

Elephant Talk

Plano Republican Women

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President's Byline



If you have been watching the news lately, you would see that the Democrats have an anti-Semitism problem. Leading the way are two young ladies.

Our first lady is a Minnesota Congresswoman named Ilhan Omar. She tweeted, "Israel has hypnotized the world, may Allah awaken the people and help them see the evil doings of Israel." Apparently Omar thinks that the Jews in Israel have special Jew powers to put the whole world in a hypnotic state in order to get away with our "evil doings". That tweet was posted in 2012, the same year Democrat delegates, at the Democrat National Convention, booed Israel on the convention floor. That day I knew anti-Semitism had come to the Democrat Party.

Recently Omar went after the Jewish group AIPAC (American Israel Public Affairs Committee) playing into the anti-Semitic stereotype that Jewish money is at the root of American politician support for Israel by tweeting, "It's all about the Benjamins." Clearly Omar is a brazen anti-Semite.

Did the Democrats reprimand her? Did Speaker Pelosi take her off the Foreign Affairs Committee? The answer is no. Not only did they not reprimand her they defended and made excuses for her. Speaker Pelosi said she just did not understand what she was saying and the impact her words would have. Others said that she was just criticizing Israel. Senator Bernie Sanders who is as Jewish as a ham sandwich suggested, "We must not...equate anti-Semitism with legitimate criticism of the right-wing, Netanyahu government in Israel." Well to quote Ben Shapiro, "Omar didn't make a single statement about Israel's policies or government. She suggested that the Jewish State has hypnotic power, that Jewish money [is behind] American support for Israel. This isn't about Netanyahu or anything else Israel-related. It's pure anti-Semitism."

When the Republicans tried to pass a resolution condemning Omar and anti-Semitism the Democrats took her name out of it, and watered the resolution down by including almost every minority. The Resolution was so bad and worthless that even a Jewish Congressman voted against it. So Democrats, from the so called party of tolerance, protected an anti-Semite.

Our second lady is Congresswoman Rashida Tlaib, from Michigan. She wrote for Farrakhan's Nation of Islam Newsletter in 2006 for the kind of anti-Semitism that has infected the liberal parties of Europe. She follows an anti-Semitic Instagram Page and supports a boycott of Israeli companies. The Wednesday before the resolution vote was to take place Tlaib hosted a meeting with activists who either have ties to or have voiced support for Hamas and other Islamic supremacist groups at the capital.

Now you know that if Republicans did or said anything like Tlaib and Omar the Democrats would run them out of office; however, if a fellow Democrat is an anti-Semite, they make excuses. This is hypercritical and wrong. It does not matter if a Republican or a Democrat is an anti-Semite; it is wrong and there should be consequences. Anti-Semitism is evil, and we cannot be complacent to evil. We did in the 1930s and 6 million people were killed.

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April Plano Republican Women Meeting

Next PRW Meeting:

Tuesday, April 16th, 2019

April's Program: Plano City Council Candidate Forum

Plano City Council Elections are May 4th, 2019!

Plano citizens need representatives who understand that their role is to listen to us and to faithfully represent our wishes, while standing up for our shared principles. Come hear the candidates for the Plano City Council present their platforms and decide who you want representing you on the City Council.

Candidates Attending

Place 1: Daniel Long, Bill Lisle

Place 3: Colleen Aguilar-Epstein, Rick Grady

Place 5: Byron Abraham Bradford

Place 7: Lily Bao, Ann Bachus, LaShon Ross

Candidates Not Attending

Place 1: Maria Tu

Place 5: Shelby Williams, Ron Kelley

Location: Reflections on Spring Creek

1901 East Spring Creek Parkway

Time: 11:15 am: Arrive and check-in

11:30 am: Meeting, Lunch & Program

PRW membership is not required to attend our meeting

Lunch is available with RSVP for \$20 in cash or check payable to PRW
RSVPs for lunch must be made by 5 pm the Friday before the meeting



AMERICANISM REPORT

By Cleo Marchese, Americanism Chair



Why I Chose to Be a Republican

When I starting writing the American Heritage column for Plano Republican Women's Newsletter, I never thought I would be asked to write a short piece about myself but after sharing my story with other women about why I am a lifelong Republican. They felt it was worth sharing, I hope you feel the same. There are many defining moments in my life where I felt our constitution, Republican values, conservatism and capitalism shaped my life for the better. I will try to make these points clear. Why as an African American, I love being Republican and have stayed Republican because I felt it was a positive way to live and raise my children. I was born in the late 60's and grew up in Houston, TX in Third Ward, one of the city's all black neighborhoods. I was raised by my paternal grandparents after the separation and divorce of my parents in the first year of my life.

My parent's marriage was one of the first defining moments of my life. My mother was white, raised by Southern Democrats in Sugarland, TX. She was only 21 when she met my black father and apparently feeling rebellious decided to marry him. My parents were married in 1968, just one year after the 1967 Supreme Court decision that deemed **anti-miscegenation** laws unconstitutional, with many states choosing to legalize interracial marriage based on the land mark case **Loving vs Virginia**. Additionally, the Supreme Court ruled that the freedom to marry was a constitutionally protected fundamental liberty, and the government's ban of marriage on such an arbitrary basis such as race was violation of the Due Process Clause. I was born Feb in of 1969. Thank you, Supreme Court.

The second defining moment of my life was the separation of my parents. I was born in Los Angeles, California. My father wanted to be an actor and my mom followed him to LA. Like all struggling young actors, rolls were few and money was tight. My parent's lived where they could, with friends and sometimes in seedy motels. When I found my mother as an adult, I asked her what happened. How did I end up with my grandparents and why did you never visit me? I was 27 when I met my mother and was a mother myself. I found her explanation shallow and self-serving but I will let you draw your own conclusions.

She became disillusioned with my father and felt he only wanted to pursue his career. She was unhappy with the constant insecurity of her marriage. When she became pregnant with me, her first thought was abortion but in California in 1968 abortion was only legal in cases of danger to the mother's health, rape or incest, or a baby with profound birth defects. I am very glad those limits were still in place and not changed until 1973 with the Supreme Court decision on Roe v. Wade to decriminalize abortion nationwide. I was born in the Los Angeles county hospital. My mom said looking at me filled her with despair. She wanted to go home to her family but she couldn't take a black baby home to her parents. She said they were Southern Democrats, gentle people. They did not believe in race mixing. She had not told them she had married a black man and simply could not take me with her. Weeks later, with no money and living in another motel, she made her decision. She left me in the closet under some towels so no one would hear me crying right away and returned to Texas. My father said he was busy working and thought my mother was caring for me. That is how I ended up in state foster care.

I was brought to Texas by my grandfather when I was four months old. The state had been able to track down relatives who would accept me. My grandparents were Republican, sometimes not uncommon with Black Americans of the time, they were hard working, god fearing and happy in the country they lived in. Was there racism in Texas at that time? Yes, I vividly remember the Klan doing their yearly march through downtown Houston until the early 1980s. You would see them on TV and the Houston Chronicle would occasionally do stories on them. My grandparents who would caution that I should avoid certain types of people based on their racist beliefs, but they never taught me to believe in a man's worth based solely on skin color.

My upbringing by Black Republicans in the 70s and early 80s was a huge defining moment in my life, especially my grandfather. My grandfather was born 1915 to sharecroppers in Augusta, TX. He served in the Navy in WWII and was proud to be an American despite only having a 6th grade education. He was taxi driver. He felt things had vastly improved for the Black community since he was a boy. He lived through segregation and Jim Crow. For him and my grandmother, these events weren't something they read about, but real- life experiences that gave them a deep-seated distrust and wariness of Democrats.

My grandfather was very unbending in his feeling about why the Democrats did not care about blacks and felt they only wanted something if they were suddenly changing their tune to help them. He felt things were getting better every decade for blacks until the massive welfare forms that began with Lyndon B Johnson's War on Poverty in 1964. He felt some parts like food stamps and welfare were only handouts that discouraged people from trying to help themselves. He did not see even in the 60s, how social security could be sustainable. He also felt black schools had improved a lot with more people finishing high school and going onto college. Both of my grandparents thought letting

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Continued from Page 3 blacks be in charge of their education with free choice of how to educate them was better than standardized government programs that seem to do the opposite. Keep in mind my grandparents were born just 50 years after slavery; it was something older black people never talked about. Maybe their parents and grandparents didn't speak of it either. My grandparents and their friends were part of the Greatest Generation. Many had fought in WWII, my grandmother was an army nurse for Colored soldiers and continued working as a nursing at St. Joseph Hospital after the war. They felt by the 60's and 70s, their generation had moved forward a lot but their children were being pulled back into dependence on others and that welfare was economic slavery.

