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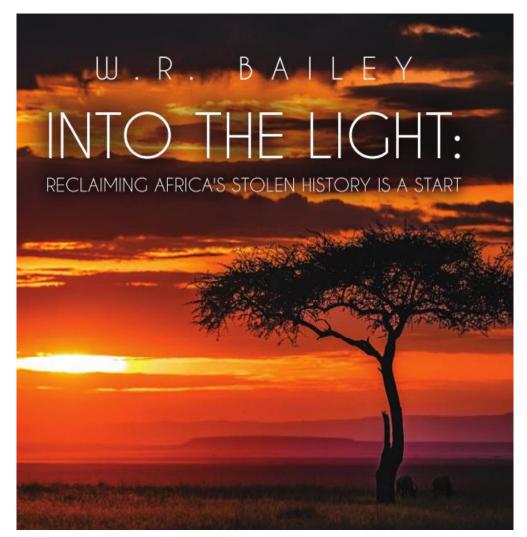
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W.R. Bailey has had a decades-long interest in African and African-American history. Into the Light distills the current movement to celebrate the African Century and the achievements of African and African Americans. The author is a graduate of UC Berkeley and the University Of San Francisco School Of Law. He is a member of the American Historical Association (AHA) and

Computational history makes use of the lessons from our digital age and does take the nineteenth century view that history is not simple or inevitable, but the product of complex mixing of communities and cultures. Bailey grew up in a San Francisco Bay Area aerospace family in a culture focused on lively political discussion, jazz music, outdoor sports, and digital technology. His background, which includes law and engineering, dovetails with this emerging new framework. The author's website, "The Computational Age," focuses on the rise of a network-centric view of history and culture's culture. Bailey's published articles have covered current affairs, history, and natural resources. The author enjoys reading, spending time in the mountains, outdoor sports, friends, his cat, and any good chat.

For many good reasons this is being called the African Century. For the same good reasons, it's time to celebrate the history of Africa's urban and scholary past ***

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SOURCEBARTER

For over fifty years Terry Wild, the founder of SourceBarter, has been a publisher, printer and has operated a copy center. He worked with the barter industry throughout those years with mixed results; he found the concept of barter to be fantastic, but the pay-back didn't live up to expectations.

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By: Dennis Cox CEO of Planet Solar

Summer is upon us, and with it comes longer days, warmer weather, and the perfect opportunity to make the switch to solar energy. As the CEO of Planet Solar, I'm excited to share why now is the best time to add a solar installation to your summer projects and start reaping the numerous benefits of going solar.

WHY SUMMER IS IDEAL FOR SOLAR INSTALLATION

Maximize Your Solar Investment Summer provides the highest solar energy potential with the longest daylight hours of the year. This means more sunlight to convert into electricity, allowing your solar panels to generate more power and maximize your investment from the

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Summer is the Perfect Time to Go Solar!



get-go. By installing solar panels at the start of summer, you ensure they are in place to take full advantage of these peak sunlight months.

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Right now, there's a unique window of opportunity with shorter waiting periods for solar installations. However, once those summer utility bills start rolling in, we anticipate a surge in demand as homeowners and businesses see the stark contrast between their energy costs and the

potential savings with solar. Beat the rush and secure your installation slot now.

IMMEDIATE SAVINGS ON UTILITY BILLS

Speaking of utility bills, summer is notorious for high energy costs, particularly with the increased use of air conditioning. By going solar now, you can start saving immediately. Imagine opening your utility bill after the heatwave next and seeing significantly reduced charges—or even a credit—thanks to your new solar system.

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Summer is a time of growth, energy, and new beginnings. There's no better season to invest in solar energy and enjoy the multitude of benefits it offers. Don't wait until the summer heat drives up your energy billsmake the smart choice and go solar today!

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Protecting a Critical, Oft Ignored Right



There is a particular right that is so fundamental, so at the core of who we are as a people, that you won't find it listed among our Bill of Rights – although the government has acknowledged it. In fact for over a century the U.S. Supreme Court has recognized it.



Simply stated, it is this: the traditional role of parents in directing the care, custody, and control of their minor children is sacrosanct.

In Wisconsin v. Yoder our Supreme Court declared that parental rights have been "established beyond debate as an enduring American tradition." 406 US 205, 232 (1972). Protecting the traditional role of parents is key to keeping children safe and healthy. Sadly, parental rights are now under attack across this great land of ours. But as has been the case throughout history, when liberty comes under attack Americans rise up in response. So it is here. So it is for an organization called Moms for Liberty.

