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 - https://twitter.com/thedemocrats/status/1269397501464981505?s=12&fbclid=IwAR39wySkkn6_zRNid_Srqu6g8PlubuUKBlpVJZ0UJjmJ8rDALXPXQEaMbvM
- Republican's (Rob) Response
 - Hi Democrat. Are you really sending this? Or have you been hijacked.
- D
 - What? The Covid 19 survey - no I didn't put that on there!
 - Which post were you talking about?
- R
 - I was referring to the you hate trump link. I didn't see any covid 19 link. Was that supposed to be another bait and switch?
- D
 - You know I am not crafty enough to design a "bail and switch"! Hating Trump is my Mantra these days and The Lincoln Project is electric - a group of prominent republicans developing ads against Trump. I know we are opposite in our politics but thats OK. I won't go into how cowardly the Republicans are to let him deteriorate to a worse and worse degree without doing anything to reign him in or distance themselves. He's a very sick person!
- R
 - What is your favorite lie?
- D
 - Let's see... I'm 35 years old?
- R
 - I never heard that one. Did you get miss lead by that one?
- D shared a link
 - From Jimmy Fallon Show. LRI: @sarahcpr PDI: is too funny. Thank you for being on my show. Please come back.
- R
 - Hi Democrat. Did you actually watch this press conference in real time? I did and the press took it hook line and sinker. What is your next favorite lie? Your Dr. Oz clip doesn't appear to meet that definition.
- D
 - I don't care who you like - She is hilarious!
- R
 - Hi Democrat.She is hilarious. Ill bet she is great with Biden's Gaffs. Did you see how she handled Hunter in Ukraine and China. Ill bet she had a heyday with Hillary and the hilarious 5th amendment invocations on Capitol Hill. She could do a thing showing the timeline of the trump election and Biden's request to unmask Flynn. All this would be so petty if we had an honest press and people didn't rely on late night skits for their news.
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- R
 - Hi Democrat. Thanks for the link. What specifically do you think makes Trump the worst.
 - I'm sure you are aware and have possibly read "The Weight of the Poor: A Strategy to End Poverty." written by Richard Cloward and Frances Fox Piven. I'm also sure you are aware of "Rules for Radicals" written by Saul Alinsky and influenced by Cloward and Piven.

- The political tactics are, at a minimum, fifty years old. They were designed to deal with a political situation in existence during the 1950s, 1960s, and early 1970s – a world totally different from today. Yet, many activist groups laud these tactics without realizing their inappropriateness in the 2020 world. What Alinsky, and his followers, failed to comprehend is that they created a whole generation of people who cannot see beyond screaming criticism and offer any modern day solutions to social problems beyond a social shift to the hungry and dreary world of socialism/communism – something they definitely do not actually want to happen.
- The counter reaction to this situation has been the rise of the humongous populist movement that elected Donald Trump. This group doesn't put up with Alinsky-like nonsense.
- Today's Democratic Party is afraid of this generation and the few radicals that influence them.
- D
 - Just to let you know: if Trump was a Democrat, I would still be against him and I would vote Republican. It's not Republican or Democrat to me, it's what he is doing to the country. We can't survive the divisiveness, the racial baiting, the incompetence, the ignorance, etc. Four more years of this and we won't have a Republic.
- R
 - So you hate Trump so much that you support lying, cheating and stealing to get rid of him. I have to wonder about the me too movement will that poor girl that Biden groped ever get her day? Maybe if you would stop looking for a reason to impeach Trump there wouldn't be so much divisiveness. Maybe if the Democrats hadn't made a policy of bait and switch we could trust passing their bills. Do you have any specific examples of the racial baiting, the incompetence, the ignorance, etc. It seems to me that you might have succeeded in impeaching him if you went after those things. What I am the most afraid of is if Biden gets elected the truth about the Russia Collusion and the great fortunes of Hunter and other Biden relatives will go unanswered. In fact most Washington DC insiders Republican and Democrat seem to be running scared. They seem to fight "draining the swamp" at all costs.
- D
 - Who drank the Kool-Aid? Not me!
- R
 - Hi D. Happy Fourth of July. There are no planned big parties on our circle this year. I have no idea what isn't being planned. We will have to wait and see. I am disappointed though. I was looking forward to your examples of "racial baiting, the incompetence, the ignorance, etc.".
 - Again Have a happy Fourth of July if you are allowed to celebrate it.
- D
 - Not much happening here either! I see a lot of cars over at the pool - people spreading COVID. You must be blind and deaf if you need examples!
- R
 - Hi D. It has been a relatively quiet 4th. We have watched a couple of movies and some Colombo reruns. I suppose the democrats will have those outlawed because of the name. Ouch! Blind and deaf. What I have seen and heard was in real time from start to finish. I don't get my news from the Late Show, Saturday Night Live or clips from like thinking people. I listen to Juan Williams, Donna Brazile, Geraldo Rivera etc. etc. etc. and they don't have any specifics either. I listen to Trump's real time seamless live news question and answers with the press, then I see the resulting news reports. I would be blind, deaf and stupid to ignore the difference. It's really easy to check the actual context of the "racial baiting, the incompetence, the ignorance, etc." charge. So please don't dismiss me. Give me an example.

- D
 - I would never dismiss you! You have a right to your beliefs and opinions just as I do. But it's hard for me to believe you are serious when you ask for examples. But I will take you seriously. If you really want examples, go to Republicans Voters Against Trump (rvat.org) and listen to what staunch Republicans say. Its painful for them to even think of voting non-Republican but their reasons speak to the examples you want. They express it far better than I could.
 - If you want more, listen to his Mt. Rushmore speech and/or clips of his support for white nationalists. Also, google "Malignant Narcissism" and read what the symptoms are - they fit him to a T and he has been diagnosed as such by hundreds of professionals. This disorder makes it impossible for him to be the kind of leader that brings people together and appeal to a higher moral consciousness; to be empathic and to think of others above himself and his own self-interests; to tell the truth about anything, etc.
- R
 - Thank God the RINO population is small. It appears that the people in rvat still think Trump colluded with the Russians. The latest outrage is another red herring. Prove Trump didn't get briefed on whether Russia paid the Taliban to kill US soldiers. Just a thought from a deaf and blind man; Do you really need to pay the Taliban to kill US soldiers?
 - I did listen to the Mt Rushmore speech in real time from start to finish. I thought it was excellent. What did you find divisive in it? Send me a link to your favorite clip. My favorite is Pelosi ripping up her copy of the State of the Union Speech. My second favorite clip is Pelosi arguing that Bi-Partisanship is absolutely necessary for impeachment. I can go on and on however since Obama Care was shoved down our throats free speech has come at a huge cost. Do you remember a conversation you and I had at the beach. I was trying to voice my concerns about the 2000+ page Obama Care bill. You called me a racist and that was the end of it. I have been told that I voted against Obama because he was Black. A very wise man I knew suggested that many more voted for him because he was black. I voted for McCain and later for Romney against a community organizer who happened to be black. I voted for Trump because he is an outsider and the swamp doesn't control him. I have seen clips of Foreign leaders suggesting that Trumps honesty is refreshing. It makes me happy and proud that some foreign countries are paying their fair share.
 - Bait and switch is a swindle, it's immoral not to mention illegal. It is however normal operating procedure of the democratic party.
 - The following looks awfully familiar doesn't it. How to create a social state – The Cloward-Piven Strategy: There are eight levels of control that must be obtained before you are able to create a social state.
 - *The first is the most important.*
 - Healthcare– Control healthcare and you control the people.
 - Poverty – Increase the Poverty level as high as possible, poor people are easier to control and will not fight back if you are providing everything for them to live.
 - Debt – Increase the debt to an unsustainable level. That way you are able to increase taxes, and this will produce more poverty.
 - Gun Control – Remove the ability to defend themselves from the Government. That way you are able to create a police state
 - Welfare – Take control of every aspect of their lives. (Food, Housing, and Income)

