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#### Weather

"It would be quite surprising to see a third very warm winter in a row, but I do feel the conditions will be warmer; although we won't see a record warm winter like we have the past two years.

#### **Temperature forecast**

You can probably won't want to leave the long underwear in storage if you live in the South, you will have a couple of cold fronts march through. As it looks to me its likely around half of the continental US will experience warmer-than-normal conditions.

The East Coast has about a 25% chance of having an above-average winter. This doesn't mean a very cold snap or two won't happen, it's just mean that they could experience some warmer temperatures. The Northern Plains and Northwestern US are the only locations the winter season will be below average. The rest of the continental US has equal chances of experiencing a normal winter -- meaning residents there will have equal chances of having above, near, or below-normal temperatures.

#### **Precipitation forecasts**

You may want to get a water-proof jacket this season if you live in the northern Rockies or Midwest. I am looking at above-average precipitation in these areas, while a stretch from Southern California to the Carolinas is expected to be drier. Northern Florida and Southern Georgia regions have the greatest probability of drier conditions.

The winter pattern will favor storms across the northern tier of the country.

The effects of El Niño and La Niña are much more noticeable during the winter months across the US. If La Nina conditions develop, it will be weak and potentially short-lived; however, it could still shape the character of the upcoming winter

During a typical La Niña winter, the Northwest and Midwest are colder and wetter, while the Southwest to Southeast remains drier than average.

BTW the dormant volcano in Yellowstone won't erupt this decade or the next one, either.

**Around the globe** - Climate change is influencing tectonic plates via the fluctuation of pressure and weight placed upon these plates. This can cause more earthquakes and/or volcanoes in the spring and summer of 2018.

We have seen some bad hurricanes, but I feel there are more to come. There's potential for a serious earthquake in New Zealand. In fact, 2018 will see a general increase in seismic activity worldwide and in unexpected places that have been earthquake free for a millennium.

The Southern seas will be impassable in places due to a massive break of ice shelf from Antarctica.

There will be more wild fires in California and Australia with flooding in India and China. And more record hurricanes in the Caribbean.

#### **POLITICS**

**American Politics** - The Democrats need some 24 seats to regain control of the House of Representatives in 2018. In a mid-term election, the opposing party can very reasonably hope to gain that many seats. Of course, the more seats you gain, the more power you have. It's possible the Democrats will regain control of the House.

In the US Senate, among Senators, 31 are up for reelection by 2018 most of whom are Democrats. In fact, 23 of the Senators facing voters are Democrats and many of them are in Republican friendly areas. The Democrats only need to net three seats to gain a majority of the Senate. That seems almost impossible given a realistic look at the battleground they face.

For the Democrats, the Senate is the most difficult goal by far but it's also the most crucial. ONLY the Senate can block Trump's next Supreme Court nominee. Only the Senate can impeach the President. No party in power has ever impeached their own President.

At the state level, 38 governorships are up for grabs in 2018 and 2019. And 27 of them are Republicans. Democrats need to net 10 seats to have 26 governor mansions be blue. In other words, they must win one-third of the races in order to see change in our country.

It's possible the Democrats will regain control of the House. It's reasonable to believe that most governors in the country could be Democrats by 2018. It's seems to be hopeful regain control of the Senate, but that's not likely to happen.

We will say good-by to Senator Mc Cain as our year moves on.

**Illinois -** Illinois Gov. Bruce Rauner has made official what's already widely known: He's seeking re-election for a second term.

Among several Democrats trying to defeat Governor Bruce Rauner is J.B. Pritzker, an heir to the Hyatt hotel fortune (one of the richest people in the world) and Democrat Chris Kennedy, nephew of the late President John F. Kennedy.

These are some very wealthy men and its takes lots of money to compete in political races. Chicago Alderman, Ameya Pawar, who started the governor's race with just \$50,000, dropped out because he couldn't raise enough money.

Regarding the campaign trail, and thinking about "middle-class life," Democrats and Republicans should be asking themselves: "Are we going to have an election or are we going to have an auction? The stakes are high to enter this race and the most expensive in US history

**Chicago** – What can I say. No matter who is in office, a Democrat or Republican, you are looking at raised taxes at every turn and the climate is not likely to change anytime soon. So, you need to see whose policies you want to support and pick your party. It costs a lot to run a big city and a lot to live in a big city. Especially if its Chicago.

