



Newsletter of the Republican Party of Palm Beach County—October 2019

Articles of Impeachment

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Madame Speaker:

The wait is over. Below are ten Articles of Impeachment, each one a stand-alone grievous offense to our Constitution. Taken together they show the most rogue Presidential administration in American history. Please give this your complete and immediate attention. The life of our Republic is at stake.

Article 1—J’accuse . . . the President of the United States of America of selling off 20% of our national uranium assets to Russian oligarchs. The company is Uranium One. Furthermore, our Secretary of State received \$31.3 million into her “Foundation,” possibly to facilitate this transaction. Our nuclear superiority may be permanently ended by this transaction.

Article 2—J’accuse . . . the President of the United States of America entering into an illegal treaty (agreement) with Iran, the world’s number one sponsor of state terrorism. This will enable Iran to become a nuclear power within fifteen years. Also, in that agreement the United States gave Iran pallets of cash (Mafia style) totaling \$400 million in exchange for six prisoners. Our nation’s vow to never pay ransom was another victim of that transaction. Furthermore, this treaty was never submitted to the United States Senate for ratification (by two-thirds).

Article 3—J’accuse . . . the President of the United States of America of starting an illegal, undeclared war on Libya with the express purpose of executing its leader, Muammar Gaddafi, and destabilizing the country. Mr. Gaddafi had already given up his nuclear program and was not a threat to other nations. The subsequent anarchy in Libya led to the 9/11/2012 attack on two American facilities in Benghazi, killing American Ambassador Chris Stevens and three others. The Benghazi attack lasted twelve hours and the President and his Secretary of State refused to send reinforcements during that time.

Article 4—J’accuse . . . the President of the United States of America of giving large numbers of semi-automatic rifles to Mexican drug cartels to try to discredit the Second Amendment of the Bill of Rights of the Constitution of the United States of America. This program was called “Fast and Furious.” Border Patrol Officer Brian Terry was killed in a shootout with drug traffickers where these rifles were being used against us.



Article 5—J’accuse . . . the President of the United States of America of weaponizing the Internal Revenue Service. Groups that applied for tax-exempt status were either denied or permanently delayed if their name suggested it was a non-profit organization with a philosophy and roster not in support of the President. To this day not a single employee of the IRS was in any way penalized for this illegal behavior. The weaponization of a bureaucracy is a defining point that separates a Constitutional Republic from a third-world Banana Republic.

Article 6—J’accuse . . . the President of the United States of America of weaponizing our Intelligence services. The Senior staff of the Federal Bureau of Investigation became a partisan sub-organization that spied on the President’s domestic adversaries while “standing down” on issues of inconvenience to the President; such as election interference by Russia. Furthermore, the President and these politicized intelligence agencies enlisted aid from friendly foreign governments (the United Kingdom, Italy and Australia) to expand these illegal, unconstitutional spying activities. Like

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Article 5 above, these were major steps on the road to becoming a third-world Banana Republic.

Article 7—J’accuse . . . the President of the United States of America of turning the FISA (Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act) warrant program into a back door domestic spying operation. By getting a rubber stamped FISA warrant approved (illegally) on an American citizen, the President and his weaponized bureaucrats could spy on political adversaries and then, through the illegal process known as “unmasking,” broaden the spying to all the contacts of the original warrant target. These acts end privacy in America as we know it. A government this big and intrusive is a total affront to the Constitution of the United States of America.

Article 8—J’accuse . . . the President of the United States of America of ignoring Constitutional Congressional prerogatives in refining and implementing the Affordable Care Act. After that act was passed by Congress the president realized that, as written, it was impossible to achieve the Administration’s goals. The president then implemented a series of major legislative changes without following the legal recourse of getting Congress to ament this act. It then became clear that the President intentionally deceived the American public on the two biggest promises of the Affordable Care Act. First, if you wanted to keep your doctor you would not be able two. And, second, the promise of a \$2500 annual decrease in health insurance fees was a pipedream.

Article 9—J’accuse . . . the President of the United States of America of using the Affordable Care Act to nationalize our student loan program. This takeover has resulted in a \$900 billion federal program where nobody is rejected, with a default rate of 10.8% and with our colleges being overrun

by students who are incapable of doing college-level work. Furthermore, the existence of this unlimited amount of loans-for-all has continued a rapid increase in student tuition, the hiring of too many administrators and grade inflation. The President has willfully created a crisis where none existed and for which there is no easy or affordable solution.

Article 10—J’accuse . . . the President of the United States of America of unilaterally bypassing the Congress of the United States of America and illegally granting permanent residency status to 800,000 illegal immigrants based on their age. This act was committed after the President publicly acknowledged that he had no Constitutional authority to take such action.

There you have it. One President. Ten Articles of Impeachment, each of great magnitude. Action.

Respectfully submitted,

Schiffy Adam
 Chairman
 House Lack of Intelligence Committee

Sid Dinerstein served as Chairman of the Republican Party of Palm Beach County from 2002 to 2012. A leader with a passion for Republican politics, Sid leads by example, motivating teams and uniting diverse groups to achieve a common goal. With a passion for promoting charter schools, Sid was honored by Inlet Grove Community Charter High School earlier this year as “Charter School Advocate.” He authored Adults Only: For Those Who Love Their Country More Than Their Party in 2007, a book that was a finalist for the 2009 Next Generation Indie Book Awards. Sid has been married to Esther since 1967, and they have two daughters, two sons-in-law and two granddaughters.

“The Backhoe Chronicles”

*By Peter Feaman
Florida National Committeeman*

OCTOBER 9—Read the White House’s official response to Speaker Pelosi and Democrat leaders:

Last evening, the White House sent an eight-page letter to Speaker Nancy Pelosi and other House Democrat leaders, responding to the unprecedented, unconstitutional “impeachment inquiry” launched against President Donald J. Trump.

The letter, written by White House Counsel Pat Cipollone, lays out how Democrat leaders designed a politically motivated inquiry that violates the constitutionally mandated due process protections:

HERE IS AN EXCERPT:

“You have denied the President the right to cross-examine witnesses, to call witnesses, to receive transcripts of testimony, to have access to evidence, to have counsel present, and many other basic rights guaranteed to all Americans. You have conducted your proceedings in secret. You have violated civil liberties and the separation of powers by threatening Executive Branch officials, claiming that you will seek to punish those who exercise fundamental constitutional rights and prerogatives. All of this violates the Constitution, the rule of law, and every past precedent. Never before in our history has the House of Representatives—under the control of either political party—taken the American people down the dangerous path you seem determined to pursue.”

The facts are clear. The House Democrats’ “impeachment inquiry,” undertaken without a single vote of authorization by the full House—an astonishing breach of precedent—is constitutionally invalid and violates both basic due process rights and the separation of powers. By the admission of its own advocates in Congress, it plainly seeks to reverse the election of 2016 and to influence the election of 2020. Not only is there no legitimate basis for the inquiry, but the committees’ actions in pursuing it themselves raise serious questions that demand full transparency with the American people.

What a Schiff Show. What a Setup.

OCTOBER 3—Look who’s colluding now.

The *New York Times* just published a bombshell: Adam Schiff’s office met with the whistleblower prior to the complaint being filed, helped shepherd him through the process the way Schiff’s team wanted, and then played dumb and subpoenaed for the complaint they knew had been filed because they were part of the process.

This report is yet another nail in the coffin of the Democrats’ bogus impeachment charade and further proof that this Ukraine sham is a disingenuous and orchestrated smear campaign led by Adam Schiff.

By getting an early account of the whistleblower’s complaint, Schiff knew what to expect in the complaint and he was able to shape his phony narrative for his benefit.

Then Schiff flat-out lied about it when he said his office had NO CONTACT with the so-called whistleblower before the complaint was filed.

Stop the madness: This is damning evidence that the Democrats’ impeachment push is a TOTAL sham.

Another Witchhunt

SEPTEMBER 25—Another witchhunt launched by the Democrats as Trump’s approval numbers rise to highest levels yet. . . .

It is easy to get discouraged as you watch the daily onslaught of baseless attacks on the President and the overheated rhetoric of Democrat leaders. But take heart, the American people are quietly watching and they don’t like it.

Look behind the numbers in the polling and a startling result appears: In a poll released today by Rasmussen of LIKELY voters, 51% APPROVE of his performance.

The polls that show a higher disapproval rating are of all adults, NOT likely voters. This is crucial. Why? Did you ever watch “Watters World” on Fox News? Random adults are asked questions like “What country did America fight in the revolutionary war?” and “Who was our first president?” The results are predictable and frightening.

That is why polling all adults about Trump is meaningless. With Trump at 51% approval by likely voters, the real message comes through—the Democrats are out of control and the voters don’t like it.

Stay the course, Chronicle fans . . .

CNN’s Climate Change Town Hall

SEPTEMBER 18—Now that I am back I just have to comment on the “climate change” town hall put on by CNN a few weeks ago.

The Democrat power grabbers will use the power of government to radically change our way of life . . . acting as though their view of the world should be accepted as religious dogma. . . .