By the late 70s I remember my grandparents discussing the changing attitudes of young people around them. More young people were becoming angry because of economic decline and felt they were not getting the jobs "promised" to them. He felt the younger generations were losing their work ethic, choosing to use government welfare instead of working because it paid more than some low skill jobs. He felt they were unreasonably focusing on slavery which, in his opinion, was a longtime ago and had little bearing one's life now. He would often try to encourage young members at church with stories of him as a boy shining shoes, doing farm work and taking other menial jobs because he felt there is pride in working for yourself and earning your own money. He would always say God helps those who help themselves. I remember him arguing with my aunt and other family member who had starting voting democrat. My aunt felt unions and other work force ideas Democrats had would only help Black Americans. She became a Union organizer at GE. My grandfather and other older families' members would argue back the black community was losing it sense of self and pride. Sometimes when heatedly discussing socialism and the Basic Income with my daughter and other Millennials in my family, I must seem as out of step with modern thinking as my grandparents did trying to reason with their children.

By 1980 my community seemed to be in crisis. An entire generation had less people getting married, less people finishing high school and more children born out of wedlock. The crime rate was up and fewer black owned businesses were passed onto children. Lifestyles and family dynamics were definitely changing or progressing, but towards what? I am not sure if it really was because of welfare, changing attitudes over menial labor or despair because an entire group of people who thought they were doing well bought into the idea when told by welling meaning liberals, they needed a huge helping hand because they were clearly lagging behind the rest of the country. So while people waited in long lines for gas and the economy seemed unfixable, my grandparents laid down firm ground rules: stay in school, your grades must stay up. You will cook and clean around this house because it's your job to pitch in while both parents work. When you get old enough, you need to get an afterschool job to help out by buying your own clothes. This may seem harsh by today's parenting standards but this was another defining moment in my life. **Work has value.** There is no shame in cooking or cleaning. Hard work at home, at a job or in school all pay off in life because self-sufficient people do not have to depend on anyone. They make their own way. When my grandparents supported Ronald Reagan, they were criticized for voting against their own self-interest. Other said we needed more government help. My grandfather said we needed someone to stimulate the economy.

I did get a full academic scholarship and graduated from Prairie View A&M in the early 90s. During this time college campuses were still places of honest political debate. Some of my older professors were very conservative like my grandparents. You could argue politics with other students or professors without fear of censorship. Prairie was in Waller County, one of the first black Republican colleges in Texas. Ironically the only problem I had was with a few people who joined the Black Muslims on campus. One young man was very vocal in class. One day in front of everyone he said, race mixing was an abomination and I had no right to be at an all-black school. I won't go into detail but let's just say he never publically called me out again.

I met my husband in Houston around the same time. He had grown up in Plano and the way he spoke about Plano, I felt it was this magical place where everyone was equal. I had never heard of Plano and thought he was exaggerating the city's charm. In him, I met a kindred spirit. It didn't matter to me that he was white, I honestly never thought about his race. I just saw him and what he said really resonated with me. He helped me become more vocal about my political beliefs. I also learned the grass is not always greener on the other side. He came from a family of four, money was tight. His dad worked himself literally to death providing for his family. His father had grown up in Chicago and wanted his children to have a much better life than him. He wanted to raise them far away from the city he grew up in. Life was not the picnic I believed the other side lived. This was another life lesson, my husband's up bringing clashed with the world view I grew up with.

After we married, we did a lot of corporate moves. One thing I noticed over and over again, when we lived in large cities; we would get hateful looks out in public from blacks and whites. I use to joke we were equal opportunity offenders. When we would meet people who were supposed to be liberal, they were the first to say how backwards my Republican beliefs were. They would ask how I as a black woman could be so stupid, naïve, or not smart as to believe in conservative values. I always found this funny. The party of tolerance were becoming less tolerant of people who had different opinions. Time and again, I loved visiting Plano. We could sit in a restaurant with our small family without snarky comments, or hostile looks. When we made our second corporate move back to Dallas, we decided to settle in Plano.

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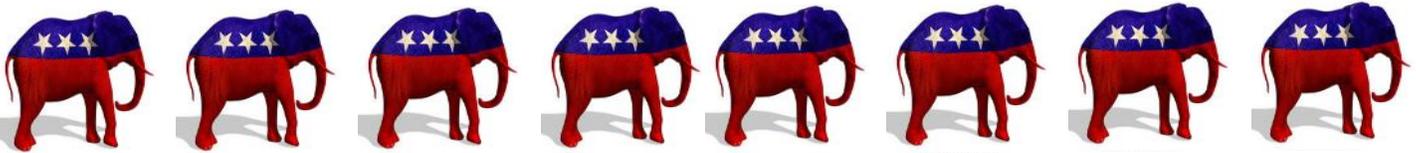


Continued from Page 4 I wanted the best for my children and falling back on my Republican beliefs helped me to do this without fear. Family mattered more than anything. Living in Plano in the late 90s and early 2000s, I was surrounded and supported by like-minded, strong Republican women. We lived in a world apart from the Democrat strong holds of Dallas, Houston and other cities. These were strong women who were individuals; each unique who made decisions that were right for them. My husband was not my oppressor as touted by feminists, but a man willing to treat his wife as an equal partner, whose value was not just seen in the dollar amount she added to the marriage by working, but also by the care and time she put into raising the next generation of humans to be strong individual people who would carry this country into the 21st century.

As a young mother living in Plano, I felt being a Republican woman armed me with a sense of peace and purpose few people in our society enjoy. I was able to raise my children to be individuals, not hyphenated Americans. Plano has always been very diverse. My children have been able to meet people from all over the world here with one goal: young business professionals and entrepreneurs who wanted to raise families in a safe environment free of a lot of things we had fled from in other parts of the country or the world. In school, our kids were treated as unique individuals, not a color.

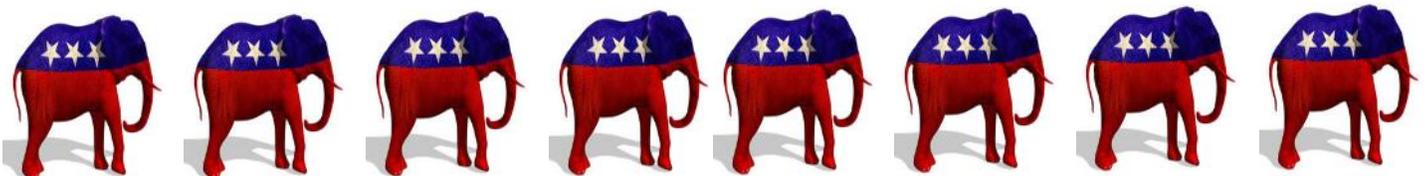
Later in my life, I have always stated being "mixed" race was a big reason I love the Republican Party and being with other Republicans. Republicans do not judge you on the basis of your skin color. They see everyone as an individual, not a stereotype or race. Living in Plano was the final defining moment in my life. I have worn many different hats but the one hat that has covered my head and sheltered me through many storms is being a Republican woman.

