

# Elephant Talk

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## Special President Donald J. Trump Edition

### President's Byline



The last few weeks have had a lot of firsts in politics to the point we as the American people are starting to get political fatigue, and we haven't even hit October when weird surprises pop up during presidential campaigns. The Democrats love to talk about democracy and how important it is. One of their favor protest chants is "This is what democracy looks like". But their brand of democracy this year looks ugly and more corrupt than usual. They just pulled a fast one on the American people. The first real coup in American history and almost no one is calling them out on what they have done. They have committed massive fraud by keeping an elderly, mentally incompetent president in office. Though most of us with eyes and a brain were not surprised. Dems accused Republicans of using deep fakes to exaggerate Joe Biden's failing health. Then, after that disastrous debate against President Trump, they became desperate. The mainstream liberal media made up increasingly outrageous unsubstantiated claims against President Trump. Calling him a dictator, who wanted to be president for life and an "existential threat to Democracy" until one of their crazed voters tried to assassinate him. Then they disenfranchised 14 million of their voters by forcing Joe Biden out and coronating Kamala Harris. Now we see story after story about the new Camelot or Kamala-lot as they are calling it. How she will save us all from the real boogie man, Donald Trump.

What are they saving us from? A booming economy, low inflation rates, federal income taxes reduced, cheap food, cheap gas, a closed border, dropping crime rates and a president who supports the Constitution. My biggest fear this November is another Democrat presidency. Can we really afford four more years of their globalist far-Left policies? Do we really want to be run by people who want to tax us to death to support failing policies based on junk science and Leftist ideology. We need help and that help can only come in the form of one man, but he must stay the course and not get distracted because the Dems will throw everything they have at him.

**This is a love letter to President Trump, please listen to your voters because you are all we have.**

- Point out it's not the candidates the Democrats run; it's their awful Left wing polices that are slowly strangling the life out this country. They are all unfit. This no longer the party of JFK.
- Focus on the positives of another Trump presidency, stay above the fray.
- Point out you will be the one making decisions in the White House. Elect Kalama Harris and the deep state will continue to run the country. She is a lightweight, easily controlled.
- Keep being a relentless promise keeper, you had 247 accomplishments listed on the White House website during your presidency. Biden has only a few and they are all Leftist ideology based.

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### Calendar of Events

**Next Board Meeting**  
August 6, 2024, 11:30-1:00  
Napoli's Restaurant  
2865 McDermott, Ste 235  
Plano

**Next General Meeting,**  
August 20, 2024, 11:30  
Saltgrass - East Plano  
3320 North Central Exp  
Plano



## PRW Presidents Byline

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- Talk about what you will accomplish this term, stop living in the past.
- Most important, stay alive. Unfortunately, the Democrats amnesty on explosive Trump rhetoric only lasted a week. They have come out swinging worse than before since Kamala Harris became their new presidential candidate.
- Use executive actions less, we have seen how fleeting they are. In less than one week Joe Biden overturned everything you did.

### Trump Don'ts

- Stay away from insults and derogatory comments. Let your supporters do that, we are currently winning the meme wars.
- Don't focus on being cheated out of the last election, focus on this election.
- Don't comment on Kamala's looks or anything about her being female. You are just playing into their narrative. Only comment on her numerous failures including being the Border Czar.
- Do not fall into the abortion trap. Because she will bring it up constantly. Stay the course
- Remember Kalama co-owns the disastrous Biden Administration polices. Don't allow her to divorce herself from that dumpster fire.
- Hammer on her on being a part of the biggest cover up in America history, she hid Joe Biden condition just like the White House staff from us. He was deemed too senile to even stand trial months ago. The press tried to gaslight us into believing that was a lie.
- If you debate her, focus on your accomplishments. Don't fall for the racist trap, the gun control trap, the abortion trap, or personal attacks trap. Ignore them all and get your message out.

