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## FBI vs ANTIFA

• Bureau will investigate criminal activity of “antifascists”

By John Friend

In a move that was long overdue, the federal government recently announced it is actively investigating individuals driven by “an antifa ideology,” according to Christopher Wray, the director of the FBI.

Antifa, or anti-fascists, are a loose-knit coalition of extremely radical anarchist, anti-racist, and anti-capitalist organizations and groups, many of which express violent and revolutionary political perspectives. Antifa sympathizers also frequently hold extreme leftist and cultural Marxist political, cultural, and racial perspectives, and often demonize and target whites, heterosexuals, and other traditional or conservative Americans who oppose illegal immigration, endless welfare, and political correctness more generally.

During the 2016 presidential election, radical antifa activists and organizations made national and international headlines for violently targeting pro-Trump rallies and other peaceful, legal assemblies. Trump supporters were regularly berated, viciously targeted both verbally and physically, spat upon, and even vio-



CHRISTOPHER WRAY

lently assaulted at numerous Trump rallies across the country during the election. Antifa groups also attempted to shut down other rallies, including on university campuses, destroying private property and causing mayhem and violence in the process. In many cases, unfortunately, their efforts were successful due to a lack of law and order.

This paper covered these events extensively at the time and will continue to do so. The actions of various antifa groups and organizations during the 2016 election and after can only be

described as domestic terrorism, as the antifa sympathizers involved in the disruptive and often violent actions that took place and continue to take place across the country are directly attempting to influence political processes via intimidation, violence, and lawlessness.

In testimony before the House Homeland Security Committee, FBI Director Wray explained that his agency is investigating individuals inspired by antifa groups or organizations for possible acts of violence and other criminal activity. The director was quick to point out that they are not being investigated for their political perspectives, but rather for their violent or criminal actions.

“While we’re not investigating antifa as antifa—that’s an ideology and we don’t investigate ideologies—we are investigating a number of what we would call anarchist-extremist organizations, where we have properly predicated subjects of people who are motivated to commit violent criminal activity on kind of an antifa ideology,” he explained to the House panel.

Antifa groups and their sympathizers have coordinated violent attacks on rightwing groups and their rallies for months, including at the high profile Unite the Right rally in Charlottesville, Va. earlier this year. An independent review of the rallies and protests in Charlottesville that weekend found that law enforcement officials in the area intentionally allowed antifa groups and sympathizers to attack the attendees of the Unite the Right rally, with Charlottesville Police Chief Al Thomas even boldly declaring: “Let them fight. It will make it easier to declare it an unlawful assembly.” ★

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## Can President Withstand Unending Onslaught?

In early December, news broke that respected conservative author, political activist, and longtime Trump supporter Roger Stone was working on a book tentatively titled *The Fall of Trump*. It's not that he wants to write a book about the downfall of Donald Trump's presidency, he told several journalists when specifically questioned about it. It's that Trump is being misled by the people with whom he surrounds himself, leading Trump to drastically underestimate the trouble he is facing.

"It's painfully obvious Trump will be charged by Mueller," Stone said. He was referring to Robert Mueller, who heads up the Special Counsel to the Justice Department, which has been tasked with investigating Russian interference into the U.S. election in 2016. Given what we've all seen so far from the special prosecutor's office, you don't need to be able to predict the future to see the harsh truth in Stone's words.

It's been eight months since Mueller's office was set up in May 2017. According to the official letter released by the attorney general in announcing the formation of the office, Mueller and his cadre of prosecutors were tasked with probing "any links and/or coordination between Russian government and individuals associated with the campaign of President Donald Trump." So far, at a cost to taxpayers of several million dollars, the special counsel's office has strayed far from its original mission, but no one is bothering to rein it in despite the overly wide net it's casting.

To truly objective observers, the claims about Russia influencing Americans to vote for



Trump and against Hillary Clinton are about as legitimate as the mainstream media's anonymous sourcing. So far, four people related to the Trump presidential campaign have been indicted on flimsy charges that only passingly relate to their work on the campaign. A thorough read of their indictments and plea deals shows that two—campaign advisors Paul Manafort and Rick Gates—are facing a slew of charges related to their foreign lobbying work and some purported money laundering. Two others—national security advisor Michael Flynn and Trump campaign adviser George Papadopoulos—were not indicted but accepted plea deals stating that they lied to the FBI. Agreeing to these spurious charges seems to speak more to the two wanting to just get the whole ordeal over with than either one actually having done anything criminal.

In an effort to reform the legal system, New York top judge Sol Wachtler famously quipped that prosecutors have so much influence over grand juries that they could get them to "indict a ham sandwich." The same can be said of Mueller's team, which is bent on justifying spending millions of dollars investigating a "whole lot of nothing-burger," as former Obama official and now CNN reporter Van Jones once said in a moment of candor while being secretly recorded by a journalist associated with James O'Keefe's conservative media company, Project Veritas.