I would like to remind them that in the late 1960’s and 70’s, when carbon emissions were much much worse than they are today, the so-called experts were predicting a new “ice age” because of the greenhouse gas effect.

Time magazine echoed other media outlets in suggesting that “another ice age” was imminent. “Telltale signs are everywhere—from the unexpected persistence and thickness of pack ice in the waters around Iceland to the southward migration of a warmth-loving creature like the armadillo from the Midwest,” the magazine warned in 1974. *The Guardian* similarly warned in 1974 that “Space satellites show new Ice Age coming fast.”



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In 1970, *The Boston Globe* ran the headline, “Scientist predicts a new ice age by 21st century.” The *Washington Post*, for its part, published a Columbia University scientist’s claim that the world could be “as little as 50 or 60 years away from a disastrous new ice age.”

When that theory did not work out, they did a 180-degree turn and decided that carbon emissions would make the planet hotter, not cooler.

Voila! An Associated Press headline from 1989 read “Rising seas could obliterate nations: U.N. officials.” The article detailed a U.N. environmental official warning that entire nations would be eliminated if the world failed to reverse warming by 2000.

Well, it’s now 2019 and lo and behold, here we still are! Just 10 years earlier, there were the fears that the world would experience a never-ending “cooling trend in the Northern Hemisphere.” That claim came from an “international team of specialists” cited by *The New York Times* in 1978.

So, as I watched some of the “town hall” I could not help but think back.

Democrat presidential candidates warned about the “existential” threat posed by a changing climate. Before the end of the month, 2020 candidates are expected to have another climate forum at Georgetown University.

Rep. Ocasio-Cortez, D-N.Y., warned that Miami would be gone in a “few years” because of climate change. She was responding to critics of her ambitious “Green New Deal,” which seeks to reach net-zero emissions within just decades.

Sorry Dems, I just can’t buy in. Seems like I’ve seen this movie before. Different script, same result—government control and loss of freedom.

I’ll trust God not government.

2020 Trump Re-election

SEPTEMBER 17—The only statewide election in Florida in 2020 is the re-election of Donald Trump.

The Governor DeSantis Administration is wisely gearing up. . . .

Mindful of false “Russian interference” charges that the Democrats have used to delegitimize the Trump Administration, Florida Secretary of State Laurel Lee, the Department that oversees all statewide elections in Florida, turned in a budget request to state legislators late yesterday where one of the main items she’s asking for next year is nearly \$1.3 million for the creation of a 10-person cybersecurity unit.

Also mindful that Democrats will use the court system when they don’t like the results at the ballot box, Lee is also expecting an increase in lawsuits during the presidential election year. She wants \$1 million for outside lawyers as well as nearly \$300,000 to boost the number of lawyers working directly for her.

Lastly, Lee has formally asked the Legislature for \$1.375 million to help pay for voter outreach to unregistered voters. The outreach is required for states that join a multistate partnership that will help the state combat potential voter fraud.

Fool us once, shame on you.

Fool us twice, shame on us.

The Elephant in the Room

SEPTEMBER 13—Conspicuously absent from the debate last night were questions concerning . . . the ECONOMY.

Of course the fake news media does not want the American people to know about this because under President Trump we are in the midst of a historic economic revival:

- Since President Trump was elected, the U.S. has added almost 6.5 million jobs.
- The unemployment rate remains near its the lowest point since 1969.
- 13 months of wage growth above 3%.
- Wages are rising most significantly for the lowest-paid workers, reversing a long-term trend.
- More than half a million manufacturing jobs have been added since President Trump was elected, while 200,000 manufacturing jobs were lost under President Obama.
- Hispanic Americans have record low unemployment
- African American unemployment hit a record low of 5.5% in August.
- Asian American unemployment is at 2.8%
- The labor force participation rate is 63.2%, tying its highest level since 2013, showing workers are coming off the sidelines and entering the workforce.
- Median household income is at the highest level in 2 decades.

The silence on the economy spoke volumes.

I’m Baaack . . .

SEPTEMBER 13—In the words of Mark Twain, “The reports of my death have been greatly exaggerated.”

I’m baaaack and I hope to make up for my absence with daily commentary.

I will comment on the 18th anniversary of 9/11 tomorrow because today’s hot topic is the freak show I saw last night in Houston called the Democrat presidential debate. Before it degenerated into a fraternity house food fight, here are some of the takeaways:

1. Healthcare—They advocate a government takeover of healthcare. In addition to the obvious—that taxes will be raised significantly on the middle class, let’s talk about quality of service:

If you like how government run healthcare, the V.A., treats our veterans, then you will love it when V.A.-type healthcare is inflicted on all of us through Medicare for all—Seriously?

2. Border control—The vast majority of Americans understand we need secure borders or we as a nation will descend into chaos and anarchy.

When even Obama’s DHS Secretary condemns the Democrat immigration plan as an “open borders” policy, uh, Houston . . . we have a problem.

3. Democrats on climate change: They picked Houston, Texas, to have a debate, known as the “energy capitol of the world,” then advocate for the elimination of fossil fuels, where nearly 2 million jobs in Texas alone would be lost under the Democrat plan.

I could go on, but you get the point. . . VOTE TRUMP!

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September Recap

Happy October! This year has been flying by and the 2020 Legislative Session is right around the corner. January 14th, 2020 will mark the first day of session; however, there are still many committee weeks left starting with October 14th–18th, followed by October 21st–25th, November 4th–8th, November 12th–15th, and December 9th–13th.

In September I had the honor to host a Coffee Talk event alongside County Commissioner Robert Weinroth at the Boca Raton Downtown Library. This event was very meaningful to us as it allowed us to chat one on one with many constituents about what issues mattered to them. These events are productive ways for us to connect with the community and collaborate on legislation that will be beneficial for everyone. I am thankful for everyone who came out and cannot wait to host another Coffee Talk in the future!



Last month, my office had the opportunity to take part in an event with Farm Share in Boca Raton, a nonprofit organization that works to fight hunger in Florida by distributing nutritious food to those in need. This distribution event was a rewarding experience and one that my staff and I are grateful to have participated in.

As always it is my honor to serve you in the Florida House. If ever I may be of service to you, please do not hesitate to contact me. My office number is (561) 750- 2396.

State Representative Mike Caruso



If we ever forget that we're one nation under GOD, then we will be a nation gone under.
—Ronald Reagan

Frankel Opponents Sound Off on Social Issues

By George Blumel

We're asking the Republican candidates in the August primary for their views on the issues so that voters can differentiate among them. Last month they all expressed the necessity for Congress to be more fiscally responsible. Get to know them so you can cast an informed ballot.

This month we ask, **"How would you have voted on these three bills and what is your reasoning?"** See the candidates' websites where they elaborate on their answers and other issues. These are positions that Lois Frankel has held this year taken from the Heritage Action [scorecard](#).

- **American Dream and Promise Act (H.R. 6)** Frankel favored legislation codifying the Obama administration's unconstitutional Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) amnesty program by allowing so-called Dreamers and others to permanently avoid deportation and obtain a pathway to citizenship.
- **Discharge Petition to hold a vote on the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act (H.R. 962)** This is common-sense legislation that requires medical care be given to any child who survived a botched abortion and that the child be transported and admitted to a hospital. Frankel opposed.
- **The so-called Equality Act (H.R.5)** This legislation would modify the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to add sexual orientation and gender identity (LGBT, etc.) as protected classes in federal anti-discrimination law. This includes military service, schools, hospitals, sports, and [more](#). Frankel favored.

Victor Garcia da Rosa: <https://victorgarciadarosaforcongress.com/>

H.R. 6 "Nay would be my vote. Why would I codify an unconstitutional amnesty program? My desire as a future member of the House would be to "bring the government back to We The People." The only way to accomplish this is a return to legislation through the lens of the Constitution."

H.R. 962 "Yea would be my vote. Short of a reversal of Roe v. Wade, which I would welcome, this piece of legislation is vital to the possibility of saving the life of the child who survived a botched abortion."

H.R. 5 "Nay would be my vote. This legislation would bring about more inequality and less equality."

Michael Vilardi: I would have voted as follows:

Against H.R.6 We are a nation of laws and people need to come to this country through our legal process NOT illegally and then get amnesty.

For H.R. 962 Every child has a right to life

Against HR 5 The Civil Rights Act is fine the way it is. No need to add to it.

Christian Acosta: www.voteacosta.com

Dream Act—Not by itself. I support the President's past efforts to negotiate border funding in exchange for a version

of this act. That was a huge opportunity and no one backed him up. I would have.

Born-Alive—Yes. This act is critically important and supported by the vast majority of Americans. We must draw a line against the continual creep of pro-abortion policy.

Equality Act—Not as written. The problem with this act is it can be easily abused as a coercion tool against private businesses or houses of religion.

Liz Felton <http://electelizabethfelton.com>

Without full text to consider I would vote "No" on all 3. Please consider the following opinions to determine how I will vote on similar legislation.

"Children brought here very young having knowledge or experience in any other place are not 'guilty' and should not be punished. Blind amnesty however leaves an unfair burden on taxpayers and endangers children "used" to enter the US."