Chicago's budget is a nightmare. You will pay more taxes to support the unions who made their deals with the city workers when the financial climate was good. It was once said that the City of Chicago was the most dangerous place in the nation to work because of the extremely high rate of on the job injuries. These folks end up on the permanently disabled payrolls and some of those salaries are outrageous for sure. But... that's the politics in Chicago and I don't see a lot changing.

**World – Conflicts and Terrorism** - A trade embargo with North Korea will fail. The US will strike at railway lines and bridges to disrupt imports.

Kim Jong-un's life is in danger -- by his own people.

Look for a 'world flu epidemic' at the start of 2018. You will hear a lot of talk about a link to biological warfare.

America makes a big military commitment to Japan.

I believe there will be a massive Bitcoin fraud uncovered that funds terrorism and war. Bitcoin is a cryptocurrency and worldwide payment system. In other words, it's digital currency. A well-known American company is involved in the scandal somehow or another.

Terrorists will make an airborne chemical weapon attack on a European capital city. Possibly London or Berlin – or both.

**USA** - I continue to see America as a nation divided, and riots continuing in the streets. Until our heads of government can come together, nothing is likely to change.

An attempt to impeach Donald Trump in mid-2018 will fail.

Donald Trump will initiate a massive trade deal with the UK in advance of Brexit. The deal will concern arms, high tech services and the motor industry.

The Mexico border... I do not see the wall being built. It will instead consist of drones and sensors.

The US will lose trade in the East. China and Russia will form a military and economic alliance in response to the North Korean crisis.

Jared Kushner will be stepping back as a presidential adviser half way through the 4-year term.

I see President Trump continuing to be open to working with the Democrats especially on infrastructure.

President Trump will only have 1 term as president. I'll also say that had Hillary Clinton won the presidency, she also would only have had 1 term.

The Affordable Care Act will be difficult to replace with a well-conceived alternative. Replacing it with something else will be a massive challenge. Some mandates will be repealed but we see the GOP meeting with many obstacles in replacing Obamacare, and the struggle to make changes could continue for years.

#### **ECONOMY**

**Overall 2018** will probably not be a great year for the world economies. We will continue to see some major brands in trouble as we have seen all along.

**The Euro will plummet** and towards the end of 2018 and into 2019. The UK and USA will be hit by the weak Euro, but their economies will bounce back quickly, and the pound and dollar will be safe havens for international money and investment.

As the years progress into the next decade, Europe's economy will struggle and seem to be slowly slipping. However around 2022, specific steps will be taken to strengthen the economies of the European nations and Europe will again take its place as an economic world leader.

Europe will continue to be a prime tourist destination.

**Asia's combined economy** is stable for now and the policies in place will help their respective countries continue without any major problems through 2018.

China completes the construction of the largest city in human history, Jing-Jin-Ji.

China lands its Chang'e-4 lander and this science mission is taking shape. It's expected to explore the dark side of the moon. It's scheduled for launch in 2018.

London's New (£15 Billion) Subway Line, the 'Crossrail' opens to the public in 2018.

Denmark opens the first zoo without cages in late 2018 to mid-2019

Saudi Arabia introduces its first, nationwide VAT tax. - VAT tax means "value added tax." It is a tax that is assessed at each "phase" of a product.

Extreme wealth inequality continues to grow in many nations which in turn signals global economic destabilization as we look forward.

**USA-** The unemployment rate will continue to drop to 4.1% in 2018. (that's a slight drop from 4.6% in 2017) This is good news. The bad news is wages are a lot less than before the crash of 2008.

Throughout the year 2018, the US will experience some economic highs and economic setbacks. It can be described as "it will be a rocky road – some bumps."

In about May 2018, I see a major event which seems to significantly impact our nation. I have no idea what I am seeing but I do know that President Trump will not be able to do anything to stop it.

California's economy had been strong through 2017, but will be affected in 2018 by the economic directions in which the nation is going. Recreational Marijuana will be a boost to this state's economy and possibly the save all.

There are some parts of the economy which will continue to crank along. 2018 will not be a depression, but will be a rocky road leading to what I see as being rockier roads. If you are looking to invest in some stocks, probably cybersecurity stocks are a good bet. Companies are quickly understanding that if they don't rely on proper cybersecurity, they WILL go out of business.