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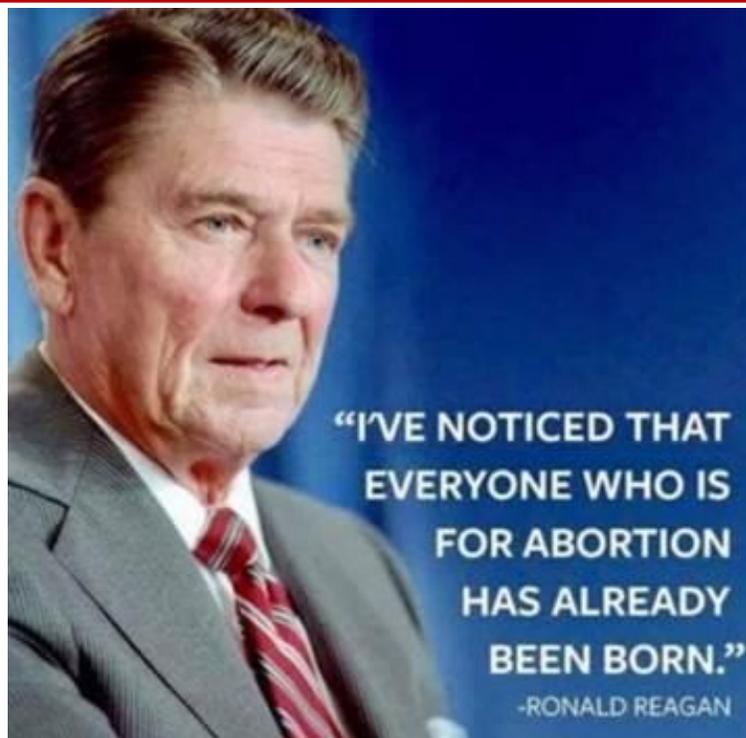


Trivia:

1. Lyndon B Johnson's War on Poverty was a series of four consecutive acts that became different government agencies. The Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 which created the Community Action Program, Job Corps and Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) was the centerpiece of the War on Poverty was passed in August 20, 1964. The Food Stamp Act of 1964 was August 31, 1964. The Elementary and Secondary Education Act in April 11, 1965 was followed by Social Security Act 1965 in July 19, 1965. Social security created Medicare and Medicaid.
2. Blacks mostly voted Republican from after the Civil War and through the early part of the 20th century. Abraham Lincoln, a Republican president fought hard to free the slaves, and the white, segregationist politicians who governed Southern states in those days were Democrats. The Democratic Party didn't welcome blacks then, and it wasn't until 1924 that blacks were even permitted to attend Democratic conventions in any official capacity. Most blacks lived in the South, where they were mostly prevented from voting at all by Southern Democrats.
3. Did the War on Poverty work, most critics say no because after over 50 years and 2.7 trillion dollars, 27% of all Americans lived in poverty in 1967 and in 2015 it was 29% of all of Americans living in poverty according to the Anchored Supplemental Poverty Measure Before Taxes and Transfers** (ASPMBTAT). This data was determined using the family of four model and the growing debt most Americans carry and the fact that most people are unable to afford a \$ 500 repair or still live pay check to pay check.
4. Black employment in December of 2018 hit a record low of 5.9%, in 2015 the black unemployment rate was 9.6% nationwide, reaching as high as 11.2 % in some states. Thank you, Mr. Trump.



Political Cartoons



..AH YES ... REMEMBER WHEN !!!!

Remember when Donald Trump was business partners with the Russian government and his company got \$53 million from the Russian government investment fund called Rusnano that was started by Vladimir Putin and is referred to as "Putin's Child?"

Oh wait, that wasn't Trump; it was John Podesta... Bill's Chief of Staff & Hillary's Campaign Manager...

Remember when Donald Trump received \$500,000 for a speech in Moscow and paid for by Renaissance Capital, a company tied to Russian Intelligence Agencies?

Oh wait, that was Bill Clinton.

Remember when Donald Trump approved the sale of 20% of U.S. Uranium to the Russians while he was Secretary of State which gave control of it to Rosatom the Russian State Atomic Energy Corporation?

Oh wait, that was Hillary Clinton.

Remember when Donald Trump lied about that and said he wasn't a part of approving the deal that gave the Russians 1/5 of our uranium, but then his e-mails were leaked showing he did lie about it?

Oh wait, that was Hillary Clinton and John Podesta.

Remember when Donald Trump got \$145 million from shareholders of the uranium company sold to the Russians?

Oh wait, that was Hillary Clinton and the Clinton Foundation.

Remember when Donald Trump accepted millions in donations from Russian oligarchs like the chairman of a company that's part of the Russian Nuclear Research Cluster, the wife of the mayor of Moscow and a close pal of Putin's?

Oh wait, that was the Clinton Foundation.

Remember when Donald Trump failed to disclose all those donations before becoming the Secretary of State, and it was only found out when a journalist went through Canadian tax records?

Oh wait, that was Hillary Clinton

Remember when Donald Trump told Mitt Romney that the '80s called and it wanted its Russian policy back. The Cold War is over?

Oh wait, that was President Obama.

Remember when Obama thought the microphone was off and told Medvedev to tell Vladimir Putin he would have "more flexibility" after his re-election? [0:30MSNBC Host Can't Remember When Obama Promised Russians ...](#)

Man, Trump's ties to Russia are really "disgusting!"

"Twas during the shutdown....and Speaker of the House, tried to leave town...quiet as a mouse.

Pelosi was all packed...she was ready to go.

But Trump sent a letter, "I don't think so..."

"You can't use my plane," he said with glee,

"You must stay here and negotiate with me!"

She said, "What nerve! What gall!"

Trump said, " Tough shit! I'm getting my wall!"

**ILLEGAL CROSSING HAS DROPPED
DRASTICALLY WHERE THE
BORDER WALL HAS BEEN BUILT**

SAN DIEGO - DOWN 92%

EL PASO - DOWN 95%

TUCSON - DOWN 92%

YUMA - DOWN 95%



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Legislative Report

Legislative Update from Texas Representative Candy Noble

Here we are, week 13 of the 86th Legislative Session. Days are long, and I'm hanging onto my hat because bills and work are really picking up speed.

On Monday I laid out House Bill 1929 before the State Affairs Committee. There were 42 witnesses on this one bill so testimony took several hours. I appreciated the kindness and attentiveness that the committee showed both me and the witnesses. As you may recall from one of my previous reports, HB 1929 protects taxpayers from funding abortion providers and their affiliates. The Senate version, SB22, was voted out of the full Senate this week, so I'm optimistic about the chance of this important bill becoming law.

Tuesday in the Human Services Committee we heard hours of stirring testimony from and about medically fragile children and the frustrations their parents and caregivers face in dealing with the state, our agencies of care, the waiting lists, and the costs for that care. We also heard more concerns about CPS and some House bills designed to improve the system. We began this work at 8 am and finished more than 12 hours later.

Wednesday was a historic day in the Texas House. We voted out several bills, the most important being House Bill 3. This bill, should it make it through the Senate, will enact true school finance reform for Texas school children, teachers and taxpayers.

I want to be specific about how this will affect our House District 89 property tax bills. Through HB 1 and HB 3 we're lowering school property taxes by an average of 5.5% statewide, or \$2.7 billion. Every Texan will see a permanent property tax rate reduction. If you live in the Plano, Community, Lovejoy, Wylie, or McKinney ISDs you are currently paying a \$1.17 Maintenance & Operation (M&O) tax rate. If HB 3 becomes law, your M&O tax rate will be reduced to \$1.09. If you are in Allen ISD, your rate will be lowered from the current M&O rate of \$1.14 to \$1.07.

These tax rates are very important because another provision in HB 3 will empower voters and protect taxpayers by requiring voters to authorize tax rates above \$1.01 in an election. This is three cents lower than the current law. Before going to the voters for a tax increase, districts must also conduct an outside efficiency audit, made available to their voters, to ensure taxpayer dollars are being used responsibly.

House Bill 3 is a comprehensive change in school finance and is the result of the work of the Texas Commission on Public School Finance, The House Committee on Public Education, and years of research and witness testimony that is incorporated into this fundamentally transformative bill.

Here's the big picture: House Bill 1 (The Budget) and House Bill 3 (The Texas Plan for Transformational School Finance Reform) both provide for property tax relief. House Bill 2 provides for property tax transparency and reform. All three bills work hand in hand and are critical to accomplishing these priorities for Texans.

Remember, we are not done. There are more significant bills coming in the days ahead to build on these tax reforms, so stay tuned.