- Education – Take control of what people read and listen to, “ take control of what children learn in school.
- Religion – Remove the belief in the God from the Government and schools.
- Class Warfare – Divide the people into the wealthy and the poor. This will cause more discontent and it will be easier to take (Tax) the wealthy with the support of the poor.
- D sent a link
 - <https://youtu.be/4b-dannQQ0Q>
- R
 - Wow you have convinced me that Waters World is much better. Can't you find something original.
- D
 - You sound very angry.
 - I don't think it's right to dismiss patriotic Americans who are very concerned about what is going on as RINOs. You certainly don't want to be dismissed because of your opinions or beliefs, nor do I. Also, that population is growing. Look at the polls - even the FOX polls show Americans are growing more and more concerned about divisiveness, foreign policy that alienates our allies, loss of dignity and honesty in the White House, Twitter insults, etc. Trump preaches divisiveness and thinks he can get elected by encouraging Americans to be at war with each other - white against white, white against black and brown, rich against poor, educated against less educated, mask wearers against non-mask wearers, police against peaceful protesters and so on. Everyday he stirs this boiling pot. This is not a survival policy for America. "A house divided against itself cannot stand." Encouraging bi-partisan partnership and cooperation is the only way anything will get done and the only way hurt can be soothed. It is also the only way that extreme factions on EACH side can be controlled. These are basic tenets of issues management and we are in dire need of intelligent issues management!
- R
 - Sigh. Anger is a second hand emotion, usually brought on by fear. I have voiced my fears and I will do it again. I am afraid of socialism do I need to tell you why. <https://blacklivesmatter.com/what-we-believe/> . Through bait and switch you can vote your way into socialism however you have to shoot your way out.
 - So to quote the community organizer “elections have consequences”.
 - By the way do you have any examples of democrats using intelligent issues management? I mean besides Detroit, Chicago, Atlanta, New York City, Los Angeles, Portland and Seattle. They all seem to be at war within themselves. There has been no Republican influence in those places for years.
 - I haven't seen any police against peaceful protesters. I have seen peaceful protesters as well as unpeaceful protesters against police.
 - I would think that every poll would show concern about divisiveness. Isn't that a no-brainer. Look at these clips. <https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=bipartisan+meetings+in+trump%27s+white+house&docid=608002622622206231&mid=1BF1888F6902220AA1A41BF1888F6902220AA1A4&view=detail&FORM=VIRE> . As for foreign policy, loss of dignity and honesty in the White House lets wait for the Durham investigation to be completed.
 - FYI. I have tried to not sound angry. If I am angry I will sound like this **WHAT THE FRICK WAS I THINKING** or "A house divided against itself cannot stand." .

- D
 - No, I have not seen any intelligent issues management on either side but one can always hope. Maybe I should be President. Anticipatory Issues Management was my career (Predicting and managing issues before they become a crisis). But who in their right mind would want the job!!Your clip on gun control is kinda old - back when he was interested in gun control for 2 minutes. But that is the kind of thing we need more of - bi-partisan groups tackling the issues. Getting something done for once instead of permanent gridlock.I am not supportive of a totally socialist state either. But we already have a lot of things - police, schools, infrastructure, fire. There needs to be some National Policy on Health Care for pre-existing conditions but I am not in favor of Medicare for all. As you know, there are still expenses with Medicare which the proponents seem to ignore. Also, I had socialized medicine when I lived in England and it was awful. I'm pretty happy with Medicare along with Supplemental insurance. When I was sick 11 years ago and was in the hospital for 14 days, I didn't pay a penny.
- R
 - When I was in high school Psychology and Sociology were required. I found out that police, schools, infrastructure, fire, families etc. were based on Communism. From those according to their ability to those according to their need. The burden being owned, shared and managed within the local community. I remember bringing this up with dad. He said that this was communism at its best and as long as public unions were not allowed it would function. He explained to me how the South Central School District worked. The local community elected and influenced the schoolboard. The schoolboard hired and fired the school administrators, approved or disapproved their choices and monitored their results. If their results were substandard the local community would pressure the schoolboard to fix the problem. School budgets were requested by school administrators approved by the schoolboard and voted on by the local community. This was a well balanced system with the local community in control.
 - The states realized that public services under this model were not equal. The most qualified employees were choosing the communities with the best funding. The easy solution was to force equality, take control from the local communities, pool all budgeted moneys and disperse them equally. Of course the bureaucracy created by this plan siphoned off a great deal of the budgeted money. So like all government programs the quality of public services equalized at or below the lowest common denominator.
 - The federal government realized that public services were substandard and not equal. Some states had better funding than others. The easy solution was to force equality and assure enough federal moneys to assure basic programs. Again the bureaucracy created by this plan siphoned off a great deal of the budgeted money and local fraud got most of the rest.
 - Some communities became unhappy with higher taxes, lower quality services and fraud. The only control left to them was to terminate the dead wood and dishonest people. Public employee unions were needed to protect the dead wood and dishonest people.
 - So on and on and on. The democratic party "So-called Liberals" Progressives (a buzz word for socialists) the party of the Unions loads every bill with a poison pill. Trillions of dollars to shore up systems we all know are corrupt and cannot be controlled. (3. Debt – Increase the debt to an unsustainable level. That way you are able to increase taxes, and this will produce more poverty.) Do you want to support bills designed to topple our capitalist system? There is nothing more divisive.
 - You can always tell what the democratic party is up to. They blame the republicans for doing exactly what they're doing. Could this be called Anticipatory Issues Management?

- There is nothing old about Gun Control. (4. Gun Control – Remove the ability to defend themselves from the Government. That way you are able to create a police state). There are many other examples of Trump trying to negotiate with the democrats. All the while democrats were not so secretly fabricating the Russian hoax.
- I think Gridlock is a tool of the minority party. The majority party has no need for it.
- D
 - I can't argue with what you say. All I'll say is that the Republican Party as it now stands has lost all of its Republican values. They have become victims of The Stockholm Syndrome - afraid to stand up for Republican Values for fear of a Trump tweet. I have no problem with "Republican Values" but that is not what the current Republican Party stands for.
 - Has Your Party Left You?
 - <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=856536151422699>
 - https://youtu.be/ObqBtoz_fRA
 - (One of these links will work)
- R
 - Wow you are good. Is this another example of Anticipatory Issues Management? I thought it was bait and switch. Do you actually suggest that people who espouse traditional democrat values are not afraid to voice them. Did you happen to see what became of Karen Whitsett? <https://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/local/detroit-city/2020/04/25/detroit-democrats-unanimously-censure-lawmaker-karen-whitsett-who-credited-trump-covid-19-recovery/3025907001/> Again you are so transparent. You are blaming the republicans for what the democrats (the party of change incidentally) are doing. We could go tit for tat forever however the “cancel culture” raising its ugly head seems to be targeting Trump, his supporters or hostages as you so lovingly put it and democrats who make the mistake of complementing Trump.
 - I never heard of Anticipatory Issues Management. I have used FMEA through my whole carrier. Failure Modes and Effects Analysis developed in the late 1950s sounds similar. Do you actually think that Trump and his advisors don't use some sort of similar program. I'm sure they do because early on Trump talked about the cure becoming worse than the problem.
 - As you know no business that depends on customer satisfaction can survive with a failing product however all products fail. At some point failure becomes acceptable. I have designed jet engines that last for hundreds of hours and jet engines that last less than a minute. If you wanted to discredit me you could say that my designs are a failure because they don't last. We know though that a successful project first needs a definition or scope. If the definition of your project is to propel a missile to its target within a minute then in fact my jet engines are not failures.
 - Many in the democratic party including yourself would do anything to get rid of Trump. He beat Hillary. He survived the fabricated Russian hoax. He has short circuited the socialist agenda. He put more private sector people to work. He has negotiated fair treaties with foreign countries. I could go on infinitum.
 - I would think that Anticipatory Issues Management can be used to sell, protect or disguise an unpopular product also. If you read between the lines and actually on the lines of the democrats agenda, socialism is seeping out all over. It's amusing to watch the real Stockholm Syndrome victims perform their assigned duties to spin the leaks. Can you imagine how Susan Rice felt when she suggested numerous times that a Facebook cartoon caused a spontaneous mob to attack the us consulate in Benghazi. Poor Jim Comey what kind of threat would cause the director of the FBI to ignore Hillary's blatant crimes. I would think it's the same threat that caused him to perpetuate the Russia hoax. Again I could go on infinitum.
 - <https://www.bing.com/news/search?q=Goyaway&qpvt=goyaway&FORM=EWRE>
- D sent a link
 - timothy.noah1@timothy.noah1.com
- R

- Did you know that Washington State is a Vote by Mail state. Did you know that I can register to vote in Washington State with just my Driver's license and my word. Did you also know that as of this September I will not be able to use my Washington Driver's license to get on an airplane. I will need a passport or an enhanced Washington Driver's license because it is illegal for the WDOL to question my citizenship. Did you know that once I register to vote in Washington State I don't have to reside at the address my ballot is mailed to. Did you know that unless Washington State hears otherwise from me they will continue to mail a ballot to my registered address. Did you know there is a coastal rental in Longbeach Washington that was receiving more than 20 ballots. I ask you what kind of idiot would support Vote by Mail in Washington State.
- Come on D. I know you don't believe this stuff. You think its fun to egg me on. Couldn't you find somebody who was less of a socialist?
- "Timothy Robert Noah is an American journalist and author. Previously he was labor policy editor for Politico, a contributing writer at MSNBC.com, a senior editor of The New Republic, where he wrote the "TRB From Washington" column, and a senior writer at Slate, where for a decade he wrote the "Chatterbox" column. In April 2012 Noah published a book, The Great Divergence, about income inequality in the United States."
- D
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- R
 - This guy didn't vote for Trump he voted against Hillary and now he is voting against Trump. Is this the tuna sandwich guy?
- D
 - Again, excuse me but you sound very angry. I don't mind being a sounding board.
 - You haven't heard of Anticipatory Issues Management (AIM) because I invented it. I put a system in place at XXX that consists of the following:
 - Forecasting what issues might affect a certain business/organization/group. These would be issues that might hurt a business or a group. One can forecast these up to 10 years into the future preliminarily by working with groups that call themselves Futurists. They spend their whole time (and they are Republicans as well as Democrats I would guess) trying to gather data to forecast what issues might be coming along. They even have a National Organization. Most people regard them as freaks! This list is what possibly could happen. As time goes on, one can either see these issues develop or drop off the list. This is an apolitical process.
 - From this analysis, a business can be aware of what MIGHT come along and get ready to:
 - -Either head it off by changing the company's business plans to head off the issue. The plans obviously are not changed in a way that would hurt the business/ goals of a group but are changed to meet some of the needs of whomever is driving the issue. For example, take Greenpeace. They were concerned and threatened action because paper making (XXX,x toilet paper, diaper, tissue, etc.) business uses trees, energy, makes a lot of waste, etc. We were able to identify "common ground" with them and work with them around preservation of wetlands, ensuring wildlife trails (patches of unlogged forest through clear cut areas), forested boundaries along streams and rivers, making clear cuts in random shapes instead of squares and setting up composting in the country. We agreed to disagree about paper

making but worked with them to meet some other of their needs. A win-win for each of us.