"I cannot fathom the emotional disconnect of any physician to not do everything within their power to save the life of a neonate that vulnerable."

"I have family and friends in the LGBTQ community. I love them.

Aaron Scanlan: <https://www.facebook.com/scanlanforcongress>

Dream Act—Nay. "In order to remain a sovereign nation, we must have secure borders. Offering a fast track to citizenship or amnesty, for people who have entered this country illegally will not only degenerate our sovereignty, it will encourage more illegal immigration."

Born-Alive Act—Yea. "A child born alive is a human being and an American Citizen. We need to provide that child with life-saving medical treatment, whether or not the practitioner personally believes in abortion, once that child is born alive, they have a duty to care and to attempt to save the life of the child born alive."

Equality Act—Nay. "This compromise's the rights, religious beliefs and freedoms of others, forcing them to accept ideals that go against their personal beliefs. It would create a disadvantage for women and girls in sports and could have a serious impact on the armed forces as well."

Laura Loomer, another announced candidate, did not respond to our requests for her positions on these issues. **Dr. Piotr Blass** announced he will join the race, too.



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Toxic Algae Update for Florida

By William J. Skinner

Back in July 2017 this newsletter published an article I wrote on “Toxicity to Humans from Algae Blooms in Florida” that might have stimulated a few thoughts and actions. If you did not read it, you can get a copy from my September 3, 2019 blog at: <http://bill-skinner.blogspot.com>. That article lays the background for what I am about to tell you and it will assist you understand this complicated situation better. You can get other kinds of articles and book reviews published in the monthly newsletter of the Palm Beach County Republican Executive Committee for the past 12 months at its website at: <https://www.palmbeach.gop/AboutUs/newsletters>.

Much has happened in this field since July 2017 that is worth knowing about. But few people are viewing YouTube videos and other resources that advance new knowledge, so we are not making much progress spreading the science story to others. For example, the *Parkinson Report*, a newsletter of the Parkinson’s Foundation at p. 6 in its Spring 2019 issue tells us that:

Around 85 percent of people with PD have no known genetic link and their children will likely never develop Parkinson’s. Some known genetic variations increase the risk of getting PD, but many people with these variations do not develop Parkinson’s. Parkinson’s—like many other diseases—is a result of the complex interactions between genes and environmental factors.

www.Parkinson.org.

If it is not Parkinson’s, what are the diseases? Maybe it is better to call them something else until we know more. I have been suggesting TABS, short for “Toxic Algae Brain Syndrome.” Researchers are finding differences that need more scientific research to separate and identify the causes.

The *Palm Beach Post* editorial writers on August 25, 2019, p. A-22, wrote an opinion piece about “A new airborne health threat? OUR VIEWS: TOXIC ALGAE.” In part, they say,

One especially toxic compound from blue-green algae, known as BMAA, has been linked in some studies to ALS, Alzheimer’s and possibly Parkinson’s diseases.

What’s more alarming, researchers are finding that these toxins aren’t just lurking in the water. The green slime on blue-green algae (which really isn’t an algae, but cyanobacteria) leaves behind a dried crust that goes drifting into the air.

Air samples taken from December to January detected the toxins from blue-green algae more than three miles away from the Caloosahatchee River, which was heavily infested with algal blooms last year, and at least a mile from any retention ponds, according to NOAA’s National Centers for Coastal Ocean Sci-

ence, which helped sponsor the studies.

The levels were low, and more research is needed to figure out how serious a threat to human health this may be. ‘Right now, it doesn’t appear to be at a high enough level to be a concern, but we’re not 100% sure,’ lead scientist Mike Parsons, of Florida Gulf Coast University, told the Fort Myers *News-Press* in March.

What is certain, however, is that the crisis of harmful algal blooms concerns more than aquatic communities and their businesses. This is about the potential spread of extremely harmful, invisible poisons miles inland. The impacts might be much broader than most of us have suspected.

<https://tinyurl.com/y4jg5d39>

I think the *Post* is right to be concerned. Think about Dorian spreading the algae and toxin across Florida the first weekend of September 2019. If you doubt this can happen, why are weather people telling us the red glow in the sunset is caused by sand from the sub-Saharan desert. Those winds are also said to be responsible for spreading seeds of desert ground orchids from Africa to Florida.

Another You-tube video update I found useful was another lecture by Paul Allan Cox, this time at the Ulster Garden Club, on April 15, 2018 in cooperation with the SUNY Ulster Elizabeth Gross Lecture Series sponsored by the SUNY Ulster Foundation. This video is an hour longer than the Cox video at Ted Talks in Jackson Hole in 2012. See <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HwyX0akKsqI>

A new Florida related video discussion may be found at: “Toxic Puzzle” Q&A—Red Tide/Blue-Green Algae & The Silent Killer, BMAA.” This one is more than an hour and will lead you to other resources. A description is reprinted just below. See <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dPqARiqfAKM>

Florida is facing devastating effects from toxic red tide/blue-green algae & pollution. Dead marine life is washing ashore daily and the once tourist filled beaches have now been deserted. How did Florida get here? Do we know what’s causing our sea life to die? Is it safe to swim in the ocean? Are we facing a man-made problem or a natural phenomenon? . . . Following a sold out screening of the documentary, “Toxic Puzzle” in Ft. Myers, Florida, 3 of the contributing scientists alongside Calusa Waterkeeper, John Cassani paneled an audience

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driven Q&A session. I hadn't intended on filming the Q&A but at the last minute decided it was too important to miss. Florida is facing a crisis in our waters. We are now aware that this is not just a local problem but also a global one. The lingering red tide/blue green algae mixed with "political-pollution" is causing marine life to wash up on our shores, dead. If the sea life is sick and dying, how are humans effected? Is it safe to eat the seafood? What does Alzheimer's, Lou Gehrig's and Parkinson's disease have to do with blue-green algae? Neurotoxins in the air, water? What is BMAA and how might it affect my health? What can I do? This video answers these and many other questions. Thank you—Calusa WaterKeeper, Captains for Clean Water and those advocating for clean waters. For more information on the documentary, Toxic Puzzle please visit: <https://www.toxicpuzzle.com>

Credit the above paragraph to Alainna, a blogger on the west coast of Florida.

Gov. Ron DeSantis recently joined in the chase for information about the red tide problem by appointing an eleven-member committee on August 2, 2019, to research the toxicity problems. You can read more in an article about his announcement in the *Sunshine State News* at: <https://tinyurl.com/y4ft6swj>

"The Red Tide Task Force will complement the Blue Green Algae Task Force and the Florida Red Tide Mitigation and Technology Development Initiative, which is the partnership between the Fish and Wildlife Research Institute within FWC and Mote Marine Laboratory."

"Red Tide blooms have been documented along Florida's Gulf coast since the 1840s, and recently Florida had experienced one of its most severe red tide blooms on record. Over the course of 16 months, from November of 2017 until February of 2019, this Red Tide event was recorded as the fifth longest since 1953, and the first since 2007 to impact Florida's southwest, northwest, and east coasts simultaneously." *Ibid.*

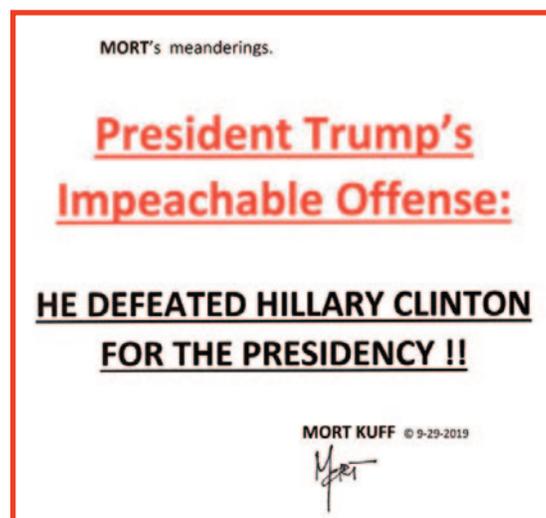
The members of the expert committee include Dr. Donald Anderson, Dr. Duane De Freese, Dr. Quay Dortch, Jill Fleiger, Dr. Leanne Flewelling, Dr. Charles Jacoby, Dr. Barb Kirkpatrick, Dr. Sherry Larkin, Andrew Reich, Rhonda Watkins, and David Whiting.

Mid-September 2019, the *Wall Street Journal* reported (9/19/2019, A-3) in "Ohio Strikes a Blow in Algae Fight" about a ten-year effort to clean up Grand Lake, one of the country's largest man-made lakes (13,000 acres) hand dug in the 1830s. It is in northwest Ohio near Celina where Wright State University has a campus. Wetlands were built around the lake beginning in 2012. Plants in these wetlands have reduce the phosphorus and nitrogen levels as much as 90 percent, according to Dr. Stephen Jacquemin, an associated professor of biology at Wright State. "It's the only sustainable solution, to take some land out of farming, said Dr. Bill Mitsch, a professor of ecological engineering at Florida Gulf Coast University." Ohio has imposed other procedures as well, including dredging the lake bottom of highly nutrient-loaded sediment," and beaches at St. Mary's receive a rock jetty and installing aerators and a curtain to filter water. This has reduced the microcystin toxin (BMAA) from 80 parts per million in the summer of 2015 to about 30 ppm this summer.

