not how you navigate that trail without the power of His Name.

So once you've mustered the courage to get to the point of having a Red Pill in hand, you have to take it. Many choke on it and never get it down. It's not a small pill and definitely hard to swallow. It may take several tries and washed down with the correct liquid, water for most, maybe milk for others, even whiskey or rum. But once you've taken it and begin seeing things as they really are, you can't unsee them. You know. And if you know, you know you must be part of the action.

So where do we begin? For me, 4 decades fighting the ozone depletion/global warming/climate hoax taught me how these political groups and government agencies spin massive lies and pervert data and language to weave a fake fabric of support for a scientifically unsupportable agenda. So I've observed first hand the monstrous lies still being used to demonize real energy sources and force environmentally and socially destructive energy policy onto the world. And we're sure paying for it right now.

My father commented many times regarding the corruption in the federal agencies, specifically the IRS, CIA and FBI. So understanding these organizations as criminal enterprises of thugs in suits took no great leap of insight. The IRS and CIA never existed as anything other than criminal enterprises. Who knows how long the FBI has been one?

But what about the real story behind 911, the true nature of NASA, the many false flag events conducted by these governmental agencies? What about Pizzagate, the pedophilia in government and Hollywood, human trafficking and sex slavery and human breeding farms,, the demonic sacrifices and devil worship? What about Adrenochrome? All of these really ugly and horrific things become difficult for moral people to believe and accept because their heinous nature goes beyond a person's imagination.

Adrenochrome became my heinous insight that finally got the Red Pill all the way down. Being a chemical guy, the molecule certainly looks like a rabbit, hence why it's called the white rabbit. Putting that together with white rabbit lore of the past, it all began to fit together. Then you find out Adrenochrome gets manufactured in the body when frightened, most prolifically by young children, and you find out that people that consume it ward off aging and may even look much younger. Epstein, Hollywood and Washington DC anyone? Put that together with paintings and pictures in the Podesta brother's art collections, some donning the basement of Tony's pizza parlor where families come to play ping pong. Beyond weird. Something's definitely going on here.

Short clarification needed. The term QAnon is a mainstream media construct, another perversion of reality. Q and Anons are two separate things. Q is a collection of people referred to as the Army of Northern Virginia providing military intelligence in an encoded messaging format. It's origins stem way back to the Lincoln administration and the Civil



War. Anons consist of regular people which do research based upon the encoded messaging provided by Q to figure out what is really happening in our world around us. Many things are not what they seem. And FYI, Q+ refers to Trump (the President) so now anytime you see that you know what it means. The crux of the info demonstrates a worldwide collection of good guys (white hats) working to free the controlled populations of the world from the implementation of the (black hat) New World Order/World Economic Forum's plan for global slavery and depopulation.

So let's gather some facts we know for sure.

1. The mainstream media continues to lie about everything even after irrefutable proof appears including Hunter Biden's laptop, Balenciaga and election fraud.

2. Russiagate a total hoax - dossier fake, Hillary Clinton paid for it, FISA warrants used it

3. The COVID 19 virus has never been isolated. No samples exist of it 1500 samples analyzed by

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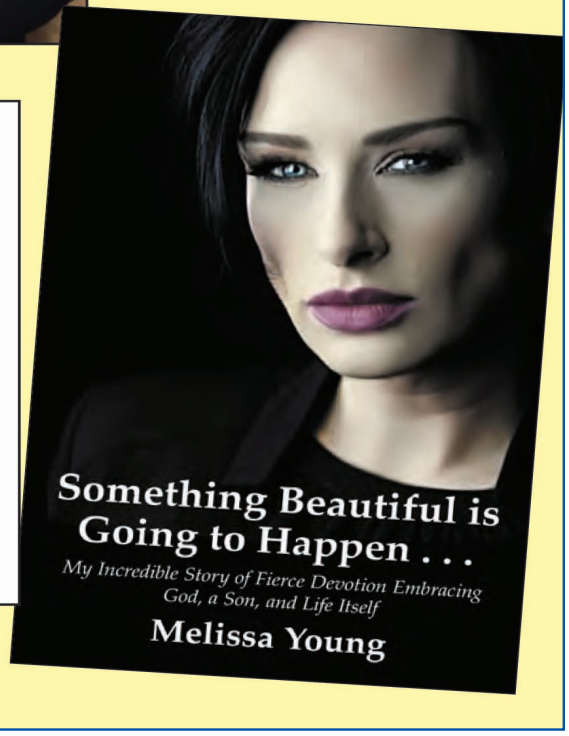
- page 182 in "Something Beautiful is Going to Happen…"



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COP-27: A Window Into How The UN Keeps The Poor Poor

By Francis Menton

Even as we give thanks this season for the wonderful benefits of a freedom-based political and economic system, the UN's big annual "climate" conference, this year going by the moniker COP-27, has only recently wound up. As with most everything the UN does, there was nothing in this conference for anyone to be thankful for.

This year, with the activists' beloved wind and solar energy sources manifestly failing to solve Europe's energy crisis, there was little prospect for any major new agreements to limit CO2 emissions. And thus there was far less media coverage than of past such conferences.

But we should not let the event pass without noting the extent to which this conference, like most of what the UN does, evidences the alliance between elite rich-country activists and corrupt developing-country interests, all to keep the poor poor.

Now, you might ask, why would anyone want to keep the poor poor? The world continues to have at least a billion or more people who live in grinding poverty, without basic things like safe water, sanitation, home heat, or electricity. A plurality of those people live on the continent of Africa, with a population of about 1.4 billion, some 500 million of whom live in "extreme poverty" according to the definition and data of the UN itself. Surely, every moral person would want to find a way for those poor people to exit poverty and move up to at least what we consider a middle-class lifestyle.

But of course, that is not the case. In wealthy countries, the elites find themselves hypnotized by the pagan climate cult, with the fundamental belief that the use of hydrocarbon fuels is the ultimate mortal sin. These people might mouth platitudes about wanting to help the poor to exit poverty, but at the same time they have no practical idea where their own prosperity comes from, or that it completely depends on abundant energy from fossil fuels. Meanwhile, they are only too willing to use their influence to prevent the poor from using fossil fuels, in the absence of any functional alternative, thus leaving the poor to languish in poverty.

And how about the people that govern the developing countries? You might think that they would badly want to help their people to exit from poverty, but most often that is not in fact the case. Consider developing countries' policies as to the use of fossil fuels. Their posture on the issue is not completely uniform, and some countries that have abundant fossil fuel reserves, particularly if controlled by the government, are ready to push to develop those resources. However, many other countries go willingly along with the Western pressure for no development of fossil fuels. It's simple. If you allow the exploration and development of these resources, you risk the rise of wealthy local rivals for your power. Much better to accept handouts from the rich countries, which you can package as "climate reparations," and

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There's No Natural 'Carrying Capacity' for the Human Population:

An Essay Inspired by the Happy News that the Human Population Has Reached Eight Billion

By Donald J. Boudreaux

The late, great Julian Simon spent decades battling intellectually against biologists and zoologists who were convinced that human population growth, if governments did not hold it in check with draconian measures, would spell doom for multitudes of humans. (I might as well have used the present tense above, because many of the scientists with whom Simon did battle, including the most prominent, Paul Ehrlich, are still alive.) These students of animal development and behavior insist that every species inhabits an environment with a natural "carrying capacity." If the population of a species grows in number beyond the limits of its environment's carrying capacity, the death rate of members of that species will rise, while its members' birth rate falls, because species members will confront unusual difficulty gaining access to food, water, and shelter. The species' population is thus confined to the limits of its environment's carrying capacity by the brutality of uncaring nature.

Simon argued that humans, at least those of us who live in free societies, are a categorically different sort of species. He observed that to the extent to which we, members of the human species, inhabit a social environment characterized by free and innovative markets, our species does not inhabit a natural environment with a finite carrying capacity. Simon's argument starts with the fact that we humans are uniquely enterprising and innovative. When this fact combines with the further reality that market prices are signals about which specific resources are becoming more scarce relative to other resources, human entrepreneurship and creativity are incited to discover ways both to make currently known stocks of scarce resources go further and, more importantly, to discover either new sources of those resources or more abundant substitutes. When we succeed in these endeavors, as we now normally do, we literally produce more resources.

Simon's explanation is revolutionary. Contrary to what most people seem to believe, we don't obtain resources from an existing stock created for us by nature, leaving fewer resources available for use tomorrow each time we withdraw some amount for our use today. Instead, resources are ultimately fruits of the human mind and effort. And so we produce more petroleum, more tungsten, more copper, more bauxite in the same way that, when our demand for apple pies or Apple laptops increases, we produce more apple pies and Apple laptops.

For humans in market economies, therefore, the environment has no natural 'carrying capacity.'

As Simon tirelessly documented, his account of humans' relationship with the natural environment is amply confirmed by history, especially by modern history. Over the past few centuries the human population has grown remarkably – earlier this month it hit eight billion. At the same time there's also been astounding growth in humans' standard of living. Were there a natural carrying capacity on earth for the human population, history offers no evidence of it. Quite the contrary.

Despite the economic soundness of his argument and its consistency with the data – and despite his famous victory in a 1980 wager with Ehrlich on whether or not a bundle of five natural resources would become more scarce over the course of a decade – Simon's argument left many biologists and zoologists unconvinced. And biologists and zoologists aren't alone. Pick at random a professor, student, news reporter, or blogger and ask him if we humans are today threatening our long-term survival by overusing resources. Chances are high that the answer you'll get is an unhesitating yes. You'll likely be further told that our only hope of avoiding the terrible fate of billions of us being done in by natural forces is for us, especially those of us in rich countries, to dramatically reduce our consumption.

There is, I suppose, something gratifying in counseling personal sacrifice. Sacrifice often is admirable and worthwhile, as when you sacrifice your time to help a neighbor in distress, or sacrifice your comfort today in order to undergo painful medical

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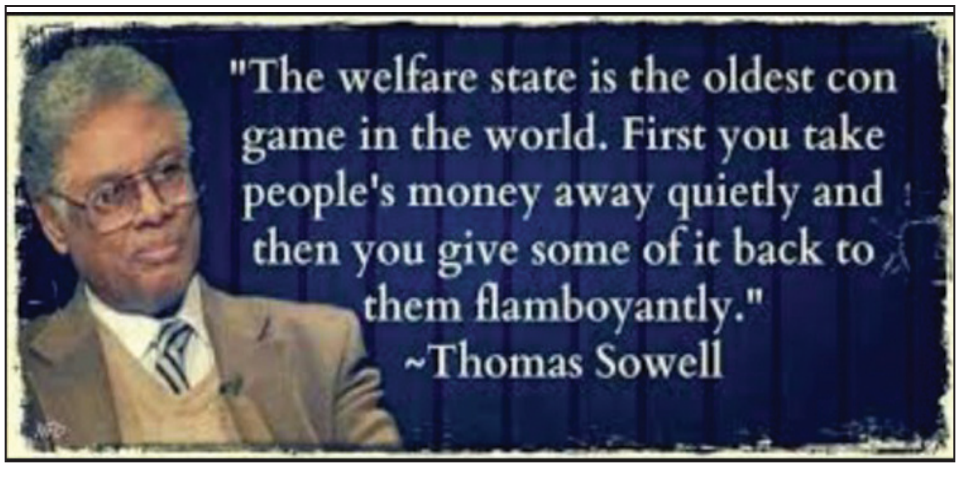

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On March 1, 2016, on the fourth anniversary of his death, The Heartland Institute dedicated the public meeting space in its new home in Arlington Heights in honor of Andrew Breitbart.

The Andrew Breitbart Freedom Center is a state-of-the-art meeting facility with seating for 75. Events are scheduled to take place every week in the space, featuring authors of new books, freedom activists and thinkers, and civic and business leaders.

"Andrew Breitbart was a genuine American hero," said Joseph Bast, president of The Heartland Institute, in a video announcing the dedication. "He inspired millions of people to stand up and speak the truth about what is happening in America. We could not be more pleased to have his name forever affixed to The Heartland Institute. We are honored that his family and friends believe this is a suitable addition to his legacy."

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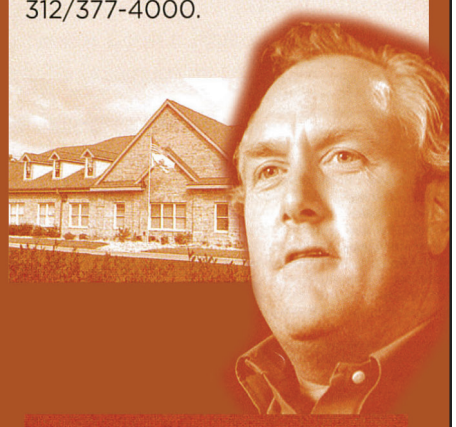

"Walk toward the fire. Don't worry about what they call you."
ANDREW BREITBART

UHI Biases Canadian Temperature Data

By H. Sterling Burnett

Roy Spencer, Ph.D., principal research scientist at the University of Alabama in Huntsville, has found the urban heat island (UHI) effect biases the reported temperature data in Canadian cities.

On comparing rural temperature monitoring sites across Canada with urban ones for the summers of 1978 through 2022, Spencer found a significant average nighttime warm bias in urban areas, plus a weaker daytime effect. When the ground-based temperature data was compared to the temperatures recorded by the Landsat satellite system, Spencer discovered an overall "hot" bias of as much as 20 percent for the two cities, with as much as a 50 percent nighttime bias in Calgary.

Spencer found techniques used to adjust for bias in temperature data performed poorly for urban areas:

Current "homogenization" techniques for thermometer data adjustment do not explicitly attempt to correct urban trends to match rural trends, although I would expect that they do perform this function if most of the stations are rural. Instead, they amount to statistical "consensus-building" exercises where the majority wins. So, if most of the stations are affected by increasing UHI effects, to varying degrees, these are not forced to match the rural stations. Instead, the reverse occurs. For example, in the U.S. the Watts et al. analysis of station data showed that the U.S. homogenized dataset (USHCN) produced temperature trends as large as those produced by the stations with the worst siting in terms of spurious heat sources. They further found that use of only well-sited thermometer locations leads to substantial reductions in temperature trends compared to the widely used homogenized dataset.

Spencer compared temperature data from 70 ground-based systems with Landsat data to determine how the UHI affects 10 urbanized areas in Canada. The results are shown in Table 1:

TABLE 1: Most Urbanized Nighttime Temperature Trends (1978-2022)

Location	Raw Temp. Trend	De-urbanized Trend	Urban Trend Component
Calgary Intl. Arpt.	+0.33 C/decade	+0.16 C/decade	+0.17 C/decade
Ottawa Intl. Arpt.	+0.07 C/decade	-0.08 C/decade	+0.14 C/decade
Windsor	+0.20 C/decade	+0.08 C/decade	+0.11 C/decade
Montreal/Trudeau Intl.	+0.47 C/decade	+0.36 C/decade	+0.10 C/decade
Edmonton Intl. Arpt.	+0.10 C/decade	0.00 C/decade	+0.10 C/decade
Saskatoon Intl. Arpt.	+0.03 C/decade	-0.04 C/decade	+0.07 C/decade
Abbotsford	+0.48 C/decade	+0.41 C/decade	+0.07 C/decade
Regina Intl.	-0.11 C/decade	-0.17 C/decade	+0.06 C/decade
Grande Prairie	+0.07 C/decade	+0.02 C/decade	+0.05 C/decade
St. Johns Intl. Arpt.	+0.31 C/decade	+0.27 C/decade	+0.04 C/decade
10-STN AVERAGE	**+0.19 C/decade**	**+0.10 C/decade**	**+0.09 C/decade**

Based on this comparison, Spencer concludes,

Canadian cities show a substantial urban heat island effect in the summer, especially at night, and Landsat-based estimates of increased urbanization suggest that this has caused a spurious warming component of reported temperature trends, at least for locations experiencing increased urbanization. …

The issue is important because rational energy policy should be based upon reality, not perception. To the extent that global warming estimates are exaggerated, so will be energy policy decisions.

Economic Realities Dash Biden's Offshore Wind Plans

By H. Sterling Burnett

President Joe Biden's plans for offshore industrial wind facilities lining the nation's coasts have more than a few hurdles to clear before they can become reality.

As part of his plan to reduce U.S. greenhouse gas emissions 50 percent below 2005 levels by 2030, Biden has initiated efforts to build 30,000 megawatts of traditional offshore wind facilities (with structures attached to the ocean floor) in federal waters by 2030, and an additional 15,000 megawatts of floating industrial offshore wind by 2035. To hit those targets, the Biden administration is pushing to lease areas in federal waters in the Gulf of Mexico and Gulf of Maine and off the coasts of New England, the Mid-Atlantic States, North Carolina, South Carolina, California, and Oregon.

Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland, whose department has regulatory control over the U.S. outer continental shelf, discussed the plan at a wind industry gathering in Boston in 2021.

"The Interior Department is laying out an ambitious road map as we advance the administration's plans to confront climate change, create good-paying jobs, and accelerate the nation's transition to a cleaner energy future," Haaland said.

As Haaland made clear, the Biden administration's offshore wind efforts are about more than fighting climate change. They also amount to a federally financed jobs program with hundreds of billions of taxpayer dollars being shoveled into boosting so-called green energy and transportation projects. Think of it as the climate change equivalent of President Franklin Roosevelt's Depression-era Civilian Conservation Corps and as Biden's backdoor Green New Deal.

The problem is Biden's green energy dream is a nightmare for consumers, who will get hit with much higher energy prices.

Fortunately, economic problems created by provisions in the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) may erect insurmountable hurdles to Biden's green dream of giant wind turbines marring the ocean-scapes from sea to shining sea.

Before we get into the economic problems that are entangling various proposed wind projects, let's talk about the economics that should have ensured none of the proposed offshore industrial wind facilities ever reached the permitting stage.

Offshore wind is absolutely the most expensive source of electric power being considered anywhere, and it is among the most unreliable. The heavy reliance on offshore wind facilities for electricity is one reason why the U.K. now has the highest electric power prices in the world. Unlike markets, where price hikes almost always ensure supplies increase to meet demand and thus ultimately reduce prices, wind power is not dependent on incentives but on nature. Despite high prices, the U.K. and other European nations suffered energy shortages when winds over the North Sea went calm during the summer and left turbines dead in the water for days or weeks at a time.

Let's talk about the comparative cost. Before generous federal tax credits and other federal and state support, the levelized cost of electricity from new offshore wind is $136.51 per megawatt hour (Mwh), according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration. Even if new gas pipelines had to be constructed, natural gas could provide energy in place of Biden's offshore wind monstrosities for a fraction of that cost. In addition, jobs from natural gas production and use don't have to be subsidized by taxpayers, because those companies do not rely on government support for continued operation: they make profits and pay taxes instead of consuming them.

If you reject natural gas out of hand because it produces greenhouse gases at the point of generation, either solar at $36.49/Mwh before tax credits or onshore wind at $40.23/Mwh would be a much better deal for taxpayers and ratepayers than offshore wind.

Offshore industrial wind facilities are nothing more than big virtue-signaling boondoggles—a windfall for the politically connected companies that build and operate them.

Or they would be, if reality didn't raise its ugly head. To wit:

"Plans for massive offshore wind farms that President Joe Biden hopes will power as many as 10 million American homes by 2030 are starting to wobble," Bloomberg recently reported. The New Jersey utility Public Service Enterprise Group (PSEG), which owns 25 percent of Ocean Wind 1, proposed to be the largest offshore wind facility off the coast of New Jersey, is considering pulling out the project. Ocean Wind I is expected to deploy 98 gigantic 12-megawatt turbines, towering 900 feet above mean low water level at their blade tips, and would be located 13 miles offshore from Atlantic City. If operational and functioning as designed, it would generate 1.1 gigawatts, enough for 500,000 homes.

The problem for PSEG is that material

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Glacier National Park Shows No Anthropogenic Climate Decline

By H. Sterling Burnett

The decline of Glacier National Park's glaciers is commonly attributed to anthropogenic climate change, but research indicates glaciers wax and wane in response to natural cycles and the recent glacial decline began long before humans began putting significant amounts of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere.

The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) estimates glacier cover in Glacier National Park declined by approximately 70 percent between 1850 and 2015. Melting began at the end of the Little Ice Age (LIA) in 1850. Surveys began only in the 1880s, but the evidence suggests the glaciers were in retreat before then and had been expanding during the LIA before that.

Discussing Glacier National Park's history, Judith Curry, Ph.D. explains,

Looking … back, Glacier National Park was virtually ice free 11,000 years ago. Glaciers have been present within the boundaries of present-day Glacier National Park since about 6,500 years ago. [link] These glaciers have varied in size, tracking climatic variations, but did not grow to their recent maximum size until the end of the Little Ice Age, around 1850. An 80-year period (~1770-1840) of cool, wet summers and above-average winter snowfall led to a rapid growth of glaciers just prior to the end of the Little Ice Age. So, the recent loss of glacier mass must be understood in light of the fact the glaciers reached their largest mass for the past 11,000 years during the 19th century.

More recently, data in a 2017 USGS report show glaciers in the park declined by approximately 50 percent from the end of the LIA to 1966, the equivalent of a 4.5 percent loss per decade. The decline slowed between 1966 and 1988, to about 3.7 percent per decade, a 12 percent decrease. Between 1998 and 2015, the glacier loss slowed further, averaging a loss of 2.8 percent per decade. This USGS report clearly shows glaciers in the park were declining much more rapidly in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, when human carbon dioxide emissions were negligible, than they have been during the recent period of rapid increase in anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions.

Since 2015 it appears the glacial retreat may have halted entirely, Curry notes, with some evidence suggesting seven consecutive years of normal to above-normal snowpack and multiyear instances of "exceptionally cold outbreak[s]" have resulted in a modest increase in glacier cover.

The evidence strongly suggests nature, not human activities, drives glacial expansion and contraction in Glacier National Park.

The Coming Crash of the Climate Cult

By Viv Forbes

The Climate Cult worships two green idols – electric vehicles and wind-solar energy. This is part of a futile UN scheme promoting "Net Zero Emissions" which aims to cool the climate of the world by waging war on CO2 plant food.

Green worship is the state religion of all western nations. It is promoted by billionaires with other agendas, and endlessly repeated by the UN, the bureaucracy, all government media, state education and most big business leaders.

The promotion of electric cars and trucks will cause a great increase in the demand for electricity to replace diesel, petrol and gas.

We live beside a major highway connecting Ipswich and Boonah in Queensland and we can hear the roar of the traffic.

The road is generally quiet at night, but as day dawns the real workers start moving – big diesel trucks off to pick up the day's loads of gravel, machinery, cattle, tanks, pipes, hay, timber, bricks and concrete. Then comes the traffic that sustains urban life - meat vans, milk tankers and refrigerated trucks of produce to fill supermarket shelves every day. Around sunrise come the commuters heading for city jobs, the city's electric trains, lifts and escalators start to run. Then kids are delivered to school, road repairs start and sirens announce the occasional passing of ambulances, fire engines and police vehicles. Finally the tree-change bureaucrats cruise past in their electric cars heading for their leisurely staggered starts. By 9 am the traffic falls off.