- -Make it less impactful by again, adjusting the business plan or group goals and meeting some of the needs of the people driving the issue as explained above.
- -Get ready to handle the crisis if it can't be headed off or made less impactful. There are a lot of things that can be done depending on the issue. A strategy is put together that is tailored for the issue and the pieces developed and put in place before the issue hits so, when it does, it will be less impactful or injurious to the business/group. For example, when XXX was developing a new very innovative diaper, we knew that several groups of activists would come after us. We were the company that brought you toxic shock after all! I was able to put a program into place to get ready for it. One of the things I did was to meet with very prominent Scientists like the President of the American Society of Pediatrics, etc. and share ALL of our very extensive safety work. They were so impressed that they agreed to speak for us if something happened. This was only one piece of the program. Sure enough, a woman in NY claimed that her baby had died of toxic shock and that it was our diaper. An NBC affiliate TV station did two stories on two consecutive nights. The diaper wasn't even on the market when the baby died. People started returning boxes of diapers to the stores. We took all of our safety data and all of the determinations from our "Blue Ribbon Panel" of experts and met with the top executives of NBC, ABC, CBS, CNN, FOX etc. and asked them to just hear us out. We were not trying to get them to change anything, just hear us out. NBC was so appalled at what their affiliate did that they issued a retraction and no one else did a story.
- -Also, there are strategies to handle extreme groups on either the left or the right. By working with middle-of-the-road activists and meeting some of their needs they isolate the extreme groups. The extremists can either come to table (the door is always open and the process inclusive) or choose not to come to the table in which case the other activists will isolate them with no support.
- I became well known by other corporations, gave talks and helped them set up their own systems. I was encouraged to write a book but I hate to write! The process is used by many businesses/organizations now.
- Hope this answers your questions. It's a totally non-political process.
- What I meant by "Has your party left you?" is that traditional Republican Values, which I respect, have been corrupted by the current Republican Party and by Trump. The GOP traditionally stands for (if I have it mostly correct) fiscal responsibility, honesty, competence, small Government, Science based, strong Military and strong relationships with our allies, and, most importantly, the Rule of Law. Trump has corrupted All of these traditional values and The Republicans have not done their oversight job to reign him in. In fact they have colluded with him. So right now you don't have an honest upstanding Republican Party. I'm sorry but they are like

victims of The Stockholm Syndrome - terrified of the insulting tweet by the President. And many staunch Republicans who have NEVER voted Democratic are saying they will vote for Biden. One said, I'd rather vote for a Tuna Fish Sandwich than have four more years of this!.

- So just to be clear. I have no issue with Traditional Republican Values. It's that they are not currently in existence within the Republican Party and the only way to regain them is to vote the current ones out, get new Republican leadership and rebuild the GOP.

- R

- Sigh. Again, anger is a second hand emotion, usually brought on by fear. I have voiced my fears and I will do it again. I am afraid of socialism do I need to tell you why. <https://blacklivesmatter.com/what-we-believe/> . Through bait and switch you can vote your way into socialism however you have to shoot your way out.
- Wow. Good job. I have always been proud of you. You are probably the smartest person I know. You are also very resourceful and vigilant.
- This is why I can not understand how you can hate Trump so much you admire a person who would vote for a tuna sandwich. You back this hatred by claiming Trump has corrupted fiscal responsibility, honesty, competence, small Government, Science based, strong Military and strong relationships with our allies, and, most importantly, the Rule of Law. Yet you haven't given me a single credible example. In fact you have given me examples that have been disproven and examples that have been carried out by the democrats. You have used links from people who do not mask their affinity to socialism and I didn't have to go farther than their website to confirm that. I know that you would not make these mistakes.
- What kind of agenda makes it ok for democrats to destroy peoples character, support violent protesters, align themselves with dangerous political ideals, weaponize the IRS. FBI. CIA. etc. What ever it is it obviously will not survive the light of day. Obviously you need to get Trump out of the way because you can't control him. Why don't you say so and let the cards fall where they lay. Why do you have to lie cheat and steal to cover it up.
- The democrats are losing control of their cancel culture too. I hope they have a plan to turn that off. They have no control over antifa. They have destroyed all our major cities. Every day there are reports of people speaking their minds and getting beat up by mobs. Young children being shot and killed in the streets. Cops being assassinated. What kind of agenda can possibly justify this. You might sluff this off as ranting from some over privileged Racist White Man if all this hadn't happened to Germany prior to the Second World War. I hope their plan isn't to kill antifa and their radical fringe declare martial law and declare victory over the crisis they created and managed. This sounds crazy but true to form that is what democrats are accusing Trump of doing. I'm sure that this is all for the greater good though. I can only suppose that a group of Quality People much smarter than the rest of us with accolades and degrees got together and created the perfect agenda. I suppose the target is somewhere between <http://www.globalistagenda.org/elitebeliefs.htm> and [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_World_Order_\(conspiracy_theory\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_World_Order_(conspiracy_theory)) .
- This is what I think works well. https://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/p-8_thetwelveconetps.pdf
- PS. AIM is just like FMEA.

- D

- Thank you for the compliment. That was nice to hear.
- I don't know how to get across to you that I don't hate Trump. I hate what he has done to the country and I don't care which party he is: (Please excuse me if the following points/examples are a bit repetitive)
- -I think most Americans want to respect the Office of the President and think that their President, whether of either party, respects other people. He is normalizing the attitude that one doesn't need to listen and have

- intelligent discussions with people with differing opinions. It's his way or the highway and if you don't agree with him, you can expect to get trashed with a twitter tirade which is not the American way. We are supposed to respect free speech as long as it doesn't hurt anyone. He so dislikes people with good advice or different opinions that he has replaced all of the people who are supposed to give him good advice and differing opinions with "yes" people.
- -His obvious disrespect for and disbelief in Science (and experts in any field) is endangering the country. Now he is trashing the premier expert on COVID-19 because he doesn't like what Fauci says. Look at the situation we are in - 25 states have logarithmic growth of the virus. This DIDN'T need to happen and we are in big trouble! We expect our President (again, either party) to surround himself/herself with experts and the best brains in the country as advisors and to listen to their advice and factor it into decisions. He only listens to himself. I consider this to be a catastrophic attitude. (Especially since I am a Scientist.)
 - -His support for White supremacists sends a message that it is OK for these people to come out of the closet and be obviously racist. This stirs up hatred and leads to divisiveness which is bad for the country. We MUST come together if we want to get anything done and decrease the hatred and polarization in this country. I don't know if they are Republicans or Democrats - I don't care. I just want it to stop. (As I pointed out in AIM, listening to all sides and working to find common ground and being inclusive will isolate and strip power from extremists on any side.)
 - -There is a lack of official policy on anything and when we do have one, he contradicts and undercuts his own people. This leads to chaos. You can't govern a country with chaos. Policy needs to be clear and again, I don't care if it is Republican Policy or Democrat Policy. It needs to be clear and followed through on.
 - -The President of the United States is supposed to think of the People first and have empathy. He is devoid of these essential characteristics which leads him to think only of himself in all actions. A group of 950 Psychiatric Professionals have diagnosed him with Narcissistic Personality Disorder. Characteristics of this Disorder are:
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 - Have an exaggerated sense of self-importance
 - Have a sense of entitlement and require constant, excessive admiration
 - Expect to be recognized as superior even without achievements that warrant it
 - Exaggerate achievements and talents
 - Be preoccupied with fantasies about success, power, brilliance, beauty or the perfect mate