For those who may not be aware, Moms for Liberty is a national grass roots 501(c)(4) organization whose focus remains chiefly on protecting parental rights at all levels of government. That in and of itself is a very large and complex task, especially given the current political climate and the fact that those on the far left of the po-

litical spectrum seem intent on driving a wedge between children and their parents, the goal seemingly being the removal of objective truth, the elimination of morality and biblical teaching, the subversion of the American family, and the ruination of American society as a whole. Moms is providing pushback against these activities.

In addition to organizing, unifying, educating, and empowering parents to look after their God given parental rights, Moms engages in several important areas. The group works to hold elected officials accountable to the citizens they work for. It also provides support to liberty minded individuals who wish to run for office, monitors legislative efforts (both those supporting and those assailing our liberties), and educates folks on the proper constrained role of government, the rich and amazing history of the American republic, the thinking of the founding fathers, and the principles of liberty upon which our republic is established.

Through meetings known as Madison Meetups, Moms is helping to re-connect Americans to their founding documents, the Constitution and Declaration of Independence.

Notice that the name Moms for Liberty is a bit of a misgnomer. The brand sprang from the fact that the group's two main founders, Tiffany Justice and Tina Descovich, were mothers functioning as board members within their respective Florida school boards. Having witnessed first hand the types of policies that were being introduced into the school system and the fact that those policies were not aligning with the fundamental understanding that it is parents who remain responsible for raising and educating their children, the two ladies decided to team up and create an organization dedicated to protecting the rights of parents.

So yes, it is the moms that got the ball rolling, and yes, a good many moms continue to be actively engaged in the group's activities. But Moms for Liberty now involves moms and dads, aunts and uncles, brothers and sister, cousins and friends. Absolutely anyone interested in protecting fundamental liberties and safeguarding the well being of students and families is welcome to join with Moms for Liberty. You needn't be a mom (or even a woman, for that matter). As the group likes to say, we are seeking of joyful wariors. Given the explosive rate of growth enjoyed by the group, people across the country appear to recognize the need for what Moms for Liberty offers. Now completing its second year of operation, Moms now has over one hundred thousand members working within 250 county chapters throughout the United States. (There is a presence in all but eight states.

Yours truly functions as the chapter chair for the recently established Santa Clara County chapter here in California. Please visit us online at momsforlibertysantaclara.com). I wish to leave you, dear reader, with a final thought. The importance of education and an understanding of the biblical principles which undergird our system of governance cannot be overstated. Today's youth are being led astray by an education system

whose objective seems more indoctrination than learning. It is time we return to the original purpose of education, namely the instilling of principles and virtue within our children. That is what has gone missing. That is what needs restoring.

The truths expressed by the founders remain as touchstones for Americans today who wish to see to it that a healthy republic is passed on to future generations. Here are but a few of those expressed truths.

"I know no safe depository of the ultimate powers of the society but the people themselves, (A)nd if we think them not enlightened enough to exercise their control with a wholesome discretion, the remedy is not to take it from them, but to inform their discretion by education. This is the true corrective of abuses of constitutional power."

Thomas Jefferson

"It is the duty of parents to maintain their children decently, and according to their circumstances; to protect them according to the dictates of prudence; and to educate them according to the suggestions of a judicious and zealous regard for their usefulness, their respectability and happiness."-James Wilson, Lectures on Law, 1791

"For avoiding the extremes of despotism or anarchy . . . the only ground of hope must be on the morals of the people. I believe that religion is the only solid base of morals and that morals are the only possible support of free governments. Therefore education should teach the precepts of religion and the duties of man towards God." - Governor Morris, Penman and Signer of the Constitution.



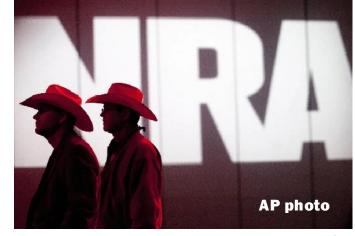
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NRA Members' Councils

CLIFF WONG

In 1871, the NRA was founded on the principal that individual rights are best safeguarded by the guarantee of the Second Amendment. Since that time, the NRA has stood watch over these freedoms. As in the past, MRA members continue to defend the rights that we exercise today. The Second Amendment rights that our children will inherit in the future depend upon the actions of today's NRA members.