My message to everyone, sit back and let the Democrats tear themselves apart. Do nothing to aid them. Everyone should watch their convention de- evolve into a blood sport as each tribal faction tries to claw their way to the top. I don't believe for a minute everyone is going to get behind Kamala. We should pay special attention to the Obamas and Clintons in the coming weeks. They believe in ruling over people, not governing. Watch them force this unpalpable alternative onto the American people, a presidential candidate no one voted for. They will try to focus on her meager accomplishments.

In Biden's resignation speech he said, "It is in the best interests of my party and my country to stand down." Again, putting PARTY before country. We should all be terrified that the deep state is so strong that it can force a sitting president to abandon reelection. They also kept him in office as a figurehead for the last few years. We have all seen him stumbling, and endured the endless word salads when he is unscripted. Moving forward into the fall, we need to be better at getting our messaging out. Stop being on defense, it's time to stay on offense. Strong people need a strong president and Trump is our man.

*Cleo Marchese*

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# PRW August Meeting



## NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

**August 20, 2024**

## Chet Billingsley

### How Green Policies Destroy Economies

Chet Billingsley is a native of Minnesota who received a congressional appointment and did his undergraduate work at West Point. Later, he went to graduate school at Harvard University, where he received a master's degree in Applied Physics with concurrent studies at Harvard Business School and MIT's Nuclear Engineering Department.

Mr. Billingsley spent much of his career in the energy sector and has studied or worked in a broad range of technologies, including coal, liquified natural gas, nuclear, energy, nuclear waste disposal, geothermal, fusion, solar heating, photovoltaics, oil and gas partnerships, wind, and tidal power plus helping support the administration of all technology contracts for the Department of Energy in Washington, D.C. Published in infrared laser physics.

Mr. Billingsley is well qualified and has long interest in the beneficial milding of the global climate driven by eons-long solar cycles and reinforced by the often misunderstood infrared retaining effect of our atmosphere's carbon dioxide blanket.



**Location : Saltgrass Steakhouse Plano East**

**3320 North Central Expressway, Plano, TX 75074**

**Time: 11:15 am: Arrive and check-in, 11:30 am: Meeting, Lunch & Program**

**Lunch is available for \$25.00 with RSVP, cash or check payable to PRW on arrival**

**RSVPs for lunch must be made by 5 pm Friday, August 16th, 2024**

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## President Donald J. Trump's Accomplishments 2016-2020

**President Trump had an amazing 247 accomplished during his presidency.**

**We don't have room for all of them, so we have chosen to highlight the very first one listed:**

### Unprecedented Economic Boom

Before the China Virus invaded our shores, we built the world's most prosperous economy.

- America gained 7 million new jobs – more than three times government experts' projections.
- Middle-Class family income increased nearly \$6,000 – more than five times the gains during the entire previous administration.
- The unemployment rate reached 3.5 percent, the lowest in a half-century.
- Achieved 40 months in a row with more job openings than job-hirings.
- More Americans reported being employed than ever before – nearly 160 million.
- Jobless claims hit a nearly 50-year low.
- The number of people claiming unemployment insurance as a share of the population hit its lowest on record.

Incomes rose in every single metro area in the United States for the first time in nearly 3 decades. Delivered a future of greater promise and opportunity for citizens of all backgrounds.

- Unemployment rates for African Americans, Hispanic Americans, Asian Americans, Native Americans, veterans, individuals with disabilities, and those without a high school diploma all reached record lows.
- Unemployment for women hit its lowest rate in nearly 70 years.
- Lifted nearly 7 million people off of food stamps.
- Poverty rates for African Americans and Hispanic Americans reached record lows.
- Income inequality fell for two straight years, and by the largest amount in over a decade.
- The bottom 50 percent of American households saw a 40 percent increase in net worth.
- Wages rose fastest for low-income and blue-collar workers – a 16 percent pay increase.

African American homeownership increased from 41.7 percent to 46.4 percent. Brought jobs, factories, and industries back to the USA.

- Created more than 1.2 million manufacturing and construction jobs.
- Put in place policies to bring back supply chains from overseas.

Small business optimism broke a 35-year old record in 2018. Hit record stock market numbers and record 401ks.

- The DOW closed above 20,000 for the first time in 2017 and topped 30,000 in 2020.