- Believe they are superior and can only associate with equally special people
 - Monopolize conversations and belittle or look down on people they perceive as inferior
 - Expect special favors and unquestioning compliance with their expectations
 - Take advantage of others to get what they want
 - Have an inability or unwillingness to recognize the needs and feelings of others
 - Be envious of others and believe others envy them
 - Behave in an arrogant or haughty manner, coming across as conceited, boastful and pretentious
 - Insist on having the best of everything — for instance, the best car or office
- This fits him to a T and you can imagine what a dangerous person someone with these personality traits is to society - OUR society.
 - -We expect the President to be a unifying factor in bringing the Country together. He consistently pits people against each other and blames everyone but himself for his mistakes. This sets an example and mind set that there is always an inherent conflict in two sides of an issue. This, again, leads to divisiveness and mistrust. The example we expect the President to set is an example of respect for both sides of an issue. We expect the President to respect and listen to both sides and help find common ground to move forward. It has been proven that listening to both sides and finding common ground leads to a better solution than either side had.
 - -Trump respects no authority, even the Rule of Law. Again, I don't care which party he/she is, we have a Constitution and it gives Congress oversight responsibilities. Even if the President thinks Congress is wrong or off on some tangent, or "out to get him", our laws say its authority must be respected. A citizen (and the President and all the people in the Administration are citizens) must answer questions and/or subpoena from Congress. The longevity of this Country depends on The Rule of Law or else we are an autocracy. Do we want a King or a President?
 - -As well, we expect to hear truth from our President. We want to hear it like it is. I think he is up to something like 5000 untruths and direct defiance of facts. And I mean factual facts - undisputed facts that experts on both sides agree are facts, not opinion. An example is COVID-19. It is reaching terrifying proportions and he says, (just today again) that it's going away and it's no different than the flu.

- Again, please hear me. I don't care which party he belongs to or anyone else for that matter. I don't believe in arguing Republican vs. Democrat. It's not Republican or Democrat to me. It's what this person is doing to the country. If he was a Democrat, I would have the same concerns. Remember Dad used to say he was a Republicrat? Maybe I am the same.
- R
 - Hi D. Just out of curiosity when you were in these AIM discussions did your expertise always prevail? Did you ever have to make concessions because after all the information was compiled the decision didn't go your way. If you had been approached by reporters would you even talk to them about the decision. Fauci has made it clear that he has no interest nor expertise in other areas. I think he is honest and he gives Trump his best expertise which is second to none. I think we can assume that Trump also has the advice of experts on every aspect of this crisis. His Job is to listen to their reports and make the best decision possible.
 - One of the basic questions asked in FMEA is "Is the cure worse than the problem." I would think that question is part of AIM also because in your boilerplate you mention "The plans obviously are not changed in a way that would hurt the business/ goals of a group." You seem to be upset because as a virologist / scientist only a portion of Fauci's reports are being implemented along with portions of other experts decision. You say "-His obvious disrespect for and disbelief in Science (and experts in any field) is endangering the country." Is it possible for you to see the hypocrisy in this?
- D
 - Yes, you are right. Trump's job IS to listen to the experts and to act on that information but it's obvious that he doesn't listen to advice. Witness the COVID-19 issue, witness his efforts to open America and send kids back to school in the face of logarithmic growth of the virus in several states, witness relationships with our allies, witness him snuggling up to Russia and China, witness him deserting our allies the Kurds, witness his rolling back of environmental protections, witness his cheapening of the Presidency, and we could go on and on. Some professionals think he has Oppositional Defiance Disorder. Again, it doesn't matter which party he is in, his actions are reprehensible. Republican or Democrat, he has made America a laughing stock. One lifetime Republican said yesterday that it would kill him to vote for Biden but he feels we can't take 4 more years of this and he will vote for Biden and then make a course correction in 4 years. He said no way is he leaving the Republican Party.
- R
 - Ok you are a scientist I am not. We both agree that Trumps job is to listen to the best experts he can surround himself with and make a decision. How is it obvious he doesn't listen because you don't agree with his decision? I listen to Fox and NPR. People who listen to NPR will not have any Idea what we have been discussing. I admit that when I can stand it I will listen to ABC, NBC, CBS and their affiliates who regurgitate their negative interpretations of Trump proven by clips from speeches I have watch first hand. It doesn't take a PHD to know the interpretations are at least subject to rebuttal. I listen to news conferences in as real time as possible. I listen to expert reporters laying traps with carefully crafted questions. I listen to reporters trying to create news. I listen to reporters arguing with the response to their questions. I listen to reporters pontificating their own views without any questions. Unfortunately watching ABC, NBC, CBS and their affiliates rebuttal is not allowed. I watch Fox and I see both sides of the issue. I get a better understanding of the decisions that Trump is making. Do I agree with all of his decisions, no I don't. Unfortunately half of the country is convinced that nothing is true on fox news. If they listen to news at all they hear negative

interpretations backed up by edited sound bites and clips. At least the networks have to adhere to actual events. Most of the people convinced that Fox has nothing true on it get their information about Trump from late night TV. Late night TV doesn't have to adhere to any standards.

- I have heard both sides of the arguments you make. Your right down the line the networks allow you to hear.
- I think you are much smarter than that. I am convinced that you are supporting an agenda that has no place for the United States of America.
- I have had some experience with Oppositional Defiance Disorder. I see many more examples of it from the democratic party than from Trump.
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- PS. I know how you feel I used to say that Obama made a laughing stock out of the USA.
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- I was going to say I loved you but since you said it first I will never say it again. (just a little ODD joke.)
- D
 - If I read your note correctly, you are saying that I don't like Trump because I don't agree with his decisions and that I accuse him of being a compulsive liar when he doesn't lie. Is this what you are saying? Please ignore this note if I got it wrong.
 - D I have been trying to point out the hypocrisy of saying Trump doesn't listen to the experts. There are experts recommending we open the economy, we close the economy, we open schools, we close schools, we make people wear masks, we ask people to wear masks, there is two or three factions tugging in all directions. Each with convincing arguments. All while we bungle through this china virous blaming each other for their decisions. I assumed that any AIM program similar to FMEA would quantify all these recommendations so an intelligent decision can be reached. My reason for believing Trump is listening to the experts is his statement that We have to make sure that the cure isn't worse than the problem. This in business and engineering is one of the basic questions we ask ourselves.
 - Maybe we have different definitions of what a "lie" is. What is your definition? Mine is a lie is a documented untruth or extreme exaggeration. Documented means that undisputed facts don't back it up. Undisputed means consensus of unbiased individuals and/or experts or peer reviewed and replicated research studies. Here are some examples"
 - We have the same definition.
 - -The Wall. Trump claims the Wall is being built at a neck breaking pace, however, only 93 miles are built and 90 miles of this replace existing barriers. The border is 1,954 miles long. He also claimed the wall was being built in Colorado which doesn't ever border Mexico and that Mexico would pay for it which will never happen.
 - To bad we didn't get it right the first time when the democrats were for the wall. I'll trade Obama's 52 or 53 states for Trump's Colorado river. Theoretically the border is a

diplomatic barrier so could it be said that you are lying about the 3 miles that aren't replacing barriers?

- -The Sharpie altered weather map. Trump issued a Tweet that Dorian would hit Alabama. The National Weather Service in Birmingham, Alabama issued a statement soon after that Alabama was not at risk. Trump chose to lie rather than admit he made a mistake. This multi-day effort to prove himself right culminated in the "Sharpie Map" which was an outright lie.
 - I seem to remember this. How long did Obama and Hillary claim Benghazi was a spontaneous demonstration caused by a cartoon on Facebook.
- -We are not paying for the Tariffs, China is. This has been shown to be an untruth by prominent economists, multiple economic studies and numerous tariff paying companies. American Companies and, thus, American Consumers are paying these Tariffs.
 - Gee and I thought china released this virus on the world for economic reasons. It must have been a cartoon on Facebook.
- -We've pulled all of our Troops out of Syria. Trump told this lie on FOX News and was corrected live by Brian Kilmeade of FOX News. "You have 600 guys there, right?" It wasn't a one time slip. A month later, when we still had 1000 troops there, he said "Look, we have no soldiers in Syria. We've won. We've beat ISIS. And we've beat them badly and decisively. We have no soldiers."
 - " When was the last time you heard of ISIS. Weren't they the Junior varsity?
- -Windmills cause cancer. There is not an expert in the world that believes this.
 - What did Don Quixote die of?
- -The Pandemic. There are too many lies on the COVID-19 crisis to even list. One fact-checking independent organization cited 1345 lies on the Pandemic. "It is fading away". He made this claim in Tulsa, OK when the country was still seeing 20,000 new cases a day. "The Pandemic is getting under control". This when cases amounted to 50,000 a day. "99%" of COVID-19 cases are "totally harmless". The WHO has said that about 15% of cases can be severe and 5% critical. Fauci rejected Trump's claim saying the evidence shows that the virus "can make you seriously ill" even if it doesn't kill you.
 - See above.
- -We have more cases because we have more testing. This is a totally ridiculous lie and shows amazing ignorance. The facts are that as the number of tests rises, the percentage of positive cases are declining. After peaking above 20% in early April, the positivity rate fell to about 4% in early June. In other words, the number of cases is rising in 32 states but the number of tests is rising faster so the proportion of positive cases has nothing to do with the number of tests. (Wish I could show you a graph but it won't copy and paste.)