To achieve net-zero nirvana, all of this early morning traffic rush must be battery-powered. Untold thousands of batteries will need to be fully charged overnight – well before the vast paddocks of Chinese solar panels can deliver one amp of green electricity.

Listen here to Australia's new Prime Minister during the recent election campaign explaining how roof-top solar will charge all those Tesla batteries overnight:

https://saltbushclub.com/2022/04/15/the-power-of-moonbeams/

Australia's reliable coal/gas power stations could charge batteries overnight, while city demand for electricity is lower, but the green religion demands closure and demolition of anything using hydro-carbons. But Green engineers have the solution – intermittent wind power plus big batteries will re-charge millions of vehicle batteries before dawn.

But what keeps trains, lifts, hospitals and refrigerators going if we have a still night followed by another cloudy day? More batteries or Snowy 9 Pumped Hydro? And if the still cloudy weather continues, what will re-charge the Big Batteries and re-pump the hydros? And will Greens apply the same conservation standards and delaying tactics to wind, solar, hydro and power line construction that they now apply to coal mines?

The Queensland Premier has a $62 billion green plan to close all coal power stations, cover the countryside with wind/solar clutter, plan whole cities of battery charging stations, build the "world's biggest" pumped-hydro batteries (net CONSUMERS of electricity) and become a world leader in "green hydrogen" (huge CONSUMERS of electricity and water). Soon after the last coal power plant is demolished, in a snap of still, cold, cloudy weather the lights will go out, electric trains will stop, and battery-powered food deliveries to the cities will falter. There will be uproar in Parliaments, and all Green/Teal/ALP governments will fall. The ABC will blame "climate change".

Energy Realists will take over. They will immediately place orders for dozens of modular nuclear power plants.

But this energy reality will come too late. Long lines of city dwellers with bicycles, wheel-barrows and old diesel utes will flee from the hungry cities.

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and labor costs are rising and supply chain shortages persist in delaying construction. These problems are not unique to Ocean Wind I. Bloomberg noted in mid-October, "New England utility Avangrid Inc. said its similarly sized Commonwealth Wind project was no longer viable because of higher costs and supply chain woes."

"'Global commodity price increases, in part due to ongoing war in Ukraine, sharp and sudden increases in interest rates, prolonged supply chain constraints, and persistent inflation have significantly increased the expected cost of constructing the project,' [Avangrid's] attorneys said in the filing," Bloomberg reports. These problems have forced Avangrid to ask state regulators to pause their review of its contract so the company can reevaluate the timeline and cost estimates.

Further complicating Biden's grandiose offshore wind plans are provisions in the recently enacted and grossly misnamed Inflation Reduction Act. Although the IRA subsidies for green energy technologies such as offshore wind are lavish, they come with labor-union-favoring strings attached, which will almost certainly prevent many projects from coming to fruition.

I have written previously about the how the "Buy American" and prevailing wage provisions in the IRA are likely to make its goals for electric vehicle use impossible. The auto industry notes the provisions requiring the materials used to construct and power electric cars be produced and/or manufactured in America will make it virtually impossible to replace all gasoline-powered vehicles in the time demanded. Those minerals and materials are not mined, refined, or assembled in America, and there is no evidence environmental laws currently preventing their domestic development and manufacture will be changed soon. Mines opened in 2030, 2035, or beyond won't get electric vehicles manufactured or sold today.

Those provisions or similar ones apply to offshore wind developers applying for federal loans, subsidies, and tax credits.

Tax credit bonuses are awarded only for offshore wind projects that pay their workers "prevailing" union wages, meaning they cannot use low-cost contractors. More importantly, the IRA has a domestic-content requirement for the components used in every facet of a large wind operation. Nacelles, turbines, batteries, wires, and other items must have at least 40 percent domestically produced content if construction begins before 2025, and 55 percent if construction begins after 2026. There is absolutely no evidence these "Buy America" standards can be met by any industrial offshore wind project currently in the construction or permitting stage.

In fact, the provisions are likely to wind up before an international tribunal because our European allies and probably the Chinese, who would be affected the most by the domestic content requirements, will want to challenge them as unfair trade practices under various trade agreements.

As a matter of economics, the large-scale, rapid approval of offshore wind projects makes no sense when compared to any other possible source of electric power. As a matter or energy security, Biden's plan is downright dangerous: it would subject large areas of the United States to unpredictable periodic power outages. Fortunately, as a practical matter the provisions in the IRA intended to get labor unions to support it are likely to foil many if not all of Biden's grand schemes for offshore wind. At least we had better hope they do.

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then use for palace guards and secret police to cement yourself in power. Or maybe just put the money straight into your Swiss bank account. Meanwhile, you can mouth some empty words about "saving the planet," and probably get yourself fawning attention from the liberal Western press, if not a Nobel Peace Prize.

And the UN? Its institutional interest is to be the intermediary in the massive wealth transfer from the rich to poor countries. The more wealth is transferred, the more need for UN staff and bureaucracy to administer the process. And God forbid that the poor countries should get rich and not need the wealth transfers anymore. What then would be left for the UN to do?

Once you understand these perspectives, the proceedings at COP-27 and the events leading up to it all come to make sense.

Paul Driessen of CFACT, writing at Shale Directories on November 22, rightly calls COP-27 the "Anti-African" conference

[T]he greatest hypocrisy of all was on full-throated display at the COP-27 climate circus in Egypt November 6-18 – where attendees kept asking whether Africa should be allowed to exploit its oil, natural gas and coal reserves to improve living standards, feed families and save lives! . . . Even worse, it's not just energy these arrogant eco-totalitarians want to obstruct in Africa and other developing regions. It's also modern fertilizers — indeed, all aspects of modern agriculture – everything that can actually help farmers feed hungry people and make enough money to build a home or barn, send their children to school, and buy tractors and other equipment.

In a piece on November 7 — as COP-27 was getting under way — Reuters summarized the position of Western environmentalists toward the idea of Africa developing its fossil fuel resources:

Climate campaigners have pitched themselves against African governments that believe they should be allowed to use gas – which emits less climate-heating carbon dioxide than coal and oil when burned – to develop their economies and provide power to 600 million Africans who still lack access to electricity. Activists raised the alarm last month when Tarek El Molla, Egypt's minister of petroleum and mineral resources, told a ministerial meeting of the Gas Exporting Countries Forum (GECF) that fossil gas is "the perfect solution" to "achieving the energy trilemma for security, sustainability and affordability". . . . But advocates for renewables are calling for no more investment in gas. . . .

Al Gore of course weighed in with a call for the entire world to "turn away" fossil fuels. And in the run-up to the conference in September, U.S. "climate envoy" John Kerry "warn[ed] Africa not to rely on natural gas to bring power to millions."

Also in the run-up to the conference, the UN Environmental Program (UNEP) put out a big Report titled Emissions Gap Report 2022, calling on all countries, even the poorest, to eliminate the use of fossil fuels. Over at DW on October 27, they quote John Christensen of Danish think tank Concito on the UN's findings:

[T]he UNEP report authors explored deeper solutions via . . . "system-wide transformation." This includes the decarbonization of the electricity supply, industry, transport, buildings, and food systems. . . . "It's about all countries in all sectors, but needs to reflect national contributions and circumstances," said Christensen.

Meanwhile, Gore and Kerry have each jetted back to one of their many mansions.

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SCIENCE & ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY PROJECT

The Week That Was November 12th, 2022

Quote of the Week:

"It doesn't matter how beautiful your theory is, it doesn't matter how smart you are. If it doesn't agree with experiment, it's wrong." – Richard Feynman

Number of the Week:

+0.13 C/decade

This Week:

By Ken Haapala, President, Science and Environmental Policy Project (SEPP)

Scope: The following items will be discussed. The SEPP board unanimously accepted the recommendation of the Frederick Seitz Awards Committee headed by Will Happer and gave the 2022 award for integrity in science to Professor of Mathematics Christopher Essex. The formal presentation will be at the 15th International Conference on Climate Change organized by The Heartland Institute from February 23 to February 25 in Orlando Florida. SEPP will be a co-sponsor of the event.

Francis Menton sought an official US policy on electricity storage is needed if the US is to go to Net Zero carbon dioxide emissions. He found a report by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) that has many words and little substance.

Meteorologist Cliff Mass provides a thoughtful answer to the question: How can we predict the climate 50 years from now if we can't forecast the weather next week? The approach he states, boundary values, is embodied in the work of Professor van Wijngaarden and Happer on the influence of the major greenhouse gases on earth's temperature. The approach was used by the Right Climate Stuff Team and was employed in designing the Apollo Lunar Lander which made six lunar landings with humans from 1969 to 1972 – over 50 years ago.

A frequent writer in Judith Curry's Climate Etc., Frank Bosse discusses a recent post by Gavin Schmidt of NASA-GISS about the observed Transient Climate Response (TCR) for 1979- 2022 (without long term feedbacks or adjustments). Schmidt's post uses the latest global climate models of the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) used in the Sixth Assessment Report (AR6, 2021) and NASA-GISS surface temperature data. The modeling indicates a modest increase in temperatures from a doubling of carbon dioxide, not a drastic climate emergency.

AMO physicist Howard Hayden cautioned TWTW that IPCC's Fourth Assessment Report (AR4, 2007) has a graph showing an atmospheric window, where heat energy from the earth's surface (infrared energy) escapes directly to space without being impeded by greenhouse gases. This is discussed further in light of the work by van Wijngaarden and Happer.

Economist Ross McKitirick wrote that the Canadian Parliamentary Budget Officer produced a report that debunks the claims of a climate emergency or crisis. Is the bloom on the fad of Net Zero wilting when subject to detailed analysis?

An Independent Mind: Recently retired from the University of Western Ontario, also called Western University, a Canadian public research university, Emeritus Professor of Mathematics and Physics Christopher Essex has demonstrated the independent thinking that is required for science to advance -- and which makes bureaucrats cringe. He has long criticized climate models for their unrealistic treatment of the atmosphere: the models cannot compute that the atmosphere cools as well as they compute it warms. As meteorologist Joe Bastardi states, the models can't see cooling. Essex begins a post on Donna Laframboise's website: [boldface added]

"It is well known that daytime winter temperatures on Earth can fall well below -4°F (-20°C) in some places, even in midlatitudes, despite warming worries. Sometimes the surface can even drop below -40°F (-40°C), which is comparable to the surface of Mars. What is not so well known is that such cold winter days are colder than they would be with no atmosphere at all!

"How can that be if the atmosphere is like a blanket, according to the standard greenhouse analogy? If the greenhouse analogy fails, what is climate?__

"Climate computer models in the 1960s could not account for this non-greenhouse-like picture. However modern computer models are better than those old models, but the climate implications of an atmosphere that cools as well as warms has not been embraced. Will computer models be able to predict climate after it is? The meteorological program for climate has been underway for more than 40 years. How did it do?

"Feynman, Experiment and Climate Models

'Model' is used in a peculiar manner in the climate field. In other fields, models are usually formulated so that they can be found false in the face of evidence. From fundamental physics (the Standard Model) to star formation, a model is meant to be put to the test, no matter how meritorious.

"Climate models do not have this character. No observation from Nature can cause them to be replaced by some new form of model. Instead, climate models are seen by some as the implementation of perfect established classical physics expressed on oracular computers, and as such must be regarded as fully understood and beyond falsification. In terms of normal science, this is fantasy.

"Modern critics of climate models cite a famous remark of the physicist Richard Feynman: 'It doesn't matter how beautiful your theory is, it doesn't matter how smart you are. If it doesn't agree with experiment, it's wrong.' Those critics imagine models as theory, and observations as experiment. No knowledgeable model builder believes that climate models capture all features of the system well. As such they disagree with observations. However, they do not violate Feynman's edict because climate models are no theory for climate, and observations of an uncontrolled system are no experiment. Feynman was speaking in the context of controlled physical experiments, which cannot be done for climate.

If a climate model disagrees with data, in principle the sub-grid-scale (more below) of ad hoc climate models can be adjusted to make it agree. Fortunately, good model builders resist the temptation to overdo such tuning. However, they may do things inadvertently like tune models to be more like each other than like the atmosphere and oceans.

"Extreme Computing in Search of Climate

"Extreme conditions can compromise any computer calculation, despite popular faith otherwise. Sharp transitions on boundaries, extreme gradients, and extremes in density are examples. There are also extremes that are often overlooked, e.g., an extreme of time. Direct computation of the meteorological physics for long timescales is an extreme in time. Integrations of classical physics on computers for climatological timescales are unique and unprecedented. Like other forms of extreme computation, there are consequences."

"Numerical analysis on computers contends with the finite representation (i.e., a finite number of numbers) of all computers. There are three types of errors that result,

1. Round off error: the computer must chop off (truncate) numbers because of space limitations.

2. Truncation error: To put an equation onto a computer you must usually chop off (truncate) parts of the physical equations you aim to compute.

3. Symmetry Error: How you chop up the equations affects the symmetry (Lie symmetry) of the equations you plan to integrate. This is realized in the violation of conservation laws, which are uniquely important for extreme climate timescales."_

The post gives a good example of the independent thinking that Essex contributes to understanding science. It was the limiting the criticisms of the models to experiment that compelled TWTW to search further into the writings of Feynman and find that Feynman considered nature to be the ultimate judge of physical sciences, based on observations as well as experiments. Modelers claiming that experiments count, but not observations, is an excuse for failure to properly test their models against nature. See link under Challenging the Orthodoxy and the following for information on the Heartland Conference:

No Problem Here: Last week's TWTW discussed a report by Francis Menton that no government promoting "Net Zero" carbon dioxide emissions has produced a demonstration project showing how it can be achieved and what the costs would be. Following up on it, Menton searched for an official US government report on the Energy Storage Problem. He writes: [boldface added]

"So, I thought to look around for the closest thing I could find to the Official Party Line on how the U.S. is supposedly going to get to Net Zero emissions from the electricity sector by some early date. The most authoritative thing I have found is a big Report out in August 2022 from something called the National Renewable Energy Laboratory, titled 'Examining Supply-Side Options to Achieve 100% Clean Electricity by 2035.' An accompanying press release with a date of August 30 has the headline 'NREL Study Identifies the Opportunities and Challenges of Achieving the U.S. Transformational Goal of 100% Clean Electricity by 2035.'

"What is NREL? The Report identifies it as a private lab 'operated by Alliance for Sustainable Energy, LLC, for the U.S. Department of Energy under Contract. In other words, it's an explicit advocacy group for 'renewable' energy that gets infinite oodles of taxpayer money to put out advocacy pieces making it seem like the organization's preferred schemes will work.

"Make no mistake, this Report is a big piece of work. The Report identifies some 5 'lead authors,' 6 'contributing authors,' and 56 editors, contributors, commenters, and others. Undoubtedly millions of your taxpayer dollars were spent producing the Report and the underlying models …

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Number of the Week: +0.13 C/decade: In reporting the global temperatures trends for November 2022, Roy Spencer writes:

"The linear warming trend since January 1979 now stands at +0.13 C/decade (+0.12 C/decade over the global-averaged oceans, and +0.18 C/decade over global-averaged land)."

The changes are erratic and not linear. They include the changing greenhouse effect, volcanic aerosols in the atmosphere at the beginning of the record, and increased atmospheric water vapor from submerged volcanoes that create ocean hot spots, unrelated to the El Niño Southern Oscillation (ENSO). These are causing a warming of the Arctic. So, the trend due to increasing human-caused greenhouse gases is less than what the numbers indicate. See links under Measurement Issues – Atmosphere.

The Science & Environmental Policy Project began in late 1990 as a research effort by atmospheric physicist S. Fred Singer and a handful of graduate students working out of a small office in downtownWashington, D.C.The Project had two goals: (1) to gather material for a book on global environmental issues,and (2) to conduct a survey of scientists affiliated with the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change to determine the extent of what was, even then, being touted as scientific "consensus" on global warming.

What the graduate students discovered with their survey convinced Dr. Singer to set his book aside and instead to circulate among senior members of the American Meteorological Society a "Statement by Atmospheric Scientists" on greenhouse warming, which was quickly endorsed by 46 leading climatologists and atmospheric physicists (and eventually by nearly 100). That statement, issued on February 27, 1992, drew widespread media attention and was cited more than 150 times in the press. It was the first inkling journalists had that there was no scientific consensus on the reality of a global warming. Indeed, there was raging debate.

The Science & Environmental Policy Project was incorporated in the state of Virginia in 1992, and established as a nonprofit, 501(c)3 educational organization in late 1993.Today, having expanded from that core of 46 scientists, it draws on an international network of some of the finest minds in science who donate their time to promoting sound, credible, peer-reviewed research as the only basis for the health and environmental policies that affect us all.

You can help in two ways:

1. Download SEPP reports, press releases, and articles and pass them on – to newspaper editors, journalists, educators, civic leaders, and others. Help stop the fearmongering and the distortion of science.This is the most important thing you can do.

2. Support SEPP with your tax-deductible contributions. The environmental pressure groups, which present so much wrong information, have a combined clout of more than $1 billion a year.The Science & Environmental Policy Project has had far-reaching impact on less than one-hundredth of one percent of that figure. It's money well and effectively spent.

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treatments that will better ensure that you'll survive past tomorrow. But sacrifice for sacrifice's sake is, at best, pointless. Costs are incurred in exchange for no benefits. (I understand that practicing at sacrificing can help to build character. To the extent that such character-building is real, it's a benefit that potentially makes practicing at sacrificing worthwhile. Such sacrifice, however, isn't sacrifice for its own sake.)

If Simon is correct, green-inspired efforts to encourage or compel those of us in market economies to reduce our consumption today yield no benefits. Such efforts conserve no resources; they simply result in our producing fewer resources, an outcome that is utterly useless. The uselessness of this outcome lies in the reality that whenever we "need" new resources, we can produce these.

Was Simon naively pollyannaish? Has history's apparent confirmation of his thesis simply been a matter of good luck? No.

Consider a recent essay in the Wall Street Journal – an essay whose title speaks volumes: "One Man's Trash Is Another's Clean Fuel." The authors, Nick Stork and Joe Malchow, report very Simonesque news:

In a lesson about how the energy transition is likely to play out, landfill operators' ability to make use of excess gas has exploded in recent years. New facilities are being created to convert trash into renewable natural gas, molecularly identical to the gas that heats homes. The process cuts down greenhouse-gas emissions while creating a low-carbon energy source…

The potential has spurred major sanitation and energy companies to break into this new market. This year Houston's Waste Management Corp. announced an $825 million investment to boost renewable natural-gas capture. In October the British company BP agreed to acquire Archaea Energy (which one of us founded and the other invested in), a company that designs, builds and operates RNG plants in the U.S. to convert waste emissions. Archaea produces 6,000 oil-equivalent barrels a day through 13 RNG facilities with plans to construct 88 more to serve rising demand. Our only input is trash.

Quiet, private innovation in gas processing made this possible. Archaea sells largely to voluntary buyers who wish to lock in clean gas at fair prices. RNG still comes at a premium compared with other fuel sources, but driving down the cost of producing RNG will mean more of it is available to buyers on attractive terms. We are working to lower the price of RNG by creating standardized and modular production facilities with decreased operating costs, higher processing efficiency, and uptime rates that start above 90 percent.

Energy – indeed, low-carbon energy – *continued on page 12*

Marc Morano responds: "What lab leak!? COVID was caused by climate change!? Fauci and the public health establishment want to keep both climate and COVID fears humming along to push their so-called solutions, so what better way than to merge the two issues!? Worried about COVID-19, then you had better support the UN Paris climate pact, the Green New Deal, and carbon taxes -- or else you are a gramma killer!"

Fauci merges COVID & Climate: Infectious diseases 'largely the result' of human 'encroachment on nature' & 'often aided by climate changes'

Published in New England Journal of Medicine

Fauci on December 1, 2022 in New England Journal of Medicine: "As I prepare to step down from my dual positions at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), where I have been a physician-scientist for 54 years and the director for 38 years, a bit of reflection is inevitable." ...

Fauci: "The emergence of new infections and the reemergence of old ones are largely the result of human interactions with and encroachment on nature. As human societies expand in a progressively interconnected world and the human–animal interface is perturbed, opportunities are created, often aided by climate changes, for unstable infectious agents to emerge, jump species, and in some cases adapt to spread among humans."

Flashback 2020: Anthony Fauci: COVID-19 is due to 'extreme backlashes from nature' – 'Will require changes in human behavior' & 'Other radical changes' – 'Rebuilding the infrastructures of human existence'


Perspective

It Ain't Over Till It's Over…but It's Never Over — Emerging and Reemerging Infectious Diseases

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Audio Interview

Interview with Dr. Anthony Fauci on the evolution of the field of infectious diseases during his tenure at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. (15:18)

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electricity. Many parts of India, Asia and Latin America also face serious energy and food deprivation.

Incredibly, so does Europe. "German industry stares into the Net Zero abyss," "Europe's energy crisis may get even worse next year," "Even Germany's wind industry is sliding into crisis," "Millions face poverty and destitution in Green Britain, as Brits pay highest electricity bills in world," headlines warn.

Banning Russian gas imports amid Putin's war on Ukraine plays a role and is frequently scapegoated. But the primary cause is Europe's love affair with intermittent wind and solar, and hate-fest for fossil fuels and nuclear, amid frigid winter realities that have caused Germany to obliterate ancient villages and recent-vintage wind farms to mine lignite coal beneath them.

Closer to home, New England and New York also face a cold, dark winter, because they too have voted against drilling, fracking, pipelines, coal and nuclear power – and now demand more oil and gas from the same companies that they and President Biden want to drive into oblivion.

However, the greatest hypocrisy of all was on full-throated display at the COP-27 climate circus in Egypt November 6-18 – where attendees kept asking whether Africa should be allowed to exploit its oil, natural gas and coal reserves to improve living standards, feed families and save lives!

Al Gore preached that fossil fuel investments should be terminated worldwide, including in Africa. UN Secretary General António Guterres absurdly asserted that "New funding for fossil fuel exploration and production is delusional" and will only "feed the scourge of war, pollution and climate catastrophe" (the manmade cataclysms found in computer models and COP-27 rants, though not in the Real World).

At the COP-27 climate gabfest in Sham-El-Sheikhdown, Egypt, John Kerry said African nations shouldn't rely on natural gas to generate electricity and modernize. (Kerry has five houses, a yacht and private jet – but that's OK because they're in his wife's name, and he merely "makes use of them.")

Even worse, it's not just energy these arrogant eco-totalitarians want to obstruct in Africa and other developing regions. It's also modern fertilizers -- indeed, all aspects of modern agriculture – everything that can actually help farmers feed hungry people and make enough money to build a home or barn, send their children to school, and buy tractors and other equipment.

They don't even want Africa producing natural gas and using it to make nitrogen fertilizer, which dramatically boosts crop yields and is absolutely essential if the world is to feed eight billion people – especially without turning millions more acres of wildlife habitat into marginal croplands.