## President Donald J. Trump's Accomplishments 2016-2020

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The S&P 500 and NASDAQ have repeatedly notched record highs.

Rebuilding and investing in rural America.

- Signed an Executive Order on Modernizing the Regulatory Framework for Agricultural Biotechnology Products, which is bringing innovative new technologies to market in American farming and agriculture.

Strengthened America's rural economy by investing over \$1.3 billion through the Agriculture Department's ReConnect Program to bring high-speed broadband infrastructure to rural America.

Achieved a record-setting economic comeback by rejecting blanket lockdowns.

- An October 2020 Gallup survey found 56 percent of Americans said they were better off during a pandemic than four years prior.
- During the third quarter of 2020, the economy grew at a rate of 33.1 percent – the most rapid GDP growth ever recorded.
- Since coronavirus lockdowns ended, the economy has added back over 12 million jobs, more than half the jobs lost.
- Jobs have been recovered 23 times faster than the previous administration's recovery.
- Unemployment fell to 6.7 percent in December, from a pandemic peak of 14.7 percent in April – beating expectations of well over 10 percent unemployment through the end of 2020.
- Under the previous administration, it took 49 months for the unemployment rate to fall from 10 percent to under 7 percent compared to just 3 months for the Trump Administration.
- Since April, the Hispanic unemployment rate has fallen by 9.6 percent, Asian-American unemployment by 8.6 percent, and Black American unemployment by 6.8 percent.
- 80 percent of small businesses are now open, up from just 53 percent in April.
- Small business confidence hit a new high.
- Homebuilder confidence reached an all-time high, and home sales hit their highest reading since December 2006.
- Manufacturing optimism nearly doubled.
- Household net worth rose \$7.4 trillion in Q2 2020 to \$112 trillion, an all-time high.
- Home prices hit an all-time record high.
- The United States rejected crippling lockdowns that crush the economy and inflict countless public health harms and instead safely reopened its economy.
- Business confidence is higher in America than in any other G7 or European Union country.

Stabilized America's financial markets with the establishment of a number of Treasury Department supported facilities at the Federal Reserve.

Below we have listed the categories of his other accomplishments.

Please click the link to the original document:

<https://trumpwhitehouse.archives.gov/trump-administration-accomplishments/>

# President Donald J. Trump's Accomplishments 2016-2020

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**Tax Relief for the Middle Class**