- If we didn't have any tests would we have any positive test results?
- -Abortion. Trump has said several times that, "The baby is born. The mother meets with the Dr. They take care of the baby. They wrap the baby beautifully. And then the Dr. And the mother determine whether or not they will execute the baby". Or he said a New York law would allow for "a baby to be ripped from the mother's womb moments before birth". Late term abortions, the subject of each of these comments, are very rare and only occur when the pregnancy poses a threat to the mother's health or there are dire fetal medical conditions. If the baby is born alive, its life is protected.
 - Not Stupid enough to comment on this one.
- -Raises for the Military. In May of last year, Trump bragged to a group of military families that he had given them a raise for the first time in 10 years. The truth is that members of the military have received a pay raise each year since 1961.
 - Hillary told a group of military families that a cartoon caused their family members to die.
- -Trump won the Popular vote. This is a particularly pernicious lie. He claims that millions of votes were cast illegally so that if you subtract these votes, he won the popular vote. This would have to be 3 million votes. The point here is that even if it was true that there were 3 million illegal votes, you wouldn't know how they voted.
 - The popular vote didn't matter. You are right though more people voted against Hillary than against Trump. Lucky for you we have a representative form of government or all your hard earned money would be sent into the cities and distributed amongst the people who voted for it. Minus shipping and handling of course.
- -"I had the biggest inauguration crowd ever". No explanation needed. Photographic evidence.
- -Thousands of Muslims cheered on 9/11. "It was on TV, I saw it... There were people that were cheering on the other side of New Jersey where you have a large Arab population. They were cheering as The World Trade Center came down." No one has ever been able to find any data that this happened but he still sticks to the lie.
 - I saw Muslims cheering on TV.
- -Father born in Germany. I don't know why he would keep saying this (at least 14 times). His father was born in New York.
 - I suppose the democrats have called him a bastard so often he is suffering from Stockholm Syndrome. The poor guy is convinced he doesn't know his real father. Germany is closer to Stockholm than New York.
- -Man of the Year in Michigan. Trump claims that he was given the "Man of the Year" award in Michigan. In thorough searches by many organizations, no one has found any evidence of this.

- That's nothing there are graduates still waiting for Obama to attend class at Columbia University. I guess anything is possible.
- -Immigrants seeking asylum don't come back to court. Trump claims that of asylum seekers that are given a court case date and released, only 2% show up. The facts are that 72% of people show up and that for asylum seekers in particular, 89% show up.
 - Shouldn't those numbers be closer to 100%. What would you call the people who broke the law by not showing up? On the west coast we give them drivers licenses and call them US citizens.
- -Paris Climate Accord. "We will never allow foreign bureaucrats and countries to trample on our sovereignty or to shut down our jobs which is what that would have done." The truth is that the Paris Accord would not have involved foreign bureaucrats shutting down American jobs. If Trump thought Obama's standards were overly ambitious, he could have set his own. The Paris Climate Accord was an effort to get the world to pay attention to Climate Change - it didn't require anyone to do anything.
 - Shore Bank out of Chicago.
- -Buildings without windows. "They [the socialist wack-os] want to knock down all the buildings in Manhattan and rebuild them without windows, you know about that. Let's rebuild them, glass is no good. We don't want windows." No one is proposing to knock down buildings in Manhattan and rebuild them without windows. Mayor DeBlasio was talking about increasing efficiency of new buildings that are being built.
 - Do you remember all the shenanigans you and your builder had to go through in cannon beach to remodel your house? Imagine updating a building in new York city.
- -Dishwashers. He claimed that you have to push the button "12 times" and only get "four drops of water". And that new dishwashers use more electricity and water than old dishwashers. Also that new toilets don't flush with enough water. The obvious contradiction is that "new" doesn't use enough water, yet uses too much water and electricity.
 - You have never bought a basic appliance. I will only tell you about the dishwasher I just bought. Forget about the washer, dryer, microwave and refrigerator. I rebuilt the dishwasher in our old house several times. Regulations made it impossible to get replacement parts for it so I made them myself. That dishwasher was loud and old looking but it washed the dishes pretty well in a 30 minute cycle. I went to Home Depot to get a dishwasher for this house. You would think in a free society I could pick out an appliance pay cash for it, put it into my pick-up truck, take it home and install it myself. I was required to sign agreements and disclaimers that took me what seemed like 20 minutes to get through. If I didn't know better I would have been scarred into paying a government certified installer

to put it in. We know that a certified government installer is intitled to receive prevailing wages. He or she of course is not allowed to plug in the appliance and is required to call a certified electrician. Same thing for the plumbing. Having avoided all of this by signing agreements to go through this process I broke the law and did it myself. I will not live in fear for this but I have to think twice before opining. The minimum cycle is 90 minutes on the new dishwasher however if you want clean dishes they all need to be prewashed. I listened first hand to your dishwasher soundbite and was not mislead at all.

- This is only a fraction of estimated 5,276 lies and false truths Trump has said in his 3 1/2 years. If you want references and quotes, Google "Examples Trump lies" especially <https://projects.thestar.com/donald-trump-fact-check/>
- I have experience with ODD too - C!!! (Challenge of my life!) One symptom is the inability to respect authority and Trump certainly fits this criteria.
- You are as smart as I am. No way could I do complicated CAD work and design things!
- Again, I DON'T hate Trump! I am concerned and distressed that we have a compulsive liar with no moral compass heading up the country. I hate what he has done to the country and the Office of the President.
 - We know how Trump made his billions. How did Biden make his billions?
- R
 - Hi D Thanks for the complement. I don't remember saying Trump doesn't Lie. He is a great story teller and he makes himself available to a very hostile press. The problem I see with your tally of 5276 lies and counting is even if there is a believable rebuttal the accusation does not fall off the list. This is death by 1000 cuts a very cunning strategy when you control the press. Wow 1345 lies about the china virous. If only you would have come forward first and prevented all the miss information. It takes a compulsive liar to stand in front of a hostile press and answer the same question after question after question consistently. Funny I never saw Obama, Hillary or Biden do it. I remember a few gaffs by each of them but no one ever counted. Sigh I guess we were too polite or forgiving.
 - You say Trump is incapable of respecting authority. Just out of curiosity what authority does the president go to, to ask permission for his decisions? I know he answers to the congress and the judicial for his decisions but can you imagine if he needed permission from them. Or are you referring to the swamp I don't think that he respects the swamp.
 - I commented on your points above in yellow.
- D
 - Wow!~, what an epistle! I appreciate your responses but they are definitely lies by the definition we both agreed on. Oh, I forgot another one:
 - Trump swears that Pre-existing Conditions in Health Care will always be protected yet, his Administration is in Court suing to disband the entire ACA. This would eliminate coverage for Pre-existing conditions and neither He nor the Republicans have a plan to replace it or ensure Pre-existing conditions are covered. This coverage would disappear. This is documented. Are you going to tell me this is not a lie? Are you really OK with this? You have Pre-existing conditions as do I.

- I guess I didn't explain the testing question very well. Testing reveals positive cases. Trump says If there was no testing there would be no cases. This is not true. Our testing capability is expanding and there are more cases but it is not because of testing. We know this because the percentage of positive cases is dropping as testing capability expands. So while overall cases are growing in the country because people are not paying attention, the percent of positive tests is dropping as testing expands so positive cases are not because there is more testing. It is a lie.
- DeBlazio is talking about New buildings not buildings already built.
- The Press Secretary said yesterday that "We shouldn't let Science interfere with opening our schools"! Are you really OK with that?
- R
 - , I don't remember saying Trump doesn't lie. Are you saying all 5276+ of these examples have no other explanation? That's not very scientific. You sound more like Adam Shift wink wink nod nod than a scientist.
 - Do you remember after Obama squeaked past your buddy Romney I tried pointing out to you my concerns about lies the Obama Administration had been caught portraying. Your argument then was "everybody lies, do you think the Republican's don't lie?" After that you dismissed me in multiple discussions by saying. Oh yea, that's right R thinks the Republicans don't lie. So lets be clear I never said it then and I have not said it now.
 - Your ACA argument is ridicules because your assumption is that the ACA can stand on its own. It is not a secret that it was designed to fail and bankrupt the health care system. See Cloward and Piven #1. 1. Healthcare— Control healthcare and you control the people.
 - Is that a direct quote. **"Trump says If there was no testing there would be no cases."** I seem to remember watching this press conference. I watch the press conferences in real time daily. It is hard to remember exactly when this fly shit in the pepper however Testing had been a major criticism for weeks. Initially we did not have reliable tests. Then the reliable tests took too long to process. Then when reliable tests were able to be processed quickly there was no process to mass produce and distribute them. Then when we had the processes to mas produce the quick tests and distribute them we began to find more positive test results. Then when we found more cases Trump was blamed for not reacting to the new test data soon enough. This is the conundrum that I heard Trump reacting to. Any fair person would be able to see that if there was no test there would be no test results. I hope I make this clear. The Trump administration pushed hard to get viable testing, arranged to cut red tape and regulations, negotiated with labs, chemical firms, packaging companies, promotional companies, etc. and did it in record time.
 - I would suggest that if Trump had left the development of these tests up to litigious liberal scientist we would still be waiting for the house to approve a lab to develop a reliable test.
 - So what I saw and heard was whining hostile press members pointing out that the rising number of positive test results was somehow due to some bad decision made by Trump. The implication being that they could somehow do it better. Trump after multiple responses to the same questions pointed out the obvious If there was no testing there would be no cases. Any fair minded person would make the link between the word cases and positive test results in the context of his answer.
 - If you buy or own an existing building you are allowed to maintain it as is. If you would like to remodel or update any part of that building your updates or remodeling have to meet the existing building codes. That's why you had to do your house remodeling at the beach in two phases. You had to beat the building code that required you to follow existing building codes. If you changed more than a certain percent of the existing structure you would not have been able to have living space on the first floor. This is what Trump is talking about. The existing building codes have requirements dictated by environmental research. I haven't read the specifics of those requirements but it would make sense that they require the builder to allow a certain percentage of glass exposure. So when