Maybe by the spring in 2020, the warning signs at Grand Lake that read "Danger: Avoid all contact with the water," will be removed.

Other serious water concerns will likely surface in discussions of the Dorian Hurricane aftermath. For example, if wind spreads toxic algae, it may become more noticeable along the east coast tract of Dorian. Keep your eyes and ears on the health aspects of any public discussions. If you know any of the experts on Gov. DeSantis' committee, send them a copy of this article to make sure they do not miss the information. We must keep our politicians informed if we expect them to take care of our problems.

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The Awakening

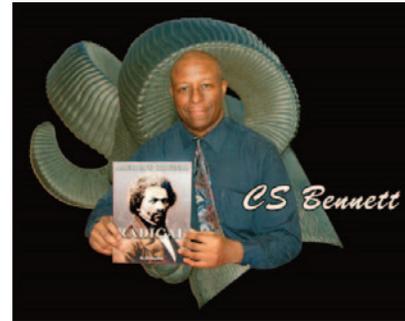
By *CS Bennett*

Political discord seems to be the term bantered around these days to express the sharp views held by the two major political parties and their ever-growing animus towards one another. Many have attempted to explain why this is or must be. Some think it folly for the two major parties to be squaring off in this manner, much like hardened gladiators at the ready. Others believe that the country, and the world, would be better off if we did not have political parties.

In explaining this schism, some have speculated that the two parties have become a religion, and sport, to many. Some believe that the country, overall, loses when we are polarized and up in arms like we are. Some believe it is tragic that we do not get along or compromise more. Others view politics as a gentlemen's sport-like endeavor. Inside this mindset, we never raise our voices, never bare, or beat, our chest, and never declare war on one another.

What these pundits fail to acknowledge, and in many cases, accept, is that we are in a philosophical war within our own borders. Because of technology, numerous communications, and information choices, and Americans tired of being lied to, there has been an awakening. It is the same awakening that gave birth to the TEA Party and set fire to the conservative movement, a movement that had lost its way after Ronald Reagan left office and the Democrats fielded charismatic hopefuls such as Bill Clinton and Barack Hussein Obama. And then, oddly, they put all their chips on Hillary.

The angst that exists between the two parties exists because of one thing—the exposure of the left's grand globalist scheme to take control over the world and create what they refer to as The New World Order. When those on the right saw how close the establishment, on both sides of the aisles, were to realizing this scheme, they pushed back. Not only that, they put a charismatic candidate of their own in office to undo the harm that had been done to our nation and our rights and freedoms. That man was Donald J. Trump. Knowing what we patriots now know, there's no way we are going to return to doing business as usual.



In short, we know what you Democrats are doing, and are attempting to do, to this great republic and our 1st and 2nd Amendment rights, and we are here to say that is not going to happen. Yes, we aim to stop you dead in your tracks. So, to all you political pundits still trying to figure this out, just know that the dark angels of the left have awakened the praetorian guard of the right. We are going to do battle with you, even if it means going toe-to-toe in battle to stop your seditious agenda.

Our cause is a just cause. It is a noble cause. And it is the right cause, at this time in our time history. This is a battle of epic proportions. And yes, this is a battle of good versus evil. And in battles of good and evil, there can only be one true victor. It is our side that I hope will prevail.

One can never compromise with evil. British Prime Minister Arthur Neville Chamberlain tried that with Adolph Hitler of Nazi Germany. We see how well that worked out. So, let us stop pretending we do not know what this battle is all about. At stake is whether we will continue as a true representative republic or go down the perilous road to socialism and communism.

In my estimate, this is a battle worth fighting, and for keeps, need be. . . . Are there still questions?

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So, there 'tis:
**The Media Targets Trump with the Whistleblower Story
 . . . but Will it Hit Hardest on Biden?**

*By Larry P. Horist
 September 23, 2019*

For several days, the most reported story has been President Trump’s phone call with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky. It was based on the report of a yet unnamed whistleblower to the Inspector General and a referral that went to the Acting Director of the Department of National Intelligence Joseph Maguire. He sought the legal counsel of the Department of Justice as to whether he should—or was required to—send it on to various chairs of the Congress.

The fact that it did not go to Congress as the law SEEMS to suggest got the #NeverTrump Resistance Movement in the media into a feeding frenzy. This was the top story—with extended coverage. Every Trump-hating bobble-head panelists was brought in to give the story an APPEARANCE of being fact-based.

Rather than objectively exploring the issues, the elitist press again functioned as prosecutors—even bringing on former prosecutors—to present a one-sided brief to we the people. They engaged in an orgy of hyperbole, speculation, hypothecation, implication, innuendo, insinuation and downright misinformation to make their case. Then even suggested – with nothing but negative implications — that it had to do with a telephone call between Trump and Russian President Vladimir Putin. It was that old debunked Russian connection thing that drove the speculation.

As is usually the case, as time went by, more and more details emerged. It had nothing to do with a call with Putin but rather with the Ukrainian President. It was reported that Trump had asked Zelensky to look into the investigation of former Vice President Joe Biden’s son, Hunter—who had a sweetheart deal with a Ukrainian oil oligarch while Biden was in office.

As could be expected, the anti-Trump media personalities are all in claiming that Trump has violated several federal criminal laws—and has provided yet another listing in their proposed Articles of Impeachment.

As news folks say on the telly, let’s unpack all that.

Is the head of DNI required to pass the whistleblower complaint to Congress automatically? That is what the law says. BUT . . . of all of us citizens, the President of the United States has a unique legal exemption called Executive Privilege. Trump’s private conversations are NOT subject to requests or even subpoenas. That makes this a unique case. It would require the Department of Justice (DOJ) to make a determination—which is exactly what McGuire sought before refusing to pass on the information. The Congress can certainly disagree with the DOJ, and their only option—other than throwing a political tantrum for the benefit of the friendly press—is to take up the matter with the courts—and ultimately, the Supreme Court. In other words, the law is neither as clear nor applicable as Trump’s adversaries claim.

Should members of Congress get complete transcripts or tapes of the telephone calls in question? They claim it is their right—and the public has a right to know all the details. That is political nonsense. It is very possible that among the subjects discussed with the Ukrainian President are highly confidential matters—even discussions as to how to deal with Putin. Those would not only be subjected to Executive Privilege but would be highly classified. The Democrats calling for the transcript and tapes know that—and they know that the request MUST be refused. They just want to misrepresent the obligatory refusal as political fodder for their compliant friends in the media.

Did Trump do anything wrong or criminal in encouraging Zelensky to look into the investigation of Hunter Biden?



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Some Democrats are saying that Trump was seeking “something of value” from a foreign state—once again trying to work in the so-call Emoluments Clause of the Constitution. Since it has never been applied to a President, it has no precedent. However, constitutional scholars tend to see that Clause as meaning something physical—like a million dollars in a Swiss bank account, a small sack of diamonds or two tickets to a Lady Gaga concert. So far, every effort to invoke the Emoluments Clause against Trump has fallen flat—and it is likely that this one will, too.

Are the media claims that Trump committed crimes credible? In a word, no. First of all, every one of those talking heads has not seen ANY of the evidence. We—and they—do not know the whistleblower and, therefore, cannot assess his or her credibility. They have not seen a transcript of the phone conversation. They have not seen that complete referral from the Inspector General to the head of DNI. They have not seen the request to or the response from the DOJ. All the hyper condemnations you get from the biased media is nothing more than political spin—and that is especially true of those politicized former prosecutors.

Is raising the Hunter Biden case on the telephone an impeachable offense? If you are one of the House Democrats, Trump feeding table food to a dog would be an impeachable offense. It really does not matter since it is more and more unlikely that the House Democrats will not muster the votes to impeach Trump. It is unlikely that they will even vote for a formal impeachment hearing—leaving the matter to Judiciary Chairman Jerry Nadler and his PRE-TEND impeachment hearing.

Will Democrats—with media support—be able to turn this into a measurable change in the political dynamics? Not much, in my opinion. We have seen this movie before—or more apropos, we have seen this cartoon strip before. Democrats are the Charlie Brown's of politics. Each time they think the ball has been set up for a field goal, they find the facts snatching the ball away at the last minute. Remember all they invested into the Report by Special Counsel Robert Mueller? Then there was the Michael Avenatti led Stormy Daniels affair. We haven't heard much lately about the highly vaunted “other investigations.” Remember the Michael Cohen hearings . . . the testimony of former FBI Director James Comey . . . Andrew McCabe . . . Corey Lewandowski?

