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MANCHIN CONGRATULATES DRUG COURT GRADUATES IN KANAWHA COUNTY

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) congratulated Kanawha County Drug Court graduates in his keynote address at their graduation ceremony today.

“Drug court changes lives – but it doesn’t do the work for you. You have to commit to it. It’s about hard work. It’s about day-in, day-out commitment. It’s about accountability. And it’s about hope.”

- The seven graduates include:
- Latischa DeBord, who completed the program at Recovery Point here in Charleston, and she’s now a peer mentor and supervisor.
- Betsy Gibson, who completed the Recovery Coach Academy at BridgeValley Community and Technical Center.
- Lisa Goodnite has completed the program at Recovery Point here in Charleston, as well as the Recovery Coach Academy at BridgeValley. She’s also a store manager.
- Kristen Tippett is a full-time student at BridgeValley, and she’s been on the dean’s list every semester. She’s studying Human Services and Rehabilitation Services.
- Brandon Carpenter is finishing a program at the Kanawha Valley Fellowship Home, and he’s working on completing his GED.
- Heath Johnson completed an outpatient program in partnership with Prestera, and is working toward a construction career with his father.
- Todd Wood completed the program at Kanawha Valley Fellowship Home. And he’s enrolling to resume his academic studies at WVU Tech in Beckley.



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“I live a dream in a nightmare world”

The Trump Factor

It appears that no matter who wins. The people always seem to have something to bitch about. When Obama was in office. Those dam Democrats. Now the Republicans are in the drivers seat... and it’s those dame Republicans. The bottom line and in keeping with the spirit of democracy. We must park our indifference and warrant merit where it is due. Obama was a humanitarian, a passive/aggressive leader that cared for his people but failed to deal with the many road blocks he faced during his Presidency. Trump on the other hand appears to be driving a bulldozer and stops for no one or anything. So far, one has to give him credit, that his bullish approach has the dollar at the highest it has been in a long time. The U.S. economy is booming and he is finally taking control of the world as the leader of the strongest country in the world. Look at his work with the North/South Korea. Look at his initiatives with Israel. Look at his work with eradicating the ‘YES MEN’ in politics. I wish he go further and pass a bill that would include everyone in politics. As it stands if you are not wealthy. Your only contribution to the institution of democracy is a cheap vote. It appears that in order to run a political campaign in the United States you best to have a minimum of five hundred thousand or good luck. For President you best have millions... what does this say for the rest of us? Politics is not for the average person. Yet, these politicians go out of their way to identify with the common folk. We have fallen into a false sense of acceptance when it comes to politics. We are led to believe that democracy is democratic. By it’s own inner structure. It is clear that there is nothing democratic about forcing influence and extracting votes. Trump brings this to life... as those that oppose him point it out and those that support it take it as the status quo in politics.

TRUMP WITHDRAWAL FROM IRAN NUCLEAR AGREEMENT COULD LEAD TO WAR

President Donald Trump announced on May 8 that the United States would withdraw from the Iran nuclear deal negotiated by President Barack Obama, as well as establish trade sanctions. He did so despite receiving unanimous advice to remain part of the agreement from the other signatories to the deal: Iran, China, France, Germany, Russia, and the United Kingdom. Trump also disregarded information supplied by Secretary of State Mike Pompeo and Director of National Intelligence Daniel Coats that Iran was following the commitments it made under the deal. Middle Eastern foes of Iran — Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, and Israel — applauded the withdrawal.

“One of Trump’s objections to the deal was that Iran’s nuclear program would no longer be curbed after 2030,” said Libertarian National Committee Chair Nicholas Sarwark. “Withdrawing from the deal now means that Iran’s nuclear program is effectively no longer curbed starting now. That’s letting the perfect be the enemy of the good. When the administration abandons diplomacy and threatens other countries with sanctions, it leads us closer to war. Free trade and movement of people between countries leads us closer to peace. These sanctions will not only hurt Iran and make them less likely to come to the table for further negotiations, they will also hurt our allies who are also signatories to the Iran agreement.”

If a Libertarian lived here, the troops would be home by now Trump indicated that sanctions against purchase of Iranian oil and secondary sanctions against the Bank of Tehran will be reinstated. In addition, other countries, including our allies, will face restrictions on use of the American banking system if they continue trade with Iran at current levels. Furthermore, Trump has told the Treasury Department to come up with other even more severe sanctions. Making Iranian oil more difficult to market will probably lead to higher global oil prices — and higher prices at the pump for gasoline. Neither Republicans nor Democrats can be counted upon to refrain from using sanctions, a form of trade war that impoverishes all sides. Only Libertarians can be relied upon to maintain free trade, which facilitates both peace and prosperity between countries. Only Libertarians can be counted upon to resort to war exclusively for defensive purposes. To that end, the Libertarian Party is aiming to field more than 2,000 candidates for federal, state, and local office in 2018.

Investigation Begins for NY AG

BROOKLYN, NY - New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo has announced the appointment of Nassau District Attorney Madeline Singas as the special prosecutor and special deputy attorney general to investigate abuse allegations against former state Attorney General Eric Schneiderman. Cuomo called for a “complete and unbiased investigation” and said Singas should “investigate, and if warranted, prosecute, any and all matters concerning the public allegations against Mr. Schneiderman, as reflected in The New Yorker article.”

Schneiderman resigned after serious allegations that he physically abused four women and tried to use his position to intimidate them into silence, according to The New Yorker. The women described being slapped and choked, verbally abused and threatened by Schneiderman. “There can be no suggestion of any possibility of the reality or appearance of any conflict or anything less than a full, complete and unbiased investigation. The victims deserve nothing less,” said Cuomo.

Before these shocking allegations of physical abuse and demeaning acts towards women became public, Schneiderman had become unhinged. He used his office to abuse the legal system and innocent people with whom he disagreed. He allegedly threatened some of the women not to reveal his abuse or else he would tap their phones and surveil them. He prided himself on being part of the resistance.

Liberty Counsel is defending Scott Fitchett, Jr., a pre-K teacher whom Schneiderman targeted because he peacefully shared the gospel of hope on public sidewalks wherever he goes, including outside a New York abortion facility. Schneiderman’s office was informed of Fitchett’s innocence by a security guard for the Choices Women’s Medical Clinic (Choices) in the town of Jamaica, NY before he even brought the lawsuit. Schneiderman sued Fitchett and 12 other people anyway. During a one-month hearing that recently concluded, Schneiderman presented no evidence of any wrongdoing by Fitchett.

When Schneiderman announced his lawsuit against peaceful pro-life counselors last year, he said, “We are not a nation where you can choose your point of view,” and that pro-life Christians “run their mouths” with “unlawful, un-American rhetoric.” He called Christians’ efforts to counsel women considering abortion and to advocate for the rights of the unborn “horrifying” and “illegal.” “It is appropriate that Governor Cuomo appointed a special prosecutor to address the abuse allegations about New York AG Schneiderman,” said Mat Staver, Founder and Chairman of Liberty Counsel. “If proven, the allegations of choking and physical abuse are criminal acts. Ironically, the law that Eric Schneiderman sponsored as a legislator to criminalize choking in domestic disputes may the same law that sends him to prison. His pattern of using his position to control and abuse women is shocking and demands an investigation,” said Staver.

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