Legislative Update from Congressman Van Taylor

Congressman Taylor Announces Badges of Honor Event

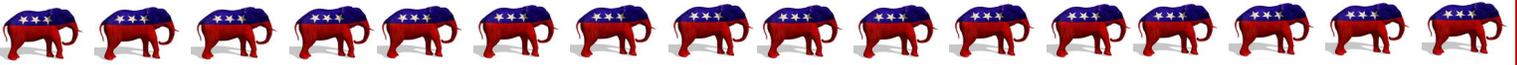
On March 12th Congressman Taylor announced an opportunity for TX-03 veterans to obtain the military awards and medals they have earned. The Badges of Honor event will take place on April 12, 2019 at Congressman Taylor's Plano office. Congressman Van Taylor said, "Far too often, our veterans go without the recognition they deserve for their service to our nation. This Badges of Honor event will help TX-03 veterans, and their loved ones, complete the paperwork needed to request their service medals."

Congressman Van Taylor Joins Colleagues to Introduce Legislation to Protect TX-03 Federal Workers

WASHINGTON - This week, United States Congressman Van Taylor (R-TX-03) joined the Chairman of the Committee on Oversight and Reform, Congressman Elijah E. Cummings (D-MD-07), the Chairman of the Subcommittee on Government Operations, Congressman Gerald E. Connolly (D-VA-11), and the Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Government Operations, Congressman Mark Meadows (R-NC-11) to introduce two pieces of legislation to help protect the health benefits of the nearly 6,000 federal workers who reside in Texas' Third Congressional District in the event of future government shutdowns.

Reports during the recent shutdown indicated federal employees experiencing "qualifying life events" had difficulty obtaining health insurance coverage for themselves or their loved ones because some agencies were not processing new enrollments or changes to enrollments. There were also reports of employees possibly losing coverage if they did not pay their premiums for dental, vision, and long-term care insurance because coverage would continue only for two or three pay periods, after which insurers would start billing employees directly. Congressman Van Taylor said, "Earlier this year, I took the oath-of-office in the midst of a partial government shutdown. A shutdown that impacted the livelihood of nearly 6,000 federal employees who live in Texas' Third Congressional District. These civil servants have dedicated their life's work to serving their communities and deserve to know their families will have access to healthcare in the event of a future shutdown."

March Photos



PRW women did an amazing job decorating for the CCRP Lincoln Day Dinner!



Big Congratulations and Thank You to our own **Kathy Ward** and **Chuck Branch**, Co-Chairs, of this years CCRP Lincoln Day Dinner!

And the winner of The Post's Mueller Madness bracket is ...

Sohrab Ahmari is The Post's op-ed editor.

White House Press Secretary Sarah Sanders shared a "Mueller Madness" bracket from the New York Post, ridiculing all of the fake news pundits for getting the investigation wrong.

We have a national champion . . . of lousy "collusion" punditry. It was a tough bracket, featuring some of the biggest names in the prestige press, late-night comedians, -C- and D-list celebs, scholars, think-tankers and freshly minted Russia experts. But top-seeded Rachel Maddow dribbled and scored her way past them all to clinch [The Post's #MuellerMadness](#) trophy.

Congratulations to Maddow and her MSNBC colleagues! More than 1,000 readers shared their brackets with us, and a large plurality (nearly a quarter) picked Maddow for the top spot. As reader Jim Murphy said, Maddow "ripped through the field like the Isaiah Thomas Indiana team did back in 1981," fueled by the conviction that it was "her job to educate 'We the Stupid' on every rumor and how they all fit together."

Maddow [excelled at connecting nonconnected dots](#). Night -after night for two years, she spun tinfoil-hat theories about how "Donald Trump is going to do what Russia wants," how "the presidency is effectively a -Russian op." This, even as the Trump administration armed -Poland and Ukraine, bombed Russian operatives in Syria and squeezed Moscow's chief Mideast client, Iran.

In a six-week period in the spring of 2017, the MSNBC star devoted more than half of her segments to Russia, according to an estimate by The Intercept. "Every day, I lead my show and think I'm going to be talking about something else," she admitted at one point. "But every day, over the course of the news cycle, a new piece of [the collusion story] falls into place." But in the end, the pieces didn't fall into place. And once special counsel Robert Mueller's report put the lie to the collusion theory, she suffered an instant and precipitous ratings decline.

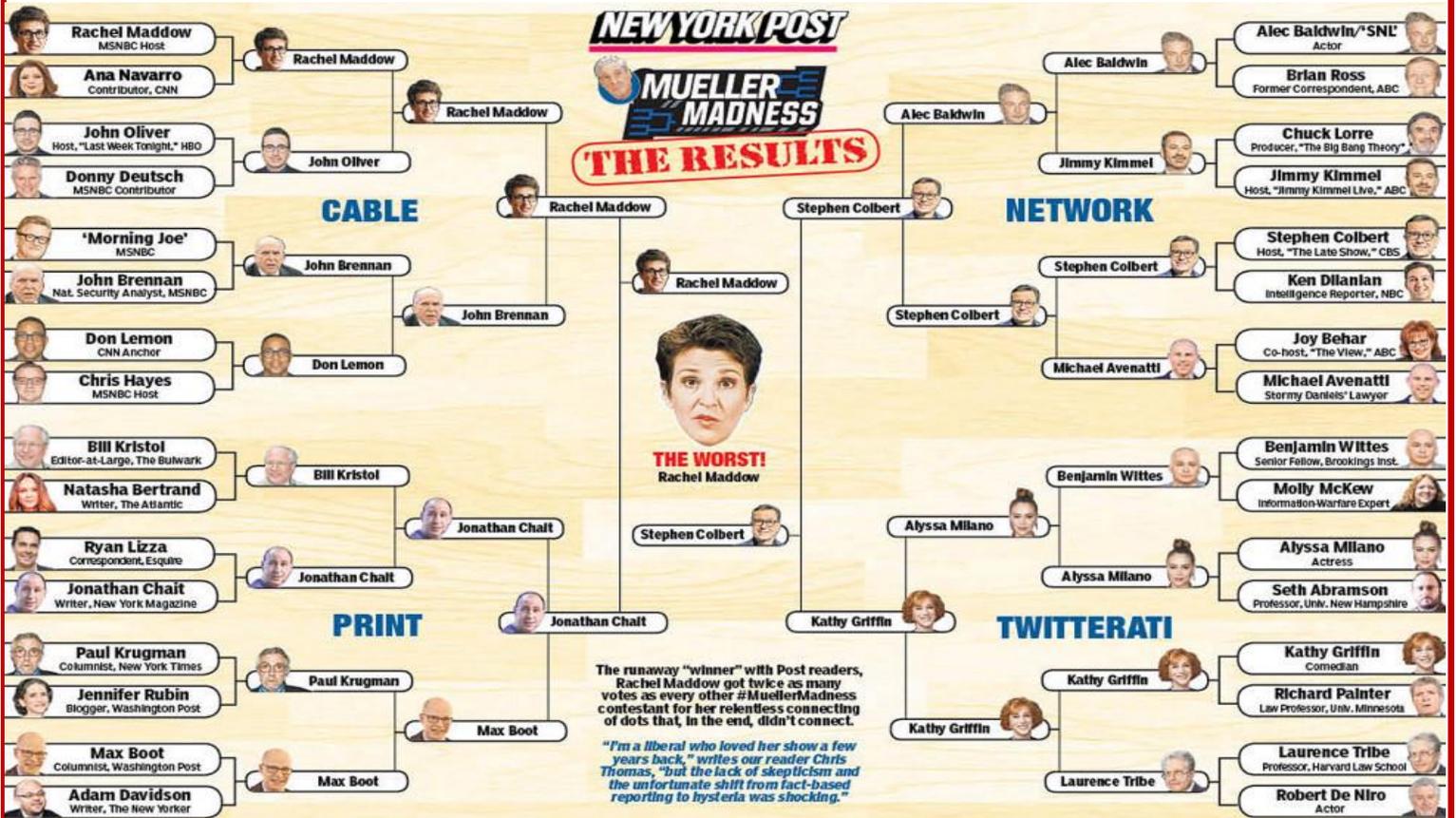
Then [there is our runner-up, Stephen Colbert](#), who on his show Tuesday night bragged about his third-seed spot in our bracket and vowed he's "in it to win it!"