And what about Hunter Biden? The interesting thing about this controversy is that it may shed a new and brighter light on Hunter Biden's relationship with the Ukrainian energy company Bursima Holdings. Even the Obama administration expressed its concerns about the appearance that Joe Biden's son was reaping HUGE monetary benefits arguably because his father was Vice President of the United States. According to a summary of the situation in Wikipedia:

With the revelation that Hunter Biden was serving on the board of the Ukrainian company Burisma, many raised

concerns about Hunter Biden's interests conflicting with official US government positions. The White House dismissed nepotism charges against Biden's son. But the director of the US-Ukraine Business Council, Morgan Williams, pointed to an “American tradition that frowns on close family members of government working for organizations with business links to active politic.” Williams stated Biden appeared to have violated this unwritten principle: “. . . when you're trying to keep the political sector separate from the business sector, and reduce corruption, then it's not just about holding down corruption, it's also the appearance.” Joe Biden threatened to withhold \$1 billion of loan guarantees if President Petro Poroshenko did not fire Prosecutor General Viktor Shokin, who may have been investigating corruption in Burisma Holdings.

And this is not the only time Hunter Biden appeared to have gained enormous financial benefits for his father's influence. Again, from Wikipedia:

Peter Schweitzer, author of *Secret Empires: How the American Political Class Hides Corruption and Enriches Family and Friends*, wrote: “In December 2013 Hunter Biden, son of Joe Biden, travels with his father aboard Air Force Two to Beijing. . . . Shortly after they return to the U.S., Hunter Biden's firm receives a \$1 billion private equity deal from the Chinese government. The deal was later increased to \$1.5 billion.”

Was that an abuse of power—Biden taking Hunter aboard the Vice President's private plane to help his son meet the highest government and business officials in China under the most favorable circumstances. While Democrats are trying to make the phone call a Trump issue, it has uncorked the dormant controversies surrounding the life of Hunter Biden. Hunter seems to have been provided with professional and monetary benefits (in the millions and billions of dollars) arguably because his father was a powerful senator and then Vice President of the United States. Hunter is not the kind of guy who would have had all that opportunity coming his way had he not had such a powerful father.

Au contraire.

Hunter has a long history of gaining positions without discernible qualifications. This is especially true when one considers that Hunter has had a very unstable life—with serious problems of alcohol and drug abuse, run-ins with law enforcement and domestic issues. His resume is not the kind that gets those high-level jobs and positions.

In one of the more astounding examples of hypocrisy, MSNBC's resident Trump hater, John Heilemann played the pity card—noting that Biden's son Beau had died of brain cancer. He suggested that it was mean spirited to go after the former Vice President's remaining son. Of course,

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Heilemann has never shown any pity in going after Trump's children.

We also should not forget that Democrats were not so restrained when going after the Ukrainian connections of one-time Trump Campaign Manager Paul Manafort.

The left's effort to bring down Trump over this phone call may actually knock the lid off the Biden family issues—and have a far more negative impact on the former Vice President's campaign than Trump's. I dare say that virtually no one in the general public was aware of the controversies surrounding Biden and his son. They are now.

So, there 'tis.

So, there 'tis...

The opinions, perspectives and analyses of Larry Horist

Larry Horist is a businessman, conservative writer and political strategist with an extensive background in economics and public policy—with a special interest in minority issues. He has served as a consultant to the Nixon White House, travelled the country as a spokesman for President Reagan's economic reforms, and has testified as an expert witness before numerous legislative bodies, including the U.S. Congress. He writes for several online news services and is principle commentator for PunchingBagPost.com. You can also follow his video commentaries on YouTube.com/LarryHorist. He is actively semi-retired in Boca Raton, Florida. So, there 'tis is his signature sign off.

More Than 2,000 Enthusiastic Trump Supporters Heard George Papadopoulos and Andrew Pollack at Another Outstanding Club 45 Meeting on October 14



Andrew Pollack with Larry Snowden



George Papadopoulos



Club 45 President Joe Budd



Simona and George Papadopoulos with Sue Snowden



Stop Sheriff Scott Israel's Return

*By Gene Robinson
October 7, 2019*

You can help Stop Scott Israel from becoming the Sheriff of Broward County, Florida again, after his history in the position, but first let me give you some background on Israel, and his past, before I tell you how you can . . . **HELP STOP THE RETURN OF SCOTT ISRAEL!!**

If you live in Broward County, or anywhere else in South Florida, you certainly will remember Valentine's Day in 2018 as the day that a shooter went through Marjorie Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, and killed 17 innocent people. When the news came to me in an urgent call from a son, since my children went to Douglas, I immediately called the cell phone of the school's Resource Officer, Aaron Feis, one of my best friends, to get further confirmation. All I got that day was a voice mail message on Aaron's phone, and it was the last time I heard his voice, as he went into the hallway unarmed where the gunman, a former student, was conducting a massacre. Aaron Feis, along with 16 others, was killed.

Out of that day, we were later to learn that the Broward Sheriff's deputy assigned to Douglas refused to enter the school, even though he heard the gunfire. The deputy was under the charge of former Broward County Sheriff Scott Israel, who in his public statements said that his deputy did not show the courage that was necessary in that situation, which led Israel to "throw the deputy under the bus," but felt that he, as Sheriff, had no culpability, or blame, for what happened on February 14, 2018. The State Legislature and Governor Ron DeSantis thought otherwise, and Israel was removed from his position as Sheriff.

But, the former Sheriff who persists in trying to reclaim his position, filed a grievance with the State of Florida, and a Special Master assigned to Scott Israel's case for reinstatement found recently that Israel should be returned to his former job. However, Governor DeSantis refused to be moved on his position that the former Sheriff was OUT!!

Israel has continued to do all that he can to become the Sheriff of this county once again, as he has filed to run for re-election, and has raised well over \$90,000 in his bid to reclaim his ex-job. But, there are individual residents of Broward, both parents and even justified concerned citizens with no children in Broward schools, who do not want Scott Israel to ever have his old job back. Although my children have graduated from high school and have moved on with

their lives, I have had a very close relationship with Stoneman Douglas over the years, and as a fundraiser, helped raise the money for the school's football/athletic stadium. But, I still have grandchildren in several Broward County schools, and . . .

I do not want to see Scott Israel ever return as the protector of record for our young students . . . period!!



Now, you, as the public, will have your chance to speak before the State of Florida Rules Committee to make your Voices Heard in the case of Scott Israel. On October 21 in Room 110S in the State Capital in Tallahassee, the Committee will review the Executive Order that removed Israel from Broward County Sheriff. Mary Sturm, a resident of Davie/Cooper City, has organized a group to go to Tallahassee, and she and others are trying to retain a bus for the trip. Mary has asked that you contact her at 954-851-3345 to secure a seat on the bus, as at least 110 people are needed to secure a place.

To get further details, contact Mary Sturm, and give her your name, cell phone number, city of residence, your age, and other information that Mary can relay to you. The plan is to leave South Florida on Sunday, October 20, to arrive for the Rules Committee hearing the next day. Any lodging will be the responsibility of those going. But, please call Mary for further details, once again, at 954-851-3345.

Mary's group is trying to get 110 people to go, to be able to charter a bus, but . . . **it is hoped that we will get many more than who want to go to Tallahassee to be heard, and stop Scott Israel's return!**

We have two weeks to get this done, so come on, Broward County, and **respond in a huge way . . . for our children's safety is at stake.**

GOD Bless.

Gene Robinson is President of the Tamarac/Margate/Coconut Creek GOP Club, and a proud Broward County, Florida, Republican.

Club News

**Republican Federated Women of South Florida
Received Diamond Award at the FFRW Biennial Convention**

The Republican Federated Women of South Florida proudly received the Diamond Award of the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW) at the Biennial Convention of the Florida Federation of Republican Women (FFRW). This is the highest-level award a Federated club can receive from the NFRW, and it's due to the efforts of all of our members! The award is for doubling our membership, having incredible speakers at our club, and, most importantly, for all of the grassroots volunteer hours we all put in. Congratulations to our whole club! Thank you for all that you do.



Club President Linda Johnson and 1st Vice President Cheryl Mullings proudly display the club's NFRW Diamond Award.

Also at the convention, **Tracy Caruso**, our 2nd Vice President and Membership Chair, was elected by the delegates as an At-Large Board Member. We are very proud of Tracy, and look forward to having her represent our club on the state board.

The FFRW convention was held October 11–13 at the Caribe Royal Hotel in Orlando. A new Executive Board was elected, and we congratulate them all: **Marina Woolcock** (President), **Michele Merrell** (1st Vice President), **Maricel Cobitz** (2nd Vice President), **Diane Van Parys** (3rd Vice President), **Meg Merritt** (Secretary), **Lynn Stafford** (Treasurer), **Barbara Price** (District Executive), and Members At-Large **Tracy Caruso**, **April Schiff**, and **Yvette Benarroch**. The Florida Federated Republican Women are ready to roll up our sleeves to re-elect President Trump in 2020!

September 26 Sold-Out Meeting with Laura Loomer and Karen Giorno

A sold-out audience at our September 26 meeting was regaled by two dynamic speakers: **Karen Giorno**, former Florida Director for the Trump campaign in 2016, and **Laura Loomer**, a conservative investigative journalist and activist who is running to unseat Lois Frankel in Congressional District 21. Karen talked about her experiences as a political consultant, including her time on the Trump campaign, and Laura discussed her working with Project Veritas and described how she has been banned from social media because of her activism.