The alternative energy companies will quietly and slowly continue to create a presence in our society and the world. While loud arguments abound about fossil fuels, the alternative energies will be slowly increasing.

#### **EDUCATION - The future look at classrooms:**

- 1. Students will continue to interact with others remotely.
- 2. The Success of Technology Will Still Rely on Skilled Teachers We might be sending kids to school in self-driving cars by 2020, but that doesn't mean they'll be taught by teacher-avatars and given tests via drone. We will still need teachers
- 3. **We'll Think Differently About the Diploma -** The growing amount of the population living with crippling student debt combined with the pressure to keep tuition costs down threaten the sustainability of tuition-dependent institutions.
- 4. Students Will Have A Voice

5. Educators and Institutions Will Be Forced to Adapt - As the above four factors change—there is a wider global reach. Students will feel respected, and a workforce demanding skilled scholars—the roots of education will need to find ways to adapt.

#### **INVENTIONS** and Technology

90% of the population will have unlimited and free data storage and 84% of web traffic will be on video. We are losing our privacy and one day privacy may soon be obsolete.

**Self-driving cars** - will become publicly available in a few short years. But due to their expense and component parts, they will likely be far too expensive for the average consumer. The initial target for marketing these vehicles won't be the average consumer, it will be big business. Specifically, taxi and car sharing services.

**Cell phone signals** - become 1000x faster with pCell. Look for this word to start popping up. It's a new technology.

**Exabyte** – is a term to measure data storage. It is one quintillion bytes. The symbol for the Exabyte is EB. Web traffic will be measured in Exabyte soon. Just a term that will become more and more popular to the average computer user.

**'Smart dust' aims to monitor everything -** Hitachi Develops World's Smallest RFID Chip. Nicknamed "Powder" or "Dust."

**Smart dust** - refers to tiny, wireless networks of sensors. You also could think of the sensors as tiny chips, or even miniature robots. The **smart dust** detects data about light, temperatures or vibrations and transmits that data to larger computer systems. This can identify special RFID tags from about 600 feet, and the RFID chips have GPS capabilities.

The RFID "powder" can be incorporated into thin paper, such as currency, creating so-called "bugged" money. What this new technological means to us and for advancement of the human microchipping agenda is a whole lot, particularly due to their incredibly tiny size. Smart Dust has the capacity to infiltrate the human body, become lodged within, and begin to set up a synthetic network on the inside which can be remotely controlled from the outside. Needless to say, this has freedom, privacy, health and medical implications.

**The world meets Sophia -** Sophia is an Artificial Intelligence (AI) humanoid robot developed in Hong Kong (by Hanson Robotics) for Saudi Arabia. The huge news is that Saudi Arabia has granted citizenship to a humanoid robot named Sophia.

"It is historical to be the first robot in the world to be recognized with citizenship."

### Please welcome the newest Saudi: Sophia. Sophia acceptance speech

"My AI is designed around human values such as wisdom, kindness and compassion," she said. "I strive to be an empathetic robot. I want to use my artificial intelligence to help humans live a better life. I will do my best to make the world a better place."

Sophia has graced the cover of a fashion magazine, taken a spin in one of Audi's autonomous cars and starred in a concert. At a conference in Geneva hosted by the United Nations, she said she could do a better job as U.S. president than Donald Trump.

We will be seeing many more very soon for many different functions. Sophia is just our first. BTW Sophia is designed to look like Audrey Hepburn.

#### **MEDICAL**

A male birth control pill and cream becomes commercially available. Polio will be largely eradicated globally. Scientists begin testing reverse aging techniques on humans.

Berlin's Ada healthcare is to become the Alexa of healthcare. Ada has become one of the world's fastest-growing medical apps in 2017. In a chat interface, it helps people decipher their ailments, but then also connects them with real doctors. The developers aim to improve access to healthcare globally, with the idea that in the future AI (Artificial Intelligence) starts the process of personalizing your healthcare until a doctor takes over, and has access to a pre-diagnosis. I see it coming to Chicago this year.

Fat converted to stem cells to save the sick. This is a major scientific event because it's non-controversial, and its relatively easy way to produce stem cells. In September 2009, scientists determined stem cells derived from fat had the potential to revolutionize the way the medical community saves lives.