In California, the NRA has organized its active membership into a unique program called "NRA Members' Councils." The NRA Members' Council Program operates under the authority of the NRA's Executive Vice-President's Office and exists to promote the policies, programs objectives and goals of the National Rifle Association utilizing volunteer action/involvement, at the local level.



The focus of the NRA Members' Council Program is the SINGLE ISSUE of the Second Amendment and is dedicated to getting gun owners, like minded individuals, and groups, involved in protecting their rights by participating in NRA programs at the local level.

The NRA Members' Councils of California are comprised of Members' Councils throughout the state. The "NRA Members' Council of the Central Valley" is one of them. All of them are participants in the NRA Members' Council Program. As such, they are part of the National Rifle Association of America, Inc. and not separately incorporated entities. Some

people have compared Members' Council to "chapters," or Boys Scout "troops," or "clubs."

Being that each Members' Council is a program within the NRA, means that the Members' Councils, or a single

Members' Council, does not have its own unique status. It all falls under the status and operational guidelines of the NRA.

The "NRA Members' Council of the Central Valley" hold our monthly meetings on the third Tuesday of each month starting at 6:30pm at Liberty Coalition located on 1123 Railroad Ave., Clovis, Ca. 93612. We invite NRA Members and all who supports our Second Amendment.

Cliff Wong
President
NRA Members' Council
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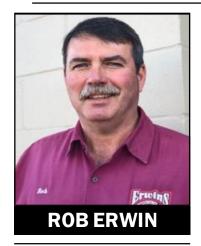
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AsktheExperts **PEST CONTROL**



By: Catherine Erwin

For many folks, pest control is necessary to maintain a healthy, safe, and comfortable home for your family.

Most companies you encounter are hard-working pros that you can rely on. But unfortunately, less-than-refutable companies do exist. Most pest control companies are what they say they are and are trustworthy. They have genuine online reviews, follow honest business practices, charge

How to Avoid Pest Control Scams

what they say, and will do the job right. Unfortunately, along with the good ones, there are con artists out to take advantage of you in your time of need. Here are a few ways to avoid these scams.

Door-to-Door Pest Control Offers

In today's world, most people are wary when they encounter someone at their door selling something. However, the allure of smooth talk and freebies can still be enticing.

The scam, which offers a free inspection even when you haven't noticed any signs of a pest problem, might seem harmless. After all, having a professional check things out is always good, especially when it's free. However, this seemingly innocent offer can lead to unexpected expenses and unnecessary treatments.

Here is how this works. Some dishonest pest control companies may plant traces of an infestation during their inspection. Suddenly, you see a few rodent droppings you never noticed before. What are those bugs crawling around near your front door? Suddenly, you're paying for a treatment to eliminate pests you don't have

Read Your Contract Carefully

A good pest control company offers a clear contract explaining how many treatments you will pay for. They'll let you know what their service can and cannot accomplish and their retreatment policy.

A scammer might ask you to sign a contract AFTER the service is complete, often claiming it's for ongoing assistance to manage the problem. This contract could include terms about 'automatic renewals' if the pest issue recurs. In such cases, the company might intentionally leave part of the problem unresolved to ensure the pests persist. To avoid falling into this trap,

always take the time to read contracts thoroughly before any services commence.

Contracts help establish a relationship with a pest control company. You need to be aware of them before you use any service. Some customers prefer month-tomonth or bimonthly service, while others only want a single issue treated. A legitimate company should be able to give you the choice of either. It is your decision.

·Check (and Double Check) the License

Ask to see a pest control company's professional license. You can check on a company's license status and that of the technician who treats your home through the Department of Consumer Affairs. You can also contact the Fresno County Agriculture Department to double-check your research. Finally, verify this information with the technician on-site.

To avoid the common scam in which a company sends unlicensed techs, verify that the technician working in your home has a valid license. If not, let the company know you want to reschedule with the licensed operator—or find a different pest control company.

·Verify Your Pest Pro's Insurance Status

Pest control companies must be licensed in California, purchase liability insurance, and carry a bond updated yearly with the California Structural Pest Control Board. Reputable pest control agencies will go even further, adding more coverage to their insurance plans. Extra coverage can include personal injury, general liability, crime, property damage, additional insured, and personal injury. Any legitimate company should be able to give you this information.