**Massive Deregulation**

**Fair and Reciprocal Trade**

**American Energy Independence**

**Investing in America's Workers and Families**

**Life-Saving Response to the China Virus**

**Great Healthcare for Americans**

**Remaking the Federal Judiciary**

**Achieving a Secure Border**

**Restoring American Leadership Abroad**

**Colossal Rebuilding of the Military**

**Serving and Protecting Our Veterans**

**Making Communities Safer**

**Cherishing Life and Religious Liberty**

**Safeguarding the Environment**

**Expanding Educational Opportunity**

**Combatting the Opioid Crisis**

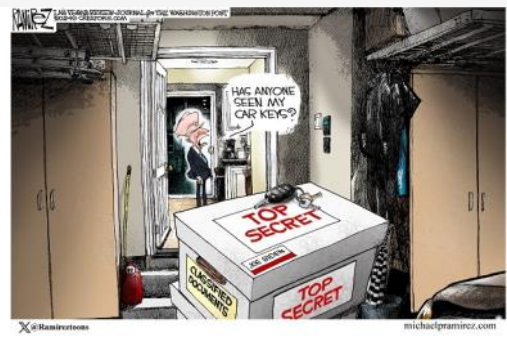
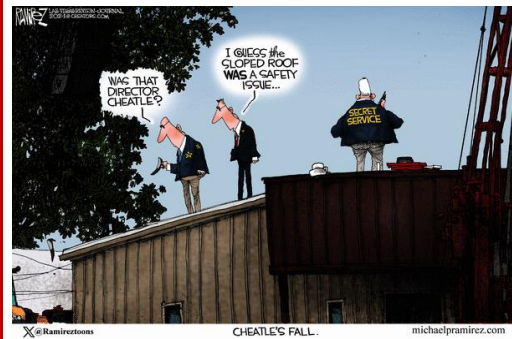
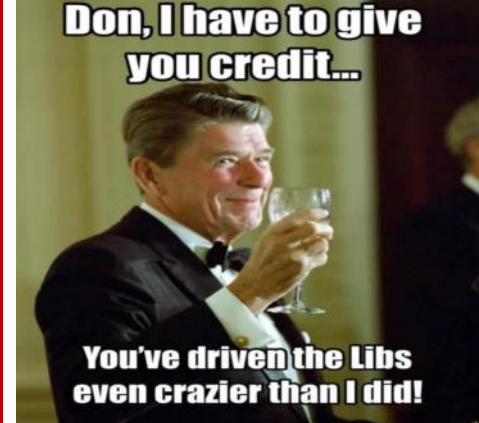
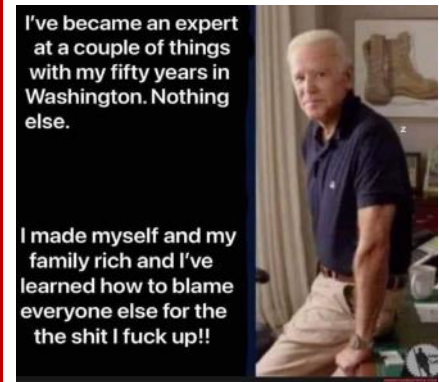
**Brought unprecedented attention and support to combat the opioid crisis.**

Many of President Trump's accomplishments came through Executive Orders which Biden immediately rescinded. Many of these could actually have been laws enacted had the Republican House (under Paul Ryan) and the Senate (under Mitch McConnell) had supported the President (my opinion). We have an opportunity here if we work to get voters to the polls and reach out in particular to the 75 million evangelical Christians who do not vote and get them to the polls we can make this election "Too Big to Rig". But we must FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT and we must UNITE!

# Political Cartoons



**If you believe that a 20 year old outsmarted the secret service...then I have several beach front properties in AZ for sale.**





# AMERICANISM REPORT

by Ellen Leyrer



## MYTHS ABOUT THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AUGUST 1, 2024

The American Revolution was one of the most significant conflicts of the 18th century. It not only led to the 13 original colonies gaining independence from Great Britain, but also helped establish democracy and representation as a path for governments around the world. Today, schools teach the famous events and figures from this chapter of American history year after year, from the rebellious Boston Tea Party to Paul Revere's "midnight ride" to the "shot heard round the world" during the Revolutionary War. But the storied details of the nation's founding aren't always completely accurate, and there are plenty of myths that persist to this day.

### Myth: The American Colonies Went to War Solely Over Taxes

The phrase "taxation without representation" is a popular and easy-to-remember slogan of the American Revolution, based on the argument laid out in Patrick Henry's Virginia Resolves in 1765. Henry wrote a series of resolutions that were passed in Virginia's House of Burgesses in response to the Stamp Act, which levied additional taxes on the British colonies in America. Though taxes were a major point of contention between the colonists and the British crown, they were not the sole reason for the conflict. Mounting tensions between American colonists and the British were also caused by disputes over land distribution — the British planned to reserve the western part of North America for Indigenous peoples, angering colonists with plans to expand outward.

### Myth: Paul Revere Was the Only Rider Who Warned About the British

Paul Revere's "midnight ride" was immortalized by painter Grant Wood's 1931 depiction of the event, "The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere," which was inspired by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's 1860 poem "Paul Revere's Ride." While Revere did ride out the evening of April 18, 1775, to warn Sons of Liberty leaders Samuel Adams and John Hancock of the arrival of British troops, he wasn't alone. Patriots William Dawes and Samuel Prescott also rode on different routes through the greater Boston area. All three riders were stopped by the British, but managed to escape and complete their task, warning the rebels that an attack was coming.