Poor countries are no long going to tolerate this outrageous, intolerable, racist neo-colonialism. Nor should they, especially when they realize now-rich countries are on the verge of de-industrialization and bankruptcy – and have neither the intention nor ability to shell out billions, much less trillions, of dollars in annual "reparation, loss and damage" payments for alleged impacts from manmade climate change.

So when the UN, now-rich countries and eco-pressure groups tell them there'll be no financing for fossil fuels and modern agriculture – only for wind and solar energy, organic farming and "AgroEcology" – poor countries should just tell these purveyors of poverty, hunger, disease and death to buzz off. That would leave poor countries largely on their own.

But they have numerous advantages that their predecessors lacked: access to the incredible energy, agricultural, industrial, economic, medical, communication and other advances of recent centuries, especially during the fossil-fueled industrial era.

They simply need to chart their own destinies and utilize these advances. Every project they undertake will generate new wealth, innovation and self-confidence to undertake subsequent projects.

I've written about these callous eco-imperialists – these financiers and merchants of death – many times (here, here, here and here, for example).

Unfortunately, they never repent, never revise their lethal attitudes and policies. The global following they enjoy underscores how the ill-informed but well-intended really are led around by the well-informed but ill-intended – on climate, energy, agriculture and human rights.

Their AgroEcology schemes reject virtually the entire foundation of modern agriculture, which feeds feed billions of people with less acreage and water, using monoculture farming, carefully developed and tested chemical fertilizers and insecticides, biotechnology, hybrid seeds and mechanized equipment.

Instead, they demand "food sovereignty" – the "right" to "culturally appropriate" food produced through "ecologically sound and sustainable methods, in accord with AgroEcology policies – the kind that brought hunger and chaos to Sri Lanka.

They even vilify Golden Rice, which could end Vitamin A Deficiency, blindness and death among malnourished children.

Could the insanity and hypocrisy get any worse? Sadly – yes.

European leaders have been pleading with African nations to launch oil, gas and coal projects – for shipment to Europe. In their next breath, the EU Commission says supporting nitrogen fertilizer production in Africa would "clash" with EU climate goals.

The International Energy Agency worries that half of Sub-Saharan Africa's population has no access to electricity. In its next breath, the IEA says stopping planetary overheating doesn't allow for more African petroleum production.

Even more colonialist, Time magazine promotes the notion that "humans eating insects could help save the planet." The New York Times extolls a new Julia Child "Joy of Cooking (Insects)." And a group of "renowned" African and European "ecology and nutrition experts" says climate change and other considerations make Africa "the perfect laboratory" for testing new ways to feed humanity – like turning lake flies from the Lake Victoria region into "crackers, muffins, meat loaves and sausages."

COP-27 (or FLOP-27) claims to have reached another "historic milestone" in saving Planet Earth! But it's all driven by unfounded hysteria about manmade climate cataclysms. Let's all take a deep breath.

We certainly face climate fluctuations and extreme weather events – but no worse than in the past, and with no replicable, convincing evidence that manmade emissions have replaced natural forces. More importantly, we have far greater wealth, far more knowledge, far better technologies and resources than in the past – to help us adapt to climate changes, survive extreme weather events and rebuild afterward.

That's infinitely preferable to blanketing the Earth with wind turbines, solar panels, battery modules, transmission lines, mines and factories to build the things – and processing plants to make bug burgers and other delicacies, in time for climate luminaries to enjoy them at COP-28.

Can't we just be calm and rational (and thus colonialist?) just this once? Just asking.

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Hooked on Liberalism



By Gary Wickert

Just imagine the crime we would eliminate, the tax dollars we would save, and the human misery we would prevent, if only we could rid the country of addictive substances like crack cocaine, oxycodone, crystal meth, and heroin. Otherwise law-abiding and productive people often resort to crime and self-destruction in order to feed hellish addictions to such drugs. But there is a drug which is much more addictive and leaves an even wider swath of societal and economic devastation in its path. Its street name is liberalism.

Addictions of all stripes are complicated diseases. Most traditional addictive drugs contain chemicals that tap into the brain's communication system and disrupt the way nerve cells send, receive, and process information. Liberalism is far worse. Early theories proposed that traditional drug use led to the practice of liberalism. But recent studies have shown that there is such a thing as the liberal gene, which leaves certain individuals much more physiologically inclined to use this harmful drug and explains why liberalism addicts think and behave irrationally and propose and espouse such insane and destructive policies.

In 2010, scientists at the University of California San Diego and Harvard University determined that people who carry a variant of the DRD4 gene are more likely to become liberals as adults. The 7R variant of DRD4, a dopamine receptor gene, is associated with novelty-seeking, which researchers believe is related to openness, a psychological trait that has been associated with political liberalism. Liberalism users exhibit a more pronounced amygdala - a primitive part of the brain associated with emotion. On the street, users of liberalism are known simply as "bleeding hearts."

The use of liberalism brings on extreme mood swings and emotions, including intense feelings of guilt and neurosis. Addicts must "do good" in order to get their fix, no matter how irrational or harmful to society their actions are. They develop a sense of victimization and frantically seek to satisfy infantile feelings of entitlement, indulgence, and compensation – even at the expense of others and society as a whole. Users are often overwhelmed with feelings of envy and guilt, and are easily identifiable by tell-tale yellow ribbons, bumper stickers, man-buns, or involuntary, Tourette's-like screams of "racist" or "fascist." The drug itself induces an irrational fear of guns, even to the point of blaming them for the acts of other liberals. Addicts become self-loathing and develop an all-consuming hatred of Christianity, traditional values, the military, law, and order, building a border wall, corporations, and even the human race itself. If a lion eats a gazelle, they blame the lion and demand legislation. Their drug use leaves them weak, with very little initiative or drive, leading them to soft occupations such as professor, social worker, community organizer, or government employee. Chronic users of liberalism are left simply walking to their mailbox for a living. It even affects simple motor skills such as the ability to properly throw a baseball or football. Regular use of the drug leads to a loss of moral absolutes and religion in their lives, eventually resulting in a need to adopt a cult-like code of political correctness or practice Scientology.

Users of liberalism seek greater and greater highs to feed their drug-induced need for purpose, and they must eventually turn to government and the money of others to help them assuage their extreme guilt and their emotional need to be relevant – to matter. Simple acts of societal goodness such as helping an elderly person cross the street or picking up trash on the roadside are simply gateway drugs to the need for a much stronger "high." Soon they move on to the need to expand entitlements, welfare, and other government programs or to implement expensive, impractical, and inefficient light rail systems which nobody uses and always run huge deficits. They involuntarily insist on banning Happy Meal toys, toy guns, real guns, plastic straws, and horse-drawn carriages. Users of liberalism become delusional, often demanding banning something, replacing it with something else, and then reverting back to the original thing they demanded. Much like a crazy person walking in circles, liberal addicts demanded a ban on single-use plastic bags, then did an about-face on this when COVID struck. When one resorts to mainlining liberalism directly into their veins, they lose the ability to realize that their well-intentioned actions have consequences exactly the opposite of what they intended. Raising the minimum wage increases unemployment; prohibition creates black markets; giving the homeless free homes increases homelessness. Liberalism-induced hallucinations of rampant institutional racism is combated by using real hate and real racism.

Much like sociopaths use illusion to cause confusion and justify their behavior, liberal addicts must reinvent history to fit their new world view, inventing villains where none exist, and rewriting entire history books to justify their drug use. Eventually, the need to do "good" becomes so overwhelming that they must create elaborate hoaxes such as anthropogenic global warming. Much like violent criminals on PCP, chronic liberalism use results in the user developing a "God complex" which leads them to believe they can do anything, including changing the climate of an entire planet by changing the type of light bulbs they use. They must loudly broadcast to others that they have extraordinary compassion by means of ribbons, marches, protests, and violent acts. Liberalism produces a unique high which gives them the feeling of purpose and relevance which non-users ordinarily receive through family, friendship, religion, and faith.

In his book, "Liberal Mind: The Psychological Causes of Political Madness", Professor Lyle Rossiter explains that the users of liberalism all exhibit the same characteristic - insecurity. They project this insecurity on others, resulting in their promotion of the primacy of government over individual will and liberty. This psychosis explains recent history wherein liberal addicts insisted on government-mandated cloth wearing on the face and the injection of untested drugs and vaccines. They rationalize their behavior and are often self-deluded into claiming that they know better and that their destructive policies and programs are "for the children." Their desperate need to matter causes liberalism addicts to claim to be the voice of the imaginary powerless against the imaginary powerful – unless the powerless happens to be an unborn infant. For example, high doses of the drug cause the user to create causes where none exist, fighting for imagined offenses to others, such as insensitive team names and mascots. In extreme cases, the user perceives that bullying is a national crisis and the American flag is "divisive." One moment they claim half of American children are starving and the next, obese. To the user of liberalism, however, these things are all very real. The truth doesn't matter because using the drug makes them feel good.

Liberal users create "free speech zones" on campuses where free speech that they don't like is restricted and their open use of liberalism is tolerated and accepted. They advocate the most insane policies; like defunding law enforcement, releasing criminals from prison, bail "reform", and de-criminalizing just about everything. One of the key characteristics of using liberalism is the exhibition of extreme hypocrisy. They claim to be racially intolerant but routinely launch racist attacks against minorities who don't agree with them. They want to dictate to law-abiding Christians who they can hire and what insurance products they must buy, but then insist on opening the U.S. border for violent criminals and drug cartels. In the end, without medical help, political insanity ensues.

You can tell when somebody is using liberalism because they will claim to embrace reason, but when faced with facts which disembowel their political hallucinations begin to shout loudly, wave their arms, and resort to name-calling. In extreme cases they will support the killing of infants, even after they are born, while calling the death of convicted psychopaths, terrorists, and cop-killers 'brutal" or "barbaric." Hard-core addicts become self-loathing and demonize and vilify America itself, while extolling the virtues of places like Cuba and referring to Islam as a religion of peace. In short, they become emotional, illogical, and completely reactionary.

The initial decision to take any drug is voluntary for most people, but the changes in the brain that occur over time challenge an addicted person's self-control and hamper the ability to resist intense impulses to take more and more. The same is true for liberals. Some liberalism addicts receive their first injection of the drug at home, usually where an entire family is already using and is hopelessly addicted. The children don't stand a chance. Others stay clean until they reach college, where liberalism is widely used, especially among college professors who are often caught on cellphone videos encouraging young people to try the drug for the first time. And because rationalization is the second-strongest human drive, these casual users of liberalism in college find themselves hard-core addicts as adults, defending their choices in the face of all reason and advocating for the forgiveness of student loans.

Sadly, America is currently facing a national epidemic of liberalism. Far too many U.S. states do not follow the example of Texas, Alabama, North Dakota and Montana and outlaw the use of the drug. Despite its destructive tendencies, states such as California, Massachusetts, Oregon, and Hawaii have actually legalized its use, and have become economic and moral wastelands as a result.

Thankfully, there is hope. Dr. Rossiter suggests that the "cure" for liberals is simply for them to "grow up." Much like the treatment of traditional drugs, if the liberalism addict is forced to confront reality, it is possible to recover. Adults whose psychological addiction to liberalism has been entrenched since childhood may require stronger treatment than a newer addict. Still, every year, millions of liberalism addicts get off of food stamp programs, unemployment compensation, and other government programs, and transform into calmer and more productive members of society. Looking back they often have no memory of their actions and deny much of it ever took place at all.

If you have a family member or friend who is addicted, you must be very firm in your approach. Mention "God" and keep both an American flag and a copy of the U.S. Constitution handy. Explain to them the working parts of a handgun and the difference between a clip and a magazine. If possible, take them to a firing range and let them witness first-hand that guns will not fire unless a human being wants it to. Explain in a soothing tone that guns prevent 2.5 million rapes, murders, and violent crimes a year in America. Expose them to a Washington Redskins' football helmet – from a distance at first - and as you bring it closer, remind them that 90% of Native Americans are not offended by the name and that the team logo was actually designed by Native Americans on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation and is a source of pride and honor. Remind them that liberalism addicts become hyper-sensitive and easily offended

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'Blackmail': EU votes to freeze 11.5 billion euros in aid to Hungary over pro-family policies

By LifeSite News

The European Commission voted last week to freeze 11.5 billion euros in aid to Hungary. This latest development in the EU's struggle with the central European nation falls short of the expected invocation of Article Seven, a mechanism invented to allow member states whose policies disagree with the values of the EU to be sanctioned and deprived of their voting rights, against Viktor Orban's government.

The EU maintains that there are issues with the rule of law in Hungary which must be addressed, objections which arose following long standing criticism of the pro-family and anti-illegal migration polices pursued by Fidesz, Hungary's ruling party.

To resolve the deadlock, Prime Minister Viktor Orban has agreed to implement a list of 17 reforms designed to assuage the concerns of the EU. In a revealing interview given in Berlin, Orban gave a frank appraisal of the real dimension of this disagreement, which demonstrates how and why it has resulted in near deadlock. His perceptions foreshadow both the standoff with the EU as well as its causes and consequences.

It is not about reforms, he says, "it's blackmail, pure and simple."

The issue cannot realistically be resolved, as Orban contended in October that has nothing to do with the official objections the EU has lodged concerning legal reform in Hungary. It is rooted in policies such as the Hungarian Child Protection act, and the government's action to prevent mass illegal immigration.

When asked whether he had been privately approached with the suggestion that he drop his party's policies on NGOs, immigration, and child protection, Orban replied it was an open secret that these were the real reasons for the EU's treatment of Hungary,

"This is a purely political question…This is done quite openly. The EU has never left us in any doubt: if we behaved like the others, we wouldn't have problems with EU funds."

Orban explained that the governing parties in Hungary – and in Poland – are political outsiders in the EU, where there are "…three large, closely cooperating party families: the Socialists, the People's Party and the Liberals. The main governing parties in Hungary and Poland don't belong to any of these three-party families, which are therefore given a free hand to take punitive measures against Hungary and Poland."

He concluded that since Hungary and Poland present rivalling political programmes they are being punished and blackmailed with EU money, for which there is no legal basis at all. The EU, of course, maintains that the suspension of funding to Hungary is because of its (alleged) undermining of the rule of law, bringing a grand irony to these proceedings. How then can things proceed like this?

Disgraced FTX bro Sam Bankman-Fried hires Ghislaine Maxwell's lawyer

By The Post Millennial

Disgraced FTX founder Sam Bankman-Fried has hired Mark S. Cohen as his defense attorney, a former assistant United States attorney for the Eastern District of New York, who recently defended Ghislaine Maxwell in her sex trafficking trial.

His firm, Cohen & Gresser, also played a pivotal role in bringing down Mexican druglord Joaquín "El Chapo" Guzmán.

Following Reuters reporting the news, Bankman-Fried confirmed the story in a Twitter spaces interview and added that he's not sure how he's going to pay for it.

"In terms of paying legal fees, I'm still working that out," he said. "I'm not sure if I will be able to pay all the legal fees."

Bankan-Fried and other FTX executives are under investigation following the disappearance of billions of dollars of client money, followed by the stunning collapse of the company.

Since the news broke last month about Bankman-Fried and FTX, a number of other details have been revealed, such as donations made to political candidates.

Bankman-Fried was the Democrat Party's second-largest donor behind George Soros, and the company has been accused of laundering money for Democrats.

He also donated the maximum amount possible to the six Republicans who voted to impeach Donald Trump, as well as $1 million to a Sen. Mitch McConnell-backed super PAC.

He maintains that he didn't try to commit fraud, and told The New York Times, "I'm deeply sorry about what happened," believing himself to not be criminally responsible.

While Bankman-Fried and other executives haven't been charged with any crimes, they also face a number of civil lawsuits from FTX customers who lost money.

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A video, released by Project Veritas on November 29, contains an interview with Tara lee Rodas, an employee at the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency, and was "formerly detailed with HHS at the Emergency Intake Site in Pomona, California," the letter states.

The senators called Rodas' claims made during the video "disturbing," including saying that "we are paying to put children in the hands of criminals," and "we know that children have been trafficked through the [Unacompanied Children] program."

"The most reprehensible claim by Ms. Rodas occurred when she raised concerns to command center executives about placing another unaccompanied child in a questionable home. According to Ms. Rodas, someone told her, 'I think you need to understand we only get sued if we keep kids in care too long. We don't get sued by traffickers. Are you clear? We don't get sued by traffickers.'"

"It angers us that this Administration is more concerned about lawsuits than about protecting a child from sex slavery," the senators wrote. "We have long known that the Biden Administration's open border policies are fueling human trafficking and child sex trafficking, as migrants repay debts to the cartels who transport them to illegally cross the border."

The senators noted that in numerous committee hearings and briefings, they have repeatedly pressed the HHS and Department of Homeland Security for information regarding human trafficking along the border, "however, this Administration is either unable or unwilling to answer our question."

"With Ms. Rodas's courageous whistleblowing, the committee can no longer continue to allow this Administration to dodge scrutiny over its inhumane border crisis. Therefore, we demand that you hold a hearing to investigate Ms. Rodas's claims, calling as witnesses HHS Secretary Becerra, DHS Secretary Mayorkas, and CIGIE Chair Allison Lerner," the letter concluded.



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Hungary is pushing back against the EU's radical gender ideology

By Jonathon Van Maren

The Czech Presidency of the Council of the European Union is condemning Hungary for once again resisting the will of the majority at ongoing talks in Montreal being held from December 7 to 19 for the UN Biodiversity Conference (COP15). In a missive sent to ambassadors from all 27 member states, they warned that, as Politico put it, "the bloc's global leadership on gender issues risked being undermined by the anti-transgender position of 'one delegation.'"

That "global leadership," in this context, is accepting transgender ideology as fact and recognizing as such in formal documents. The Czech presidency wanted "inclusive language" in the COP15 talks, referring to "all genders" and "women and girls in all their diversity," language that was apparently supported by a "clear majority" of the EU member states during a meeting on December 7. In short, they wanted to declare the debate on gender ideology over and reject the male-female binary out of hand.

But Hungary's diplomats pushed back, rejecting this new language. Hungary, under the leadership of the socially conservative Viktor Orban, is already seen as an enfant terrible at the EU for its pro-family policies and resistance to the spread of LGBT ideology. When Hungary banned LGBT propaganda targeted at kids—a very popular policy—the EU lashed out with a rare joint condemnation, with Dutch prime minister Mark Rutte stating "my goal is to bring Hungary to its knees" and French president Emmanuel Macron stating that the EU should show "no weakness" in confronting Hungary. Thus, it is no surprise that Hungary has rejected this language and that the European Union is divided heading into further COP15 talks. This, the Czechs alleged, is problematic: "In order to keep our credibility, the EU as one of the strongest advocates of gender equality should not remain silent on this issue in Montreal." However, despite Hungary being pinpointed as the problem, thirteen other nations also expressed their disagreement with "the attempts to undermine the notion of gender." Bulgaria's representative told his colleagues that the "all genders" references violated a ruling on the definition of gender by Bulgaria's constitutional court.



The Prime Minister of Hungary, Viktor Orban

The Hungarian representative affirmed Hungary's commitment to gender equality, but noted that they believe gender and sex are synonymous. "While we were very open to find a compromise, unfortunately consensus on certain aspect could not be reached, which we very much regret." It is this statement that the Czechs believe undermines the European Union's credibility.

In fact, the attempt to insert gender ideology into formal documents at the outset of a conference on biodiversity is another example of the cynicism and political games the so-called "progressive" countries are willing to play. Gender ideology has not been settled and has certainly not been accepted by many nations in Europe and around the world, and a backlash to many tenets of gender ideology has been growing. In the United Kingdom, France, Finland, and Sweden, to name a few examples, questions are being asked and policies are being changed. Many—if not most—Europeans reject the idea that there are many genders. When Hungary speaks on these issues, she speaks for millions.

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by virtually anything or anyone who disagrees with them.

If you're not an economist, hire one to sit in with the two of you and explain the carnage resulting from our national debt and simple Socialism. Explain slowly and using small non-triggering words that the "Inflation Reduction Act" is a euphemism for "big government", and slowly go over the definition of "inflation." Explain the simple fact that if you triple the deficit and then cut it in half, it is not something to brag about. Lovingly explain that there was ice two miles thick over the Midwest 10,000 years ago and then ask them where it went. Keep it simple. Hammer home concepts such as freedom, the individual, states' rights, the wisdom of the Founding Fathers, how climate really works, and the arrogance of an all-knowing and ever-expanding federal government. Explain that America didn't invent slavery, but it did abolish it. Ask them to close their eyes and imagine a country without victimized classes or special interest organizations with the words "green" or "justice" in their name. But above all, show them love. Hug them and softly ask them, "What kind of change?"

"Do what you can, with what you have, where you are."

-Theodore Roosevelt

Conflict cannot survive without your participation.

-Wayne Dyer

Commitment to America *cont. from page 1*

of it can be accomplished with control of only the House. Republicans promised to right the ship of state. You will be doing this for the country, not to satisfy primal urges of revenge.

As part of your Commitment to America, you pledged to "Curb wasteful government spending that is raising the price of groceries, gas, cars, and housing and growing our national debt." A similar promise was made by the Republicans in its1994 Contract with America. The national debt in January 1994 was $4.4 trillion. The national debt in 2022 is almost $31 trillion. Most concerning, Republican administrations increased the national debt during that period by $14.05 trillion, about 53.6% of its increase. Democrats increased the national debt by $12.15 trillion, about 46.4% of the additional debt in that period.

Worst still, 97% of our national debt has increased dramatically since the end of the presidency of Jimmy Carter, the last president to preside over a national debt of less than a trillion dollars. In those forty years, the Republicans added $17.46 trillion to the national debt (59%), and the Democrats added $12.15 trillion (41%). It is imperative that the national debt matter to Republicans when they have the power to do something about it. Pontificating about it on cable television is not sufficient.

Interest payments on the national debt over the next 30 years are estimated to exceed $66 trillion. Each taxpayer's share of the national debt today is $245,191. The average personal income in the U.S. is $63,211. If Americans are concerned with inflation, wait until they get the bill for the national debt. The national debt will become so burdensome to future generations that it will undermine democracy. If the federal government taxed current citizens the amounts needed to pay for today's government, a tax revolt would topple the government.

How did the government put us in this position?

The framework of our Constitution has few guardrails for the type of government formed by our elected leaders. Today's federal government combination of capitalist, socialist, oligarchy, kakistocracy, and woke cult. Moreover, the federal government can tax us as much as it needs to satisfy its wants. From 1932 to 1981, the marginal tax rate in the U.S. ranged between 63% - 91%.

Since it is unlikely, we will pay off the national debt in our lifetimes, our federal government and every American must recognize, we are living on the future productivity of those who have no say in creating our debt. The national debt is unjust to those who will have to pay tomorrow for our spending today.

What can House Republicans do today without control of the presidency?

Our Constitution reads, "No Money shall be drawn from the Treasury, but in Consequence of Appropriations made by Law."

For Congress to spend more of the taxpayer's money, it must appropriate new money by enacting a law that requires the approval of both Houses of Congress and a Presidential signature. To spend no money, however, one House of Congress merely needs to do nothing. No provision in the Constitution gives anyone the power to force Congress to spend money. Moreover, Congress is the only government institution controlling the nation's purse. The House of Representatives can shut the purse.