Get a Second Opinion on Pest Control

Just as getting a second opinion is wise regarding medical situations, the same tactic works for pest control. Once another pro verifies the problem, you can choose your preferred pest control specialist. Value is essential when selecting a company; there's more to it than just the cheapest price. Things to take into consideration are quality, price, guarantee, and support. Looking at online reviews can sometimes help with this. Even a negative review can help you see how the business handles issues with its clients professionally.



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OPINION COLUMN/EDITORIALS



By: GARRY BREDEFELD

Eight months ago, on October 7th. people around the world were shocked by the horrific attack and evil perpetrated by the terrorist group Hamas against the innocent citizens of Israel.

At that time, I published an oped that stated we must have the moral courage and clarity to support Israel in its efforts to eradicate Hamas because as we've seen too many times in the past, that clarity often gets diminished and then pressure and the media turn against Israel. Now its happened again.

The brutality and evil of those Hamas psychopathic terrorists on October 7th resulted in the killing of babies, children, women, families, and the elderly. Over 1200 innocent people were killed including over 30 Americans- the equivalent of what would have been 40,000 people murdered on 9/11 in the United States. Over 200 taken hostage including Americans. Hamas raped women, mutilated genitals, tortured children, cut off people's limbs, beheaded people. All of those killed, raped, tortured and taken hostage shared one thing in common. They are Jewish. We have seen this horror so many times before. But not since the Holocaust have we ever seen such massive savagery and genocide of the Jewish people.

I've been to the Dachau concen-

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tration camp in Germany where over 32,000 Jews were murdered. I stood in the gas chambers where men and women were gassed and saw the ovens where their bodies were burned. The only difference between the war crimes of the Nazis and Hamas is that the Nazis hid their war crimes and Hamas proudly recorded them on GoPro cameras for all the world to see. There is no denying the atrocities they committed.

Incredibly, we're now witnessing many throughout the world, including in our own country and on college campuses, celebrating the slaughter of babies, women being raped and executed, and families being burned alive. We've seen anti-semitic demonstrations on a world-wide scale. They argue these heinous acts are justified. They are not and never will be. They argue about moral equivalence and talk about land. They say the terrorists that beheaded people and killed innocent people are "freedom fighters." They are not. They are evil, psychopaths whose mission is to kill Jews and destroy Israel.

We've now seen students and non-students at our Ivy league and high ranked universities in America setting up encampments on campuses, seizing and destroying property, threatening Jews on campus, aligning themselves with Hamas, calling for the extermination of Israel and Jewish people. These are mindless, ignorant, zombies that have been indoctrinated for years with DEI, CRT, and other messages that our country is a racist, terrible country. Their minds have been marinated with this crap for years and now we are seeing the result of this indoctrination. We also see radical and Marxist professors locking arms with these students they've helped

It is way beyond time for there to be consequences for the criminal actions we've seen on these campuses. Those that committed crimes should be held accountable and charged with felonies, thrown out of school. Campuses should be safe for everyone and no one should ever be allowed to threaten or intimidate other students.

The Director of the FBI. Christopher Wray, has revealed that while

the Jewish population in the United States is only about 2.4%, of all the religious hate crimes, 60% are directed at Jews. This is sadly not surprising when we see the cancer of anti-semitism and intellectual rot spoken by college students, professors, politicians and many others that rather than condemn the atrocities of October 7th, in fact, celebrate them.

The fact is Hamas has been in charge of Gaza since 2007. Instead of improving the economy and life for the Palestinian people, they've been building underground tunnels and acquiring rockets and financing from Iran to attack Israel. When Israel is about to formally improve relations with Saudi Arabia, Hamas starts a war, then cowardly retreats to hide behind civilians in Gaza bringing more pain and suffering to the people living there. We've seen these same evil acts before but this time with over 1200 Israelis killed in the recent terrorist attacks, Israel must win this war against the Hamas terrorists-once and for all!

The only path to peace is through strength. A strong Israeli nation and a strong United States of America-united together. For the only thing these blood-thirsty, evil terrorists understand is strength. If there is any weakness, they are emboldened.