### Myth: The Phrase "Don't Fire Until You See the Whites of Their Eyes" Was Coined During the Revolution

The phrase "don't shoot until you see the whites of their eyes" is used as shorthand today, meant as a warning against reacting too quickly. The idiom is typically credited to Colonel Israel Putnam at the Battle of Bunker Hill. But there's no concrete evidence that Putnam uttered the phrase, or that it was first said during that particular battle, or even during the Revolutionary War. In fact, some historians have traced the phrase back to the Seven Years' War a decade earlier, or even to Prussian soldiers during various battles in the 18th century. It's likely this was a phrase already known to soldiers before the American Revolution.

### Myth: That Saratoga Was the Turning Point of the War

The Battle of Saratoga on October 17, 1777, was a critical moment in the American Revolutionary War, leading to France's alliance with the United States. However, Saratoga was not the sole turning point. Early battles like Concord and Bunker Hill showcased American militia capabilities, boosting morale and legitimacy. Later, victories at Trenton and Princeton, along with the transformation of the Continental Army into a professional force, were pivotal. The final crucial phase occurred in the South, culminating in Cornwallis's surrender at Yorktown in 1781. These events collectively shaped the war's outcome, leading to American independence.

### Myth: The Declaration of Independence Was Signed on July 4

Every year, Americans celebrate Independence Day on the Fourth of July, and it's commonly believed that July 4, 1776, marks the date the Declaration of Independence was signed. In reality, the Continental Congress voted to declare independence on July 2, and the Declaration of Independence was formally adopted two days later on July 4. (John Adams even predicted that July 2 would be celebrated as a national holiday for centuries to come.) The signing of the document, meanwhile, didn't begin for another month; John Hancock was the first founding father to sign the declaration, on August 2, 1776.

### Myth: The Liberty Bell Cracked While the Declaration of Independence Was Being Read

No trip to Philadelphia is complete without a visit to the Liberty Bell, a 2,000-pound bell that hangs in Independence Hall (formerly the Pennsylvania State House). The bell was ordered from London by Pennsylvania statesman Isaac Norris in 1751, and when it arrived stateside, it cracked on the first ring. The original bell was then melted down and recast in Philadelphia, and it was this second iteration of the Liberty Bell that was rung to celebrate the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence on July 8, 1776. According to lore, the bell fractured again at this historic moment, but as far as records show, no cracks appeared that day. The infamous split in the current bell actually occurred sometime in the mid-19th century; the first record of the blemish appears in 1846.





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## Myth: George Washington Was a Military Mastermind

The nation's first President is possibly the most famous American of all time, but he was not quite the military mastermind that he's often credited as being. Most of the military decisions during the Revolutionary War were hidden from the public, sparing people the details of the indecision that Washington often faced in times of strife. The general had never commanded a large unit before leading the Continental Army, and though his bravery was lauded, his tactician skills left something to be desired, by some accounts. In the years after the war, Thomas Paine — famous for writing the revolutionary book *Common Sense* — wrote that Washington “slept away [his] time in the field.” That said, Washington's skills as a leader were unparalleled, and his willingness to step down from the presidency after two terms allowed America's fledgling democracy to establish a system of shifting leaders.

## Myth: Americans Were United in Their Support of the War

The “spirit of '76” — a nickname for the patriotic fervor around the revolution — was really only a spirit of around 70% to 80% of the population at the time. The rest of the colonists were either loyal to the crown or skeptical of conflict. Some of this divide occurred because of geography, as New England colonists were dragged into the conflict sooner than those in the South. Many people were concerned with the cost (human and financial) of going to war with one of the world's most powerful empires, and some militia fighters had to be paid to enlist rather than volunteering for the cause. By the end of the revolution, however, enthusiasm for American independence was more widespread. This was due in part to a mass exodus of loyalists: By 1786, between 60,000 and 80,000 loyalists left the colonies to go back to Great Britain.

## Myth: That the Reason Was Simple

There's an overall perception that it was a straightforward conflict of freedom versus oppression, right versus wrong, good versus bad, or what have you, when in reality the conflict arose over disagreement about the extent to which Parliament could pass laws governing the colonies. These are the same types of problems faced today in the United States with conflicts between state and federal government, in Europe with conflicts between the European Union and member countries, and other places. American citizens would be much better served by understanding that their revolution was complex, than by believing it was simple.