The next meeting of the Republican Federated Women of South Florida, a candidates forum for CD-21 moderated by former GOP Chair **Sid Dinerstein**, will be held on October 24. For information about the club, please contact President Linda Johnson, ljayll@att.net.



Our convention delegation (left to right): Linda Gore, Linda Johnson, Cheryl Mullings, Theresa Bowman, Rosemary O'Mara, FFRW President-Elect Marina Woolcock, FFRW President Dena DeCamp, and Tracy Caruso. Not pictured: Ann Carro.



At-Large members elected to the FFRW Executive Board (left to right): Yvette Benarroch, Tracy Caruso, and April Schiff.



The RFW of South Florida welcomed Laura Loomer and Karen Giorno at their September 26 meeting. Shown here (left to right): Tracy Caruso, Cheryl Mullings, Laura Loomer, Karen Giorno, Linda Johnson, Linda Stoch, and Karen Burke.

Club News

Armand Grossman on Being Successful

*By Fred Scheibl
October 2, 2019*

The featured speaker at the September luncheon of the Republican Club of the Palm Beaches was **Armand Grossman**, former Vice Mayor of Miami Springs, FAU Trustee, PBCGOP board member, and current President of the Boca Raton Regional Republican Club.

Sharing with us anecdotes on a wide variety of subjects, including “rule of law,” the experience of driving in the presidential motorcades, and “male/white privilege,” Armand opined that the real privilege is having been born in America.

Speaking on the “DNA of the Flag,” he characterized much of our history as being driven by Freedom. Today, while those of our persuasion see threats to that freedom which must be opposed, the left has a much different view. They see the three major threats to our country as “The right wing,” “Climate Change,” and Capitalism. Freedom has no place in their agenda.

Armand also spoke about his upcoming book on the traits of successful people.

Leading the list is the “privilege of adversity,” relating his rough and tumble upbringing leaving him better equipped for future challenges. Another way of saying “what doesn’t kill you makes you stronger,” I guess.

He also counsels “never let anyone else define you,” and that the #1 trait of the successful is engendering trust.



Armand’s book should be available later this year.

Our October/November meetings are being combined into a single lunch on Wednesday, November 6, featuring Congressman Brian Mast. With all that is going on in Washington these days, expect an interesting session.



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Stand Down, Twenty-Five Years of Serving At-Risk Veterans

By Henry Quinn Johnson, Esq.

In 1994, two Veterans and Palm Beach County residents Roy Foster and Donald Reed, with a vision to help their brothers in arms, founded Stand Down with the goal to end homelessness in the Veteran community. Stand Down, an initiative of Faith Hope Love Charity, Inc. was founded with the homeless veteran needs in mind and the offer of a safe place to stay. Stand Down in the military sense means a temporary stop of military action or in other words a corresponding order at the end of the danger period for relaxation.

It was soon discovered that the Veteran community needed much more in assistance. The homeless issue stemmed from mental and physical wounds and from the lack of easy access to resources to help Veterans heal and move forward. As such, Mr. Foster and Mr. Reed created Faith Hope Love Charity, Inc., a 501(c)(3) organization in order to serve Veterans. The Charity addresses the seen and unseen wounds of our Veterans and military members. The Charity allows Stand Down to help Veterans and their families with everything to include health, mental health, financial support, housing and job training and placement. Stand Down treats the clients with honor and respect, offering them real solutions to whatever challenges they may face.

In 2000, Stand Down opened a residence, Stand Down House to provide emergency and transitional housing and supportive services for male Veterans struggling with addictions, mental illness, post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injuries and physical limitations. Since the inception of Stand Down House, more than 3500 Veterans have received supportive services. Stand Down House has had a long-standing relationship with the West Palm Beach Veterans Affairs Medical Center for emergency housing and supportive services. In 2004, Stand Down House was awarded a grant for transitional housing with the Department of Veterans Administration.

In 2009, Faith Hope Love Charity, Inc. also developed the prevention and early intervention program for Veterans and family members, who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. This program known as the First Stop Veterans Resource Center now serves as the “hub” for Veterans’ services in Palm Beach County. The Center conducts outreach, engagement and referral activities for Veterans and their family members. In 2010, Faith Hope Love Charity, Inc. introduced the First Stop Housing for homeless and at-risk female Veterans and families.

Faith Hope Love Charity, Inc. has embarked upon a new initiative, The Village of Valor to provide safe and affordable housing to our Military Heroes and their families, who have given so much. The Village of Valor will be a place that honors these Heroes with a safe and supportive envi-

ronment, where their dignity can be restored. This is the long-term plan to eliminate homelessness of our Veterans and their families here in Palm Beach County where Veterans represent 73 percent of the homeless population.

After 25 years, Faith Hope Love Charity, Inc. continues to build collaborative partnerships in the community which has over 99,000 Veterans here in Palm Beach County. According to the latest census, over 20,000 Veterans are living below the 30 percent median income and more than 6,000 are at risk everyday of becoming homeless. Therefore our mission is to reintegrate displaced and at risk Veterans and their families back into the community to sustain independent living, restore their dignity and promote community awareness to eradicate homelessness of our Veteran population. Please visit our website: Standown.org to learn more or donate. Thank you for your support. Happy Veterans Day 2019!

Henry Quinn Johnson, Esq., is a Lieutenant Colonel, Judge Advocate, USAR (Retired); a veteran of th Gulf War, Afghanistan War, and Bosnia Conflict, and a member of Faith Hope Love Charity, Inc., Board of Directors.

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Letters

Dear Tom,

Thank you for keeping in touch. Definitely, your Engine of Newsletter will always be the sharp and effective weapon to change core destiny of human activities.

I will find my right time, right article and photo for supporting our best President Donald Trump's America mission to accomplished.

Best Regards,

Brian Tran

REC. Precinct 6078

“US”

I haven't said too much about this election since the start, but this is how I feel. . . .

I'm noticing that a lot of people aren't graciously accepting the fact that their candidate lost. In fact you seem to be posting even more hateful things about those who voted for Trump. Some are apparently “triggered” because they are posting how “sick” you feel about the results.

How did this happen you ask?

Well here is how it happened!

- You created “us” when you attacked our freedom of speech.
- You created “us” when you attacked our right to bear arms.
- You created “us” when you attacked our Christian beliefs.
- You created “us” when you constantly referred to us as racists.
- You created “us” when you constantly called us xenophobic.
- You created “us” when you told us to get on board or get out of the way.
- You created “us” when you attacked our flag
- You created “us” when you took God out of our schools.
- You created “us” when you confused women's rights with feminism.
- You created “us” when you began to emasculate men.
- You created “us” when you decided to make our children soft.
- You created “us” when you decided to vote for progressive ideals.
- You created “us” when you attacked our way of life.
- You created “us” when you decided to let our government get out of control.

You created “us” the silent majority

- You created “us” when you began murdering innocent law enforcement officers.
- You created “us” when you lied and said we could keep our insurance plans and our doctors
- You created “us” when you allowed our jobs to continue to leave our country.
- You created “us” when you took a knee, or stayed seated or didn't remove your hat during our National Anthem.
- You created “us” when you forced us to buy health care and then financially penalized us for not participating.

And we became fed up and we pushed back and spoke up. And we did it:

- With ballots, not bullets.
- With ballots, not riots.
- With ballots, not looting.
- With ballots, not blocking traffic.
- With ballots, not fires, except the one you started inside of “us”

“YOU” created “US.” It really is just that simple.

Mr. Paul Genova has been President and Chief Operating Officer of Wireless Telecom Group Inc. since June 30, 2016.

You Gotta Love Texas

Dallas passes an insurance law: The City of Dallas, Texas, passed an ordinance stating that if a driver is pulled over by law enforcement and is not able to provide proof of insurance, the car is towed .

To retrieve the car after being impounded, they must show proof of insurance to have the car released. This has made it easy for the City of Dallas to remove uninsured cars.

Shortly after the "No Insurance" ordinance was passed, the Dallas impound lots began to fill up and were full after only nine days. Over 80% of the impounded cars were driven by illegals. Now, not only must they provide proof of insurance to have their car released, they have to pay for the cost of the tow, a \$350 fine, and \$20 for every day their car is kept in the lot.

Guess what? Accident rates have gone down 47% and Dallas' solution gets uninsured drivers off the road WITHOUT making them show proof of nationality.

I wonder how the Democrats will get around this one

Just brings tears to your eyes doesn't it?

*** GO Dallas ***

Ed McCarthy

Book Review

***Ball of Collusion. The Plot to Rig an Election and Destroy a Presidency*, by Andrew C. McCarthy. New York: Encounter Books, 2019. Hardcover, 433 pp. ISBN No. 978-1-64177-025-5.**

I've read numerous books about the despicable Trump/Russian collusion delusion scandal and all of them have been worth the investment of time. But one, *The Russia Hoax* by Greg Jarrett, which I reviewed for this newsletter, was the best book on the subject that I had read, until now. As good as Jarrett's book was, *Ball of Collusion* by Andrew McCarthy is even better. McCarthy should be familiar to all who watch Fox News on a regular basis, and was eminently qualified to author this book. A no-nonsense former federal prosecutor who was the recipient of all of the Justice Department's highest honors, "he is a contributing editor to *National Review*, a nationally renowned commentator on legal and national security issues and the author of the New York Times bestsellers *Willful Blindness* and *The Grand Jihad*."