All of us must speak out against evil, anti-semitism, and moral relativism. That means elected leaders, community leaders, education leaders, religious leaders-all of us! As a nation, we must have moral clarity about right and wrong, good and evil. We must fight against the indoctrination in our schools and college campuses that teach our kids to hate this country. Instead, we must teach our

children about the greatness of this nation, our Constitution, our freedoms, the sacrifices of our veterans and public safety, that everyone is created equal, and that ALL forms of racism and antisemitism must be rejected and

What we are witnessing on college campuses throughout this nation is a complete disgrace and must be a call to action. University Presidents that support or are too cowardly to deal with the antisemitism on the campuses must be fired as must the Trustees. Federal and State funding of these schools must end.

Lastly, I have a message to the mobs on our campuses that are full of intellectually weak, morally absent, anti-semites that call for the killing of Jews and the eradication of Israel. If you really want a real and sustainable ceasefire in Gaza, do the following:

- 1. Call for and attain the unconditional surrender of Hamas
- 2. All weapons of war that Hamas has-rockets, grenades, tunnels, should be immediately destroyed
- 3. Immediately and without any conditions release every hostage held by Hamas, including all Americans and those from other countries, as well.

Once this occurs, the war will end and there will be peace.

We are blessed to live in this great nation where we still live freely as Americans and have our Constitutional protections and Bill of Rights. May God bless all of our citizens and United States of America. And May God Bless the state of Israel, its people, the innocent civilians in Gaza, and comfort all the victims and their families.





June is City of Clovis Budget Month: Spending Your Money!



Diane Pearce: Clovis CA City Council Member

When individuals and families have to tighten their proverbial belts because of inflation or other economic conditions (remember the recession of 2008?), cities have to do the same thing. Individuals have opportunities to handle financial woes that are not options for government agencies. Increasing revenues (income) can be working overtime, picking up a side job, and the like. Decreasing spending might include cancelling Netflix, downgrading your cable or cell phone plan, or cutting down on eating out.

For cities, revenues come from limited sources that are not easy to grow. The top two revenue sources for the City of Clovis are sales tax and property taxes. There are only two ways to bump up what comes into the City's coffers from those revenue streams: increase the tax base or raise the tax rate. Increasing the tax base - bringing in more people and businesses with residential and commercial development leads to more properties paying property taxes and more people shopping at more stores growing the sales tax returns - brings its own set of challenges as growth has its own set of costs for providing infrastructure like streets, water, and sewer to the new developments and delivering city services to more areas. This strategy works well if the current financial strains are not severe, since the associated costs lower the overall gain, and the needed revenue increases can be realized well down the road.

Raising the tax rate is a much simpler and short-term way for cities to realize improved economic standing. That is why it tends to be the "go-to" for cities in need of a monetary infusion. But citizens who manage their own budgets and know the ins and outs of cutting costs tend to prefer their government entities take an internal look at their books before coming with their hand out to the taxpayer. I can honestly say that is how I feel too! We hear so much about waste, fraud, and abuse in government that a lot of us feel allergic to new taxes.

Just one look at Senator Rand Paul's Festivus Report on government waste detailing ridiculous programs and grants our Federal government supports with our tax dollars is enough to get you to pull out your hair and cry yourself to sleep with your thumb in your mouth! So, what is the reality in Clovis? I only made a few promises on the campaign trail to represent you on the Clovis City Council. One of them was to always tell you the truth and shoot straight with you. We have legitimate financial concerns that need to be addressed in the near term. The scale of these needs is greater than can be solved by some simple cost-cutting measures. Back in the recession of 2008, the situation was so dire that positions within the City were eliminated. Meaning, for example, vacant positions in the police department were cut out instead of hiring officers to refill them. Truth be told,

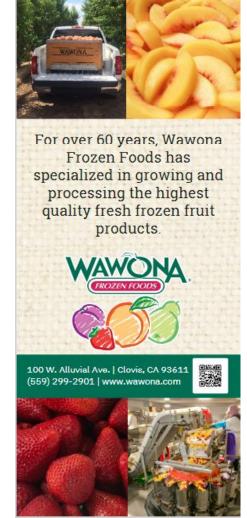
For the City of Clovis, June is budget month. The new budget must be adopted before the end of the fiscal year. (Fiscal years begin July 1 and go through June 30.) Most of the time a city our size with our level of services and revenue handles this task with relative ease.