you are using energy for heating and cooling less glass equals less energy used. Large buildings are under constant interior change. Office space must at least give the appearance of the newest and best technology. You need a building permit to change office space or install technology. Building permits require you follow the existing code. If the existing code which is the latest code requires less glass area because environmental research has declared it necessary then there must be less glass area. If you look at the design of large buildings steel and glass work together in harmony. A building must be able to bend and twist. A rigid structure is subject to stress and will fail before its flexible twin. To change any part of the structure of a building would require a complete redesign and a complete rebuild.

- I have no idea what DeBlasio's background is but without a doubt he is extremely myopic.
- What does science conclude is the best way to control a virus pandemic. I assume it would be to isolate the virus, kill the host and quarantine the remains. Even though I assume that this is the best solution in this case no one including me would even consider it. So every scientific solution to this problem will be less than the best. We are confronted with many problems. One of which is our children. Somehow a large portion of our children have become dependent on our schools for their meals, healthcare and direction. It is this dependency that makes it absolutely necessary to open our schools. There isn't anyone who does not believe that this is a poor compromise. So regardless of the scientific research these children through no fault of their own need school to survive. So yes in this situation I reluctantly agree that **"We shouldn't let Science interfere with opening our schools"**.
- You forgot your Trump doesn't listen to anyone paragraph. Did I miss something?
- I can't wait for your "Chris Wallace Interview" talking points.
- PS. To quote my favorite oldest sister "everybody lies"
- D
 - Wow! Dear Brother, you write long letters! It's taken me 2 days to read and digest it!
 - My comments:
 - It sounds like you agree with me that Trump lies. And it's obvious that he is a compulsive liar. Are you comfortable with a President that lies? I'm not, I want the truth from the Government if possible. No other President has such a lie record except Nixon and he suffered the consequences. Others have lied but not close to this extent! It's not even a contest! Are you comfortable with never knowing whether he is telling the truth or not? Even FOX's fact checkers have tallied his lies. 5273+ in 3 1/2 years is not the President I want and I don't care which party he/she is in. As a people, I think we all want a President that we can trust. I truly don't remember saying "everybody lies". and I apologize if you feel I dismissed you. I didn't mean to. I can be a little assertive at times.
 - **I don't trust president Harris or her stooge.**
 - My health care comment on Pre-existing conditions is true. If the ACA is disbanded, Pre-existing conditions will no longer be covered since they are part of the ACA. Trump swears that Pre-existing conditions will "always be covered" yet the Administration is in court to cancel the whole ACA. This would be fine if they had a replacement plan but there is NO PLAN. This is totally irresponsible and is scaring people. Are you comfortable with this? No one has ever said that the ACA is perfect. Far from it but it is a start which can be built upon. Cancelling the whole thing without a replacement plan is criminal!

- Is creating a health care system that is designed to implode and take all others with it criminal?
- About testing. There has never been a National Plan to make sure a test works, is consistent and available to all. I'm sure you've heard him say multiple times that he is not responsible, the individual states are. This has led to the chaos we are now experiencing. This has pitted the states against each other to try and get tests, testing supplies, PPE, ventilators, etc. Complicating this is the fact that the Federal Government, under orders from the Administration, keeps confiscating state supplies for the "stockpile". There is solid proof of this. It is not rumor or left wing propaganda. All of this chaos and this current situation of logarithmic growth in 32 states could have been avoided if there had been central coordination and a plan. This is tragic and has made us an object of mirth and pity by the rest of the world. Do you like this?
 - In a republic all the federal government can do is offer help to the states.
- There are not more cases because there is more testing. I've tried to explain this but I must not be doing a very good job. Yes, there are more positive tests with expanded testing but they are NOT proportional with each other which shows the error of any comment about more cases because of more testing. The number of cases is rising ever faster than the expansion of testing which shows that infection rates are rising faster than the expansion of tests. Wish I could send you the graph. Again, it is based on science, not some kind of left wing propaganda.
 - I understand your definition of what you thought he said, but hostile reporters were accusing him of not interpreting the test results their way and accepting their blame.
- Yes, your comments about building codes are correct as far as I know but we are not talking about already built buildings. The comment was (and now I've forgotten who said it - DeBlazio? - doesn't matter) that NEW buildings should try to be designed to be more energy efficient. This was interpreted by Trump as "They are going to build buildings with no windows." It is a lie and a scare tactic which he is good at. His current lie is that Biden will destroy the suburbs. This is truly ridiculous! He forgets that Biden has already been in the White House for 8 years and the suburbs are just fine. I don't know where he gets this stuff.
- You asked what is the "right" way to manage this COVID-19 crisis. It's to listen to the experts. Fauci put out a plan 3 months ago that works. We have concrete examples that it works from watching the NE manage this crisis (NY, MA, NJ, VT). The plan is:
 - -Shut down until the peak returns to baseline.
 - -When the curve is down, open very carefully in 4 phases watching to make sure that the curve does not begin to rise again. This requires a good testing program and contact tracing, social distancing and mask wearing.
 - -Mask wearing is such a simple thing and the comment by the CDC that if everyone wore a mask, this crisis would be over in 4 weeks is absolutely

correct. You saw the diagram I sent you. If everyone wore a mask, the transmission rate would be less than 1.5%. It is very unfortunate that mask wearing became politicized. (And who was responsible for that??)

- As I said, we have scientific proof that this works. The NE is the only place that has a flat curve. The NE is proof that this kind of plan/management works. (And it's the way I would have managed it had I been in charge, which, I am very glad I wasn't!)
 - The Chris Wallace interview speaks for itself. I can't believe they let him sit for it. Big mistake! I especially liked the part about the competency test. I have taken it myself, as you probably have, and it is very easy for a competent/sane person. Like Chris said, one part is identifying pictures of animals. The "last five questions are very hard"? Yeah, they probably were, for him.
 - Again, the Republican Party as it now stands is not the Republican Party of tradition. They have lost their values. I'd say the same thing about the Democratic Party if the situation was reversed and I'd vote Republican. As I said, it's like they were all kidnapped by Trump and now are suffering with Stockholm Syndrome. They are terrified to protest this ever increasing trashing of the RULE OF LAW for fear of a nasty Trump tweet.
- R
 - Wow D. Do you proof read what you write? I have to think you do because you are too intelligent not to. I only agree that everybody lies. That includes you. I suppose that every time Trump says Fake News, Steel Dossier, Crooked Hillary, FISA fraud, Hunter Biden and any of the other criminal shenanigans the Democrats are covering-up its tallied as a lie. I suppose that any suggestion that democrat run cities are out of control is tallied as a lie. Were you allowed to see Portland's mayor try to communicate with the peaceful angry mob he so lovingly supports. I suppose every time the drug hydroxychloroquine is mentioned its tallied as a lie. Actually you have to agree that everything Trump says is interpreted as a lie and once you proclaim it's a lie the discussion ends. I won't even comment on the rest of your hateful rant in comment 1.
 - Your health care comment is a Red Herring. Obama Care (ACA) was designed to be impossible to implement. its a 2000 page Trojan Horse full of half legislations waiting for the finishing trigger. It goes down as the cruelest lie ever perpetuated on the American People. I know that you would be too intelligent to be duped so that's why I believe you are beholding to another agenda. My guess would be some form of Globalism.
 - That's funny about testing. I heard daily progress reports on testing from Trump and his team of qualified people. The facts are that we have tests now. They are getting more accurate. They are mass producible, they are getting to the population. What did the democrats do? Are they even back in Washington DC yet? Can you tell me one positive thing they have done? Moving goal posts is not a positive thing. Monday morning quarterbacking does not help anyone.
 - I'm sorry you didn't understand my logic, Let me reword it for you. I would suggest that if Trump had left the development of these tests up to litigious liberal scientist we would still be waiting for the house to approve a National Plan hidden in a 5 trillion dollar stimulus bill amid some seemingly benign housework legislation. The benign legislation adding the finishing touch or punctuation to trigger previous legislation.
 - Sigh. Dear Sister. You know exactly where Trump gets this stuff. It's a play straight out of the progressive handbook. Make a comment that **"NEW buildings should try to be designed to be more energy efficient."** Who would disagree with that. It's a classic strawman argument. I don't know of a single engineer, architect or builder who would not design an energy efficient building do you. Unfortunately energy efficiency is not the only consideration. But

the cat is out of the bag and the Overton Window shifts. The argument becomes New buildings should be designed to be energy efficient. The Overton Window shifts again. City Hall needs to prioritize energy efficiency. The Overton Window shifts again. City Hall needs to rewrite the building code. The city code regulator researches the energy efficiency percentage numbers that are claimed to be possible. City council debates the numbers and compromises at a mean number and the building codes are modified. I explained the rest to you and you agreed having suffered the exact building restrictions yourself.