As I said, Jarrett's book was very good, but *Ball of Collusion* is a more thorough and detailed account of what happened. And make no mistake, what happened, as McCarthy relates, was a plot to rig an election and destroy the presidency of Donald J. Trump. The plot had two parts—A and B and it did involve collusion, just not the Trump/Russian collusion we've been inundated with for years by the hopelessly biased drive-by media. According to McCarthy, "Here is the real collusion scheme: in 2016, the incumbent Democratic administration of Barak Obama put the awesome powers of the United States government's law enforcement and intelligence apparatus in the service of the Hillary Clinton presidential campaign, the Democratic party, and the progressive Beltway establishment. This scheme had two parts: Plan A, the objective; and plan B, a fail-safe strategy in case Plan A imploded."

Plan A involved getting Hillary Clinton elected President of the United States. To do so, the plotters had to "exonerate her from well-founded allegations that were both felonious and politically disqualifying." Unfortunately for the Dems, Plan A did in fact implode and Donald Trump was elected President.

Plan B, "was the insurance policy: An investigation that Donald Trump would be powerless to shut down. An investigation that would simultaneously monitor and taint him. An investigation that internalized Clinton campaign-generated opposition research, leaving Trump and his campaign complicit in Russian espionage. An investigation that would

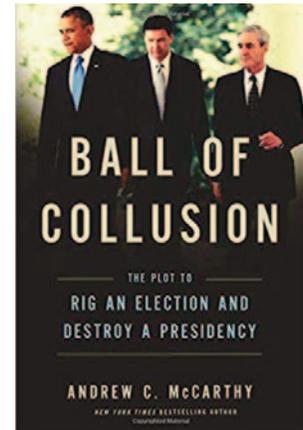
hunt for a crime under the guise of counterintelligence, build an impeachment case under the guise of hunting for a crime, and seek to make Trump un-re-electable under the guise of building an impeachment case."

This is a thoroughly researched and documented book by one of the country's best federal prosecutors. It may very well be destined to be the definitive final word on

the greatest political scandal in the history of our country, and along the way he reveals some interesting and fascinating facts. For example, it has long made Republicans curious as to why Trump won't release court documents, files and memoranda pertaining to the Trump-Russia investigations origins. The author believes "the complicity of our allies, particularly Britain, is responsible for the president's reluctance." Another interesting, if not aggravating, fact is that four years before John Brennan, Obama's CIA chief, joined the agency, he voted for Gus Hall, the American Communist Party's candidate for President of the United States! Brennan refers to Jerusalem as "al-Quds," invoking the same name preferred by the terrorist organization Hamas! How on earth does a guy like that get to be the director of the CIA?!

A favorite part of the book for me is when the author briefly, but brilliantly, explains the genius of the Founder's Electoral College that Dems want so badly to get rid of. "Trump's haul [in the 2016 election] was enough to cobble together a win in the Electoral College. That is the constitution's metric and rightly so. The increasingly left-leaning power centers of the Democratic party want an electorate that reflects New York and San Francisco; our fundamental law, by contrast, demands one that reflects America broadly. The Electoral College system invests our entire, richly diverse country, not just its urban centers, in the contest to lead our government."

Ball of Collusion is a terrific book by an author who really knows his stuff and richly deserves to be listened to. Read it and you'll understand why it has been at the top of *The New York Times* best seller list since it first hit the presses.



—Tom Mullings

Book Review

***The Future of Humanity: Terraforming Mars, Interstellar Travel, Immortality, and Our Destiny Beyond Earth*, by Michio Kaku, Random House, 2018, 563 pp, ISBN: 978-0-5255-8953-2. The Palm Beach Library has 21 copies of this book.**

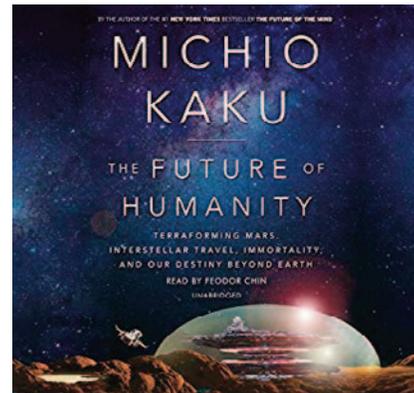
Educated at Harvard and University of California, Berkeley, Michio Kaku is “an American theoretical physicist, futurist, and popularizer of science (science communicator). He is a professor of theoretical physics in the City College of New York and CUNY Graduate Center. Kaku has written several books about physics and related topics, has made frequent appearances on radio, television, and film, and writes online blogs and articles.” See https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Michio_Kaku.

The author is not a politician, but has probably consulted with quite a few about money for science projects. I became aware of Kaku on a TV appearance in September 2019 in which he commented on recently released Pentagon information about sightings of UFOs by Navy pilots. These are dots in the sky that can be “locked-on” and followed electronically to find they are extremely fast and mysterious. “Now we have testable information—a game changer.” Theoretical physics professor and author Dr. Michio Kaku joined “Tucker Carlson Tonight” Friday to discuss the U.S. Navy’s acknowledgement of UFO sightings. See <https://fxn.ws/2IVi17g>

Most everyone knows that President Trump has proposed the United States go to the moon again on our way to Mars. Dr. Kaku makes the cost of Mars travel more realistic to the taxpayers. Keep in mind that President Kennedy’s race with Russia after Sputnik got the country into a program that spent at least 5 percent of the Federal budget for years until this space program was mostly closed down by the Obama Administration. So, politics had to be involved, right?

Dr. Kaku writes like he only has one breath and wants to get everything he knows about a scientific event, experience, function, experiment, or proposal all before breathing in again. Then he is off again explaining more about how that leads to the next step. The book gives the reader more than can be easily remembered, but it systematically covers the history of many things in physics. And he lectures in a relaxed style that makes reading and listening easy.

The book starts off with 15 pages of acknowledgements of Nobel prize winners and scientists he interviewed for the book or commented on in the book. Then in the Prologue, he describes the volcanic blast that occurred 75,000 years ago almost wiping out humanity. He says this kind of disaster could happen again, so we can do one of three things—leave the environment, adapt to the environment, or die. Whether we will have global warming, wars, weaponized microbes, or rising population that consumes more



resources than our capacity to produce, we need to be prepared. Kaku says Carl Sagan told him that we need to become a two-planet species.

After the Introduction there are 14 chapters in three Parts to complete the book. Part I. Leaving the Earth with Chapters 1–6. 1—Preparing for Liftoff; 2—New Golden Age of Space Travel; 3—Mining the Heavens; 4—Mars or Bust; 5—Mars: The Garden Planet; 6—Gas Giants, Comets, and Beyond.

Part II. Voyage to the Stars with Chapters 7–9. 7—Robots in Space; 8—Building a Starship; 9—Kepler and a Universe of Planets.

Part III. Life in the Universe with Chapters 10–14. 10—Immortality; 11—Transhumanism and Technology; 12—Search for Extraterrestrial Life; 13—Advanced Civilization; 14—Leaving the Universe.

These pages are followed by Notes, Suggested Reading, Illustration Credits, an Index.

Each of the 14 chapters is divided into subject sections of 4 to 10 pages each. In these Kaku comments of a wide range of scientific probabilities that have little evidence. But he makes the story interesting as a science fiction advisor. He displays uncommon imagination. These sections are full of reasonable speculations that leave room for disagreement. The implausibilities of the future are compared to the certainty of the past.

Science has now progressed to the point it will transform space exploration, Kaku says, and it is now possible to give a reasonable time frame and estimate when certain cosmic milestones will be met. He writes, “In this book, I will investigate the steps necessary to accomplish this ambitious goal. But the key to discovering how our future may unfold is to understand the science behind all of these miraculous developments” (p. 18).

Here are some excerpts to demonstrate the kinds of writing Kaku provides. “Some biologists have posited that genetic engineering may result in a new species of algae that is designed to exist on Mars, perhaps in the particular

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mix of its soil or in newly formed lakes. This algae would thrive in the cold, thin, carbon-dioxide-rich atmosphere and release copious amounts of oxygen as a waste product. It would be edible and could be bioengineered to mimic flavors found on earth. In addition, it would be engineered to produce an ideal fertilizer” (p. 143).

“But even at the age of sixteen, he grasped that no one had ever seen a stationary wave of light. He spent the next ten years puzzling over this question. . . . Finally, in 1905, he found the answer. His name was Albert Einstein, and his theory was called special relativity. . . .” (p. 253).

“In conclusion, negative energy does exist, and if enough negative energy could somehow be collected, we could, in principle, create a worm hole machine or a warp drive engine, fulfilling some of the wildest fantasies of science fiction” (p. 265).

“Proxima Centauri is the closest star after our sun to the Earth. It is actually part of a triple star system and orbits a pair of larger stars called Alpha Centauri A and B, which orbit

each other. Astronomers were stunned to come across a planet just 30 percent larger than the Earth moving around Proxima Centauri. They named it Proxima Centauri b” (p. 278).