Generally speaking, the difficulties come from outside pressures and circumstances beyond the city's control.

staffing levels in our public safety departments have not fully recovered from those lean years. Ten years ago, our population was just under 100,000 and we had 61 sworn staff in our Fire Department. Today we are quickly closing in on 130,000 residents and have only added six sworn positions. It is a similar story in our Police Department. It has been over a decade since our sworn officer staffing was in the optimal range of 1.2 officers per 1,000 residents. We currently sit at approximately .94 officers per 1,000 residents. An additional 39 sworn officers would need to be added to get back to the optimal 1.2 staffing level...and that is without continued population growth. In the budget for the current fiscal year 2023-2024, our public safety departments receive roughly 87% of the City's discretionary revenues. That means if we eliminated all other discretionary spending (money that goes to the Senior Center, recreation, street lighting, etc.) we would only have an additional 10.3 million dollars to address the critical staffing needs of our Fire and Police Departments. While being a safe community - we are very proud of our status as the "Safest City in the Valley" - is a top priority, our "Clovis Way of Life" has also been built on the amenities we enjoy like parks and trails and the wonderful opportunities provided at our Senior Center. It is not the easiest decision to halt all these services when times are

But, in true Clovis fashion, our City is not relying on staff recommendations or even

Councilmember preferences, our City is reaching out to the community for input on priorities and suggestions. What do the residents want to see and how do the citizens want these challenges addressed? If you want to participate in the "Maintaining Clovis" survey, cityofclovis.com/maintainingclovis and follow the link to the feedback form. You are also welcome to reach out to me directly for additional information or with questions at diane4clovis@gmail.com.





POLITICAL VIEW VOTE 2024

BY: DON WATNICK

WINNING THE TOP 2 CALIFORNIA PRIMARY

California instituted a top 2 primary system in 2011. Since then, no Republican has successfully competed in a top 2 primary until former Dodger baseball player Steve Garvey broke into the current U. S. senate race.

Steve Garvey was able to do it because of a very positive name recognition. He is the extreme rarity.

California is so heavily Democrat that Republicans have had virtually no chance to make it to the November election. California Top 2 primary (known as a "Candidate Nominated Primary") races apply to all State Constitutional Offices, all State

Legislative Offices, and U. S. Congressional offices. Only the President and local offices have partisan primaries. In a partisan primary, all candidates of the same party battle it out and one is chosen to be on the November ballot. The partisan system prior to the change to the Top 2 system in 2011, gave Republicans a fighting chance in the November election. But there

is a solution to beat the Top 2 System and greatly strengthen the possibility to make it to the November ballot.

We can effectively simulate a partisan primary. I propose that when there is more than one Republican candidate in the race to get on the November ballot we do the following:

Just prior to the date when candidates must pull papers to compete in the Primary:

1. All Republican candidates in the race chip in equally to pay for a statewide or district poll. (They

are most likely already spending money on their own polling so the cost should not be a factor)

- **2. The winner** of this poll by pre-agreement is the only one to pull papers to qualify for the primary ballot.
- **3. All other** Republican candidates drop out of the race and support the winner of the poll,
- **4. This will give** full Republican backing to the winner including endorsements and financial support and greatly increase the winner's chance of making it to the November ballot.

I believe this simulated primary would be very effective. The only real problem in making this work is the giant egos of the candidates. They likely will not voluntarily submit to this agreement. However, I believe that their egos will be put aside for the greater good if the Statewide Party and the County parties back this plan. The choice is between being competi-

tive in November or not even being on the ballot. With the overwhelming statewide Democrat majority, 2 or more Republican candidates competing in the primary greatly dilutes the chance of any Republican candidate successfully reaching the November ballot.

If we all pull together and back one top candidate, we have a great opportunity to take back our state.

This proposal was presented to and approved by the Fresno County Republican party several years ago, but it never made it to the statewide party and so was never implemented. Don Watnick, Former

Fresno County Party

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In addition to our taproom, we have established a growing distribution network, ensuring that our beers are accessible to a wider audience. By partnering with select restaurants, bars, and retailers, we extend the reach of our brand and share our passion for craft beer with more individuals.

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Burning Sun Brewing Company's commitment to excellence, innovation, and community sets us apart in the craft beer industry. We invite you to join us on a beer journey that celebrates quality, creativity, and the art of brewing. Whether you're a seasoned craft beer connoisseur or new to the world of craft beer, we are dedicated to delivering exceptional experiences and sharing our love for finely crafted brews.