- You point out :""This was interpreted by Trump as "They are going to build buildings with no windows." It is a lie and a scare tactic which he is good at. His current lie is that Biden will destroy the suburbs. This is truly ridiculous! He forgets that Biden has already been in the White House for 8 years and the suburbs are just fine. I don't know where he gets this stuff."" Have you been allowed to see anything about the couple who live in the gated private community in St. Louis? This should concern you because an angry mob of peaceful protesters broke through a gate that said no trespassing and threatened this couple. This was a suburb community very similar to yours. Fortunately they were able to equalize the threat with a legal weapon and a prop otherwise the angry mob of peaceful protesters would be occupying their house. These people are Lawyers and even though no laws were broken by them, they have been charged with felony misuse of a weapon. If they are convicted they will be disbarred. I sure hope these peaceful protests supported by Biden do not destroy your suburban neighborhood. Your library would make a great headquarters for ANTIFA.
- You site New York as successful. Half the deaths so far in the USA were in New York. I love how intelligent you think this virus is. It skips the protesters, anarchists occupiers and peaceful angry mobs and only gets passed on by the people like me.
- You heard a different Chris Wallace interview than I did which isn't even worth mentioning as you heard a different Fourth of July speech also.
- D
 - I was hoping that we could discuss these issues without personal insults or sarcasm. I think I have been very careful not to insult your intelligence, beliefs, or arguments and not make sarcastic comments. I think I have responded with respect, logic and science from my point of view. I have not berated you for being "wrong" since there is no "wrong" though neither of us will probably change our minds. I know you are very angry and that a lot of what you say is "venting" and I am OK with that. If you don't agree with being respectful, then we probably should'nt discuss things further.
 - I never said I don't lie. But the comparison of Trump's frequency of lies is far beyond a normal person's lies. I probably tell a few lies a year but most of these are "little white lies" made for various reasons like making up excuses to not go to dinner at someone's house when I don't want to. I don't remember telling a "real" lie for many years but, then, I am far from perfect and my memory is not nearly as good as yours. You remember everything!
 - I can't comment on the rest of your note right now as I'm on my way to Cody's for the weekend and I don't have time.
- R
 - I love you D. What was it that hurt you so much. I'm not seeing it.
- D
 - I thought it was a personal, and in places, sarcastic attack on my ideas, opinions and thoughts instead of an objective exchange of ideas. Frankly, I

thought I was talking to Dad who couldn't sustain a discussion without getting personal, derogatory and sarcastic. (Don't you remember dinner time? Or "discussions" with Mom?) I am willing to discuss these issues with you and listen to you vent as long as you treat me and my ideas with respect. We probably won't change each other's minds but perhaps we can expand each other's thinking and understand differing points of view better.

- R
 - You do not have any good arguments do you. You have played the dad card.
- D
 - What? There are lots of good arguments. We were talking about tone.
- R
 - So far you only have two ridiculous arguments:
 - Trump lies more than a normal person. Your proof is sighting a list of carefully edited clips.
 - Half the country is suffering from Stockholm Syndrome. Your proof ???
 - The Dad card has been played and no one can un-ring that bell.
 - Thanks for the insight. You have reinforced my knowledge that contempt prior to investigation is an ugly thing.
- D
 - Thank you again for the Birthday call. It was so nice of you.
 - You say that I only have two ridiculous arguments:
 - Trump lies more than a normal person. Your proof is sighting a list of carefully edited clips.
 - Half the country is suffering from Stockholm Syndrome. Your proof ???
 - On #1, I could say the same about you - citing carefully edited clips, except in my case, the phenomenal number of lies are well documented by all media - FOX included. I thought a few messages back you agreed that Trump lies. Are we re-circulating?
 - Some more examples: Some of these, while being outright mistruths, also contribute to fear and confusion in the general public which is making it harder to get the virus under control.
 - **When:** Multiple times
The claim: The Trump White House “inherited” a “broken,” “bad,” and “obsolete” test for the coronavirus.
The truth: The novel coronavirus did not exist in humans during the Obama administration. Public-health experts agree that, because of that fact, the CDC could not have produced a test, and thus a new test had to be developed this year.
 - **When:** Friday, February 7, and Wednesday, February 19
The claim: The coronavirus would weaken “when we get into April, in the warmer weather—that has a very negative effect on that, and that type of a virus.”
The truth: It’s too early to tell if the virus’s spread will be dampened by warmer conditions. Respiratory viruses can be seasonal, but the World Health Organization says that the new coronavirus “can be transmitted in ALL AREAS, including areas with hot and humid weather.”
 - **When:** Thursday, February 27
The claim: The outbreak would be temporary: “It’s going to disappear. One day it’s like a miracle—it will disappear.”

- The truth:** Anthony Fauci, the director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, warned days later that he was concerned that “as the next week or two or three go by, we’re going to see a lot more community-related cases.”
- **When:** Thursday, March 26
The claim: This kind of pandemic “was something nobody thought could happen ... Nobody would have ever thought a thing like this could have happened.”
The truth: Experts both inside and outside the federal government sounded the alarm many times in the past decade about the potential for a devastating global pandemic, as my colleague Uri Friedman has reported. Two years ago, my colleague Ed Yong explored the legacy of Ebola outbreaks—including the devastating 2014 epidemic—to evaluate how ready the U.S. was for a pandemic. Ebola hardly impacted America—but it revealed how unprepared the country was. During the Obama/Biden Administration, the concern about a possible Global Pandemic was such that the Administration left a play by play management plan for a Pandemic for the New Trump Administration which has never been used. Months could have been saved and a National Plan put in place.
 - **When:** Multiple times
The claim: If the economic shutdown continues, deaths by suicide “definitely would be in far greater numbers than the numbers that we’re talking about” for COVID-19 deaths.
The truth: The White House now estimates that anywhere from 100,000 to 240,000 Americans could die from COVID-19. Other estimates have placed the number at 1.1 million to 1.2 million. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, suicide is one of the leading causes of death in the United States. But the number of people who died by suicide in 2017, for example, was roughly 47,000, nowhere near the COVID-19 estimates. Estimates of the mental-health toll of the Great Recession are mixed. A 2014 study tied more than 10,000 suicides in Europe and North America to the financial crisis. But a larger analysis in 2017 found that while the rate of suicide was increasing in the United States, the increase could not be directly tied to the recession and was attributable to roader socioeconomic conditions predating the downturn.
 - **When:** Multiple times
The claim: “Coronavirus numbers are looking MUCH better, going down almost everywhere,” and cases are “coming way down.”
The truth: Coronavirus cases are either increasing or plateauing in the majority of American states. Increases in state-level testing do account for some of the increase in cases and, on average, the country’s positive-test rate is lower than it was in March and April. But those numbers obscure the situation in more than a dozen states where, as of this writing on May 27, cases are still increasing.
 - **When:** Wednesday, June 17
The claim: The pandemic is “fading away. It’s going to fade away.”
The truth: Trump made this claim ahead of his rally in Tulsa, Oklahoma, when the country was still seeing at least 20,000 new daily cases and a second spike in infections was beginning.
 - **When:** Thursday, July 2
The claim: The pandemic is “getting under control.”
The truth: Trump’s claim came as the country’s daily cases doubled to about 50,000, a higher daily case count than seen at the beginning of the pandemic, and the number continues to rise, fueled by infections in the South and the West.
 - **When:** Saturday, July 4
The claim: “99%” of COVID-19 cases are “totally harmless.”
The truth: The virus can still cause tremendous suffering if it doesn’t kill a patient, and the WHO has said that about 15 percent of COVID-19 cases can be severe, with 5 percent being critical. Fauci has rejected Trump’s claim, saying the evidence shows that the virus “can make you seriously ill” even if it doesn’t kill you. As well the death rates are dramatically different: The flu’s lethality is 0.1 percent. It kills about one in every thousand people infected with it. The coronavirus is 23 times more lethal than the flu. (CDC, John Hopkins)