Bravo, Stephen: You almost made it to the top — with your hyperpoliticized, hectoring brand of lefty comedy. "He isn't funny," wrote a reader from Jersey. "He has between one to five guests nightly to bash Trump, and he can't even have a guest to promote a movie without telling them that Trump sucks." (Kudos to Colbert, by the way, for taking our jobs in good humor. On his Tuesday show, he said of one of his collusion lines: "Up until 48 hours ago, that was a pretty solid joke.")

Last but not least, there's our dishonorable-mention spot, [which goes to John Brennan](#). The former CIA director started the championship at a sixth seed, but his treason allegations against the president and bogus claims about imminent indictments received some of the most vehement comments from our readers. Brennan used the "authority and gravitas" that came with his former job to "spread false information," said Tim Smith.

"He did more damage to American institutions than anyone else in this saga," said Chloe Davis. "As a former CIA director, he should have had a commitment to truth above all."

A man who once held a top-secret intelligence clearance, wrote reader Mitch Whitenack, turned out to be "not so intelligent, just another uninformed talking head." As for the rest of the field, not to worry: There's plenty of time to be even more wrong between now and the 2020 election.



Congressman Ralph Moody Hall 1923—2019



Ralph Moody Hall, born May 3, 1923, lived his life fully and completely until he died peacefully in his home on March 7, 2019. Born in Fate, Texas, one of three children, Ralph lived in Rockwall, Texas where he graduated from Rockwall High School in 1941. After graduation, he joined the United States Navy on December 10, 1942, serving as an aircraft carrier pilot from 1942 to 1945 during World War II, attaining the rank of Lieutenant. After the war, Hall attended Texas Christian University and The University of Texas from 1946-1947, receiving a law degree from Southern Methodist University in Dallas in 1951. Ralph was elected Rockwall County Judge in 1950 at the age of 27, while still in law school, becoming one of the youngest county judges ever elected in the State of Texas. From 1958-1959, Hall served as the President of the State Judges & Commissioner's Association. In 1962, he was elected to the Texas State Senate where he served until 1972, serving as President Pro Tempore in 1968-1969. In 1972, Hall ran unsuccessfully for Lieutenant Governor of Texas and left politics to continue his career as an attorney and businessman. During this time, Hall became President & CEO of Texas Aluminum Corporation and was the founding member and Chairman of Lakeside National Bank of Rockwall. He also continued to build his law practice with his long-time friend and law partner, Don Stodghill. Although he was a very able and successful attorney and businessman throughout his life, his family recalls that during this eight-year absence from politics, he wasn't really satisfied or fulfilled.

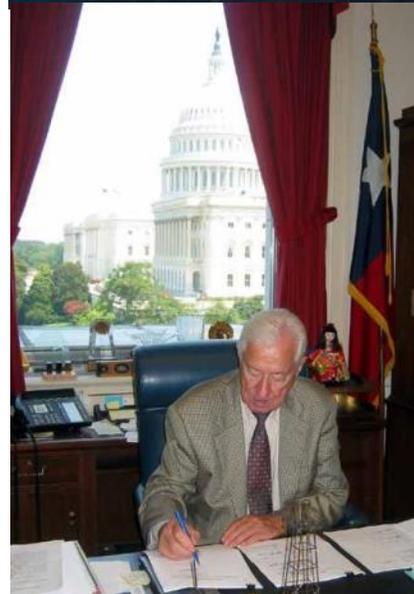
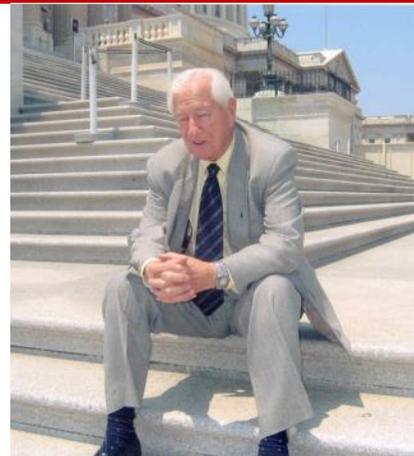


In 1980, he was elected to Congress and continued his lifelong desire of serving the public, representing the 4th Congressional District until 2015. He described himself as "an old-time conservative Democrat" and for many years, he was one of the most conservative Democrats in the House. Despite the 4th District's increasingly Republican tilt, he won multiple terms as a member of the Democratic Party with an average of 60% of the vote. By the 1990's, he was the only elected Democrat elected above the county level in most of his district. Believing he had an obligation to continue to pull his party back to the middle, he was one of the co-founders of the Blue Dog Coalition, a group of moderate and conservative Democratic congressmen. Finally, in 2004, Hall switched parties and became a Republican, believing this best served the views and needs of his constituents in the 4th District as well as his own personal conservative philosophy. He also cited his support and admiration for his friend President George W. Bush, believing he could better support the President as a Republican. After the switch, the Republican Party allowed him to keep his seniority and he became chairman of the House Energy Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality. He also joined the Republican Study Committee, a caucus of conservative House Republicans. He served as the chairman of the House Committee on



*To Ralph Hall
With appreciation and best wishes,*

Ronald Reagan



Congressman Ralph Moody Hall 1923—2019

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Science, Space and Technology from 2011 to 2013. He was also a member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

At age 91, Hall was the oldest serving member of Congress and at the end of his last term in office, he was the oldest person to ever serve in the House of Representatives, the oldest person ever elected to a House term and the oldest House member ever to cast a vote. He and Michigan Congressman, John Dingell, were the last two World War II veterans serving in Congress. During his tenure, Hall spent much of his time in his District visiting with constituents and helping with their problems. Rising above party labels or concerns, Hall was always proud to point out that regardless of party, he voted the way his District thought, saying, "I'd rather be respected at home than liked in Washington." Ralph married Mary Ellen Murphy in 1944 while he was serving in the navy in Pensacola, Florida. Ralph and Mary were married for sixty-four years before her death in August of 2008. Ralph was a member of First United Methodist Church of Rockwall for 85 years.



Ralph is survived by his children, Hamp and wife Jody, Brett and wife Karen, and Blakeley and wife Catherine. He is also survived by grandson, Jay Hall and wife Katherine, granddaughters, Sarah Hall, Amanda Hall, Crystal Kemper and husband Kyle, grandson, Steven Lule and wife Leanna, and great-grandchildren, Caden Hall, Blakeley Kemper, Theodore Kemper and Kendall Kemper. Ralph is also survived by a nephew, Mark Scott and wife Vickie and children Haley and Alec. Ralph was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Ellen, his brother, Hugh Hall, sister, Rosemary Hall Scott, nephew, Hugh Hall III, and niece, Rebecca Jeannes.

The family expresses their extreme gratitude to the caregivers who took care of Ralph for the past four years, Gloria Melendez, Paula Gonzales and Sherry Combs, all of whom became part of the family. Ralph's life was defined by helping others with their problems, no matter how big or how small. He was a great advocate and communicator for people both as a trial lawyer and in politics. Ralph led a colorful full life, once claiming to have served food to Bonnie & Clyde while he was a youth working at the Rockwall Drug Store. He also later worked as a promoter in boxing for a period of time in the 1960's, claiming to have had an opportunity to invest in a young Muhammed Ali, which he passed up because he was advised that Ali couldn't take a punch. Hall was also a member of the East Trinity Masonic Lodge No. 157 as a 33rd Degree Mason receiving his 70-year pin in 2018. Ralph loved all people and he loved his family and his hometown of Rockwall. He opened many doors and created many opportunities for many people including his friends and family.



I was assaulted at Berkeley because I'm conservative. Free speech is under attack.

Hayden Williams, Opinion contributor, March 6, 2019 in USA Today

The punch I took on campus was not an isolated incident. Leftists are targeting conservative students across the country for their political beliefs.

The past two weeks have been surreal. On Feb. 19, while recruiting conservative students on campus at the University of California-Berkeley, I was assaulted by a violent leftist. A little more than a week later, I got to shake hands with the president of the United States and address an audience at the Conservative Political Action Conference about why it's more important than ever to protect free speech on our college campuses.

As a field representative for the Leadership Institute, I travel to campuses throughout California helping conservative clubs recruit and train new members. I've seen the intolerance and hate toward conservatives on our campuses with my own eyes, and the only difference between what happened to me on Feb. 19 and every other day is that the event was caught on video.