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The Unrestricted War Using "Chaos"



R. Ellington Smith

A weakening view of our government is exactly what the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) has set as a goal in "Unrestricted Warfare" written by two Chinese generals in 1999. "Unrestricted Warfare" lays out how to destroy the enemy from within without typical military involvement. This is done by creating a battlefield within the social structure of your enemy. Unrestricted warfare has no rules, so it has many fronts and forms. Tools for unrestricted warfare are social engineering, economic control, compromised leadership, and division between the people and their government.

China is attacking the U.S. on all fronts with the latest emphasis on dividing Americans through social engineering. The Chinese Communist Party's (CCP) goal is to form distrust between fellow Americans and between citizens and the government. China is making fools of the U.S. by infiltrating all areas with a dominate role in control of social and entertainment media. According to the book "Blood Money," by Peter Schweizer, twenty-six organizations Chinese have been set up in the U.S. for the purpose of defunctionalizing society through Social Engineering (social media psyops, misinformation, and propaganda). Support for the campus pro-Palestinian movement has been their latest target.

As Memorial Day comes and goes, it is amazing the number of legislators that disregard fallen heroes that have given the ultimate sacrifice for this country. Some praise the fallen with good speeches while undermining America with their legislative action or lack thereof.

Yao-Yuan Yeh, professor of international studies at the University of St. Thomas (Houston, TX) said, "The Chinese Communist Party (CCP) wants to show the pro-Palestinian protests as a long-term cognitive warfare of chaos within the United States and to show the need for authoritarian rule."

Antonio Graceffo, a China analyst says, "Protesters want peace to 'stop the genocide' in Gaza without acknowledging terrorist actions against Israel by Hamas." In addition, he said "Protesters are supporting a system that doesn't approve of their liberal lifestyles. The CCP's psyop success has been to have protesters to protest in support of a system that would kill them." Basically saying Hamas would kill them for their liberal lifestyle.

Meta found that "Spamouflage/ Dragonbridge" had direct links to Chinese law enforcement (U.S. based Chinese Police Offices) promoted information warfare psyop-psychological operations to entice Americans to fight each other. During the Black Lives Matter protests in the summer of 2020, the CCP deployed a similar propaganda narrative to make democracy look bad and further polarize our society by enticing civil unrest. The Information Warfare goal get division amongst ourselves and establish a "kinetic warfare." The

campus unrests are under the influence of psyop promoted by TikTok and other social media platforms where people lose the ability to see patterns and logical disconnect in forming their opinions.

While Russia is more advanced in psychological warfare, China is better at using technology and finances to undermine American society. But, more importantly is the fact that 67% of our U.S. legislators (both Democrats and Republicans) have some type of financial ties to Chinese entities. Panama **Papers** exposed by the International Consortium of Investigative Journalist, tracked of dollars millions laundered to U.S. political non-profits by China and Russia.

China is behind much of today's legislation expanding the powers of government. Government overreach is at an "all time high." Government overreach is not just health issues but applies to agency regulations where unselected bureaucrats make the rules while acting as judge and jury over citizens (ie. the **Environmental Protection** Agency). There are more than 3,300 federal, state, and local agencies operating outside Constitutional law in this regard.

China is touted as the world economic model by the World Economic Forum's (WEF) founder Klaus Schwab. Keeping in

mind, and adding to this, is the fact that BlackRock manages all the Federal Reserve assets as a private bank network tied to the U.S. government. Larry Fink, CEO of BlackRock is on the advisory board of WEF and on the board of Tsinghua School University Economics in China. In May 2024 he was guest speaker at Peking University, Guanghua School of Management, speaking on "The Shared Economy, a globalist view of a single world economy."

Now that said, the Supreme Court iust upheld a law that was passed during the Obama years. The law regarded the Federal Reserve funding the new Consumer Financial Protection Agency rather than the U.S. Treasury. This now allows U.S. government agencies to get their funding, all or part, from the Federal Reserve. In effect, this places government agency funding in the hands of BlackRock and the U.S. taxpayer, indirectly, pays BlackRock instead of the Treasury to fund agencies. This plays into the hands of China and the WEF under its global initiative.

Economic decay is realized in the fact that U.S. households have lost 20% of their wealth over the last three years. China accounted for 21.2% of all imports to the U.S in 2018 (World Trade Organization). In 2021 at least 8,619 companies operations in China. The proposed U.S. China Bilateral Investment Treaty would grant Chinese firms broader rights to purchase U.S. firms, land, and other assets giving even more power to the Chinese. Several states have responded by not allowing China to own land within their state (before the Supreme Court).