- **When:** Monday, July 6
The claim: “We now have the lowest Fatality (Mortality) Rate in the World.”
The truth: The U.S. has neither the lowest mortality rate nor the lowest case-fatality rate. As of July 13, the case-fatality rate—the ratio of deaths per confirmed COVID-19 cases—was 4.1 percent, which places the U.S. solidly in the middle of global rankings. It has the world’s ninth-worst mortality rate, with 41.33 deaths per 100,000 people, according to Johns Hopkins University.
- **When:** Wednesday, March 4
The claim: The Trump White House rolled back Food and Drug Administration regulations that limited the kind of laboratory tests states could run and how they could conduct them. “The Obama administration made a decision on testing that turned out to be very detrimental to what we’re doing,” Trump said.
The truth: The Obama administration drafted, but never implemented, changes to rules that regulate laboratory tests run by states. Trump’s policy change relaxed an FDA requirement that would have forced private labs to wait for FDA authorization to conduct their own, non-CDC-approved coronavirus tests.
- **When:** Friday, March 13
The claim: The Obama White House’s response to the H1N1 pandemic was “a full scale disaster, with thousands dying, and nothing meaningful done to fix the testing problem, until now.”
The truth: Barack Obama declared a public-health emergency two weeks after the first U.S. cases of H1N1 were reported, in California. (Trump declared a national emergency more than seven weeks after the first domestic COVID-19 case was reported, in Washington State.) While testing is a problem now, it wasn’t back in 2009. The challenge then was vaccine development: Production was delayed and the vaccine wasn’t distributed until the outbreak was already waning.
- **When:** Sunday, May 10
The claim: Referring to criticism of his administration’s response, Trump tweeted: “Compare that to the Obama/Sleepy Joe disaster known as H1N1 Swine Flu. Poor marks ... didn’t have a clue!”
The truth: It is misleading to compare COVID-19 to H1N1 and to call the Obama administration’s response a disaster, as my colleague Peter Nicholas has reported. In 2009, the CDC quickly flagged the new flu strain in California and began releasing anti-flu drugs from the national stockpile two weeks later. A vaccine was available in six months
- **Another claim:** Trump later attacked “Joe Biden’s handling of the H1N1 Swine Flu.”
The truth: Biden was not responsible for the federal government’s response to the H1N1 outbreak, as Nicholas has also explained.
- **When:** Friday, March 6, and Monday, May 11
The claim: “Anybody that needs a test, gets a test. We—they’re there. They have the tests. And the tests are beautiful” and “If somebody wants to be tested right now, they’ll be able to be tested.”
The truth: Trump made these two claims two months apart, but the truth is still the same: The U.S. does not have enough testing.
- **When:** Wednesday, March 11
The claim: In an Oval Office address, Trump said that private-health-insurance companies had “agreed to waive all co-payments for coronavirus treatments, extend insurance coverage to these treatments, and to prevent surprise medical billing.”
The truth: Insurers agreed only to absorb the cost of coronavirus testing—waiving co-pays and deductibles for getting the test. The Families First Coronavirus Response Act, the second coronavirus-relief bill passed by Congress, later mandated that COVID-19 testing be made free.

- The federal government has not required insurance companies to cover follow-up treatments, though some providers announced in late March that they will pay for treatments. The costs of other non-coronavirus testing or treatment incurred by patients who have COVID-19 or are trying to get a diagnosis aren't waived either. And as for surprise medical billing? Mitigating it would require the cooperation of insurers, doctors, and hospitals.
- **When:** Multiple times
The claim: “Cases are going up in the U.S. because we are testing far more than any other country.”
 - **The truth:** COVID-19 cases are not rising because of “our big-number testing.” Outside the Northeast, the share of tests conducted that come back positive is increasing, with the sharpest spike happening in southern states. In some states, such as Arizona and Florida, the number of new cases being reported is outpacing any increase in the states’ testing ability. And as states set new daily case records and report increasing hospitalizations, all signs point to a worsening crisis.
 - **When:** Tuesday, March 17
The claim: “I’ve always known this is a real—this is a pandemic. I felt it was a pandemic long before it was called a pandemic ... I’ve always viewed it as very serious.”
The truth: Trump has repeatedly downplayed the significance of COVID-19 as outbreaks began stateside. From calling criticism of his handling of the virus a “hoax,” to comparing the coronavirus to a common flu, to worrying about letting sick Americans off cruise ships because they would increase the number of confirmed cases, Trump has used his public statements to send mixed messages and sow doubt about the outbreak’s seriousness.
 - **When:** Friday, April 24
The claim: Trump was being “sarcastic” when he suggested in a briefing on April 23 that his medical experts should research the use of powerful light and injected disinfectants to treat COVID-19.
The truth: Trump’s tone did not seem sarcastic when he made the apparent suggestion to inject disinfectants. Turning to Birx and a Department of Homeland Security science-and-technology official, he mused: “I see the disinfectant, where it knocks it out in a minute. One minute. And is there a way we can do something like that, by injection inside or almost a cleaning? ... It would be interesting to check that.” When he walked this statement back the next day, he added that he was only asking his experts “to look into whether or not sun and disinfectant on the hands [work].”
 - **The claim:** The coronavirus is “going to go away without a vaccine ... and we’re not going to see it again, hopefully, after a period of time.”
The truth: Fauci has repeatedly said, including during a Senate hearing on May 12, that the coronavirus’s sudden disappearance “is just not going to happen.” Until the country has “a scientifically sound, safe, and effective vaccine,” Fauci said last month, the pandemic will not be over.
 - **Another claim:** “One bad” study from the Department of Veterans Affairs that found no benefit among veterans who took hydroxychloroquine to treat COVID-19 was run by “people that aren’t big Trump fans.” The study “was a Trump-enemy statement.”
The truth: There’s no evidence that the study was a political plot orchestrated by Trump opponents, and it reached similar conclusions as other observational reports. The VA study was led by independent researchers from the University of Virginia and the University of South Carolina with a grant from the National Institutes of Health.

- **When:** Friday, March 20
- **The claim:** Trump twice said during a task-force briefing that he had invoked the Defense Production Act, a Korean War-era law that enables the federal government to order private industry to produce certain items and materials for national use. He also said the federal government was already using its authority under the law: “We have a lot of people working very hard to do ventilators and various other things.”
- **The truth:** Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Peter Gaynor told CNN on March 22 that the president has not actually used the DPA to order private companies to produce anything. Shortly after that, Trump backtracked, saying that he had not compelled private companies to take action. Then, on March 24, Gaynor told CNN that FEMA plans to use the DPA to allocate 60,000 test kits. Trump tweeted afterward that the DPA would not be used.
- **Your #2 comment: Half the country is suffering from Stockholm Syndrome. Your proof ???**
- This was just a comparison on my part. It is my impression that because The current Republican party has lost its traditional Republican Values (see previous message) and are essentially Trump Sycophants that refuse to reign him in, this is like Stockholm Syndrome. The definition of Stockholm Syndrome is:
- *"feelings of trust or affection felt in many cases of kidnapping or hostage-taking by a victim toward a captor."*
- The comparison was mine and I'm not aware of anyone else making this (brilliant) comparison. I keep trying to explain to myself why the current Republican Congressional congregation seem to be incapable of protecting the Constitution. They seem to be like frogs sitting in water that is slowly heating to boiling and they either don't know it or are in denial. None of them think for themselves and jump out! It's not only my opinion that the current Republican Party has been kidnapped by Trump and now seem to trust? like? fear? him so much that they have forgotten the Constitution and the good of the country. I call this situation similar to Stockholm Syndrome. Perhaps you also agree that the current Republican Party has lost its Traditional Values and are as frustrated as many other Republicans. Your views don't have to be associated with these wimps. Your views can stand on their own.
- And yes, I do proofread my letters.
- R
 - D you have made it quite clear that out of the goodness of your heart you are willing to listen to me vent. You have no idea how elitist that is. Don't stop telling everybody about the Fly Shit in the Pepper because without your explanation we might not think it's a lie.
 - For me however I have been disqualified.
 - Your welcome for the happy birthday call.
- D
 - But you Do vent. Didn't mean for it to sound like a gift.
- R
 - I feel sorry for you.
- D
 - I think you just didn't want to respond to the overwhelming evidence I presented. I NEVER meant to
 - belittle you or make you feel discounted which I have told you many times but I guess you didn't hear
 - me. What's wrong with venting? I do it too.
- R

- Were you allowed to watch the disgraceful bushwhacking democrats gave to Bill Barr yesterday in the house? Same tactics that disgusted the country in the phony impeachment charade.
- But what's the use. I have no credibility and you don't listen.