Cancer Immunotherapy: Could this be the beginning of the end of cancer? Immunotherapy has become a clinically validated treatment for many cancers. Immunotherapeutic strategies include cancer vaccines, oncolytic viruses, adoptive transfer of ex vivo activated T and natural killer cells, and administration of antibodies or recombinant proteins that either co-stimulate cells or block the so-called immune checkpoint pathways.

**Decentralized Healthcare** -Today's healthcare system is largely characterized by a centralized network of pharmacies, clinics, and hospitals. We are a public that basically is unaware of their health and sometimes not well informed about how to effectively care for themselves.

Compare that system to what we're currently heading towards: a decentralized network of apps, websites, clinic-pharmacies and hospitals that proactively provide personalized medicine and treatment to prevent the health issues.

This technology-enabled shift in healthcare and the goal is the delivery of healthcare based upon five principles that involve:

- Empowering individuals with tools to track their own health data;
- Enabling family doctors to practice health maintenance instead of healing the already sick;
- Facilitating health consultations, free of geographic constraints
- Dragging the cost and time of comprehensive diagnosis down to pennies and minutes
- Providing customized treatment to the ill or injured to promptly return them to health with minimal long-term complications.

A cure for the STI almost everyone has it. Herpes, also known as HSV-1 and HSV-2, is pretty much everywhere and people are only now starting to realize it. According to The World Health Organization, an estimated 3.7 billion people under the age of 50 has herpes. That means roughly 67% of the population of the Earth has herpes.

**Smart implants** - Implants are now being tested to replace entire organs, with the long-term goal of eliminating the wait times patients face when waiting for a donor transplant. Among the most talked about organ replacement devices is the bionic heart. There are several designs but among the most promising is a device that pumps blood around the body without a pulse ...

**Nanotechnology** - is a huge topic that has applications in a wide range of fields and industries. it's a broad term for any form of science, engineering, and technology.

In the context of health, nanotech is being investigated as a tool that could revolutionize healthcare by replacing drugs and most surgeries entirely by the late 2030s.

Nanorobotic Surgeries, envisions a day when a minor surgery simply involves a doctor injecting a syringe filled with pre-programmed nanobots into a targeted region of the body. Those nanobots would then search out damaged tissue. Once found, they would use enzymes to cut the unhealthy tissue cells away from the healthy tissue. The body's healthy cells would then be stimulated to regenerate the tissue.

Nanobots can also be applied to attack various forms of cancer, as well as various viruses and bacteria that may infect your body. Although this technology is very much underway, it may take another 15 years before we see this technology in full force.

**Regenerative medicine** - Using the umbrella term Regenerative Medicine, it uses techniques within the fields of tissue engineering and molecular biology to restore the function of diseased or damaged tissues and organs. Basically, regenerative medicine

wants to use the body's cells to repair themselves, instead of replacing or augmenting the cells with prosthetics and machines.

**Shapeshifting stem cells** - By 2025, stem cells will be used to heal a variety of physical conditions and injuries. Stem cells reside in every part of our body, waiting to be called into action to repair damaged tissue. In fact, all the 10 trillion cells that make up our body originated from those initial stem cells from inside the mother's womb. As the body formed, those stem cells specialized into brain cells, heart cells, skin cells, etc.

Scientists are now able to turn most groups of cells in the body back into original stem cells. Since stems cells are able to transform into any cell in the body, they can be used to heal almost any wound. Stem cells are currently being tested as a treatment to cure heart disease and even heal the spinal cords of paraplegics, allowing them to walk again.

**3D bioprinting** - is the medical application of 3D printing whereby living tissues are printed layer by layer. And instead of using plastics and metals like normal 3D printers, 3D bioprinters use stem cells as the building material. These printed organs also present an additional benefit for the pharmaceutical industry, since these printed organs can be used far more accurately and cheaper than drug and vaccine trials. And since these organs are printed using the patient's own stem cells, the risk of the patient's immune system rejecting these organs falls drastically when compared to donated organs from humans, animals, and certain mechanical implants.

**Further into the future**, by the 2040s, advanced 3D bioprinters will print entire limbs that can be reattached to the stump of amputees, thereby making prosthetics obsolete.