We Americans experienced the overreach of government during the Covid Pandemic event. The push was by a select few bureaucrats along with the World Health Organization (WHO) causing severe damage to people's health as well as the economy. Just what CCP had ordered.

Evidence now supports facts of a U.S. government cover-up of a bad Covid policy, established by non-elected bureaucrats, responsible for over a million U.S. deaths. Yet recently, the U.S. signed onto the World Health Organization's (WHO) Pandemic Treaty for global coordination of pandemic responses that include controls over what they deem as misinformation (information criticizing them for their actions). Keep in mind, the World Health Organization just forecasted a seventyseven percent (77%) increase in cancer over the next twenty-five years for those between the ages of 17 and 45 years who took the Covid jab.

Evil has overtaken our country and it is no longer Democrat or Republican. If we allow legislators to continue as is and the country doesn't come to grips with its "amoral" posture, the U.S. will be a non-player. The spiraling down trend needs to be reversed immediately. America has no moral fiber and will be judged accordingly through loss of standard of living, freedoms, and rule of law. Keep in mind: America is NOT the richest country, our national debt is \$37 trillion.

Think where you stand.

Dennis McCourt Got Hope?

Recently returned from Israel Col John Somerville & I are still processing all the the Lord did with us while we were there. The Israeli people were so open and appreciative of us coming to stand with them at this very difficult time for them as a nation. Many were surprised we came and expressed amazement that we would come to bless them as the world is turning against them.

When people saw John Somerville and his big cowboy hat they were fawning over us. Waitresses were fighting over who gets to serve the table. One restaurant owner came over to our table weeping as she told us about her two sons who were in the south fighting as we spoke. We had the privilege to travel with retired IDF Colonel Marco Moreno. He gave us first

Israel is at war for their very survival as nation!

hand on the ground info regarding what is really happening. We traveled to the Gaza border and prayed with family members who lost loved ones or who are hostages. At Adi Negev a rehabilitation center near Gaza we met with a soldier who was wounded on Oct 7. This location was miraculously protected on Oct 7. The rehabilitation hospital is located in the Negev-Southern Israel- a mere 12 miles away from the Gaza Border.

On October 7th, 2023, 19 Hamas terrorists on two Toyota pickup trucks, carrying machine guns, RPGs, grenades, and other advanced firearms drove right past our rehabilitation hospital- miraculously did not enter the campus and continued two more minutes up the road and killed 52 Israeli citizens in the small town of Ofakim. One of their staff members was killed there and many of the staff have lost family members, neighbors, and friends. Many staff also lost their homes and are still living in temporary housing facilities. Some of the staff are still





serving in IDF reserves given the current war.

We also met with an amazing hospital agency called Save a Child's Heart. They have performed over 7,000 heart surgeries on children who were facing life threatening conditions. More than half of these children have been Arab Muslims. This demonstrates the love of neighbor that the average Israeli has the Arab and Jew alike!

Here in Israel people are literally fearing for their lives because of this unprovoked attack on Oct 7. Not only here in Israel, but Jews around the world are fearing for their lives like so many Jews throughout history have because of antisemitism. What is happening on college campuses across America is despicable. Here are timeless words of wisdom for those who participate in the propaganda on college campuses.

Exodus 23:1-2 1 You must not give a false report. Do not join your hand with the wicked to be a malicious witness. 2 You must not follow the masses to do evil, and do

not testify in a dispute that agrees with the crowd to pervert justice.

Israel is a nation that is at war for their very survival. This is the time to stand with Israel. Silence is complicity! Pray daily for the Israeli hostages and that Israel will do everything they can to protect innocent civilian life in Gaza in their efforts to free them.

We are raising funds to ship medical equipment and supplies to both the Adi Negev Rehabilitation Center near Gaza and Save a Child's Heart. If you would like to bless Israel in this way, please contact John Somerville or myself. In addition we are planning more trips to Israel in Oct and November of this year. Those who go with us will be able to participate in hands on ministry and get some touring in as well. Also, we will make time to speak regarding the current conditions in Israel at your church or organization as requested. You can contact John Somerville at 5 5 9 - 7 6 0 - 5 4 1 0 israel4somerville@gmail.com or myself Dennis





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