A few simple ideas for a Republican House to cut almost one trillion dollars from the budget by Just Saying "No."

Do not fund unauthorized laws. Almost a half-trillion in savings can be achieved by following congressional rules prohibiting the funding of laws that are not authorized. All Congress needs to do is refuse to fund

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two-year lockdown with pent-up consumer demand.

Make war on coal and nuclear power. Drain the strategic petroleum reserve to make the pain for consumers more bearable for midterm election advantage.

Cancel the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge oil and gas field. Block pipelines like the Keystone oil pipeline and the Constitution natural gas line.

Fifth, redefine crime as one rich man's crime, another poor man's necessity.

Let those who need "things" exercise their entitlement to them. Rewrite or ignore laws to exempt the oppressed who take, or do what they want as atonement for past systemic racism and oppression.

Six, junk the ossified idea of a melting pot and multiracial society united by common American values and ideals. Instead, identify individuals by their superficial appearance. Seek to be a victim and monetize your claims against perceived victimizers. Call anyone a "racist" who resists.

Encourage each tribe, defined by common race, ethnic, gender, or sexual orientation affinities, to band together to oppose the monolithic "white privilege" majority. Encourage social and tribal tensions. Racially discriminate to end discrimination.

Greenlight statue toppling, name changing, boycotting, cancel culturing, ostracizing, and Trotskyizing. Erase the past, control the present, and create a new American person for the future.

Seven, render the United States just one of many nations abroad. Abandon Afghanistan in shame. Leave behind thousands of loyal Afghan allies, billions of dollars in equipment, a billion-dollar embassy, and the largest air base in central Asia. Appease the theocracy to reenter the Iran nuclear deal.

Beg enemies like Venezuela, Russia, and Iran to pump more oil when it is politically expedient for us to have abundant supplies -- oil that we have in abundance but won't produce. Discourage friends like Guinea from producing more energy and cancel allies' energy projects like the EastMed pipeline.

Trash but then beg Saudi Arabia to pump more oil right before the midterms for domestic political advantage.

Eight, neuter the First Amendment. Enlist Silicon Valley monopolies to silence unwanted free speech while using Big Tech's mega profits to warp elections. Declare free expression "hate speech." Criminalize contrarian social media.

Nine, demonize half the country as semi-fascists, un-Americans, insurrectionists, and even potential domestic terrorists. Try to change inconvenient ancient rules: seek to pack the court, end the filibuster, junk the Electoral College, and bring in two more states.

Twice impeach a president who tried to stand in your way. Try him when he is an emeritus president and private citizen. Raid his home. Seek to indict a future rival to the current president.

Ten, never mention the origins of the COVID-19 virus. Never blame China for the release of SARS-CoV-2 virus. Exempt investigations of U.S. health officials who subsidized Chinese gain-of-function research. Ignore the Bill of Rights to mandate vaccinations, mask wearing, and quarantines.

We have done all of the above. It would be hard to imagine any planned agenda to destroy America that would have been as injurious as what we already suffered the last two years.

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GOVERNMENT CIRCUS

Our Republican Leaders Have Failed! It's Time For New Leadership

By Jack Gleason

We need to replace the current leaders of the Republican Party – RNC chair Ronna McDaniel – niece of Mitt Romney, Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, and current House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy. They have failed miserably in their duties. But we can't insist that they recount the votes or complain that they didn't support Trump candidates. They'll just dismiss us as "right-wing extremist election-deniers."

Instead, we need to use their own rules against them.

First, they violated the sacred rule that the party members choose the candidates in the primaries, not the leadership elites. Primaries are where new and exciting candidates are discovered and developed.

Kevin McCarthy interfered in the primaries on a massive scale. On September 27, the Washington Post detailed his efforts to "systematically weed out GOP candidates who could either cause McCarthy trouble if he becomes House speaker or jeopardize GOP victories in districts where a more moderate candidate might have a better chance at winning."

Second, they accepted donations from outside the party.

McCarthy used his Congressional Leadership Fund – a super-PAC with over $165 million – to help "moderate" primary candidates and incumbents succeed over challengers from the "far-right" and "election-deniers." The reporters were able to dig through public finance records to uncover the links between McCarthy and others supporting "moderate" Republicans over MAGAs. One group was… "mostly funded by Riot Games executive Marc Merrill and Cathryn Murdoch, the wife of former Fox News executive James Murdoch, who are both major donors to the Democratic National Committee."

Third, you don't oppose your own members of Congress. In North Carolina, McCarthy tried to unseat Madison Cawthorn, a conservative firebrand endorsed by Trump. "The political machine around McCarthy has spent millions of dollars this year in a sometimes secretive effort to systematically weed out GOP candidates who could either cause McCarthy trouble if he becomes House speaker or jeopardize GOP victories in districts where a more moderate candidate might have a better chance at winning."

The fourth rule is "don't bring shame to the GOP."

It is just coming out that McCarthy has a disturbing connection with FTX, the cryptocurrency giant that recently filed for bankruptcy of $3.7 billion. In the Cawthorn race, millions were spent to defeat him – "$700,000, came from Ryan Salame, an executive at crypto currency exchange FTX U.S., a major donor both to McCarthy's own operation and to other groups backing McCarthy's favored candidates. West Realm Shires Services, the corporate name used by FTX U.S., gave $750,000 to CLF in August… Mark Wetjen, the head of public policy and regulatory strategy at FTX, was invited with his family to McCarthy's August donor retreat in Wyoming."

National File reported McCarthy used left-wing oligarch money to fund a "secretive," anti-MAGA campaign within the GOP to protect his establishment speaker ambitions."

Armed with corrupt FTX crypto money, Kevin McCarthy spent the 2022 midterms picking winners and losers, with his long-term speakership fantasies at the top of his agenda…

The seats they were fighting for were surrendered to Democrats, and conservatives "in the know" spoke of a "power-sharing" agreement between McCarthy and Democrat leadership, which now appears to be materializing.

Mitch McConnell is also tied in with FTX and worked to derail MAGA candidates on the Senate side. Open Secrets reported a $2.5 million FTX donation to his Senate Leadership Fund.

As more information comes out about FTX and their part in laundering American donations to Ukraine back to Democrats, both McConnell and McCarthy are vulnerable to charges of being involved, potentially causing embarrassment for the GOP, something the mainstream media would be delighted to exploit.

McConnell was censured by the Alaska GOP for interfering in the primary there. On October 22nd he pulled funding from Senate candidate Brigadier General Don Bolduc in New Hampshire, despite the closeness of the race – to give to Murkowski. He also refused to fund Blake Masters in the Arizona senate race and ended the election season with $40 million in unspent funds.

McConnell is now meeting with Democrat Senate Leader Chuck Schumer who said, "I'm going to say to the Republicans in the Senate who are not the MAGA Republicans, stop letting them lead your party. Work with us to get things done. I intend to sit down with Mitch McConnell and express that."

Both McConnell and McCarthy were called out by Chronicles for their war on MAGA Republicans. Their heavy-handed interference in the way the GOP chooses candidates in the primaries proves they serve their own interests, not those of Republican party members or the good of the country.

The fifth argument is basic incompetence.

Ronna McDaniel failed in her duties to support the party in 2022. She did nothing to correct the problems from the 2020 election, almost guaranteeing a repeat of vote counting hijinks in 2022. The 2021 "Committee on Election Integrity" came up with a report that she ignored. The Gateway Pundit made a list of steps she should have taken to ensure election integrity – none were accomplished.

McDaniel also failed to support conservative GOP primary winners in the general election, leading to losses that were totally unnecessary. In political campaigns, data is king. But the RNC database was so inaccurate that it did more harm than good by wasting valuable volunteer time reaching out to persuade leaning voters and ensuring conservatives made it out to the polls. Instead of looking at the voter rolls to eliminate the dead and relocated, the GOP did nothing.

"Wisconsin canvassers went to a door where a dozen people lived. They knocked or rang the bell asking for Bill and Sally, on the voter roll, leaning GOP. "What, says the ancient resident?" "I've lived here 12 years and never heard of them!"

"This happened so much, canvassers communicated with the local voter integrity team noting how dismal the lists were. One senior member of a statewide race said they knew they were "screwed when our canvassers reported back."

Then, she abandoned her party's candidates after the polls closed… When questionable results came in, particularly in Arizona…"orders came down from Washington, DC, and the office of GOP Chairwoman, to stand down. They left the Arizona candidates and voters on the field to bleed while they scampered back to DC or went on vacation."

The result was that the problems from 2020 occurred in 2022 – odd stoppages of vote counting, mishandled ballots, voters told they'd already voted. The massive GOP lead in the polls prior to 2022 evaporated, and our leaders seem content to go back to being the minority party and working with Democrats.

Still, over 100 of 168 elite RNC members have signed a letter endorsing her again for party chair. The good news is that she is being challenged by Lee Zeldin, who performed very well in New York state, and even Trump supporter Mike Lindell has thrown his pillow into the ring.

McCarthy is currently talking like a very strong conservative in advance of his run for Speaker of the House on January 3rd. It's what he will do if he wins that is worrisome.

We don't need wimpy GOP leadership motivated by their own self-interests at the expense of our nation's survival. We need warriors who will oppose the radical policies of the Left. There are lots of good alternatives who can unite the party, aggressively investigate the Democrats and their attempts to demolish our country on multiple fronts, and, of course, expose the blatant corruption of our current president.

Instead of voicing your opposition based on their acceptance of 2020 election fraud and their opposition to Trump, simply argue that they broke their own rules by meddling in primaries, accepting donations from hostile parties, and they may be embroiling the GOP in an embarrassing scandal with their ties to FTX. But the best argument is their incompetence. By their actions they turned the "Red Wave" into an electoral disaster, and can't be trusted to run things any longer.

Just say, "after two major failures it's time to try new leadership for the GOP." Once we have true conservative warriors in place, ending electoral fraud will be their top priority, because without free and fair elections, America is lost.

Commitment to America *cont. from page 10*

unauthorized laws.

The Congressional Budget Office annually issues a report on "Expired and Expiring Authorizations of Appropriations" for the Fiscal Year. While CBO prepares this report according to the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the report is to assist lawmakers in complying with House rules by identifying unauthorized laws that should not be funded. Its 2022 report identifies 1,118 authorizations of appropriations that expired before the beginning of FY 2022 and an additional 111 that will expire during FY 2022.

CBO estimates Congress appropriated $461 billion in 2022 to fund unauthorized laws. Moreover, CBO identifies each committee of Congress that has failed to authorize laws under its jurisdiction and the amount of money appropriated to fund these unauthorized statutes. Forty-four percent of the unauthorized laws being funded expired over a decade ago. If Congress is unwilling to review these laws and reauthorize them, that lack of interest alone should be sufficient to let them expire.

Reduce agency budgets for refusing to provide Congress with the information requested. Congress has a constitutional responsibility to oversee federal agencies. Many times, however, federal agencies refuse to provide Congress with the information requested. Usually, Congress, especially the party in opposition to the Executive, must live with the refusal until a president from its party occupies the White House. Then matters are reversed. One mechanism for addressing this issue would be for the House of Representatives to reduce the agency's appropriations by some percentage each time an agency fails to provide the information requested.

Use spending power as bargaining power. Since Congress cannot be compelled to spend money on any activity, it needs to leverage this power to ensure the Executive implements the policies Congress enacted. From day one the Biden administration refused to protect the southern border of the United States. The border is open to all comers, no matter how much the Republicans complain. By being in charge of the House, however, Republicans have solid leverage to negotiate with the administration by withholding money for programs Biden deems essential.

The leverage should be the Department of Education ("DOE") since it is owned and operated by Biden's most significant political supporters, the teachers' unions. The DOE is a perpetual pay-off to the teachers' unions. The teachers' unions donated $43 million to liberal groups in the 2020 election cycle.

By controlling DOE, teachers' unions foster the teaching of Critical Race Theory, impose mask mandates, and torture children's minds by telling them they are born racists. The mere possibility of the teachers' unions losing this power will likely persuade Democrats to accept the reality that building the border wall and enforcing immigration laws is a cheap price to pay to keep DOE.

If Biden concedes, the House Republicans will get the border wall and immigration enforcement. If Biden refuses to negotiate, the Republicans get to eliminate the agency they have wanted to eliminate since 1980, when it was created.

Require all federal agencies to implement GAO's Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") or suffer budget cuts. Congress mandates GAO to perform a GAAP analysis of federal spending and assets and provide recommendations to ensure the financial reporting by the agency is transparent and consistent. One specific GAO recommendation is for all agencies to address the government-wide improper payments, estimated to be $175 billion. A Republican House should refuse to fund agencies failing to implement this recommendation.

By implementing these four recommendations, Republicans can reduce the budget by over $850 billion. Only time will tell if Republicans mean what they promise in their Commitment to America. Republicans' this is your "put up or shut up" moment.

William L. Kovacs, author of Reform the Kakistocracy, winner of the 2021 Independent Press Award for Political/Social Change, and former senior vice president at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

Why Democrats Keep Winning: Eric

By Hayden Ludwig
November 28, 2022
https://capitalresearch.org/article/erics-friends-in-the-activist-left-part-1/

There's far more than meets the eye with the Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC). For a decade, ERIC has been touted as a nonpartisan, good-government solution to messy voter rolls. But new information about its murky origins, ties to partisan activists, and spot in the Left's mammoth voter registration machine have pushed this organization into the spotlight for election integrity groups.

Born in the Shadows

We've documented ERIC's genesis in 2012 as a project of Pew Charitable Trusts, a left-of-center funder created from the fortune of conservative Presbyterian philanthropist Joseph N. Pew, founder of the oil company Sunoco (formerly Sun Oil Company) and a prominent Republican. Today, Pew Charitable Trusts funds anti-oil groups as well as campaign finance "reforms" that would restrict free speech rights.

In 2008, Pew hired partisan operative David Becker, a trial attorney who earned a reputation at the Justice Department as a "hardcore leftist" who "couldn't stand conservatives," to lead its election reform initiatives. Becker soon focused on promoting new voter registration policies in the states, culminating in ERIC four years later.

Two 2011 grants from George Soros's Foundation to Promote Open Society "to support the Pew Center on the States' voter registration modernization initiative" and "expand [its] scope and scale" suggest that George Soros had a hand in incubating ERIC.

Becker spent the next four years urging state legislatures to join ERIC, and as of writing, 32 states representing over 61 percent of the U.S. population are ERIC members. He left in 2016 to start up the Center for Election Innovation and Research (more on that later).

ERIC claims that membership in its voter roll maintenance services will ultimately save the states money compared to doing the work themselves. Annual dues range from $16,000 to $74,000.

Less advertised but vastly more expensive is its requirement that member states identify and register eligible-but-unregistered voters—what the organization calls "EBUs"—or forfeit their ERIC membership. Virginia's Department of Elections estimates that the total cost of participation in ERIC averages $300,000 per year, of which just $39,000 is dues.

Registering en Masse

ERIC's ability to force states to conduct taxpayer-funded voter registration campaigns makes it one of the Democratic Party's most devastating weapons in turning out its preferred voters each election cycle.

Many Democratic strategists believe that high turnout supplies their party's best bet for securing electoral victories. For decades that has meant registering non-white, female, and unmarried voters in huge numbers. To that end, the Left's top 24 professional voter registration nonprofits spent $434 million targeting likely Democratic voters in 2020 alone.

Much or most of that money came from left-leaning foundations such as Ford, Carnegie, and Wyss. A secret memo in 2015 titled "Using Voter Registration to Reshape the U.S. Electorate" to the head of the Wyss Foundation explains why.

The so-called Corridor Partners memo promises that "large-scale, multi-year voter registration programs" exclusively focused on "non-white" voters could "fundamentally reshape the electorate in as many as 13 states" by 2020. The price tag: $105–$210 million across 8–13 states, notably including Arizona, Georgia, Texas, and other battlegrounds.

ERIC—which was born near the peak of this strategy's maturity—offers a way to force taxpayers to foot the bill for the Left's biggest project.

No wonder, then, that the Corridor Partners memo includes ERIC among its "factors that could impact registration rates," observing:

The Pew Charitable Trusts has developed a program called [ERIC] to encourage states to reach out to potentially eligible but currently unregistered voters. . . . Currently, three states recommended for investment are part of the ERIC program: Colorado, Nevada, and Virginia. [emphasis added]

"Over time," the memo continues,"it is expected that ERIC will significantly diminish the number of eligible unregistered voters in member states and reduce the number of movers needing re-registration by third-party organizations." [emphasis added]

As with automatic voter registration policies, the objective is to reduce dependency on activists and mega-donors by shifting the burden onto taxpayers. If the Left can succeed in making "citizen" synonymous with "registered voter," these partisans will be able to focus all available resources on getting out the Democratic vote.

It's surely no accident that Planned Parenthood, Common Cause, the SEIU, and others include ERIC membership among their slate of election "reforms"—a list that also includes automatic and same-day voter registration, ballot curing, restoration of felon voting rights, and permanent vote by mail.



Spring Election for Supreme Court Will Be Crucial

By Benjamin Yount
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https://www.thecentersquare.com

There is already a focus on Wisconsin's next election.

Former Gov. Scott Walker on Tuesday said if liberals win the race for Supreme Court in Wisconsin, all of the state's reforms from his time in office will be in danger.

"An activist court, as we've seen elsewhere in the country, could do almost anything," Walker told News Talk 113O WISN's Jay Weber. "If you listen to at least a couple of the liberal candidates … they sound very much aligned with some of the things we've seen in California and Pennsylvania, and elsewhere."

Walker says that could mean changes not only to Act 10 or Right to Work in Wisconsin, but could mean changes to things like redistricting that he says "affects the rest of the country."

Judge Dan Kelly is the leading conservative candidate for Supreme Court on the Republican side so far. Walker appointed Kelly to the court back in 2016, and on Tuesday said Kelly made his mark on the court.

"Kelly to me was much like [Antonin] Scalia was on the U.S. Supreme Court, just brilliant," Walker added.

There are some Republicans who are talking about Waukesha Christmas Parade Judge Jennifer Dorow as a candidate. Gov. Walker isn't sure.

"I appointed her. I like her. Her and her husband are friends of mine," Walker explained. "To me, I think one of the benefits, and we've seen this in statewide races in the past last couple of cycles, there is a tremendous benefit to having someone who has been vetted, who's been tested."

One of the keys, Walker said, will of course be voter turnout.

Kelly lost his reelection race in 2020, in part because Democrats saw a huge turnout.

"In the general election for the court, which was in April of that year, [Kelly] got more votes than Brian Hagedorn in 2019. He got more votes than most candidates need to win outright," Walker explained. "But at that time there was a presidential primary where you had both Donald Trump up, and you had Joe Biden up. He was the presumptive nominee, but Bernie Sanders was still on the ballot."

Walker said Republican and conservative voters must turn out in the race for Supreme Court next year. .

The spring primary election in Wisconsin is February 21, the general election is April 4.

Carrying Capacity *cont. from page 7*

from trash!

If turning trash into energy that's transmissible over long distances nevertheless sounds either fanciful or likely insignificant in its long-term impact, imagine yourself as a native American roaming 600 years ago through the woodlands of what is today western Pennsylvania. You're thirsty and bend down to enjoy a drink of water from a brook, only to discover that the water at that spot is undrinkable because it's polluted with a smelly, oily, noxious substance oozing out a few feet upstream. How plausible would this You of 600 years ago have found a prediction that the icky stuff that pollutes your drinking water would, in just a few centuries, be a much-sought-after 'natural' resource that powers much of humanity's activities?

Julian Simon died almost twenty-five years ago, just shy of his 66th birthday. Were he still alive today, he would surely celebrate our population of eight billion and remind anyone who would listen that, far from pushing humans closer to the earth's carrying capacity, the creative potential of those eight billion human minds will further expand our access to resources. We need only to allow this creativity to operate freely.

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Short Takes

By Ken Van Doren

The best measure of a man's honesty isn't his income tax return. It's the zero adjust on his bathroom scale.
-Arthur C. Clarke

My paintings are not about what is seen. They are about what is known forever in the mind. -Agnes Martin

I always wanted to be somebody, but now I realize I should have been more specific. -Lily Tomlin

Civilization began the first time an angry person cast a word instead of a rock. -Sigmund Freud

My brother Bob doesn't want to be in government - he promised Dad he'd go straight. -John F. Kennedy

Happiness is like a kiss. You must share it to enjoy it. -Bernard Meltzer

I never know what I'm going to put on the canvas. The canvas paints itself. I'm just the middleman. -Peter Max

Never believe that a few caring people can't change the world. For, indeed, that's all who ever have.
-Margaret Mead

No man is an island, entire of itself; everyman is a piece of the continent.
-John Donne

The thermometer of success is merely the jealousy of the malcontents.
-Salvador Dali

In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: it goes on. -Robert Frost

The great advantage about telling the truth is that nobody ever believes it.
-Dorothy L. Sayers

Wisdom to Live By

One of the sad signs of our times is that we have demonized those who produce, subsidized those who refuse to produce, and canonized those who complain. - Thomas Sowell

Hillary knitting a Christmas scarf for Elon

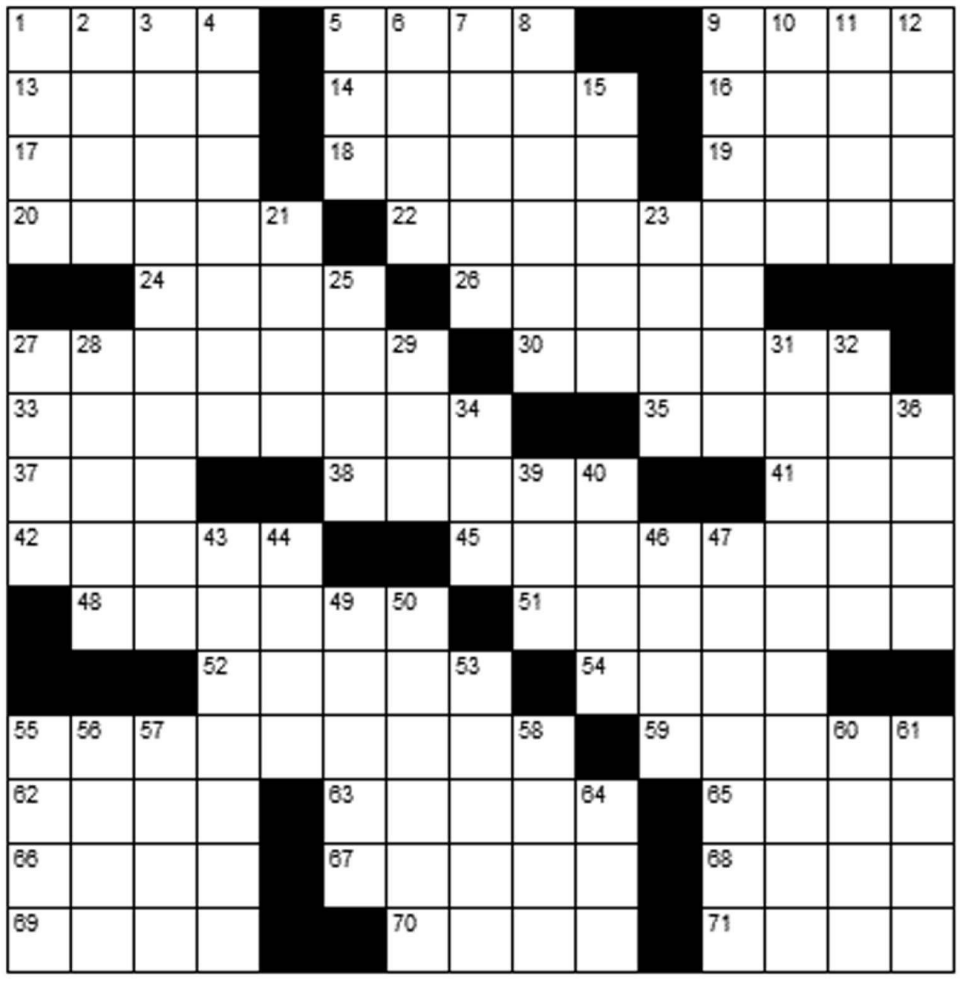


THE GAME PAGE

Crossword Puzzler

ACROSS
1. Epic
5. At the peak of
9. Vats
13. Baby's bed
14. Cuts into cubes
16. Dwarf buffalo
17. Haughtiness
18. A drama set to music
19. Partiality
20. Milkshakes
22. Cotton canvas
24. Gladly (archaic)
26. Exploded stars
27. Pixies
30. A southern constellation
33. Wallboard
35. Soft leather
37. Consumed food
38. A yellowish brown color
41. Spy agency
42. Extracted
45. Indistinct
48. Peculiarity
51. A bladed medieval weapon
52. Not married
54. Bristle
55. Recalcitrant
59. Barf
62. Hawkeye State
63. Clobbered
65. Anger
66. A jaunty rhythm
67. Sometimes, works with lions
68. Affirm
69. If not
70. No
71. Bawdy

DOWN
1. Fraud
2. Diva's solo
3. Romantic female friend
4. Deny
5. Pother
6. Rewards for waiting
7. Sea
8. Ends a sentence
9. Any dramatic scene
10. Pearly-shelled mussel
11. Ship
12. Cummerbund
15. Artillery burst
21. Seats oneself
23. Automobiles
25. Make out (slang)
27. Travelled through water
28. Terrace
29. Comes after Mi and Fah
31. Ornamental
32. Ignominy
34. Buff
36. Convenience
39. Beer barrel
40. Nile bird
43. Teach
44. Effort
46. End ___
47. Sidelong
49. Chubby Checker's dance
50. Bodyguard
53. Cathedral
55. Dossier
56. Agitate
57. Cobblers' tools
58. Stair
60. A ball of yarn
61. Group of cattle
64. Before, poetically



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Answers on page 19

‘Gravely disappointed’: US bishops respond to Senate’s passage of same-sex ‘marriage’ bill

By LifeSite News

WASHINGTON, D.C. (LifeSiteNews) — Top ranking bishops of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) have issued a statement following the Senate’s passage of the Respect for Marriage Act (RMA) on November 29 that would codify homosexual “marriage” into federal law.