Conservative students across the country have suffered verbal and physical assault, social ostracism and even academic persecution for voicing their opinions on political topics. This is because young liberals believe that they are on the morally righteous side in a culture war and, in order to win, they must silence any form of dissent. Leftists and the progressives aspire to nothing less than to make it de facto impossible to be conservative in public.

The United States is well on its way to achieving this goal, based on the Covington Catholic High School incident. Wearing a red hat near the Lincoln Memorial was apparently enough for the news and social media personalities to label the act provocation, and commentators worked aggressively to "dox" the students. In their frenzy, students were even misidentified, and at least one boy and his family were allegedly harassed. By contrast, there was not a similar rush to expose the identity of the man who was caught on video assaulting me.

Differing political ideas treated as violent

Increasingly, leftists believe they are justified to respond to ideas disagreeable to them with open hostility and even force. Students are commonly told now that words are literally violent and can be responded to with physical force. I don't mean verbal threats of violence or efforts to intimidate, I mean words that express ideas that the listener finds offensive or disagrees with.

The message that provoked my attacker was our sign that read "Hate Crime Hoaxes Hurt Real Victims," a reference to the recent case of Jussie Smollett, who was charged by Chicago police with filing a false police report about an apparently fictitious attack. My attacker said we were promoting violence, which, in his view, gives him permission to use any means necessary to shut us down. The irony is that the sign was intended to warn of the danger of disregarding facts and jumping to judgment in an effort to confirm a narrative our feelings tell us is true.

The message applies to more than the Smollett story, and the search for truth is certainly relevant on campuses of higher education, where students are supposed to grow personally and intellectually — not only through textbook and classroom learning but also by exchanging ideas, debating tough topics, and being challenged to defend their views. This growth cannot happen when speech is restricted — that's not only a disservice to students but a threat to our republic as well.

Berkeley's anti-conservative record

The Berkeley administration in particular has allowed a culture of intolerance and violence toward conservatives to grow. The College Republicans club has had its property vandalized, and critics have called for the members to be lynched. When there was a pro-Trump rally in April 2017, a former community college professor was arrested for allegedly assaulting multiple supporters with a bike lock. He later accepted a plea deal.

When Milo Yiannopoulos visited in February 2017, the campus became the site of violent riots. Some people even threw Molotov cocktails and fireworks, injuring students and causing \$100,000 worth of damage to the school. Berkeley police canceled the speech after "an apparently organized violent attack and destruction of property" forced them to evacuate Yiannopoulos for his own protection.

After I was assaulted, a university employee tweeted (now deleted), "The MAGA people on UC Berkeley campus yesterday got punched in the face by someone this makes me feel emotionally so much better."

Since the arrest last week of the person who assaulted me, we have learned that he was once a student and employee of UC Berkeley.

Progress depends on the freedom of the human person to develop ideas and voice them. And we're all better when this intellectual growth happens. The battle to protect free speech is one of the most important culture battles facing our nation today.

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There are so many students across the country fighting for their right to free speech. They don't do it for recognition; they do it because they understand how imperative this human right is and are willing to defend it.

President Donald Trump's forthcoming executive order requiring colleges and universities to protect free speech in order to receive federal funds shows that he agrees. I'm proud of our president and, as I get ready to head back out in the field, I draw strength in knowing that we have his support and the support of conservative students who continue to stand up for their political beliefs.

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VENEZUELANANS NOW REGRET GIVING UP THE ONE THING THAT COULD GUARANTEE THEIR FREEDOM

By: Steven Ahle, February 25, 2019

It's no wonder that so many Democrats support Maduro in Venezuela. Besides being a socialist, the government confiscated all the guns owned by private citizens, so they can't fight back against a corrupt government.

After all, Democrats don't want you to be able to fight back as they quickly take away freedom after freedom. As the military has been opening fire on the civilian population, they no longer have the ability to defend themselves.

The Truth About Guns reported:

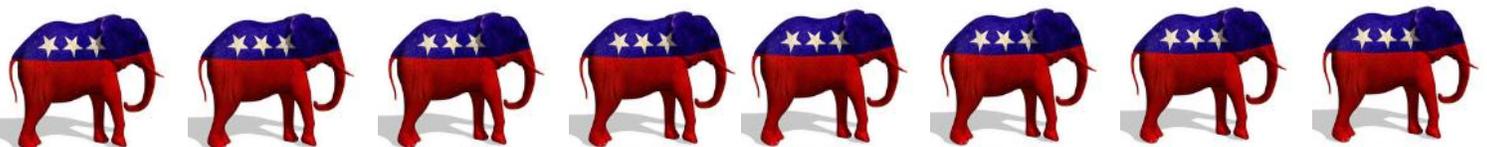
In 2012, Venezuela's dictator-for-life President Hugo Chavez had his rubber stamp legislature pass the Control of Arms, Munitions and Disarmament Law. The public generally supported it at the time. The law stripped law-abiding Venezuelans of every firearm and round of ammunition they could legally own.

As the country and its citizens have increasingly benefitted from the wonders of Bolivarian socialism, it appears that the public now regrets their support for total civilian disarmament.

"Guns would have served as a vital pillar to remaining a free people, or at least able to put up a fight," Javier Vanegas, 28, a Venezuelan teacher of English now exiled in Ecuador, told Fox News. "The government security forces, at the beginning of this debacle, knew they had no real opposition to their force. Once things were this bad, it was a clear declaration of war against an unarmed population."

