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"I live a dream in a nightmare world"

COKE OR PEPSI? CANADIAN POLITICS NEW CHOICES

Please someone pinch me and awaken me from this horrible Canadian politics nightmare. We have lowered our standards so much that we might as well vote for either COKE or PEPSI to lead us. At the least these corporations have global leadership

in their ranks and are profit driven.

I say this because, in Canada it appears that we are bankrupt when it comes to true red blooded leaders. No matter where you look. Greed and the usual me first mentality prevails. The good old boys club is even corrupt to the point that it is not a good old boys club. The code of honor and decency has been compromised. In today's good old boys club it is all about kissing ass in hope to be pushed up the feeding chain. This is predominant in all political parties. It is not about doing what is best for the country. It is not about doing what is best for the people of the Country. It is all about looking good in the eyes of a phantom perception of democracy, freedom and rights.

We lack anyone taking back what is great about this nation. That being our people. The hard working folk that all they want is to make a living and raise a family. These folks are used as peons in a game of political/social chess. Their values and priorities are constantly on a roller-coaster of popular opinion. For all that people like to say about TRUMP. He has put his foot down and he has clearly shown he has the character to turn a nation around. Don't give me the bleeding heart crap. Name one politician that was perfect? Name one politician that did not have a controversy.

Then stop the bitching and lets learn from our friends to the south. During the last election, the liberals had no one that stood a chance. Who ever the liberal strategist is.. my hat off to you... as you truly revived in a sublime way old Pierre's salute to the nation by coming up with the formula to pull the carpet from underneath all voters by bringing into the spot light the Trudeau name again. The name raised from the death of the Liberal party to once again reign supreme with an individual that if his last name had been Smith. Would not qualify to greet you at the local Walmart.

Look at what is taking place among the Conservatives. Another dying horse with no real agenda nor leader. Come on quick who can name the leader of the Conservative party without having to think about it? Ok so you got that one on two thoughts a burp, and a fart and a personalize rude message to the Gods. Tell me what is the Conservative party agenda? Forget about the burp and the fart... for this one you require a playboy and have eaten alot of Taco Bell. In my opinion they do not have a platform. I say this because. You talk to any of the so called delegates and they all point a different direction. Is this unity and leadership. Please. Now not to forget the NDP. They are stirring the pot of delusion and attempting to create a concoction from the Liberals 'WE WELCOME ANYONE TO CANADA' platform and a mix of the conservatives, 'WE THINK WE CAN, WE THINK WE CAN'. mentality...

So what is their end product. A visible minority that by his presentation and his demeanor clearly has the best interest of his racial profile people. One thing about Obama. He was American first. Afro American second. With the NDP's Singh. He is Indian first and Canadian second. Don't get me wrong this is not being prejudice. This is calling a spade a spade. Why is it that if you walk into their environment you should not offend and show respect. Yet, the man that is supposed to represent all Canadians lacks the decency to show respect for those that do not support foreign culture being forced to be accepted. Multiculturalism is one thing. But force acceptance of a foreign culture is prejudice in itself. So no matter if you vote COKE or PEPSI. Once that seal is broken. It is all cola to me. Let's turn politics corporate



Regional Talk

By John Mutton

As we see the #metoo campaign hitting elected officials across Canada and the USA in droves I decided to talk to some folks and delve into possible prevention vs only having reactive measures to deal with accusations both real and fictitious such as the Patrick Brown accusations that he has cleared his name on.

So I looked at some Code of Ethic policies for the municipal elected officials and while some are very strong with items pertaining to "gifts" and "conflicts of pecuniary interest", they were all virtually silent on Human Rights and issues of racial, gender or sexual harassment. While our Ontario Human Rights Act does cover this off, I believe we can go further.

What I am going to propose is a complete overhaul of the Code of Ethics polices and engage a process that not only outlines that racial, gender specific or sexual harassment is not tolerated by anyone including elected officials, but to put in a formal process that will immediately outline the steps if a complaint is launched. This way we have clarity around the victims rights and the path and process that will be automatically followed for anyone accused of a violation.

My goal is to establish a working group of industry experts to draft the gold standard, best practice policy that all other regions and municipalities will follow. One thing we have seen is that without a standardized process, the victims remain afraid to come forward for fear of reprisal.

Not many know this and I won't go into it in this column, but I speak on this issue from deep knowledge. Yes I was a #metoo that used the Ontario Human Rights Tribunal to deal with a sexual harassment by a former employer on me. Yes, bodybuilder and competitive fighter me was serially harassed and I would not wish this on anyone. I for one thank the Ontario Human Rights tribunal for helping me cope being a victim. In fact, to this day, I believe I am one of the only men that has brought their complaint to the tribunal and been made an award against a female employer at the time.

The time for a clear policy and complaint mechanisms is now, our staff and residents deserve it.

Till next week

John Mutton

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

February 16, 2017 "I have sat by for the past few days listening to the misinformation that the Town of Ajax has been dispelling to the people of Ajax, and the smear campaign that they have launched against me. Mayor Steve Parish and members of Council are more than aware of my support to keep the Ajax casino in Ajax with the race track. I have been a champion of the Slots at Ajax Downs and Quarter Horse Racing in Ajax for many years.

The Mayor and council are also fully aware that I have publicly supported the casino and the racetrack. In fact I do it almost everyday. As far back as 2015, I provided a letter of support to the Mayor of Ajax and members of council, for a letter they were sending to OLG in support of the slots and track in Ajax. To reiterate what Mayor Parish and council already know, the procurement process to modernize gaming in Ontario is overseen by a Fairness Monitor to maintain the integrity of the process. It has been confirmed, that the Fairness Monitor abided by "the principles of openness, fairness and transparency" during this process.

I am aware that my opponent Rod Phillips is coming out in favour of the casino. How easy it is for Rod Phillips to parachute in to the riding of Ajax and support a casino staying here, when he is the author of the OLG Modernization that could very well dictate the fate of the Ajax casino.

However, I will repeat, I would like both the casino and the race track to remain in Ajax. Furthermore, I am committed to the sustainability of Ajax Downs and Quarter Horse Racing in Ontario."
--Joe Dickson, MPP Joe Dickson

Letter To The Editor:

I have been closely following recent developments with respect to the casino in Ajax. While this is not a decision of the Government of Canada, it greatly effects our community and, as such, I think it imperative that I comment publicly.

Let me state unequivocally my belief that the casino and racetrack should remain in Ajax and not be moved. The casino remains an important resource for the Town of Ajax, both in terms of employment and in terms of the revenue it provides for our citizens. Moving it would be a bad decision and is something I strongly oppose. I know that MPP Joe Dickson shares my opposition.

There was a lengthy process to establish the casino in Ajax, that included a local plebiscite, and its removal would cause significant adverse impact to our community. This is unacceptable and I have and will oppose it in any way I can."
Ajax, ON - MP Mark Holland

Letter To The Editor:

It is with great disrespect that I write this as I am beyond shocked at the position the conservative party is undertaking.

First that stunt by Patrick Brown. Now he is claiming to be an innocent victim. If so, why quit so fast.

Most are seeing this move as nothing short of a political stunt. A stunt to quantum leap the conservatives in to the media lime light.

Is this what the party has come to be. Another stunt.

Well the lost my vote.

William Brown, Whitby

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