On December 1, the Bishops’ Conference lamented the Senate’s passage of the bill, which “will codify the nationwide redefinition of marriage to include same-sex couples in federal statute for the first time,” and which they noted will “heighten the threats to religious liberty that have persisted after the Supreme Court’s Obergefell decision of 2015.”

On behalf of the USCCB, Bishop Robert Barron of Winona-Rochester, Chairman of the Committee on Laity, Marriage, Family Life, and Youth, stated, “We are gravely disappointed that the misnamed Respect for Marriage Act passed the Senate and continue to call for its rejection.”

On November 23, Cardinal Timothy Dolan, Archbishop of New York and Chairman of the USCCB Committee for Religious Liberty, together with Bishop Barron, had penned a letter to the Members of Congress, condemning the Respect For Marriage Act for undermining marriage as the foundation of society while violating religious liberty. The bishops called on legislators to reject the bill.



“The Respect for Marriage Act’s rejection of timeless truths about marriage is evident on its face and in its purpose,” Dolan and Barron declared. “It would also betray our country’s commitment to the fundamental right of religious liberty, as detailed in the explanation appended to this letter and in previous communications.”

Detailing the supposed “protections” that lawmakers boasted would keep the bill from being used to infringe upon religious liberty, the bishops wrote, “The provisions of the Act that relate to religious liberty are insufficient. If passed, the amended Act will put the ministries of the Catholic Church, people of faith, and other Americans who uphold a traditional meaning of marriage at greater risk of government discrimination. This bill is needless and harmful and must be voted down.”

The bishops offered several arguments for the insufficiency of any alleged religious liberty “protections.”

“First,” they said, “the bill will be used to argue that the government has a compelling interest in forcing religious organizations and individuals to treat same-sex civil marriages as valid… This reasoning would have a ripple effect that hurts religious freedom in every context where conflicts with same-sex marriage arise, not just in the context of compliance with RMA itself. Employment decisions, employees’ spousal benefits, eligibility for grants or contracts, accreditation, tax exemptions – it runs the full gamut, even in religious liberty conflicts arising out of state or local laws.”

“Second, the bill constitutes a declaration by Congress of a national policy of recognizing legally performed same-sex marriages. It will lead federal agencies to adopt that policy as their own.”

“Third, it is not only religious organizations that are being sued to force them to provide goods and services for same-sex weddings – it is religious individuals who run small businesses that offer goods and services of that sort.”

“Last, as illustrated in examples above, conflicts between religious liberty and same-sex marriage arise in all sorts of contexts – indeed, predominantly – outside of the actual solemnization or celebration of a marriage.”

“Given all this,” the bishops concluded, “that the bill establishes an affirmative, enforceable, comprehensive right to federal and interstate recognition of same-sex marriages, but sets out religious liberty protections that are far from comprehensive, and are neither affirmative nor enforceable outside of the limited protections in Section 6(b) – it is fair to say that the amendment treats religious liberty as a second-class right.”

“We reiterate,” they declared, “Cardinal Dolan’s November 17 statement: ‘Senators supporting the Act must reverse course and consider the consequences of passing an unnecessary law that fails to provide affirmative protections for the many Americans who hold this view of marriage as both true and foundational to the common good.’”

On Monday, the Supreme Court began hearing the case of an individual web-designer who refused to make a website promoting homosexual unions for a couple based on her Christian beliefs regarding the nature of marriage. As the bishops pointed out, such lawsuits are being leveled against individual Christians in spheres of activity outside the solemnization of marriage. It is such individuals of faith, in addition to religious organizations, who are liable to being forced to recognize same-sex “marriages” in future legal battles.

In addition to this latest letter to the Members of Congress, U.S. bishops have also previously addressed the anti-marriage bill passing through Congress. On November 17, Dolan issued a statement in response to the Senate’s vote to advance the bill. And in July, Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone of San Francisco and Archbishop William Lori of Baltimore, as Chairmen of the USCCB Committees on Pro-Life Activities and Laity, Marriage, Family Life, and Youth wrote a letter to the House of Representatives; Cordileone wrote another letter to the Senate. In each of these letters, the bishops opposed the bill and called on legislators to vote against it.

Similarly, on November 15, Dolan published an article titled, “The ‘Respect for Marriage Act’ Stacks the Deck against Religious Freedom.” In the article, the cardinal strongly defended the “beautiful, timeless, truths about marriage, rooted in both faith and reason.”

He declared “Holding the traditional understanding of marriage is now a decidedly counter-cultural act, as public support for same-sex unions is at an all-time high. Acknowledging this fact will not deter us, however, from bearing witness to the beautiful, timeless truths about marriage, rooted in both faith and reason: men and women are complementary; every child deserves a mother and a father; and marriage is a permanent and exclusive union, open to the transmission of human life, and an exercise in loving sacrifice that transcends the mere self.”

The Act must pass the House again before going to the president’s desk for signature.

Russia enacts *cont. from page 1*

on pro-LGBT material to encompass adults, as a previous law enacted in 2013 only prohibited the targeting of minors under the age of 18.

Russian lawmakers had been considering the legislation for months, introducing a proposed bill in the State Duma back in June and submitting amendments to the Federation Council in July. Upon Putin’s signing of the bill over the weekend, the State Duma made record of it in its database, per TASS.

For years, Vladimir Putin has sought to position Russia as a staunch defender of “traditional values” in opposition to a decadent West.

“Do we want to have here, in our country, in Russia, ‘parent number one, parent number two and parent number three’ (they have completely lost it!) instead of mother and father?” Putin asked in a September 30 speech commemorating the accession of four Ukrainian regions into Russia.

“Do we want our schools to impose on our children, from their earliest days in school, perversions that lead to degradation and extinction?” he continued. “Do we want to drum into their heads the ideas that certain other genders exist along with women and men and to offer them gender reassignment surgery? Is that what we want for our country and our children? This is all unacceptable to us. We have a different future of our own.”

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When the Framers were having heated debates at Independence Hall about the wording of the amendments and what form of government they wanted, they chose a republic. The Framers knew what democracy was – that is why they did **NOT** want it. They loved the new nation they fought for too much to curse it with a democratic form of government. Here are some of their cautionary words –

Alexander Hamilton – *“...our real disease; which is democracy...”*

John Adams – *“Remember, democracy never lasts long. It soon wastes, exhausts and murders itself. There is never a democracy that did not commit suicide.”*

James Madison – The Father of the Constitution, wrote in Federalist Paper No. 10 that pure democracies *“...have ever been spectacles of turbulence and contention; have ever been incompatible with personal security or the rights of property; and have in general been as short in their lives as they have been violent in their deaths.”*

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Democracy is the art and science of running the circus from the monkey cage. *-H. L. Mencken*

In order to carry a positive action we must develop here a positive vision. -Dalai Lama

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Protect endangered Right Whales from Big Wind
CFACT officially weighs in. You should, too



By Craig Rucker

I've told you about CFACT's efforts to protect the North Atlantic Right Whale from a huge Virginia offshore wind project.

Now, you can help!

The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) is presently accepting comments regarding their "Strategy" to protect the Right Whale as new offshore wind projects go up across the Eastern Seaboard. This comment period ends on Sunday.

Let me assure you, there is no "protecting" going on from BOEM regarding the Right Whale. The Biden Administration is all-in on offshore wind as part of their radical climate agenda, which means the bureaucracies that should be protecting wildlife are turning a blind eye to push through "green" energy.

Tell BOEM "no way!" Just submit your comment in the text box and tell BOEM you are steadfastly opposed to their Strategy to push wind power at the expense of the right whale.

Make sure you submit your comments soon, as the deadline is just days away!

For our part, CFACT has submitted comments to BOEM that expose their willful negligence.

Collister "Terry" Johnson explained in his comments how the government's rules for offshore wind will directly violate its own prior rules regarding the killing of the whales:

"According to the National Marine Fisheries Service's own definition, 'this means that for the [right whale] to recover, the population cannot sustain, over the course of a year, the death or injury of a single individual due to human causes.' …The Strategy proposes to establish a set of rules which seeks to minimize and reduce human caused mortality [of the whales] but does not eliminate it. Elimination can't be accomplished in an ocean environment which is industrialized with 3,411 turbines and 9,874 miles of submarine cable."

These turbines will be 700 feet tall and have blades longer than a football field. CFACT isn't going to stand idly by while the Biden Administration forces these monstrosities on our ocean vistas, destroying endangered wildlife in the process.

Will you help us expose this deadly plan? Tell BOEM you are 100% opposed to their Strategy plan!

For nature and people too,
Craig Rucker, President

MIT Climate scientist: Climate is an absurd, quasi-religious scientific narrative

By Criag Rucker

CFACT's Climate Depot is reporting on a hard-hitting paper by Dr. Richard Lindzen, the renowned MIT climate scientist, which rejects the prevailing global warming narrative by relying on peer-reviewed science published in academic journals.

Dr. Lindzen calls into question the extent to which global temperature corresponds to atmospheric concentration of CO2. He also calls the notion of designating CO2 a "pollutant" ridiculous reiterating the essential role it plays in sustaining life. He points out that, "if we were to remove a bit more than 60% of current CO□, the consequences would be dire: namely death by starvation for all animal life."

Dr. Lindzen's conclusions strike at the very core of the global warming narrative:

This all leaves us with a quasi-religious movement predicated on an absurd 'scientific' narrative. The policies invoked on behalf of this movement have led to the US hobbling its energy system (a process that has played a prominent role in causing current inflation), while lifting sanctions for Russia's Nordstream 2 pipeline, which was designed to bypass the existing pipeline through the Ukraine used to supply Germany. It has caused much of the European Union to ban exploitation of shale gas and other sources of fossil fuel, thus leaving it with much higher energy costs, increased energy poverty, and dependence on Russia, thus markedly reducing its ability to oppose Mr Putin's aggressions. …

Unless we wake up to the absurdity of the motivating narrative, this is likely only to be the beginning of the disasters that will follow from the current irrational demonization of CO. Changing course will be far from a simple task. As President Eisenhower noted in his farewell address in 1961: The prospect of domination of the nation's scholars by Federal employment, project allocations, and the power of money is ever present and is gravely to be regarded. Yet, in holding scientific research and discovery in respect, as we should, we must also be alert to the equal and opposite danger that public policy could itself become the captive of a scientific-technological elite.

CFACT has known Dr. Lindzen for decades. His work is first rate.

Dr. Lindzen writes with the courage of a man of knowledge and conviction, but also with the courage of a retired academic who need no longer fear professional retaliation.

Let's hope more academics with the courage to boldly question the dogma afflicting climate science will bravely speak out.

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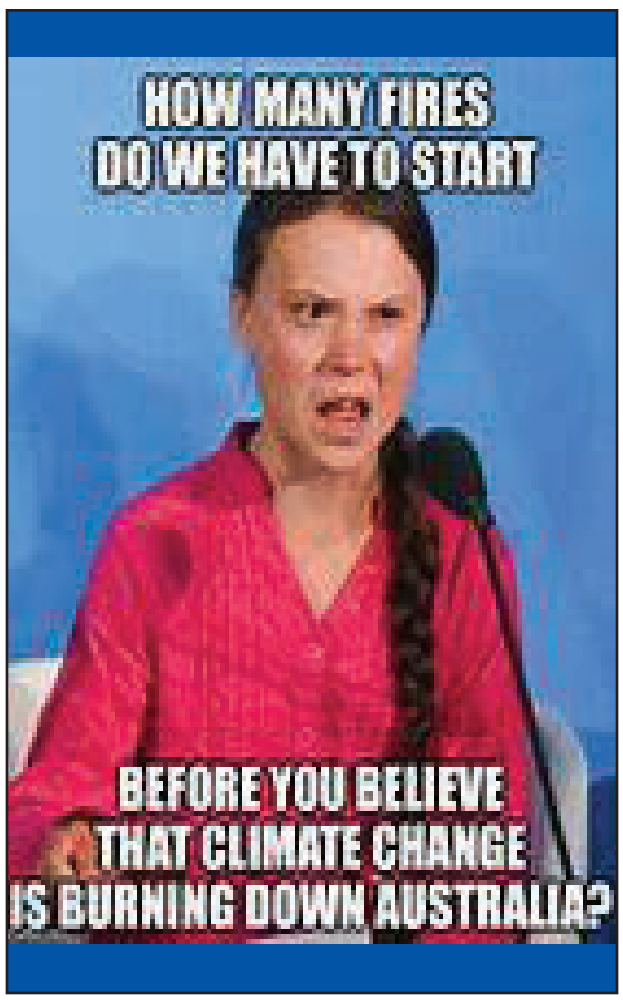





Fauci's daughter worked for Twitter during pandemic, deposition reveals

By The Post Millennial

On Monday, Missouri Attorney General Eric Schmitt released to Twitter the full transcription of Dr. Anthony Fauci's full deposition in the ongoing case regarding social media censorship, in which it was revealed that Fauci's daughter worked for Twitter.

Attorney D. John Sauer asked Fauci if he knew anyone that worked for social media companies at the time, to which Fauci stated, "Well, I've had communications with Mark Zuckerberg in the past who was — I've done, I believe, three outward FaceTime discussions encouraging people to get vaccinated."

During the line of questioning, Fauci revealed that his daughter used to work for Twitter as a software engineer, but said in response to another question that they never discussed content posted to social media.

"Do you have acquaintances, people that you know, who work on social media platforms?" Sauer questioned.

"Well, a person who used to work as a software engineer for Twitter was my daughter," said Fauci.

"Did you ever — when she was working at Twitter, did you ever discuss with her the content of stuff posted on social media platforms?" Sauer asked, to which Fauci said no.

"Did you ever discuss with her the origins of the virus or concerns about the origins of the virus?" Sauer continued.

"No, she has no interest in that," said Fauci, who added that she stopped working for the platform "over a year ago."

The deposition, given on November 23, comes as part of a social media censorship lawsuit brought forth by Schmitt and Louisiana Attorney General Jeff Landry earlier this year alleging that key figures in the Biden administration, including President Joe Biden himself, "have colluded with and/or coerced social media companies to suppress disfavored speakers, viewpoints, and content on social media platforms by labeling the content 'dis-information,' 'misinformation,' and 'mal-information.'"

Topics include the suppression of the Hunter Biden laptop story, talk of the Covid-19 lab leak theory, questioning the efficacy of masks and lockdowns, and the legitimacy of the 2020 election.

Fauci is one of many key Biden administration figures deposed in the lawsuit.

As questioning continued, Sauer began probing about social media and the conversations regarding the lab leak theory.

"Well, let me ask you this: Did you ever have concerns about what people might be saying on social media about the virus's origin?" Sauer asked.

Fauci responded, "You know, I'm so dissociated from social media. I don't have a Twitter account. I don't do Facebook. I don't do any of that, so I'm not familiar with that. I've never gotten involved in any of that."

"Were you ever concerned about what people would be saying on social media about the origins of the virus?" Sauer later asked.

"I'm concerned about, you know, there being misinformation or disinformation that would interfere with our trying to save the lives of people throughout the world, which happens when people spread false claims," Fauci responded.

Citing an email from February 2, 2020, Sauer points to a line from Fauci that read: "And so many people and the threat of further distortions on social media." Sauer asked, "Were you concerned about the further distortions on social media the day after the conference call?"

"I guess I was," Fauci responded. "I said it here in the e-mail that I was concerned about the further distortions."

"What distortions on social media were you concerned about?" Sauer asked.

"Wild speculations and accusations, you know, blaming the Chinese and talking about they're deliberately or accidentally — which certainly is a possibility," said Fauci. "There was no evidence of that at the time, and that's what I was concerned about."

Sauer noted that in this email, Fauci wrote, "it's essential that we move quickly," and "hopefully we can get the WHO to convene."

Following a short break, Sauer returned to questioning Fauci, this time referencing his comments on misinformation.

"Is it your view that misinformation and disinformation on social media can lead to loss of life?" Sauer asked.

"I think in any situation where egregious misinformation such as some of the ones I referred to before, such as information that would discourage people from getting vaccinated, that in my mind, would be a way that life could otherwise have been saved would be lost, if people were persuaded not to pursue live-saving intervention," Fauci responded.

When Sauer asked if there should be steps to "curb the spread of misinformation and disinformation," Fauci said, "You know, that's not my area. I'm very well aware of the concept of freedom of speech…. I really don't have any opinion on that."

Fauci said in response to questions that he has never contacted a social media company to remove misinformation, and that "no my knowledge" he hasn't contacted Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg to discuss such actions.

"Are you aware that — generally, that after your comments at the White House on April 17, coronavirus task force briefing speech about the lab leak hypothesis was censored on social media?" Sauer asked.

"I'm not aware of suppression of speech on social media to my knowledge," Fauci responded.

"Were you aware that Twitter, for example, removed content that suggested the virus may have escaped from a lab?" Sauer questioned.

"You know, I don't know for sure. I can say I am not aware of it. It may be someone somehow sent me one of the thousands of e-mails and said, 'hey, this is happening,' but I was not aware to the point of noting it in my memory that Twitter or any other social media was suppressing anything," said Fauci.

Sauer moved on to note a document from Meta, the parent company of Facebook and Instagram, titled "Update on our work to keep people informed and limit misinformation about COVID-19."

He noted that one of these topics targeted by the document was posts stating that "COVID-19 is manmade or manufactured."

Fauci said that he wasn't aware that Meta made these changes to their policy.

"Did you ever have any communications with anybody removing speech about the lab leak theory of the origins of the Covid from social media platforms?" Sauer questioned.

"I don't recall ever having any conversation. But again, no, I would say it would be unlike me because I don't get involved in that sort of stuff. Like I said, my association with social media is almost zero. I don't have an account. I don't tweet. I don't pay attention to social media. I wouldn't know how to access a tweet if you paid me," Fauci responded.

Sauer also noted Meta's policy that states, "we remove misinformation primarily about vaccines when public health authorities conclude that the information is false and. Likely to directly contribute to imminent vaccine refusals," questioning whether Fauci would be one of these health authorities.

Fauci later stated that "to my knowledge, I've never had anyone mention me and my authority or my reputation that has anything to do with influencing social media platforms."

Sauer also noted an email from a Twitter employee marking false Fauci Twitter accounts, to which Sauer asked, "were you aware that staff at the NIH were communicating with Twitter about removing accounts from Twitter because they were impersonating you?"

"I kind of vaguely recall that there was a fake account of people using my name under false pretenses. I'm not 100 percent sure what they did about it. I'm sure that when they found out that it was a false account, that they would want it to be removed. I didn't say remove it," said Fauci. "I believe I have a communication staff that I'm sure, if they found out it was a false and misleading account, that they would want it to be removed."

"And would your communications staff contact the social media platforms to have that false and mislead content removed?" Sauer asked.

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recommendations. They said what parties should do. They said, for example, why you should not take ivermectin to treat COVID-19. They did not say you may not do it, you must not do it. They did not say it's prohibited or it's unlawful. They also did not say that doctors may not prescribe ivermectin," Isaac Belfer, one of the lawyers, said during a Nov. 1 hearing in federal court in Texas.

"They use informal language, that is true. It's conversational but not mandatory."

The hearing was held in a case brought by three doctors who say the FDA illegally interfered with their ability to prescribe medicine to their patients when it issued statements on ivermectin, an anti-parasitic that has shown positive results in some trials against COVID-19.

Ivermectin is approved by the FDA but not for COVID-19. Drugs are commonly used for nonapproved purposes in the United States; the practice is known as an off-label treatment.

The FDA created a webpage in 2021 titled "Why You Should Not Use Ivermectin to Treat or Prevent COVID-19" and later posted a link to the page on Twitter while writing: "You are not a horse. You are not a cow. Seriously, y'all. Stop it."

A second post stated: "Hold your horses, y'all. Ivermectin may be trending, but it still isn't authorized or approved to treat COVID-19."

On a separate page, the FDA stated: "Q: Should I take ivermectin to prevent or treat COVID-19? A: No."