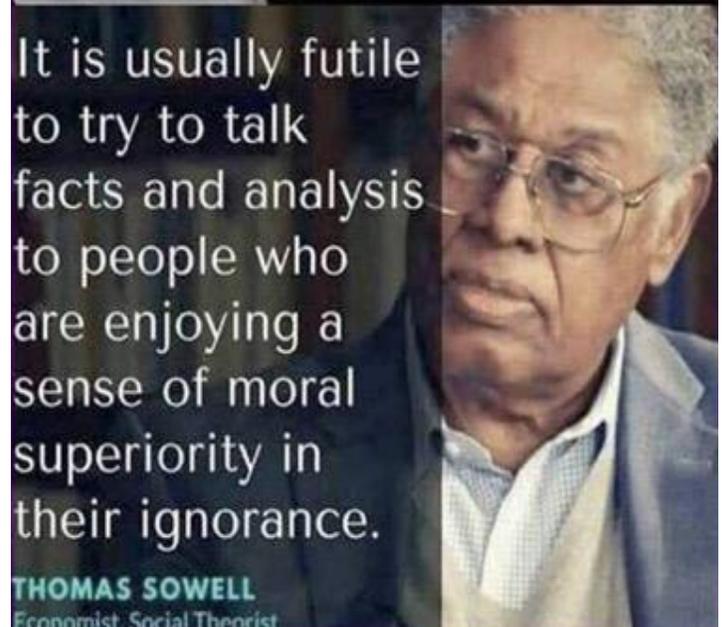
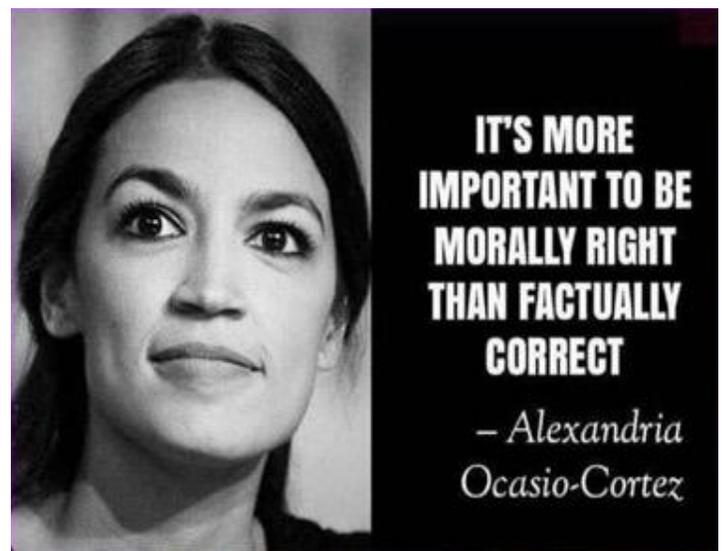
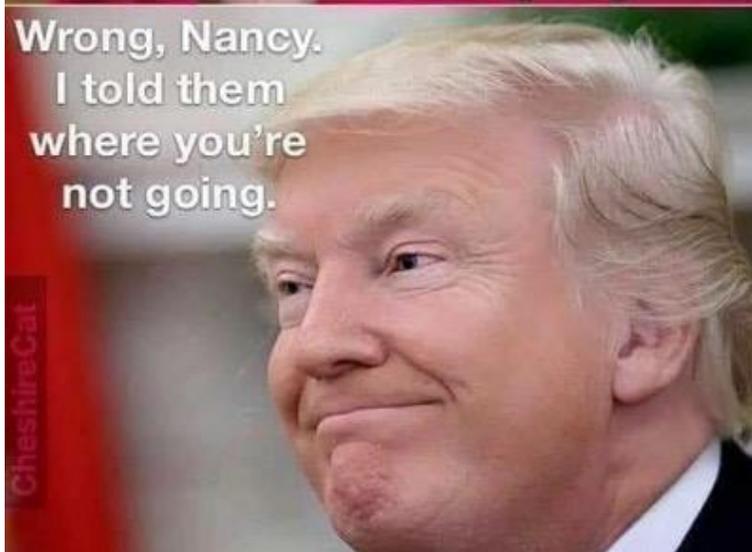
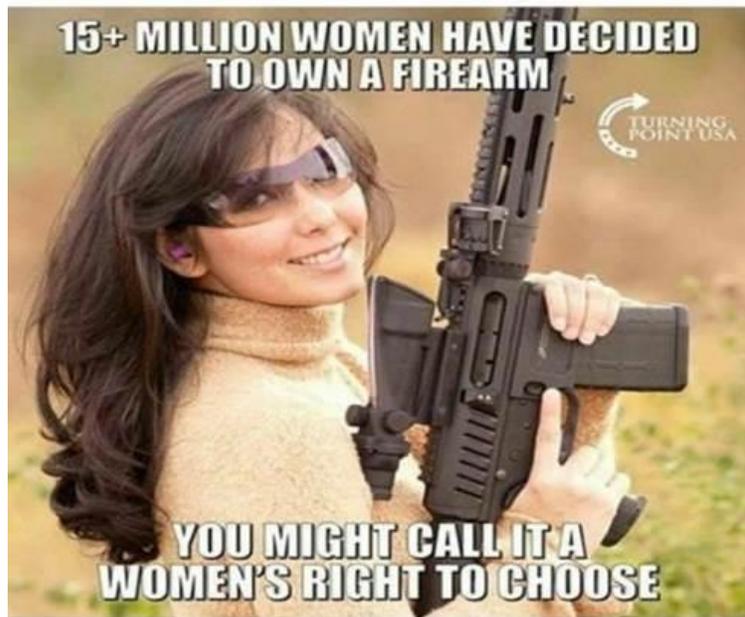
If only the citizens of Venezuela had the right to keep and bear arms as a check against government tyranny.

Once again, another nation demonstrates what can and frequently does happen to a disarmed populace. The despotism pushed by the authoritarian ruling class can proceed full force, with no realistic threat of opposition from the people they subjugate.



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Blue States Band Together in Open Attack on Constitution: Aim To Completely Destroy Electoral College

BY BENJAMIN ARIE, PUBLISHED MARCH 4, 2019 AT 2:39PM

Voices should be heard even if they aren't able to scream the loudest.

Liberals claim to believe in "equality" and standing up for the "little guy" in the face of bullies, but a movement gaining steam in blue states is putting that in doubt. Frustrated that they didn't win in 2016, the left has a new plan: Sidestep the Constitution and effectively get rid of the Electoral College.

Colorado is the latest state to jump on board. Last week, Democratic Gov. Jared Polis announced that he would sign a bill which basically re-writes the electoral process, and could pave the way to letting big cities dominate every future presidential election.

The liberal called the Electoral College an "undemocratic relic," apparently believing that he knows better than the Founding Fathers. "I've long supported electing the president by who gets the most votes," Polis declared on Feb. 24, according to [The Hill](#).

That plan would force Colorado's electors — the people who actually cast the official votes for president — to side with whichever candidate wins the national popular vote, no matter what. By changing the regulations at the state level but still using puppet electors, liberals would avoid amending the Constitution to get their way.

"It's a way to move towards direct election of the president," Polis said.

At first glance, it's no big deal. Democracy means that people vote and the person with the most votes wins, right?

The problem, of course, is that America was founded as a *republic* for reason — and it's quickly evident just how dangerous it could be to bypass the Electoral College.

The United States is a huge and diverse country. The whims and demands of voters in Manhattan are drastically different from the concerns of rural farmers in Iowa — yet the voices of those smaller locations are just as important, especially when you realize that huge percentages of our food and supplies come from the heartland.

The entire purpose of having state and local governments is that a far-off central government can't bully the rest of the country, but that's exactly what would happen if the Electoral College were abandoned.

A presidential candidate would only need to win a handful of big cities such as New York, Chicago, and Los Angeles, completely ignoring the concerns of the interior of the vast nation. The voices of millions of Americans who live outside of coastal population centers would be ignored.

Ironically, the plan could also mean that the votes of Colorado's own citizens don't really count, because they would be negated if they don't match the whims of the popular vote. As one Colorado county commissioner rightly pointed out, "we do not support the National Popular Vote, which allows California and New York to decide Colorado's votes for President."

But the Rocky Mountain State isn't alone. An eye-opening number of other states are joining the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact, all moving toward similar legislation.

"The states making up the compact, which already includes New York, Illinois and all the New England states except for New Hampshire, would commit to awarding their electoral votes to whomever wins the popular vote nationally, regardless of the results in the Electoral College," [The Hill](#) explained.

That Interstate Compact is not likely to have enough support to make a difference in the 2020 election, but it could play a major role in subsequent votes unless conservatives stand up and stop it.

The United States of America was founded on the separation of power, not a no-holds-barred popularity contest. "Democracy is two wolves and a lamb voting on what to have for lunch," it's been said.

Exactly right.

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Brilliance In 3 parts

Pay special attention to the Henry Ford quote near the bottom...

Part I:

- A Back off and let those men who want to marry men, marry men.
- B. Allow those women who want to marry women, marry women.
- C. Allow those folks who want to abort their babies, abort their babies.

In three generations, there will be very few Democrats!

Part II:

10 Poorest Cities in America (How did it happen?)

City, State, % of People Below the Poverty Level

1. Detroit, MI, 32.5%
2. Buffalo, NY, 29.9%
3. Cincinnati, OH, 27.8%
4. Cleveland, OH, 27.0%
5. Miami, FL, 26.9%
6. St. Louis, MO, 26.8%
7. El Paso, TX, 26.4%
8. Milwaukee, WI, 26.2%
9. Philadelphia, PA, 25.1%
10. Newark, NJ, 24.2%

(Now, watch closely... At no time will the fingers leave the hands...)

What do these top ten cities (over 250,000 pop.) with the highest poverty rate all have in common?

Detroit, MI - (1st on poverty rate list) hasn't elected a Republican mayor since 1961

Buffalo, NY - (2nd) hasn't elected one since 1954

Cincinnati, OH - (3rd) not since 1984

Cleveland, OH - (4th) not since 1989

Miami, FL - (5th) has never had a Republican mayor

St. Louis, MO - (6th) not since 1949

El Paso, TX - (7th) has never had a Republican mayor

Milwaukee, WI - (8th) not since 1908

Philadelphia, PA - (9th) not since 1952

Newark, NJ - (10th) not since 1907

**Einstein once said, 'The definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results.'
It is the poor who habitually elect Democrats... Yet they are still POOR.**

Part III:

You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich.

You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong.

You cannot bring about prosperity by discouraging thrift.

You cannot lift the wage earner up by pulling the wage payer down.

You cannot further the brotherhood of man by inciting class hatred.

You cannot build character and courage by taking away people's initiative and independence.

You cannot help people permanently by doing for them, what they could and should do for themselves."