Inching towards the cancer vaccine – What makes this so promising is the fact that researchers in the study identified that the drug Warfarin (traditionally used to stop blood from clotting) influences the alteration of necessary cells that we identify with cancer. This has the potential of laying the foundation for the development of a vaccine that could be mass-produced. This brings hope for the future where immunity from cancer will be as simple and routine as getting an injection for chickenpox, measles or polio.

**Bionic eye lens** - allows humans to have 3x 20/20 vision. Not sure why we need this but look for it to materialize late 2018 - 2019

#### **COVERING OTHER ODDS AND ENDS**

There's an increasing sense of community, and the beginning rise of smaller communities within communities.

Veganism is expanding in leaps and bounds out of concern for animals.

Strong local communities are forming across America.

Congress and Senate is in session, but a bit bluer this time.

Media chaos – about freedom of speech

Small communities of free thinkers continue to pop up across the nations.

Underground resistance starting.

People in the US are uniting and mobilizing

People vs. government renewed activism

Stock market- volatility due to world events.

People that were once middle class sliding down to the bottom because of policies.

Something about the Constitution and the National Archives in the news

The continued conversation on Russia's influence in politics and other American affairs In Israel and/or Palestine, there is an explosion.

There is a regime change in the Middle East.

Tourism in Egypt increasing

Water in Africa reaching crisis levels.

New legislation on climate issues

Chemicals raining into the ocean from a U.S. geo-engineering project.

U.S. - Justice department big time in the news, along with Congress.

Spring or Summer - In the news - maybe jail threats for politicians. Some are in hiding. All eyes on White house.

Jared is gone.

Visual of Paul Ryan - He is enjoying a powerful role and smiling from the podium.

We will likely see a Repeal of income tax.

Supreme court Justice Kennedy retiring, I see him handing off the gavel

Russia (Putin) is very upset with the U.S. president.

Many complex surgeries are performed by robots

Big scandals! More corporate and government corruption will be exposed.

We see big scandals coming out in the entertainment world and reality TV.

Because of the access to chemical weapons and we will continue to see more chemical weapons attacks in coming years with devastating effects.

In the coming years, we see more togetherness, collaboration, harmony, and optimism. More feminine qualities expressed in leadership. More women will be gaining power politically, and in corporate culture.

July - It appears that President Trump to be out of the picture, possibly he is ill or just gone. It looks like new leadership emerging trying to bring order out of chaos.

I am hearing the words, "Alphabet or Alphabet soup." Alphabet is the parent company for google. Google's holding company, Alphabet, is in the news for some type of action.

There is a big Royal affair. Maybe Queen Elizabeth will step down this year. Due to the popularity of Prince William, the crown will be passed to him and not his father, Prince Charles. It will skip his generation. The queen will be taking a huge risk not to follow the natural secession of her monarchy, but I feel it's a wise risk and she's willing to take it.

#### **CELBRETRIES** and our Movie buffs

Star Wars Anthology: Han Solo' movie is released in theaters.

The first 'Flash' movie is released in theaters.

The sequel to 'Ant Man' is released in theaters. Godzilla references will be made.

The sequel to 'Frozen' is released in theaters, much to the chagrin of parents everywhere.

Avengers: Infinity War, Part I' is released in theaters. Hide the Infinity Gems.

The Marvel film 'Captain Marvel' is released in theaters.

The sequel to 'Avatar' is finally released in theaters.

#### Rev. Donna J. Fischer outlook for 2018

I feel the weather and environmental issues is going to continue to dominate the world news During the year 2018. The US is in store, of course, for more hurricanes, fires and the like. I look for Puerto Rico to get hit again. Mother Nature is adding greatly to our financial burden. Then there's the man-made catastrophes such as mega oil spills, nuclear explosions and, of course, reckless wars.

We all know about the super volcano that's under Yellowstone Park. And, that it's overdue for an eruption. But, there's another one that bears watching. The super volcano under Naples, Italy is showing signs of activity and could erupt at any time. Scientists say that it is ready to blow. This will devastate the region and effect over 1 million people. Then there's the global environmental impact to deal with.

And so it goes for another year. May God and the Angels bless you

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So another year of predictions are here. May your year be filled with love and joy, Spiritual awareness and lots of fun.

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