Those actions interfered with the doctors' practice of medicine, violating the laws including the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, the lawsuit alleges.

It asked the court to rule the actions unlawful and bar the FDA from directing or opining as to whether ivermectin should be used to treat COVID-19.

Jared Kelson, an attorney representing the plaintiffs, told the court during the hearing that that informal claim "doesn't explain the language they actually used: 'Stop it. Stop it with the ivermectin.'"

The FDA's actions "clearly convey that this is not an acceptable way to treat these patients," he argued.

Plaintiffs in the case include Dr. Paul Marik, who began utilizing ivermectin in his COVID-19 treatment protocol in 2020 while he was chief of pulmonary and critical care medicine at Eastern Virginia Medical School and director of the intensive care unit at Sentara Norfolk General Hospital.

After the FDA's statements, Marik was told to remove the protocol from the school's servers while Sentara issued a memorandum to hospitals telling them to stop using ivermectin against COVID-19, with a citation to the FDA.

Marik was forced to resign from his positions because he couldn't prescribe ivermectin because of the FDA's statements, the suit alleges.

The government has moved to dismiss the complaint, asserting plaintiffs lack standing because the injuries can't be traced back to the FDA.

During the recent hearing, which was on the motion to dismiss, the government stated that the FDA couldn't be blamed for the injuries.

"Plaintiffs have also not shown that any of their claimed injuries are fairly traceable to defendants' statements because their injuries were caused by independent third-party conduct that was not a predictable response to those statements," Belfer said.

He noted that the FDA's pages say people can use ivermectin if their health care provider prescribes it; argued that the statements "did not bind the public or FDA, did not interpret any substantive rules, and did not set agency policy"; and said the FDA's position could change in the future if new data become available.

"They also do not have legal consequences for anyone but simply provide nonbinding recommendations to consumers," he said.

Kelson disagreed.

"If the government is going to label ivermectin a horse medicine or a horse dewormer and promulgate the idea that it is only for animals, then the natural correlation is that doctors who prescribe it are horse doctors or quack doctors, which has played out," he said. "That is enough of a harm to get into court" or have the motion to dismiss rejected, he said.

Ivermectin is used on animals and humans. The FDA used a picture of a horse in its Twitter posts and on one of its pages.

"The government engaged in a singularly effective campaign here to malign a common drug that has been used for a very long time and has been dispensed in billions of doses. It's one of the most famously safe drugs in the history of human medicine. And when people did exactly what the FDA said to 'Stop it. Stop it with the ivermectin,' I don't understand how that would not be traceable back to the FDA," Kelson said.

U.S. District Judge Jeffrey Brown, a Trump appointee overseeing the case, said he was most concerned about the social media statements because they didn't include any qualifiers.

Belfer argued the statements were aimed at consumers and that the Twitter posts linked to one of the pages, which does include the qualifier.

"So it was predictable that if you include the link to the article, people will click on the link and will see the full article, which includes that disclaimer that if your doctor writes you a prescription, you should fill it exactly as prescribed," he said.

"The plaintiffs, by their own admission, have continued to prescribe ivermectin. So they always had the authority. It may be that patients were not able to fill prescriptions, but the doctors themselves always had the authority."

Brown said he appreciated the briefing from the parties and that he would rule "as quickly as we can for ya'll." As of Nov. 19, he hadn't issued a ruling.

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circumstances seemed to defy logic.

The principle of Really Big Lies is based on their being so divorced from reality that the listener will assume their own perception must be flawed, rather than the claims of the person speaking to them. Only an insane or ridiculous person would make such outlandish claims, and a credible institution would not employ such a person.

Therefore, given that the institution was apparently credible, the statements must also be credible, and the listener's prior perception of reality therefore flawed. Lesser lies, by contrast, are likely to be perceived as sufficiently close to known reality to be provably wrong. Inventing truth can be more effective than bending it.

Early on, my colleagues would ask me to "do something about it," as they still thought the organization should not lie to our source of funds, to partners, or to the audience of scientific meetings. Over time many of these same colleagues learned that integrity was a poor career choice, whilst good team players supported false narratives. Though I had always been aware of the fragility of integrity, this place taught me a lot about human behavior. In the end, only a minority refused to participate. It was excellent preparation for COVID-19 and the evolving credibility crisis of global public health.

A Template For Deception

People working in the global health industry want a decent income, they want their children to have reliable healthcare and a good education. They have important holidays to attend, bosses to impress and subordinates to support. Some time ago when global health was concerned with supporting a human rights and pro-community narrative, success meant advocating loudly and sincerely for community control, informed consent and the importance of patient-centered care.

As the Declaration of Alma Ata stated in 1978, and the WHO attempted to reiterate in 2018: "The people have the right and duty to participate individually and collectively in the planning and implementation of their health care." Unequivocal, clear, but a poor way to realize rapid financial return on a funder's investment.

COVID-19 opened the way for a much sought-after pandemic future. The new public health response trialed with this outbreak was far more attractive to investors with its centralization, and commoditization with vast opportunities for future growth. The excellent COVID-19 wealth shifts from the masses to the few have justified decades of patient investment in public-private partnerships that have broken down the arms-length approach global health once had with conflicted corporate interests.

Truth was the only persistent obstacle to corporatizing and monetizing global public health, but COVID-19 proved that this impediment to progress can be expunged through consistent lying and vilification of truth-tellers backed by a well-managed behavioral psychology campaign. This pandemic response provided a template not only for vastly-increased corporate income, but for job certainty and expansion of opportunity for the army of mostly-Western bureaucrats and health professionals filling the offices, meeting rooms and business-class seats of its implementing organizations. COVID-19 made corporate colonialism respectable again.

COVID-19 and its Alternate Reality

Superficially, COVID-19 appears a poor disease choice to facilitate a societal reset. Death is heavily concentrated in old age, over 75 years in Western countries. Severe cases are generally confined to those with life expectancies already shortened by metabolic diseases and obesity. Countries that failed to implement measures to restrict and impoverish their people, such as Sweden and Tanzania, had COVID-19 outcomes similar to those that opted for lockdowns and other trappings of medical fascism.

Average hospital admissions in the UK and US declined during the pandemic; not what the public expects when a pathogen wreaks havoc. Lockdowns devastated economies, increased infectious disease burdens and promoted widespread malnutrition. Covid vaccines have also been unhelpful as high vaccination rates failed to noticeably impact transmission. The reported mortality and adverse events associated with these vaccines are higher than all other vaccines combined over 30 years.

Thus COVID-19 provided a hard bucket of facts to deal with, but this is just the situation in which Really Big Lies can work. These were needed both to fool the public, and to provide a structure within which health professionals could implement the policy.

A Short List of Really Big Lies

Largely by playing on fear, divorcing data from context, and disseminating false information widely and incessantly, a whole new belief system has been constructed in public health to replace the evidence-based orthodoxy of former years. Reality has been replaced with dogma so divorced from any basis in fact that it is easier to go with the propaganda than deal with the dissonance that would otherwise result. The public is told, broadly, that the response to COVID-19 has been orthodox, that the harms of the past two years are due to a virus and not lockdowns, and that far more money must now be purloined for mass testing and vaccines to stop this from happening again.

For healthcare workers to keep this consistent line, it has been necessary to introduce an array of new dogmas equally divorced from reality and contradictory to what they were taught, and their organizations proclaimed, prior to the 2020 WHO pandemic guidelines. They must now believe:

Disease burden should be measured in raw mortality, and not include metrics such as life-years lost. Hence an 85-year-old dying of a respiratory virus is equivalent to a 5-year-old dying of malaria in terms of burden and urgency.

Medium and long-term harms due to poverty and reduced healthcare access should not be considered when assessing the value of an intervention. A modeled effect on the target pathogen is the only relevant metric.

It is appropriate to misinform the public on age-related risk and relative disease burden and better to instill fear in order to achieve compliance with public-health directives.

Growth of viral transmission in a community follows an exponential curve, rather than a steady deceleration (e.g. Gompertz curve) as the proportion of recovered (immune) people accumulate.

Cloth and surgical masks stop aerosolized virus transmission, and all meta-analyses of randomized control trials (that show minimal or no effect) should be ignored.

Post-infection immunity to respiratory viruses is expected to be poor and short-lived, whilst vaccines to a single viral protein will somehow produce much stronger immunity.

Immunity to viruses is best measured by antibody concentrations rather than T-cell response or clinical outcomes.

Informed consent for vaccination should not include information on demonstrated risks, as this could promote 'vaccine hesitancy.'

It is appropriate to give a new gene-based pharmaceutical class in pregnancy that crosses the placenta without any pregnancy trial data, toxicology studies, or long-term outcomes data (in anyone).

Irrespective of the Convention on the Rights of the Child "In all actions concerning children… the best interests of the child shall be a primary consideration" – it is appropriate to inject children with drugs lacking long-term safety data in order to protect the elderly.

Pandemics have become more frequent and more deadly, despite the historical record, and the progress of modern medicine, indicating quite the opposite.

The above is all either unethical or clear nonsense, contradicted by prior public health orthodoxy. If these positions were only slightly wrong, they would promote internal argument and debate. However, they are so far beyond the pale that to question them means questioning a whole system of authority and learning, the entire current hierarchy of public health. This would risk employment and the support of colleagues, and cause avoidable stress. Holding to the new dogma enables a positive career path and financial security, as did siding with the Inquisition centuries ago. Success requires loyalty, and loyalty must be demonstrated by repeating dogma so that the outside world can see only consensus.

Abandoning Ship

Standing on 2019 principles and practice, refuting the above falsehoods, has been sufficient for health practitioners to be denigrated and forced out of employment in many Western countries. This is the clear mark of fascism and is making the international public health field a specific threat to the health and welfare of others. It is, unfortunately, a return of public health to the fascist realm, not a novel phenomenon. It is spreading malnutrition, driving young girls into forced marriage and sexual slavery, increasing malaria and tuberculosis, and wrecking the credibility of legitimate health programs such as routine childhood vaccination in low-income countries.

Whilst growing their industry's finances, public health professionals are degrading themselves and betraying society. The betrayal, based on incessant lying, is something for which they will inevitably face consequences. In our lying, we have betrayed our constituency, as we did previously over eugenics and forced sterilization. It is a poor record and one to be ashamed of. Eventually, even the most dedicated followers will begin to question the sense of putting on a mask at a restaurant door only to remove it 10 steps later, or vaccinating vast populations against a disease to which they are already immune whilst they die of other readily preventable diseases.

The way out of this is simply to refuse to lie, or to cover for the lies of others. This may seem self-evident, but clearly it is not. The relatively high salaries and public esteem that health professions have experienced may make it harder to step away, but truth will catch up, one day, to those that don't. Cults eventually decay as leaders become drunk on power and the most dedicated devotees struggle to remain obsequious. It is far better to leave early and live with dignity.

Epilogue

The teller of very big lies from my former workplace was only respected by those who also lied, and those who remained fooled. It's a poor substitute for dignity. Those working to promote the current spate of lies in public health, or keeping their heads down while these lies harm others, will have to decide whose respect is worth holding. One can fool many, and sometimes even oneself, but in the long run one can never escape truth.

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Deposition reveals Fauci was early opponent of masking during pandemic

By The Post Millennial

In a full transcript of Dr. Anthony Fauci's deposition in the ongoing case regarding social media censorship released on Monday, it was revealed that the outgoing NIAID director initially opposed wearing masks shortly before the pandemic began spreading across America.

Toward the end of the hours-long deposition on November 23, attorney D. John Sauer noted an email from Sylvia Burwell, former Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, asking Fauci in February of 2020 if she should be wearing a mask in the airport.

"Masks are really for infected people to prevent them from spreading infection to people who are not infected, rather than protecting uninfected people from acquiring infection," the email stated. "The typical mask you buy in the drugstore is not really effective in keeping out virus, which is small enough to pass through material. It might, however, provide some slight benefit in keeping out gross droplets if someone coughs or sneezes on you. I do not recommend that you wear a mask, particularly since you're going to a low risk location."

Sauer asked if Fauci recalled making this recommendation, to which Fauci stated, "I don't recall. I mean, these things — thousands of things happen. If you show me an e-mail that has my name and the proper identification and I said that, I would not argue with you. It would not be out of the question that at that time in the outbreak, I would have said that."

Sauer continued on to say that Fauci generally recommended against masks in the early months leading up to the pandemic, only beginning to recommend them in April of that year.

"In the very early months prior to our understanding of the virus and its modality of transmission, I, the surgeon general, and the CDC were not recommending masks for people for three reasons," he said.

Fauci stated that these reasons were first, that there was a point where these masks were short in supply and a run on them by the general population could be bad for hospitals and healthcare workers, that "there was no evidence at the time or any studies that showed outside of the medical environment… that masks actually worked in protecting transmission or acquisition," and "we were not aware at the time that 50 to 60 percent of the transmission occur from someone who is without symptoms."

Fauci said that these three reasons were why initially, masks were not recommended for the general population and that shifts in research and evidence led to the eventual recommendation of masking, which turned into mandates in most of the country.

The deposition comes as part of a social media censorship lawsuit brought forth by Missouri Attorney General Eric Schmitt and Louisiana Attorney General Jeff Landry earlier this year alleged that key figures in the Biden administration, including President Joe Biden himself, "have colluded with and/or coerced social media companies to suppress disfavored speakers, viewpoints, and content on social media platforms by labeling the content 'dis-information,' 'mis-information,' and 'mal-information.'"

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Abp. Viganò: The COVID pandemic farce served as a trial balloon for the New World Order

By LifeSite News

Dear and distinguished friends,

Allow me first of all to thank Doctor Stephen Frost for the invitation he has extended to me to speak to you. Along with Doctor Frost I also thank all of you: your commitment to fighting the psychopandemic propaganda is commendable. I am well aware of the difficulties you have had to face in order to remain consistent with your principles, and I hope that the damage you have suffered can be adequately repaired by those who have discriminated against you, depriving you of work and salary and labeling you as dangerous no-vaxxers.

I am pleased to be able to speak and share with you my thoughts about the current global crisis. A crisis that we can consider to have begun with the pandemic emergency, but that we know has been planned for decades with very specific purposes by well-known personalities. Stopping at the pandemic alone would in fact be a serious mistake, because it would not allow us to consider the events in their full coherence and inter-connectedness, thus preventing us from understanding them and above all from identifying the criminal intentions behind them. You too – each with your own expertise in the medical, scientific, legal or other fields – will agree with me that limiting yourselves to your own discipline, which in some cases is extremely specific, does not fully explain the rationale for certain choices that have been made by governments, international bodies, and pharmaceutical agencies. For example, finding "graphene-like" material in the blood of people who have been inoculated with experimental serums makes no sense for a virologist, but it does made sense for an expert in nanomaterials and nanotechnology who understands what graphene can be used for. It also makes sense for an expert in medical patents, who immediately identifies the content of the invention and relates it to other similar patents. It also makes sense for an expert in war technologies who knows about studies on the enhanced man (a document of the British Ministry of Defense calls him "augmented man" in transhumanistic terms) and is therefore able to recognize in graphene nanostructures the technology that enables the augmentation of the war performance of military personnel. And a telemedicine expert will be able to recognize in those nanostructures the indispensable device that sends biomedical parameters to the patient control server and also receives certain signals from it.

Once again: the assessment of events from a medical point of view should take into account the legal implications of certain choices, such as the imposition of masks or, even worse, mass "vaccination," made in violation of the fundamental rights of citizens. And I am sure that in the field of health governance the manipulations of the classification codes of diseases and therapies will also emerge, which have been designed to make the harmful effects of measures taken against COVID-19 untraceable, from placing people on respirators in intensive care to watchful waiting protocols, to say nothing of the scandalous violations of regulations by the European Commission which – as you know – has no delegation from the European Parliament in the field of Health, and that is not a public institution but rather a private business consortium.

Just in the past few days, at the G-20 Bali summit, Klaus Schwab instructed heads of government – almost all coming from the Young Global Leaders for Tomorrow program of the World Economic Forum – about the future steps to be taken in view of establishing a world government. The president of a very powerful private organization with enormous economic means exercises undue power over world governments, obtaining their obedience from political leaders who have no popular mandate to subject their nations to the delusions of power of the elite: this fact is of unprecedented gravity. Klaus Schwab said: "In the fourth industrial revolution the winners will take it all, so if you are a World Economic Forum first mover, you are the winners" (here). These very serious statements have two implications: the first is that "the winners will take it all" and will be "winners" – it is not clear in what capacity and with whose permission. The second is that those who do not adapt to this "fourth industrial revolution" will find themselves ousted and will lose – they will lose everything, including their freedom. In short, Klaus Schwab is threatening the heads of government of the twenty most industrialized nations in the world to carry out the programmatic points of the Great Reset in their nations. This goes far beyond the pandemic: it is a global coup d'état, against which it is essential that people rise up and that the still healthy organs of states start an international juridical process. The threat is imminent and serious, since the World Economic Forum is capable of carrying out its subversive project and those who govern nations have all become either enslaved or blackmailed by this international mafia.

In light of these statements – and those of others no less delusional than Yuval Noah Harari, Schwab's adviser – we understand how the pandemic farce served as a trial balloon for imposing controls, coercive measures, curtailing individual freedoms, and increasing unemployment and poverty. The next steps will have to be carried out by means of economic and energy crises, which are instrumental to the establishment of a synarchic government in the hands of the globalist elite.

And here, dear friends, allow me to speak as a bishop. Because in this series of events that we are witnessing and will continue to witness, your commitment could risk being thwarted or limited by the fact of not being able to see its essentially spiritual nature. I know that two centuries of Enlightenment thought, revolutions, atheistic materialism and anticlerical liberalism have accustomed us to thinking of Faith as a personal matter, or that there is not an objective Truth to which we all must conform. But this is the fruit of a propaedeutic indoctrination, one that happened long before what is happening today, and it would be foolish to believe that the anti-Christian ideology that drove the secret sects and Masonic groups of the eighteenth century had nothing to do with the anti-Christian ideology that today drives people like Klaus Schwab, George Soros, and Bill Gates. The driving principles are the same: rebellion against God, hatred for the Church and humanity, and destructive fury aimed against Creation and especially against man because he is created in the image and likeness of God.

If you start from this evidence, you will understand that it is not possible to pretend that what is happening before our eyes is solely the result of profit-seeking or the desire for power. Certainly, the economic part cannot be disregarded, considering how many people have collaborated with the World Economic Forum. And yet, beyond profit, there are unstated purposes that stem from a "theological" vision – one that is turned upside-down, it's true, but still theological – a vision that sees two opposing sides: the side of Christ and the side of the Antichrist.

There can be no neutrality, because when there is a clash between two armies, those who choose not to fight are also making a choice that affects the outcome of the battle. On the other hand, how is it possible to recognize in your noble and high professions the admirable order that the Creator has placed in nature (from the constellations of stars to the particles of the atom) and then deny that man is also part of this order, with his moral sense, his laws, his culture, and his discoveries? How can man, who is God's creature, presume to not be subject himself to eternal and perfect laws?

Our battle is not against creatures made of flesh and blood, but against the Principalities and Powers, against the rulers of this world of darkness, against the spirits of evil that dwell in the heavenly places (Eph 6:12).

On the one hand, there is the City of God – the one Saint Augustine writes about – and on the other hand there is the city of the devil. We can say that in this era the city of the devil is clearly identifiable in neo-Malthusian globalism, the New World Order, the United Nations, the World Economic Forum, the European Union, the World Bank, the International

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and the U.K.

"The Chinese government is set on stealing your technology — whatever it is that makes your industry tick — and using it to undercut your business and dominate your market," Wray told international business leaders. "And they're set on using every tool at their disposal to do it."

Director Wray also warned of potential tactics by Chinese officials, saying they steal technology by using intelligence officers to "target" valuable pieces of information and companies.

As reported by the New York Post in 2020, Chinese consulates in San Francisco and New York have served as key U.S. Communist Party spy hubs and another in Houston was ordered closed that year to "protect American intellectual property and Americans' private information" after diplomats there were accused of espionage.

A former U.S. intelligence official told Axios.com that "San Francisco is the real gem, but the U.S. won't close it."

According to Politico, Chinese intelligence operations in the Bay Area have focused their sights on collecting business connected to trade secrets and technology from nearby Silicon Valley as well as intelligence on internal American political affairs.

The San Francisco Chronicle reported that Sen. Diane Feinstein, D-Calif., who served on the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, unknowingly employed a Chinese spy as her chauffeur and office liaison to the Asian American community for nearly two decades before he was finally exposed.

Christine Fang, or "Fang Fang," a woman suspected of being a Chinese intelligence operative, allegedly attempted to curry influence with Bay Area politicians between 2011 and 2015, including Rep. Eric Swalwell, D-Calif., who until recently served on the House Intel Committee before his removal by new GOP leadership.

A recorded November 2020 lecture by a prominent Chinese political science professor boasted that Beijing had infiltrated "people at the top of America's core inner circle," and that "for the past 30 years, 40 years, we have been utilizing the core power of the United States."

The assertion by Di Dongsheng, vice dean of the School of International Relations at Renmin University included direct references to then-President-elect Joe Biden's son Hunter and his business dealings in the Communist country.

Di said that under President Trump "During the U.S.-China trade war, [Wall Street] tried to help and I know that my friends on the U.S. side told me that they tried to help, but they couldn't do much," adding that a Biden presidency would benefit China.

Referring to China and Ukraine business deals, Di explained: "Trump has been saying that Biden's son has some sort of global foundation. Have you noticed that? Who helped [Hunter] build the foundations? Got it? There are a lot of deals inside all these."

The audience can be heard laughing in knowing approval.

Whether or not potential Beijing extortion leverage over Biden has influenced his China policies — and can be proven to have done so — the fact remains that any suspicions of such conflicting influences compromise American public and allied nation trust in leadership decisions of immeasurable global importance.

And yes, some of those policies warrant legitimate curiosity.

Who can explain why the Biden Department of Energy sold nearly a million barrels of the U.S. Strategic Petroleum Reserve in the midst of an oil shortage to Sinopec, a Chinese company in which Hunter's firm, BHR Partners, had purchased a $1.7 billion stake seven years ago?

Why did President Biden disband former President Trump's China Initiative established to combat technical spying at universities and research institutions and end restrictions against TikTok, a huge Chinese social media company which reportedly mines U.S. users' personal data?

And why did the Biden administration end an inquiry into convincing evidence that the COVID-19 virus that has killed more than a million in the U.S. — along with incalculable social and economic consequences — began in a Wuhan lab?

As noted in the New York Post, "For those wondering why Joe Biden is soft on China, consider this never-before-reported revelation: The Biden family has done five deals in China totaling some $31 million arranged by individuals with direct ties to Chinese intelligence — some reaching the very top of China's spy agency."

The Post further observes: "Indeed, every known deal that the Biden family enjoyed with Beijing was reached courtesy of individuals with spy ties. And Joe Biden personally benefited from his family's foreign deals."

Two top Republicans, Reps. James Comer (Kentucky) and Jim Jordan (Ohio), the respective incoming chairmen of the House Judiciary and Oversight committees, have pledged that their first order of business will be to probe dark Biden family activities to ascertain if Joe Biden was directly involved in Hunter's shady influence peddling deals, thereby representing a dangerously compromised security risk.