—Don N. Hagist, managing editor of [Journal of the American Revolution](#) and independent researcher.

## Myth: American Colonists Were Forced to Host British Troops in Their Homes.

British soldiers weren't barging into colonial homes demanding room and board, but disputes over the housing of troops did play a role in the American Revolution. British officials in the colonies found it difficult to find sufficient quarters, or housing, for their soldiers. They tried to replicate the way things were done in Britain, where soldiers were housed in available rooms at inns and public houses. The British government tried to make colonial assemblies responsible for the costs of housing British soldiers — costs that might range from building barracks buildings to providing British troops with candles. British officers also had the power to seize unused buildings like barns or stables for housing if the colonists were reluctant to provide funds, but they did not have the power to force soldiers into private houses. While British redcoats weren't making themselves at home in colonial homes, their presence in major cities like Boston and New York did cause tensions. Colonists grew to resent the intrusion of the military into civilian spaces. This is why the Bill of Rights includes a strict prohibition on quartering troops in houses in times of peace.

You can do a search in your internet browser for several other myths you can enjoy if you like.



Resources: <https://historyfacts.com/us-history/article/7-myths-about-the-american-revolution/>, <https://allthingsliberty.com/2017/01/major-misconceptions-dispel/>, <https://www.battlefields.org/learn/articles/myths-and-realities-revolutionary-war>, <https://allthingsliberty.com/2017/01/major-misconceptions-dispel/>, ChatGPT

**In light of the shocking display at the Summer Olympics in Paris, I felt the need to share Paul Harvey's 1964 warning to the United States.**

### **“If I Were The Devil”: A Warning to America From Paul Harvey**

“If I were the devil ... If I were the Prince of Darkness, I'd want to engulf the whole world in darkness. And I'd have a third of its real estate, and four-fifths of its population, but I wouldn't be happy until I had seized the ripest apple on the tree — Thee. So I'd set about however necessary to take over the United States. I'd subvert the churches first — I'd begin with a campaign of whispers. With the wisdom of a serpent, I would whisper to you as I whispered to Eve: ‘Do as you please.

To the young, I would whisper that ‘The Bible is a myth.’ I would convince them that man created God instead of the other way around. I would confide that what's bad is good, and what's good is ‘square.’ And the old, I would teach to pray, after me, ‘Our Father, which art in Washington...

And then I'd get organized. I'd educate authors in how to make lurid literature exciting, so that anything else would appear dull and uninteresting. I'd threaten TV with dirtier movies and vice versa. I'd pedal narcotics to whom I could. I'd sell alcohol to ladies and gentlemen of distinction. I'd tranquilize the rest with pills.

If I were the devil I'd soon have families at war with themselves, churches at war with themselves, and nations at war with themselves; until each in its turn was consumed. And with promises of higher ratings I'd have mesmerizing media fanning the flames. If I were the devil I would encourage schools to refine young intellects, but neglect to discipline emotions — just let those run wild, until before you knew it, you'd have to have drug sniffing dogs and metal detectors at every schoolhouse door.

Within a decade I'd have prisons overflowing, I'd have judges promoting pornography — soon I could evict God from the courthouse, then from the schoolhouse, and then from the houses of Congress. And in His own churches I would substitute psychology for religion, and deify science. I would lure priests and pastors into misusing boys and girls, and church money. If I were the devil I'd make the symbols of Easter an egg and the symbol of Christmas a bottle.

If I were the devil I'd take from those who have, and give to those who want until I had killed the incentive of the ambitious.

And what do you bet I could get whole states to promote gambling as the way to get rich? I would caution against extremes and hard work in Patriotism, in moral conduct. I would convince the young that marriage is old-fashioned, that swinging is more fun, that what you see on the TV is the way to be. And thus, I could undress you in public, and I could lure you into bed with diseases for which there is no cure. In other words, if I were the devil I'd just keep right on doing what he's doing.”


Paul Harvey, good day.

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