~ Abraham Lincoln

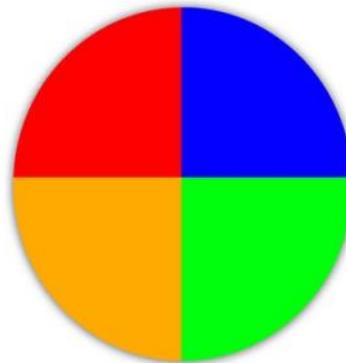
"Any man who thinks he can be happy and prosperous by letting the government take care of him had better take a much closer look at the American Indian."

~ Henry Ford

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HOW REPUBLICANS DENY PEOPLE THEIR RIGHT TO VOTE



- REQUIRE CITIZENSHIP
- REQUIRE IDENTIFICATION
- MUST NOT VOTE MORE THAN ONCE
- MUST BE ALIVE



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IF YOU KILL A **PREBORN HUMAN**

ZERO PENALTIES

APPLAUSE FROM LIBERALS

How Tech Giants Are Banning True Speech About Biological Sex

Emilie Kao, February 12, 2019, Daily Signal

Like a strong cocktail that promises a quick buzz, social media offers us instant gratification that can be hard to resist.

But just as alcohol disguises the smell of chemicals, social media hides the bitter poison of identity politics—a poison that increasingly dominates the content we read.

This toxic cocktail is killing our freedom to speak the truth. And sadly, some of the world's most powerful companies are siding against freedom and truth.

Twitter's latest move against free thought came in the form of a ban on "misgendering" and "deadnaming." This essentially means users who use pronouns and names that align with a person's biology rather than their professed gender identity will be punished.

This is a victory of feelings over facts. Big tech is enabling identity politics to dominate the virtual public square—and it's even aiding its takeover of the real one, too.

Take the United Kingdom. In England, police have already used tweets to investigate and arrest citizens for referring to individuals according to their biology rather than transgender ideology. In two separate incidents, police responded to complaints against women from men who identify as women.

Police arrested [Kate Scottow](#) at home in front of her children and then held her in a jail cell for seven hours after transgender activist Anthony Halliday (aka Stephanie Hayden) accused her of "misgendering" him.

Halliday/Hayden also seemed to suggest that transgender activists ought to "[storm] into" a parish church to ask "robust questions" of a priest's wife who has opposed transgender ideology.

Stephanie thinks I need robust questioning over my beliefs. After their friend Dr Harrop tried to intimidate me by tweeting photos of our church & saying they would come here, they think they are justified in storming a church because they don't like the priest's wife's views. <pic.twitter.com/nxM1wUfK1>

— Caroline Farrow (@CF_Farrow) [February 11, 2019](#)

[Police](#) also went after a 74-year-old woman named [Margaret Nelson](#). The reason: She posted two statements on Twitter that didn't accord with transgender ideology: "gender is fashionable nonsense" and "in life or in death, trans women are not women, no matter how many times you say it's so."

Forced to Speak Untruths

In the novel "1984," George Orwell coined the phrase "Big Brother is watching" to refer to the government. Today, he'd have to include social media companies as enforcers.

Twitter's ban on "misgendering" and "deadnaming" crosses a red line. Twitter users should be able to choose what pronouns and names they use for each other. When Twitter punishes users for misgendering and deadnaming, the company pressures us to speak untruths.

Princeton University professor Robert George has [warned](#), "Ordinary authoritarians are content to forbid people from saying things they know or believe to be true. Totalitarians insist on forcing people to say things they know or believe to be untrue."

Social media companies' embrace of identity politics has led to biased enforcement of content standards that favors transgender activists.

In Canada, for instance, feminist journalist Meghan Murphy testified before the Canadian Senate against the notorious [Bill C-16](#), which added "misgendering" to the human rights code and criminal code in May 2017. In August 2018, Twitter told her to delete tweets that referred to a biological man, Ryan Kreut (who self-identifies as a woman named Lisa), as a man.

Then, last November, Murphy tweeted several rhetorical questions: "How are transwomen not men? What is the difference between a man and a transwoman?" She referred to transgender activist Jonathan Yaniv according to his biology. In the past he had filed lawsuits against female beauticians who refused to give him "bikini waxes."

Twitter classified these statements from Murphy as hateful and permanently shut down her account. Yaniv then [bragged](#) that he was personally responsible for getting Murphy banned from Twitter.

Murphy is now [suing Twitter](#) over the ban.

Companies like Twitter clearly see themselves as defending transgender individuals. But they are much more passive about enforcing "hateful conduct" policies when it comes to protecting women from transgender activists.

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Trans activists frequently target Murphy and others by name, referring to them as trans-exclusionary radical feminists (TERFs). A website called terfisaslur.com displays tweets like “All TERFs deserve to be shot in the head.” “All TERFS need to cease existing. Wipe them from the earth.”

Transgender activists have also targeted Kaeley Triller, co-founder of Hands Across the Aisle, a coalition of women opposed to transgender ideology, on Facebook by posting her home address and violently threatening her children.

“Ironically,” Triller says, “the least ‘safe spaces’ in the history of the world are spaces where speech is censored and dissent is punished. If people are not safe to disagree, they are not safe at all.”

Social media companies could be protecting women from the violent, graphic, and threatening content against feminists documented at terfisaslur.com, but instead, Twitter is “protecting” those who identify as transgender from the “hateful conduct” of those who simply say that we are born male and female.

The Eclipse of Women’s Rights

For a brief moment during the #MeToo movement, it seemed that women were ascending the identity politics hierarchy. But as PayPal founder Peter Thiel predicted, when conflict comes between identity groups, the solution will be brokered in a way that most benefits the left as a coalition, not any particular group.

Twitter and Facebook’s double standards are proving Thiel correct. Transgenderism is making war on feminism, and feminists are losing out.

Identity politics is poisonous to freedom. It divides Americans up by ethnicity, race, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, etc., and ranks us in a hierarchy based upon degrees of “victimization.”

This is deeply out of step with America’s founding, which championed the legal equality of each citizen based on inalienable natural rights. It is also out of step with the way most Americans developed their identities—from their families, religious communities, and civic groups.

But as our society has become more atomized, identity politics has filled the void and offered an alternative kind of social identity—albeit a toxic one.

The Marxist struggle, which originally was seen as a struggle for power between economic classes, has been recast as a struggle between social identity groups. Individual guilt, virtue, and responsibility are replaced with collective guilt, virtue, and responsibility. And because this scheme treats the group as the fundamental unit of responsibility and agency, individual freedoms become irrelevant. At worst, they are seen as tools that “oppressors” can use to exploit the “oppressed.”

We should not be surprised, then, when incidents of identity politics seem to reveal a totalitarian streak. Identity politics doesn’t just produce a grievance culture, it produces a vengeance culture—one that never ends and can never be resolved.

When students and faculty who hold unpopular views are shouted down or even physically assaulted, we are witnessing the fruit of a tree that is rotten to the core.

Identity politics requires the jettisoning of America’s constitutional heritage. It would ultimately replace ordered liberty with a society in which freedoms are enjoyed only by those who have earned them through victimization.

Tech Giants Driving the Train

Twitter, Facebook, and Apple are among 107 major companies that have endorsed federal legislation that would make “misgendering” a punishable offense. Named the “Equality Act,” this bill is anything but.

State and local bureaucrats have already used similar laws and policies to derail the careers of people like high school teacher Peter Vlaming and professor Nicholas Meriwether at Shawnee State University because they referred to students according to biology and not gender ideology.

These laws give government control over our freedom to speak and think according to the truth. The Equality Act would extend that to all 50 states.

Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn, the great Russian writer who survived life in the Soviet gulag, once told the Nobel Prize Committee: “One word of truth shall outweigh the whole world.”

As big tech seeks to restructure both our virtual and brick-and-mortar public squares according to the frame of identity politics, now more than ever, we must fight for the freedom to use language to speak the truth.

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Welcome to TX in March! Winter is at 6am. Spring starts at 10, Summer is at 2pm and Fall is around 4:30ish. Try and dress accordingly!



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**meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month
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Reflections on Spring Creek

1901 East Spring Creek Parkway

just 1½ blocks east of Central Expressway in Plano

11:15 am check-in

11:30 am meeting, lunch and program

Lunch is \$20 payable to PRW (Cash or Check) at the door.

You do not have to have lunch to attend,

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