Having already apparently penetrated the highest inner chambers of the U.S. Capitol, the American public has a right to know if Chinese Communist Party operatives have successfully picked the lock on our White House gates as well.

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Little girls are made of sugar and spice – Little boys are made of frogs and snails and puppy-dogs' tails

By Kathleen Marquardt

Not so long ago, maybe a decade, the Overton Window was a relevant measure of what was acceptable in America. Not today. Today it is just another tool in the arsenal of

Cancel Culture.

The Overton Window is a model for understanding how ideas in society change over time and influence politics. The core concept is that politicians are limited in what policy ideas they can support — they generally only pursue policies that are widely accepted throughout society as legitimate policy options. These policies lie inside the Overton Window. Other policy ideas exist, but politicians risk losing popular support if they champion these ideas. These policies lie outside the Overton Window.

Today, instead of showing what policies are accepted throughout society, the Overton Window is used to program the masses into thinking that sick and twisted ideas and behavior are fully acceptable to "the average Jane and Joe, so they should realize they are the ones that are behind and need to catch up. The other side of that is the Deep State and globalists use it to take what is not acceptable in today's modern world of Cancel Culture and tell the people it is just normal behavior in today's modern world – so get used to it. That the average Jane and Joe need to learn when to keep their mouths shut about things that offend them and their religion. And while they are about that, they should look at their beliefs and update them.

With any luck, Jane and Joe learn to condemn those who would endorse moral absolutes; they are just way too passe' to exhibit today – you might be shamed for criticizing drag queens teaching kindergarteners how to masturbate. Just shut up and accept that the world has changed and left you behind.

The new, adulterated and perverted Overton Window shows us what we will accept in the near future – or else. Today one of those "or elses" is not just acceptance of the LGBTQRSTUV+. We must now believe that changing one's gender is a prevalent necessity, and we must voice our acceptance, nay, our encouragement for every child to jump onto that bandwagon. Thankfully, my children are grown and identify with the sexes they were born. I feel bad for the parents who have children thinking they were born in the wrong body. But those parents need to quit cowering and protect their children. That doesn't mean acceptance of gender surgery, hormones, and psychiatric sessions to teach them how to be what they aren't.

In the early 1990s, my children were told that everyone is either bi or lesbian/gay; that no one is straight. Of course, this was the early days of that indoctrination. Silly me, I should have read the writing on the wall – it had to morph. And what were the readings of the Overton Window back then on the gender issue? The issue was pretty silent other than in relationship to the AIDS crisis.

Now our kindergarteners are groomed to think they must be in that alphabet/number/symbol soup or there must be something wrong with them. The stigma of being the sex you were born with is not to be borne. The peer pressure, the pressure from teachers who have been programmed to more than support this, all have to been so hard for children who are trying to just survive in such an upside-down world. Get your kids out of public schools; they are the factories set up to ruin our youth. What they are allowing/promoting is sick.

This is NOT about acceptance or tolerance; it is about driving people to extol the perverted lifestyle and condemn those not practicing it. Why? It is another tool to reduce the human population. If you don't have a uterus, you aren't going to be making babies, no matter what gender you think you are.

We have the President's press Secretary warning Red state legislatures that they better not try to stop supposedly transgender children from harming themselves by undergoing mutilating surgeries or being psychologically messed up by shrinks pressuring them to conform to a sick and twisted falsehood.

We have a Justice Department threatening states "with legal action if they try to protect kids from groomers and demented doctors like Richard/Rachel Levine … Biden's choice to be the country's Number 2 health official."

The University of Tennessee Medical Center provides a slew of services for "Gender Affirming Care:

SERVICES WE PROVIDE

Our comprehensive team of medical experts is here to provide any adult transition-related care and support to help individuals express their own gender in a way they are comfortable with and to affirm their own gender identity.

Feminizing Medical Care
- Body contouring
- Breast augmentation
- Orchiectomy
- Vaginoplasty

Masculinizing Medical Care
- Body contouring
- Metoidioplasty
- Hormone therapy
- Primary care
- Chest Masculinization
- Hysterectomy and oophorectomy
- Phalloplasty
- Speech therapy

Surgical Treatments
- Boy contouring
- Top surgery (all types)
- Bottom surgery (most forms of Vaginoplasty, Metoidioplasty, Phalloplasty)
- Facial surgery for both trans women and trans men
- Tracheal shave
- Vocal cord surgery

No one can read that list and think it offers health care! It is telling people to play god with their own bodies. But it tears bodies apart; it cannot change the sex of the human in that body. It can try to alter characteristics, but a man does not birth a baby, and a woman does not impregnate a man – no matter how you change the shape of the body.

That's not all. These are also part of what the university offers:

Planned Parenthood

Q Card Project

Services: Free Q Cards for you to fill in and give to your doctor to inform them of your name, pronouns, sexual orientation, gender identity and any topics you want to discuss with your healthcare provider. Q Card also has a tear-off panel with tips for providing sensitive care for queer and trans youth.

Services: Involves multiple offices and provides rapid follow-up.

What to report: A bias-related incident is any act of bigotry, harassment, intimidation, coercion, or damage to property by known or unknown perpetrators that occurs on campus or within an area that impacts the UT community and which an individual can reasonably conclude is directed at a member or a group of the UT community due to that individual's or group's actual or perceived age, color, creed, disability, ethnicity, gender, gender identity or expression, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, veteran status, or any combination of these or related factors.

Pride Center

OUTgrads

Commission for LGBT People at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Knoxville Chapter of the Trans Empowerment Project

Qloset

The Qloset is a 100% free, queer friendly open clothing option for UT students, faculty, and staff. The Qloset has gender neutral and gender affirming clothing, shoes, and accessories, all available for browsing in a supportive environment. The Qloset is sponsored by the Trans and Nonbinary Subcommittee of the UTK Commission for LGBT People, in partnership with the Pride Center. Gently used or new donations can be dropped at the Pride Center.

GLAAD

National Center for Transgender Equality

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SOFFA (Significant Others, Friends, Family, Supportive Allies, Children (16 and up) of gender transition seeking Transgender/Transsexual persons internet group.

Lambda Law Society

And what are our universities and colleges doing with this travesty? They can't even teach our children how to be sound citizens who understand a work ethic and know enough to hold a job other than flipping burgers. They have no business perverting the students. Yes, I know that is what Thomas Dewey, the Frankfurt School, Horace Mann and the rest of the Marxist cabal set up our education system to do – along with dumbing down the kids, imbuing them with Socialism, communitarianism — and technocracy for the one's with any gray matter left in their skulls. What about indiscriminate free speech, the right to property?

Today's students are being indoctrinated, not educated. May parents wake up and realize that they know their children better than the Marxists in our so-called education system and that being a tomboy doesn't make a girl a boy in a female body. Parents need to protect their children from this and not allow people with a sick and twisted agenda to orchestrate their lives.

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Monetary Fund, and in all those so called "philanthropical foundations" that follow an ideology of death, disease, destruction, and tyranny. And also in those forces that have infiltrated the institutions, which we call the deep state and the deep church.

On the other front, we must recognize that the City of God is more difficult to identify. Even the religious authorities appear to have betrayed their role of giving guidance to the faithful, preferring to serve power and propagate their lies. The very people who ought to be protecting and sanctifying souls are scattering and scandalizing them, calling good Christians rigid fundamentalists. As you can see, the attack is on several fronts, and thus it is a mortal threat for humanity, striking at both the body and the soul.

And yet, precisely at a time when it is difficult to find authoritative points of reference – both in the religious sphere as well as the temporal one – we see an ever-increasing number of those who are understanding, opening their eyes, and recognizing the criminal mind behind the evolution of events. It is now clear that everything is linked together, without having to dismiss those who say so as "conspiracy theorists." The conspiracy is already there: we are not inventing it, we are simply denouncing it, hoping that people wake up from this suicidal narcosis and demand that someone put an end to the global coup. The operations of social engineering and mass manipulation have demonstrated beyond any doubt that this crime was premeditated, and how it is consistent with a "spiritual" vision of the conflict that is now unfolding: it is necessary to take sides and fight, without giving in. The Truth – which is an attribute of God – cannot be cancelled by error, and Life cannot be defeated by death: remember that the Lord, who has said of Himself, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life," has already defeated Satan, and what remains of the battle serves only to give us the opportunity to make the right choice, to choose to do those actions which place us under the banner of Christ, on the side of Good.

I trust that this great work you are undertaking will soon bear its expected fruits, putting an end to a time of trial in which we see how the world will become if we do not turn to Christ, if we continue to think that we can coexist with evil, lying, and self-worship. After all, the City of God is the model of those who live in God's love, self-control, and contempt for the world; the city of the devil is the model of those who live in self-love, conforming to the world and despising God.

I thank you and bless you all.

+ Carlo Maria Viganò, Archbishop

Puzzle Answers

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On the Eve of Destruction

Part 1, From our Forefathers to our Four Fake Fathers



By Kathleen Marquardt

But you tell me
Over and over and over again, my friend
How you don't believe
We're on the eve of destruction.

Today, we are under enormous pressures to replace our political, educational, and religious (social) structures that were set up to protect the individual, to educate our children with the necessary knowledge, and give them the ability to understand and contribute to the continuation of our way of a life of liberty. Yet this pressure toward a negative change has been on-going for decades. Today, we are seeing what seems to be the last "push", the tipping point from freedom to Marxism – all in the desire for a one-world tyranny. What is quite obvious is that this is not from "the will of the people" but is being thrust upon us and secretly has been in the works for too long.

Instead of following the sage advice of our Forefathers, we are being led by the nose by "our four fathers" – Gates, Fauci, (Maurice Strong's weaker, dumber replacement) Schwab, plus Kissinger (and the wannabe, Obama).

At the close of the Constitutional Convention of 1787, Benjamin Franklin responded to a woman who asked, Dr. Franklin, what have we got, a republic or a monarchy? His reply was "A republic, if you can keep it." Obviously, that republic has been chiseled down so often that it offers little or no resemblance to a republic. Those working toward a one-world government have been calling our government a democracy for many decades, inuring us to thinking of it as one rather than a republic. A democracy is the rule of the majority; a republic is the rule of law protecting the God-given natural rights of every individual. What the globalists are trying to foist on us today through the U.N. Declaration of Human Rights are rights given to us by those in control. Our republic was designed to protect our rights, not to declare what rights the powers-that-be will allow us.

While individuals and groups have warned us from the beginning, they have been ignored, unheard. A significant factor in that cover-up has been via the media of movies, television, newspapers ,and textbooks. They all have been coordinated to put out the same messages at the same time, making it seem as though there was no other "take" on the actions and incidents happening. One might think that the people would catch on after seeing the exact same words, sentences, and whole paragraphs mimicked across all networks – and much of the world. But, regretfully, the masses have succumbed to mass psychosis of implanted ignorance.

How could this have been done so easily and with little push-back?

Begin with religion

The answer can be found in Auguste Comte's [i] System of Positive Polity, published in four volumes between 1851 and 1854. His system is one of a "new spiritual life and new material life."

We are now, in the vanguard of Humanity, the beginning of the end of this long education of Man; for we can clearly trace its general feature, now that we have founded the new Science of Sociology, and as a deduction from Sociology, the Universal Religion. Five centuries of anarchy have passed even in the West, since the last phase of the preparatory eras closed with the Middle Age. We must see in this how urgent is the need of a new reorganisation; a new spiritual life first, and then a new material life."

The belief system has to be tackled before the new political system can be installed. And the only belief system the globalists need to dismantle is Christianity; it stands in the way of all the globalists. This new belief system was introduced and inculcated through the education system. The three-legged stool of sociology/ Marxism. Our country, America, was founded on the morally-absolute Judeo-Christian principles enumerated in the Ten Commandments. Positivism: a philosophical system that holds that every rationally justifiable assertion can be scientifically verified or is capable of logical or mathematical proof, and that therefore rejects metaphysics and theism.

What is to replace Christianity? Comte calls it the Religion of Humanity; globalists have formed the World's Council of Churches that is to encompass all religions together – a witch's stew, for sure. Comte called it Positivism: the theory that laws are to be understood as social rules, valid because they are enacted by authority or derive logically from existing decisions, and that ideal or moral considerations (e.g., that a rule is unjust) should not limit the scope or operation of the law.

Stop. Digest that last sentence. First, laws are to become our sphere of existence whether they are moral or not! I am so naïve. Apparently, right and wrong, good and evil are no longer the yardsticks of morality. Forget Christianity. Forget the moral absolutes. But don't forget religion; just don't call it religion. Positivism is a religion, taught in our schools under the title of Sociology.

In that same vein, we have "scientific socialism" (now technocracy) from Pierre-Joseph Prudhon in 1840, that "… in a given society, the authority of man over man is inversely proportional to the stage of intellectual development which that society has reached; and the probable duration of that authority can be calculated from the more or less general desire for a true government, — that is, for a scientific government. And just as the right of force and the right of artifice retreat before the steady advance of justice, and must finally be extinguished in equality, so the sovereignty of the will yields to the sovereignty of the reason and must at last be lost in scientific socialism."

From these roots, we get to the collective, communitarian, "it takes a village" thinking. In other words, we are too ignorant, too caught up in silly ideas like individual rights, freedom, moral absolutes, live-and-let-live, to understand what the global elites are trying to do for our own good – not theirs. They are being the ultimate humanitarians, thinking of we the little people instead of what their wants and needs might be. "Everything we have belongs then to Humanity; for everything comes to us from her–life, fortune, talents, information, tenderness, energy, etc. . . The whole of the Positive education, intellectual as well as affective, will familiarise us thoroughly with our complete dependence on humanity, so as to make us duly feel that we are all necessarily meant for her unintermitting service."

Perhaps our global elite missed the feminine pronoun there. If

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the dangers threatening religious liberty in the West.

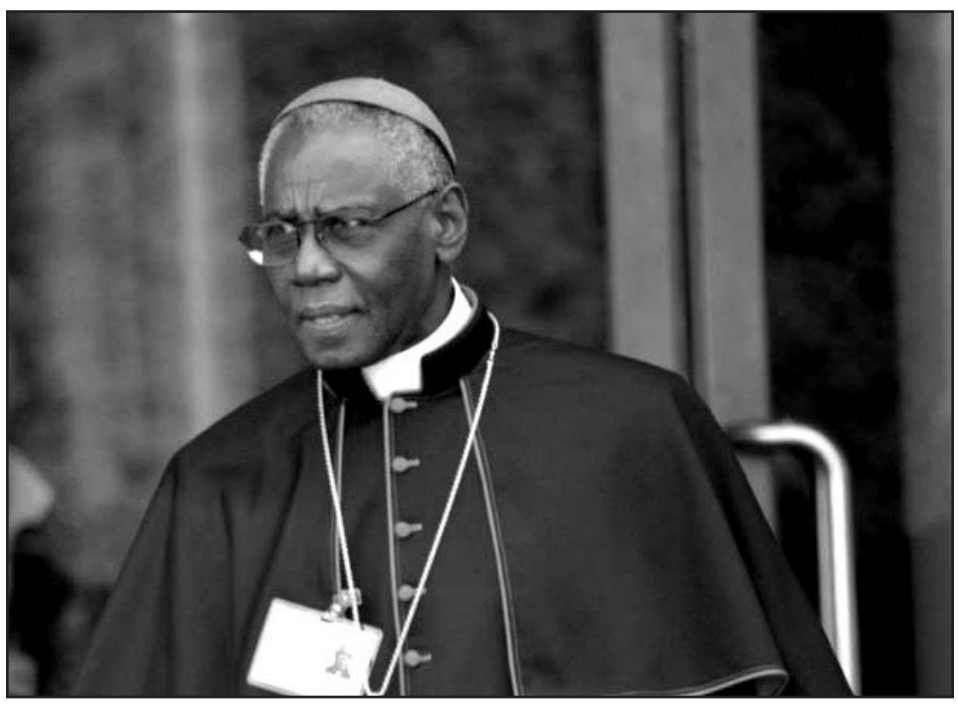
The comments from the cardinal, who supported and promoted the Traditional Latin Mass in many ways during his tenure in the Roman Curia from 2001 to 2021, came during an interview with EWTN which aired on November 27, occasioned by the publication of his latest book Catechism of the Spiritual Life, focusing on the sacraments and divine worship in relation to the spiritual life of the soul.

"Threats against religious liberty take many forms," Sarah declared. "Countless martyrs continue to die for the faith around the world. But religious liberty is under threat in the West, too. It is not often an overt threat, or hatred of the faith," but rather an "implicit bias against Christianity."

Citing the Exodus of the Israelites out of Egypt, in which God insists to Moses that he lead the people to Mount Sinai to worship Him there, Sarah commented that the purpose of the extraordinary events of the Exodus was "so that God's people might have the freedom to worship Him properly." Drawing on the biblical narrative, the cardinal warned, "Religious liberty is not to be taken for granted, or compromised, or neglected."

Turning to Catholic worship in the Mass, Sarah addressed the problems raised by the closure of churches and the suspension of Masses that swept the whole world during the COVID pandemic. He insisted that even at such times, we cannot let go of the centrality of the Eucharist for the Christian life or neglect the worship of God.

"We cannot forget this," he said, "the Eucharist is the source and the summit of a Christian life. Adaptation is necessary at times. We'll face more pandemics and other emergencies, and there will be debate concerning how best to address this in relation to the celebration of the Eucharist. This is good. Liberal democracy requires debate, but never can the importance of our worship of God be forgotten or neglected in the course of debate. Liberal democracy must not forget God."



The cardinal then explained the importance of the Cross, the Eucharist, and Our Lady as foundations for the spiritual life of the Christian. "A Christian life must be built on three pillars," he said, "crux, hostia, and virgo. The cross, the Host and the Virgin Mary. These are the three pillars on which you have to build a Christian life." Speaking of the sacraments as the principal channels of grace for souls, he said, "We need to rediscover these as the principal means of grace that Jesus established in His Church."

Expounding on the way in which the Mass can draw souls interiorly closer to God in prayer, the cardinal said the "liturgy must be beautiful, it must be sacred, and it must be silent."

"I will encourage," he went on, "that the liturgy becomes more and more sacred, more and more holy, more and more silent, because God is silent, and we encounter God in silence, in adoration. I think that the formation of the people of God to the liturgy is very important. We can show people the beauty, to be reverent, and to keep silent in the liturgy, in which our encounter with Christ is deepened."

Contrasting this with the godlessness of the secular world and the emptiness man feels when he lives, as it were, without God, Cardinal Sarah lamented that today, "God has been forgotten. We all live as if God doesn't exist. Confusion reigns everywhere. Too many would reduce our lives, the very meaning of our lives, to absolute individualism and the pursuit of fleeting pleasure."

"We require a retreat from the world, withdrawal into the desert, where we can relearn the fundamentals, the basics: monotheism, the revelation of Jesus Christ, us and God, his word, our sin, our dependence and need of his mercy."

In another book, titled, The Power of Silence, Cardinal Sarah interviewed a Carthusian monk on the importance of encountering God in silent prayer.

Addressing the issue of evangelizing a world largely blind to God in the realm of public life, Cardinal Sarah insisted that the Church cannot rest satisfied with functioning as a merely social or humanitarian organization. "The Church is not a social organization to meet the problems of migration or poverty," the cardinal declared. "The Church has a divine purpose: to save the world."

"If Christ does not dwell within the Church, tangibly, visibly, sacramentally, then what good news do we have to offer to the world? What is the meaning of evangelization? When Christians forget why they are Christian, the community must fall into decline. They forget the Gospel and lose sight of their purpose."

Doubling down on the necessity of Christians to witness to the faith and "fight the good fight," turning to God daily in prayer, Sarah said souls must "turn to God every day, not just for consolation amid worldly adversities, but because we depend upon Him entirely in the cosmic struggle. We are all at war, whether we recognize it or not. It is good that all of us should become aware of that fact and make sure every day that we fight on the side of God."

The cardinal said he hoped his book would help fill a need for guidance for souls in the spiritual life—an invitation, as it were, to follow Christ into the desert. "I saw a need for a representation of some reflections on our spiritual progress in our spiritual life: progress in our personal and intimate relationship with Jesus Christ."

"Every one of us must strive, continuously," he said, "to draw closer to Jesus Christ, to return to his word, and to the simplicity of the faith in his self-revelation. It is the simplicity of the desert, of recognition of our dependence upon God, and encountering him and the gift of his love and his grace, by which he configured us to himself. That is why I decided to write Catechism of the Spiritual Life."

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A method is provided for acquiring and transmitting biometric data (e.g., vital signs) of a user, where the data is analyzed to determine whether the user is suffering from a viral infection, such as COVID-19. The method includes using a pulse oximeter to acquire at least pulse and blood oxygen saturation percentage, which is transmitted wirelessly to a smartphone. To ensure that the data is accurate, an accelerometer within the smartphone is used to measure movement of the smartphone and/or the user. Once accurate data is acquired, it is uploaded to the cloud (or host), where the data is used (alone or together with other vital signs) to

The Six Types of Courage

Physical Courage: To keep going with resiliency, balance & awareness.
Social Courage: To be yourself unapologetically.
Moral Courage: Doing the right thing even when it's uncomfortable or unpopular
Emotional Courage: Feeling all your emotions (positive & negative) without guilt or attachment.
Intellectual Courage: to learn, unlearn and relearn with an open & flexible mind.
Spiritual Courage: Living with purpose & meaning through a heart centered approach towards all life and oneself.

There can be no deep disappointment where there is not deep love. -Martin Luther King, Jr.

A vacation is what you take when you can no longer take what you've been taking. -Earl Wilson

Women who seek to be equal with men lack ambition. -Timothy Leary

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researchers at Stanford and Harvard of COVID 19 patients showed only Influenza A & B

4. Hunter Biden's laptop is legit and the content fully attributable to him and all thereon.

5. The FBI, CIA, CDC, WHO and other agencies instructed Twitter what and who to censor on their platform, greatly affecting outcomes of the 2020 and 2022 elections.

6. Katie Hobbs did the same thing in Arizona

7. Balenciaga marketed using photoshoots containing satanic and pedophilic content

8. Walmart sells single shoes with kids names for several thousands of dollars according to their own website, just like what was discovered on Wayfair's site in August 2020

9. The world manufacturing center of synthetic Adrenochrome is Wuhan, China.

10. FTX laundered all the money appropriated by the US government for Ukraine assistance through their crypto system used by US politicians for elections and human trafficking

11. The US border is wide open as are the borders of most EU countries

12. There are over 40 US funded biolabs in Ukraine

I could continue non-stop for a long, long time. Let's use our heads and make some logical conclusions:

1. The mainstream media brainwashes anyone who consumes its content. Turn it off and keep it off - no logical reason exists to imprint nonsense onto your brain

2. Ukraine is the money laundering/human trafficking hub of the world

3. The purpose of Russiagate was to cover up crimes of politicians and government workers

4. We cannot vote our way out of the voter fraud machine Biden boasted about - it must be fully exposed and brought down

5. Our government consists almost entirely of payoffs and extortion

6. Satanic worship is widespread as is human sacrifice, sex slavery and body parts selling

7. Many in the mainstream media are fully involved in all of these things

8. The FTX Crypto wizard's arrest yesterday demonstrates how much he knows and how desperate they are to keep him silent. I see him being fitted with a suicide sheet any day now. With all of the cameras off of course ala Epstein.