“Beyond the question of immortality lies a larger question: How far should we extend not just our life span, but our human body? . . . One day, we might enter the “posthuman” era, and this might be the best way to explore the universe” (p. 328).

“There is something fascinating about science. One gets such wholesale returns of conjecture out of such a trifling investment of fact. —Mark Twain” (p. 399).

“Is the ultimate fate of human civilization to splinter into smaller entities, with only the sketchiest knowledge of one another? This raises the ultimate question: Will we gain the stars but lose our humanity in the process?” (p. 421).

On September 30, 2019 Elon Musk of SpaceX commented on his Mars Spaceship being tested by its first Earth-orbit in the next year. It is a 40-story tall stainless-steel rocket, called Starship. Looks like we may be going sooner or later.

—Reviewed by William J. Skinner

**Out and About with Palm Beach’s Own Robin Bernstein,
U.S. Ambassador to the Dominican Republic**



We got to sit on the Kirby couch this morning with Ed Henry and Pete Hegseth on Fox and Friends in NYC! Super cool!



An honor to greet Fernando Tatis Jr. from the Padres!



At the Presidential palace with Pedro Martinez and President Danilo Medina with Richard and Embassy staff discussing baseball initiatives.



With our great friend Ambassador Jose Singer, Dominican Republic Ambassador to the UN, at the UN.

Editor's Postscript

Taking Issue with the President on the Kurds and Syria

By Tom Mullings

For the first time since he took office, I find myself strongly opposed to a foreign policy initiative of President Trump's that is of vital importance to the strategic interests of the United States. What follows is my view of that initiative—his decision to withdraw American forces from northern Syria in the wake of the recent invasion of that region by President Erdogan of Turkey.

First, a little background on what has happened there in recent years that has led to the present situation. As you recall, President Obama's hasty, ill-advised withdrawal of American military power from Iraq resulted in the creation of the terroristic Caliphate in Iraq and Syria known as the Islamic State and ruled by the murderous organization called ISIS. These evil monsters were responsible for the murder of tens of thousands of people in Iraq and Syria, including a compassionate, young, missionary girl who was reportedly raped and murdered by ISIS leader Al-Baghdadi, leaving the Trump administration to deal with it. President Trump has successfully done this since he has been in office, eliminating the Caliphate and sending its fighters into hiding. Along the way we enlisted the help of the Kurds to do most of the actual fighting and dying, 11,000 of whom lost their lives in Syria alone, to rid the world of this genocidal organization that has caused so much misery. This they bravely did, sacrificing much blood in the process, and now we've left them in the lurch to deal with their sworn enemy Turkey, by reneging on our guarantees to protect them.

After Turkey invaded northern Syria, there have been reports that Turkish-backed militias are committing atrocities, executing Kurdish fighters and civilians. There are also reports that Turkish forces hitting prisons holding ISIS fighters have allowed as many as 700 to escape. U.S. Secretary of Defense Mark Esper, troubled by these reports, has said that he warned the Turks that this would happen if they launched the invasion, but they did it anyway. He stated that it is Turkey who has put us in this terrible situation, but I beg to differ. On the Syrian border with Turkey, the U.S. had American Special Operations forces that we've withdrawn. Esper said that those forces were inadequate to stop the Turkish army's incursion, but that ignores a critical factor. Our special ops forces served as a trip-wire warning to the Turks, much the same as our inadequate forces do in South Korea, that to invade could mean war with us. By withdrawing those forces in Syria, President Trump removed the trip wire and the message it was conveying, against unanimous advice on the part of our military. In addition, Esper said he has learned that Syrian Democracy Forces have cut a deal with Syria and Russia [as a guarantor

of their protection in the wake of our abdication of that role], leaving the Syrian and Russian armies to move north to take on the Turkish army moving south, trapping our American forces in between.

Defending the President's decision, Esper said "We're not going to go to war against Turkey who is a long-standing NATO ally that has fought alongside us from Korea to Afghanistan." But when asked how much of an ally they are now, he said "I think that Turkey, the arc of their behavior over the past several years has been terrible. They are spinning out of the western orbit, purchasing Russian arms [S-400 anti-aircraft missiles] and cuddling up to Putin." But that begs the question, how can Turkey continue to be "a long-standing NATO ally" if they are indeed "spinning out of the western orbit"?

Now President Trump has said that he got elected by "promising to bring our troops back from these endless wars." But isn't that the policy of Obama, who, while taking much heat from conservatives, defended his withdrawal from Iraq that created the Islamic State by saying "these wars have gone on long enough"? At the same time that the President is withdrawing our forces from Syria, he's sending an additional 2,000 troops to Saudi Arabia. When Secretary Esper was asked how is this "withdrawing from endless wars," he said, "We want to move back in certain areas of the world so we can reposition our forces to deal with the real strategic challenges we face, that is number one China and number two Russia." But, Mr. President and Mr. Secretary, aren't those two bad actors—along with Iran and our apparently "out of western orbit" ally, Turkey—precisely who we're facing and trying to deter in Syria, and how is adopting Barak Obama's failed policy of "leading from behind" by ending "these wars that have gone on long enough" accomplishing that?



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Republican Executive Committee Membership Application

The Republican Executive Committee (also known as the REC) is the governing body of the Republican Party of Palm Beach County. The REC elects the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Party. Members of the REC also approve the Party's constitution; Rules, Policies & Procedures; and budget.

Members of the Republican Executive Committee represent registered Republicans who live in their precinct and serve as the Party's liaison to the Republicans within that precinct. REC members are expected to maintain contact with Republicans living in their precinct and to keep them informed as to what is going on in the Republican Party. This can be done through E-mail or other means like regular mail, phone calls and/or walking your precinct. The REC is the basis for our grassroots efforts and we rely on REC Members to organize and develop their precincts, recruit new volunteers, recruit candidates to fill vacancies on the REC, find sign locations for Republican candidates, register new Republican voters and work to get out the Republican vote in their precincts during elections. The role of committeeman or committeewoman is essential to Republican Party's and our candidates' success in Palm Beach County.

REC Committeeman & Committeewoman Duties and Responsibilities

1. Expected to donate financially to the Republican Party of Palm Beach County
2. Attend REC Meetings
3. Organize your precinct and carry out the policies and programs of the Party within your precinct. Active participation in the various programs of the Party is expected.
4. Serve on a Party Committee.
5. Develop a presence in the broader community by joining a Republican Club; serving on a local board or committee; or monitoring local media for relevant material.

ALL APPLICANTS FOR THE REC MUST BE A REGISTERED REPUBLICAN IN PALM BEACH COUNTY. PLEASE COMPLETE THIS REC APPLICATION FORM AND RETURN IT ALONG WITH A PHOTO COPY OF THE FRONT OF YOUR VOTER REGISTRATION CARD. ANY APPLICATION RECEIVED WITHOUT A COPY OF THE APPLICANT'S VOTER REGISTRATION CARD WILL NOT BE PROCESSED. YOU WILL ALSO NEED THE SIGNATURES BELOW OF TWO CURRENT REC MEMBERS. THE DEADLINE FOR ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS IS 11:00 AM, 14 DAYS PRIOR TO THE REC MEETING.

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Profession: _____

Precinct #: _____

I am applying for the position of: Committeeman _____ Committeewoman _____

Two Current REC Members' Sponsor Signatures:

1). _____ REC Precinct # _____ 2). _____ REC Precinct # _____

Please return your REC Application to the Republican Party of Palm Beach County Headquarters,
1555 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd., Suite 500, West Palm Beach 33401 Phone (561) 686-1616



Republican Party of Florida Party Loyalty Oath

I, _____, swear and/or affirm that during my term of
(Name of Member – Please write clearly)

office I will not actively, publicly, or financially support the election of any candidate seeking election against:

- (1) The Republican Party's nominee in a partisan unitary, general, or special election that includes a Republican nominee; or
- (2) A registered Republican in a non-partisan election except that this provision does not apply to judicial races under Chapter 105, Florida Statutes.

I further swear or affirm that, in a contested Republican primary election, I will not support the nomination of one Republican candidate over another in my capacity as a Republican County Executive Committee member unless the Party has voted to endorse under RPOF Rule 8. This provision does not preclude me from supporting in any manner my personal Republican candidate of choice in a contested Republican primary election, provided I do not express such support with public reference to my title or office within the Republican Party of Florida.

Signature of Member

Signature of Witness

County/Precinct #

Date

Office: _____

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CANDIDATE OATH –

Committeemen and Committeewomen

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Candidate Oath

(Sections 99.021(1)(a) and (2), Florida Statutes)

I, _____

(Print name above as you wish it to appear on the ballot. If your last name consists of two or more names but has no hyphen, check box . (See page 2 - Compound Last Names). No change can be made after the end of qualifying.)

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I am a member of the _____ Party; I have not been a registered member of any other political party for 365 days before the beginning of qualifying preceding the general election for which I seek to qualify; and I have paid the assessment levied against me, if any, as a candidate for said office by the executive committee of the political party, of which I am a member.

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