9. Donald J. Trump is the only elected official EVER to make ending human trafficking and pedophilia his top priority

10. Donald J Trump through his policy initiatives created the BEST economy in our lifetimes despite all of the political system being against him

11. Donald J. Trump is the only president that took on the corrupt establishment and has a plan to destroy them. They know it. That's why they keep trying to kill him off.

12. If you think that America can be restored without the services of Donald J. Trump orchestrating the downfall of the Cabal, you've spent too much time in Hunter Biden's motel room.

Trump acknowledged many times God leads the plan he's pursuing. God chose and groomed Trump for this very task - and all of us to do our part to support it.

Trump's simple and transparent agenda - Make America Great Again - says everything about him. He's just one American who loves this country and committed himself to do everything he can to save it. We all owe him an enormous debt of gratitude.

As I wrote this piece I realized the Red Pill represents the conservative (free enterprise) way and the Blue Pill the progressive (totalitarian) road. Exactly like the electoral map.

Now are you ready to swallow that Red Pill?

**The term "Normies" refers to people too busy or not interested enough to look into the things going around them more deeply. Soon there will be events and revelations which will force them to become interested or take the time to find out what's really going on and why. Many will not be able to handle the truth.*

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you haven't noticed, there are few women (are there any?) in the higher ranks of the New World Order. Yes, there are token ones, but none sitting at the top with the likes of Schwab, Gates, or Soros. Oh well. At least Hillary isn't lording it over us.

In Klaus Schwab's COVID-19: The Great Reset, he explains that the "essence of the 21st century is Interdependence, a by-product of globalization and technological progress."[vi] He goes on to state that "globalization and technological progress have advanced so much over the past few decades has prompted some pundits to declare that the world is now 'hyperconnected' – a variant of interdependence on steroids!" [vii]

Schwab, in his Great Reset, would have us believe that we live in an interdependent world (forget national borders and sovereignty) which is a "world of deep systemic connectivity, in which all risks affect each other through a web of complex interactions …; these risks — economic, geopolitical, and societal or environmental are interdependent and interconnected. In other words, we of the world population are going to all be treated the same, have the same god, and do what the globalists think the little people must do to "save the world from ourselves. That we, the world's population of useless eaters will all be given the exact same Universal Basic Income, own nothing because the globalists will let us rent the bleakest basics, and yes, we who will own nothing will be owned — thats a law of nature. They, being so far above us, have no restrictions; but that is okay because there are fewer of them thus their carbon footprints, even though much larger than ours, don't need to be addressed. They are the gods. And global warming is their myth projected on us to grab control.

Even the Christian faithful have gotten sucked-up into this, some in very big ways – like Charles Carroll Bonney and John Henry Barrows. Bonney came up with the idea to "unite all religion against all irreligion," and worked to form the World Parliament of Religions. He then initiated the process for organizing the Parliament of Religions by appointing John Henry Barrows as chairman to administer the General Committee on World's Parliament of Religions. Bonney's view was that there are common essentials of all religions by which everyone may be saved.

But how to spread the word? Through the churches, synagogues, mosques, ashrams? That might be the way if the need was to convince and convert all peoples in the world. But the globalists understand that America and the West were all that needed to be weaned on a new religion; one of political correctness and rewriting history, of moral relativism and anything goes. To "make of many peoples one truly human race; we would form of many states one mighty and harmonious brotherhood of nations, over whose bounteous fields, tilled by enlightened industry, guarded by establish justice, and reaped by willing hands for happy homes, shall bend forever the bounteous skies of peace."

How were the globalists going to do this, inculcate Positivism into a country build on personal freedom, property rights, and the rule of law?

Next: Part 2 of Eve of Destruction

One Nation Under God

Christians should at least give credit to Putin for waging war on LGBT propaganda

By LifeSite News

Russian President Vladimir Putin continued his war on woke ideology Sunday by signing into law a bill that strengthens his country's opposition to "LGBT propaganda."

Western media predictably lashed out at the Orthodox Christian president, who, unlike European and North American politicians, has rejected international pressure to embrace transgenderism and state-sanctioned sodomy.

For defending Biblical marriage and sexuality — as well as for putting Russia first — Putin is vilified by the press as one of the most evil men to have ever lived. The reason why is obvious: He stands in the way of the military industrial complex's plans for global hegemony.

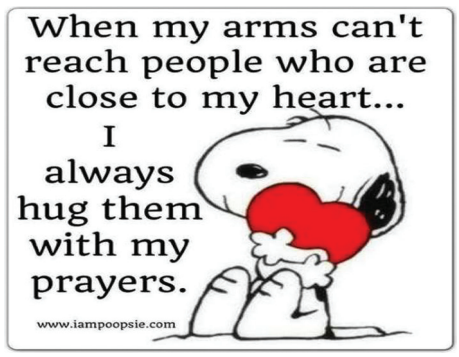
Don't get me wrong. I'm not saying Putin's hands are entirely clean. He's no saint by any means. But I have friends who would rather have him as their president than Joe Biden. I don't blame them. After all, he said earlier this year that "the overthrow of faith and traditional values … has taken on the features of … outright Satanism."

The new Russian bill laudably creates fines and broadens the scope of a 2013 law to now include a prohibition of LGBT content not only for children but Russians of all ages. It also bans the promotion of pedophilia and gender "reassignment" in films, books, media, and advertising. According to Russian outlet RT, the bill passed with unanimous support in both the upper and lower houses of Russia's Federal Assembly. To that I say: Bravo. U.S. lawmakers should follow suit.

This isn't the first time Putin has the social justice left up in arms. At the Valdai International Discussion Club in Sochi last year, he denounced those who promote "cancel culture," equating them to the Bolsheviks who instigated the 1917 communist revolution in Russia. It is "simply monstrous" that "children are taught from an early age that a boy can easily become a girl and vice versa," he rightly noted at the time.

Putin's speech was so on target that he earned the praise of The American Conservative's Rod Dreher, who wrote, "Putin, Orban, and all the illiberal leaders … are all completely clear and completely correct on the society-destroying nature of wokeness and postliberal leftism."

Under the new law, individuals reportedly risk incurring a penalty of up to 400,000 rubles ($6,600). Corporate entities could be fined up to five million rubles (around $83,000). In 2020, Russian voters outlawed homosexual "marriage." European Union authorities have routinely condemned Russia's anti-LGBT laws.



Meanwhile, abortion is currently legal in Russia but only until the 12th week of pregnancy. When compared to the rest of the world, these statutes arguably make Russia more Christian than most Western nations.

It's been said that even a broken clock is right twice a day. I hope Christians who consider Putin an irredeemable villain will at least recognize the good he has done with this and other laws he's supported that defend Biblical morality against the woke left. Leaders who support such bills are no doubt hard to come by in our post-Christian world. Let's give credit where credit is due.

GOP lawmaker organizes Eucharistic procession at Michigan capitol to 're-evangelize' state

By LifeSite News

A newly elected state representative who is organizing a Eucharistic procession on the grounds of the Michigan state capitol on Wednesday, December 7 told LifeSiteNews he wants to evangelize the Wolverine State for the Kingship of Christ.

"This particular Eucharistic Procession is first and foremost a reverent act to bring the Blessed Sacrament on to our State Capitol grounds," Republican Jim DeSana, who will begin his first term this January, told LifeSite. "Our parish also feels it is a Statement that Jesus is our Sovereign King and our Founding Fathers never intended for God to be completely separated from every aspect of American Society. To be able pray and venerate Jesus on the very ground where our laws are passed is what we want to witness on behalf of all Roman Catholics in the State of Michigan."

DeSana will represent the 29th district in Michigan's House of Representatives, which is located just south of Detroit.

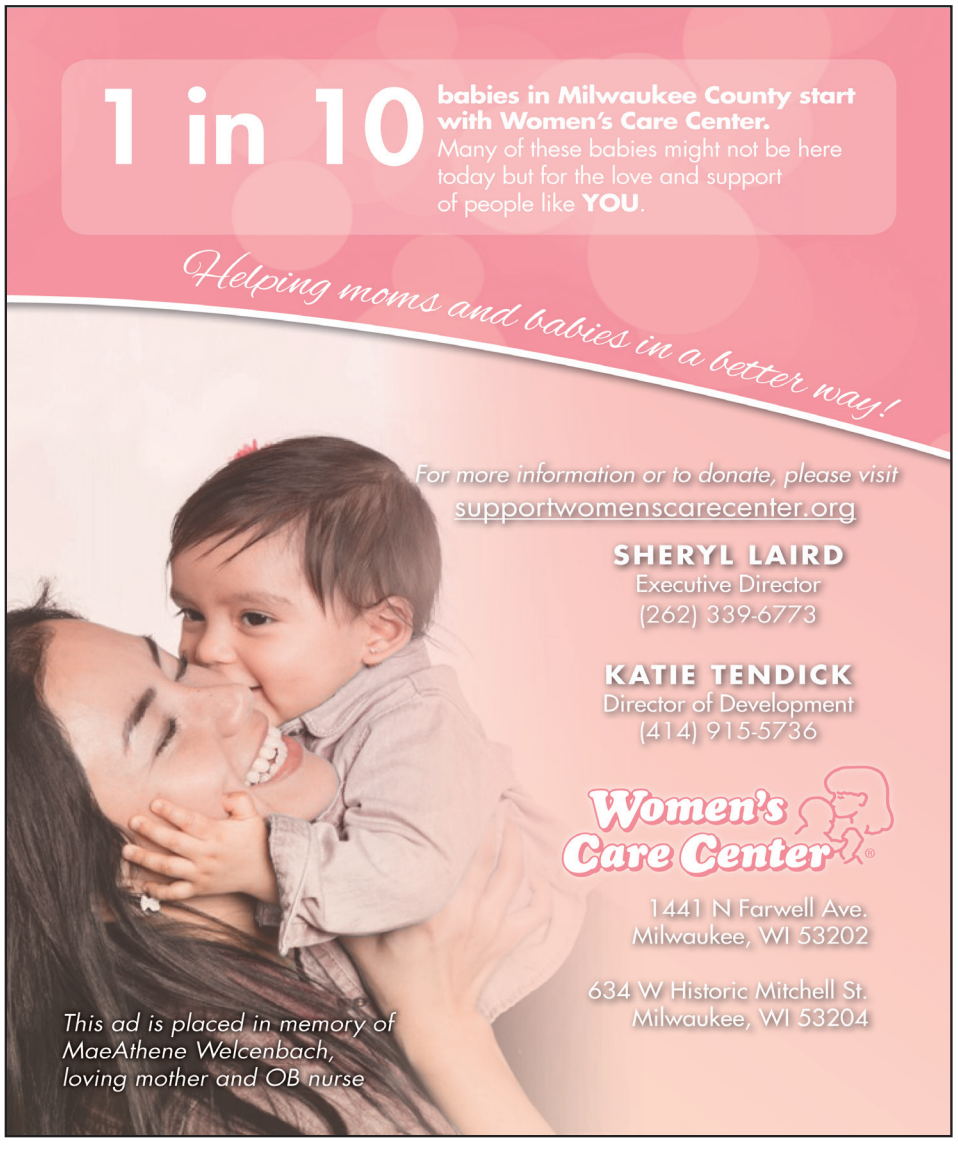
DeSana is a father of four boys and four girls. He also has 14 grandchildren under the age of nine. He and his wife Stephanie have been active in pro-life initiatives for many years, including Michigan Right to Life. A practitioner and strong supporter of homeschooling, DeSana attends St. Stephen's Catholic Church in New Boston. Father John Hedges, St. Stephen's parish priest, will be on site for the procession.

"My goal, ultimately, is to build back up the Catholic community of Michigan," DeSana said. "Michigan was, at one time, one of the most Catholic states in America — along with Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, and Ohio. We need to re-evangelize Michigan. We need people to realize that the atheistic society we have become will eventually decimate our great State."



DeSana previously worked as a businessman before entering politics. His father James served as a state representative in the 1970s and 1980s, eventually serving in GOP Governor John Engler's administration.

"I decided to run for office after I became alarmed at the loss of liberty we suffered at the hands of the government tyrants running the State of Michigan. I could not believe how many unconstitutional and illegal measures that were being forced upon us," he said.



Fauci's daughter *cont. from page 16*

how they would do it. Again, Is aid I don't pay attention to things related to social media accounts," Fauci responded.

Sauer also later noted that moves were made on Facebook and Instagram to have fake Fauci accounts taken down.

Sauer exhibited an email from Nicole Berkowitz from the Environmental Protection Agency expressing concern to the NIH regarding an ad placement on a "misleading" video on YouTube that made it appear to be an official CDC video.

"Did you have any knowledge of someone from the EPA consulting with an NIH list to try and find a contact at social media to have dangerous information taken out?" Sauer asked.

"I don't have any recollection of any of this," said Fauci.

Sauer later went on to ask Fauci, "do you have an opinion about whether people should be allowed to post on social media opinion that you think, for example, are dangerous and might lead to loss of life? What's your view on that?"

"You know, again, you say allowed, I don't know what the legal or other First Amendment issues are associated with that. That's not my lane or my area of expertise," Fauci said once again.

"As a physician and a scientist and a public health person, I'm very sensitive to the fact that disinformation, including some of the disinformation that we discussed that, for example, has people avoid lifesaving interventions, is dangerous to health," he added.

Fauci continued on to state that "you counter that I think is open to question," stating that his personal approach is to "flood the system with correct information as opposed to interfering with other people's ability to say what they want to say."

VOICE OF JERUSALEM

Cultural Appropriation and the Jews

By Caroline Glick

On Monday night, an Egyptian television reporter covering the World Cup tournament in Doha, Qatar was assaulted by an angry mob and forced to leave the games to avoid being lynched. The mob assaulted him because they mistook him for an Israeli reporter.

Qatari officials were reportedly embarrassed by the incident. They weren't embarrassed about the crowd's violent anti-Semitism, though. The Qataris were embarrassed because their officials hadn't believed the poor Egyptian when he insisted he was one of them. And so, they stood by as the mob gave him the "Israeli treatment."

From the moment they touched down in Doha to cover the World Cup, Israeli reporters have been showered with hatred. Jeering fans scream "Palestine" at them and block them from broadcasting. They are cursed, threatened and hounded as they walk down the thoroughfares. Israeli reporters are thrown out of taxicabs, denied service at restaurants and assaulted. The main assailants are Arabs from Qatar, Egypt, Lebanon, Jordan, Morocco, the United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia and beyond, but European fans have invariably been just as hostile.

Every time an Israeli reporter identifies as Israeli, their interlocutor shoots back, "Palestine, Palestine, there is no Israel! Only Palestine!" Palestinian flags may be the most popular ones at the games.

Yediot Ahronot reporter Raz Shechnik described the treatment he and his colleagues have suffered in posts on his Twitter feed over the weekend, and reflected on how it has changed the way he views the nature of the Arab world's conflict with Israel.

As he put it, "I became sober-minded here, for the first time. I was always a centrist, liberal and open minded, with a great desire for peace first and foremost. I always thought the problem [between Arabs and Jews] was the governments, the leaders—including ours. But in Qatar I learned just how pervasive the [Arab] hatred is among the people on the street, how much they wish to wipe us off the face of the earth. To what degree everything connected to Israel stirs up harsh hatred."

Shechnik's testimony, as well as videos showing the harassment he and his colleagues are suffering, raise the issue of the connection between support for Palestinians on the one hand, and mob violence and harassment of Jews, on the other. Why do people who attack Jews use "Palestine" to justify their behavior? And why do people who support "Palestine," think that mob violence against Jews is justified?

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The reason, while hard to accept, is nonetheless obvious. Mob violence against Jews is related to pro-Palestinian positions because they are manifestations of the same thing: antisemitism. This is the reason that pro-Palestinian activists from Paris to New York, London to Los Angeles assault Jews. This is the reason that Palestinian-supporting politicians and prosecutors tend to avoid prosecuting these assaults and Palestinian supporting media outlets tend to downplay their significance.

At its core, the Palestinian narrative is nothing but the appropriation of Jewish nationhood, culture, history, heritage and faith. Among progressives, a person is considered guilty of cultural appropriation if he belittles or otherwise ignores the cultural roots of a phenomenon. For instance, if someone mentions an ethnic food without noting its origins, they can expect to be vilified as a bigot.

The Palestinian cultural appropriation of Judaism and Jewish peoplehood takes cultural appropriation to a completely different level.

For the past 3,500 years, Jewish heritage, faith, nationhood and history—in their entirety—have been wound up with the Jewish people's connection with the Land of Israel. Jews simply cannot explain, or even understand themselves in the absence of the Land of Israel. Dig a few inches below the surface in any place in the Land of Israel and you will find archeological evidence of the Jewish people's millennial ties to the land. Go into any synagogue or Jewish school in the world and you will find evidence of this basic reality.

The Palestinian national narrative is based both on a blanket denial of Jewish history, heritage, nationhood and faith and the appropriation of all of them by the Palestinians. PLO chief and Palestinian Authority leader Mahmoud Abbas insists that the Palestinians are the biblical Canaanites. His predecessor Yasser Arafat said the Palestinians are the Jebusites. Never mind that neither group has existed for 3,000 years.

At the same time, they insist there is no connection between the Jews of the Bible and the Jews of today. Palestinians systematically destroy archaeological sites throughout the land of Israel to wipe out the historical record. History is then rewritten based on the political and propaganda requirements of the revised, entirely fabricated history of today's Palestinians.

This is the reason that the Palestinians refuse to accept Israel's right to exist, at all costs. Their fake history will be indefensible if they acknowledge that Jews are indigenous to the land of Israel, that Israel isn't a colonialist outpost but the only homeland the Jews have ever known, one to which they retained their attachment over 2,000 of exile and dispossession by the imperial powers across history. The Palestinian cause only makes sense if Jewish history, nationhood, heritage and faith are denied and Jews are demonized for refusing to accept their erasure.

This total cultural appropriation of Jewish existence by the Palestinians is a supreme act of Jew hatred. And those who support the Palestinians support the erasure of Jewish existence across time. Since the Palestinian narrative has been so ingrained in the cultural life of Western elites and progressives, it is often difficult to recognize the annihilationist Jew hatred at its core. To make this clear, we can turn to another form of antisemitism predicated on the cultural appropriation of Jewish existence.

The Jew hatred of Black Israelites, the Nation of Islam and their supporters is similarly based on the theft of Jewish identity. Both the Nation of Islam and Black Israelites insist that the Jews are the "spawn of Satan." The true Jews, they insist, are American blacks. Last week, more than a thousand uniformed Black Israelite men marched through Brooklyn from Grand Army Plaza to Nets Stadium chanting, "Hey Jacob, it's time to wake up. I've got good news for you. We are the Real Jews!"

The march took the crowd of Jew haters through the largest Jewish communities outside of Israel.

The Black Israelites were marching in support for Brooklyn Nets star Kyrie Irving, who was suspended from the NBA for spewing Black Israelite-based anti-Semitic propaganda, in the course of which Irving recommended an anti-Semitic film that, among other things, denies the Holocaust.

The storm that arose among black anti-Semites in response to Irving's suspension makes clear just how central antisemitism is not only in the narrative of the Black Israelites, but in the lives of those who either identify as Black Israelites or ascribe to their fabrication of black history in America.

Not only did throngs march in support of Irving and his antisemitic world view, but also rapper Kanye West. Once considered courageous for his public opposition to abortion and support for then president Donald Trump, in recent weeks he has replaced his conservatism with antisemitism based in the Nation of Islam/Black Israelite theft of Jewish heritage, history and faith and appropriation of that heritage, history and faith to black Americans.

The notable aspect of West's behavior is that whereas Irving issued a groveling apology for his antisemitic outburst, West doubled down. In every public appearance since he openly defended Irving's anti-Semitism, West has not only restated his antisemitic positions, he has expanded on them, and escalated his attacks on Jews as a people, a community in America, and as individuals. In redefining himself as an antisemite first and a rapper and public figure second, West has chosen to associate himself most closely with other antisemites, particularly white supremacist Nick Fuentes.

West's decision to act as a bridge between black antisemitism, which is generally associated with the progressive political camp, and white supremacist antisemitism, which is generally associated with the political far right, exposes a much-ignored but fundamental fact about antisemitism: it isn't a political position. It is a cultural outlook; a way of understanding the world. Antisemites hail from the political left, center and right. They come from all religions. Their antisemitism directs their politics. Consequently, antisemitic policies have advocates in all political camps.

This brings us back to the Israeli reporters in Doha.

Black Israelites and the Nation of Islam, which base their identity on the appropriation of Jewish identity, comprise a small but powerful minority of the black community in America. They impact the Congressional Black Caucus and other key black power centers, which in turn impact the Democratic Party. And while their cultural and political power are growing, they are still limited.

In contrast, embrace of the Palestinian narrative is all but universal across the Arab world, across the wider Muslim world and across large sections of the Western world. It is nearly universally accepted in Europe and by progressives in America. All of the people who accept and champion the Palestinian narrative accept the validity of a political cause that is entirely based on the appropriation of Jewish peoplehood.

Shechnik and his fellow reporters were stunned to discover the truth about the war against them as Jews, and against their state. The antisemitism that animates their antagonists in Doha has nothing to do with who leads Israel's government or what the Israeli military does in any given war or operation. Support of the Palestinians, and their goal of wiping Israel off the map, is rooted in Jew hatred, shared by billions of people across the world.

The Palestinians are popular because they provide a vehicle for expressing and advancing that hatred, including in the halls of power across the world. Israel's endurance is unacceptable, because simply by surviving, simply by having reporters to send to cover the World Cup in Doha, the Jewish state proves that the Palestinian narrative is untrue, and based on a rejection of observable reality and the historical record, not on justice or truth.

Likewise, American Jews are stunned to discover that black antisemitism, like Palestinian-predicated assaults on Jews from Peoria to Miami, has nothing to do with who is in power in Israel or whether American Jews identify with progressive or conservative politicians and causes. It has nothing to do with whether or not American Jews are willing to accept "white guilt."

Irving, West, the Black Israelites, the Nation of Islam and their ilk don't hate Jews because of anything any particular Jew may or may not think, say or do. They hate the Jews because they have stolen Jewish history, heritage, nationhood and culture and appropriated all of them to themselves. Having done so, they have no choice but to demonize the Jews, because Jewish endurance and legitimacy expose the fraud at the heart of their invented identity.

Walking with a friend in the dark is better than walking alone in the light. -Helen Keller

Hey, I'm a Catholic deer hunter, I am happy to be clinging to my guns and my religion.
-Paul Ryan

Sometimes by losing a battle you find a new way to win the war.
-President Donald Trump

I say what I want to say and do what I want to do. There's no in between. People will either love you for it or hate you for it.
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