The sad truth is, despite the fact that Trump has breathed new life into the GOP, even Trump's fellow Republican Party members would like nothing more than to see him go down in flames. And then there is the mainstream media in the U.S. Studies have shown that 90% of media coverage on Trump has been negative since he took office, focusing more on how many diet sodas he drinks and how he incorrectly feeds fish rather than the positive things he has done to strengthen the economy and protect the nation.

As readers will see in this issue of AFP, we don't always agree with Trump's policies, but we have been and always will be fair to the president, something that can't be said for the rest of the so-called free press in the United States. ★

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# News You May Have Missed

## Trump Is Winning

It must have taken a lot but *The Huffington Post*, a commentary and news website, recently conceded that after his first year in office, “Trump is winning.” In an article published Dec. 8, Earl Hutchinson, an author and co-host of the “Al Sharpton Show,” cited three top victories. First, the president has successfully taken charge of the Republican Party. “He is the point man for GOP policy and issues and, in a perverse way, the spur to get action on them,” Hutchinson wrote. Second, Trump has managed to energize his base and keep their loyalty. The “overwhelming majority” of Republican voters continues to support him. “This is the voter loyalty that buys a lot of support from the GOP establishment even as they flail him or shake their head in disgust at his antics,” he noted. Third, Trump has successfully harnessed the mainstream media for his own purposes. “He remains a ratings cash cow for the networks and makes stunning copy for the print media,” according to Hutchinson. “He knew that from day one of his presidential bid and he knows it even more now. He will continue to suck the media air out of everything that the Democrats do and try to do.”

## Win for States’ Rights

President Donald Trump recently signed two executive orders reducing the size of two national monuments in Utah. The land freed up will be turned over to the sovereign state of Utah. Bears Ears National Monument (spanning 1.35 million acres) will be reduced by 85%, and Grand Staircase-Escalante (1.9 million acres, about the size of Delaware) will shrink by almost half. Speaking to the people of Utah, Trump said: “You know the best how to take care of your land, you know how to protect it, and you know best how to conserve this land for many, many generations to come.” The federal government still owns some 47% of all land in the western states, including the majority of the land in Nevada, Oregon, and Utah, having not turned it over when statehood was attained.

## Progress on Gun Rights

We can thank the GOP for a bill passed by the House making it easier for citizens to cross state lines with a concealed weapon. The bill was approved 231-198, with six Democrats voting yes and 14 Republicans voting no. However, the fate of the bill in the Senate remains to be seen. NRA Institute for Legislative Action executive director Chris W. Cox called the bill the “culmination of a 30-year movement recognizing the right of all law-abiding Americans to defend themselves, and their loved ones, including when they cross state lines.”

## Clintons Had Friend in FBI

FBI agent Peter Strzok, working for Special Counsel Robert Mueller, has been ousted from the Trump-Russia “collusion probe” for reasons not quite clear. He may have been removed due to making anti-Trump statements on the Internet, showing he is biased. But he is not just anti-Trump; he is pro-Clinton. This is the guy who changed the description of Hillary Clinton’s illegal use of a private email server from “grossly negligent” to a milder sounding “extremely careless.” He also conducted the interviews or interrogations of Clinton aides Huma Abedin and Cheryl Mills—who were not charged after lying about Mrs. Clinton’s email server. The same thing happened to Trump national security adviser appointee, Gen. Michael Flynn, except the general did not get a pass and has had to sell his house to pay his legal bills.

## End the Visa Lottery

Shortly after taking office, President Donald Trump sought to end the Diversity Visa Lottery, a program that grants visas to foreign nationals not on merit but on who they are and where they come from. Now that program is under attack thanks to two recent terrorist attacks in New York City. The man who carried out a truck attack in October had immigrated to the U.S. from Uzbekistan via the visa lottery program, and the bomber at a subway station near Times Square on Dec. 11 had re-

ceived a visa from Bangladesh due to a relative who came to the U.S. through the visa lottery. Both attacks were reportedly done in the name of the Islamic State. The October attack committed by Sayfullo Saipov left eight killed and the Dec. 11 attack by Akayed Ullah left four, including Ullah, injured.

## Victory in Syria

Russian President Vladimir Putin recently declared victory in Syria over radical elements that were seeking to overthrow the once-stable government of Bashar al-Assad and has reportedly ordered his Ministry of Defense to begin pulling out Russian troops and sending them home. “The large-scale combat actions against terror groups in Syria are coming to an end,” said Putin. “I note that the efforts of Russia, Iran, and Turkey have helped to prevent Syria’s breakup, not allow its takeover by international terrorists, and avoid a humanitarian crisis.” Meanwhile, the adventures of the United States in Afghanistan and Iraq continue to cost taxpayers billions annually with no clear end in sight to the violence plaguing those nations.

## Don’t Want Us to Know

The White House is supposed to send to Congress a report listing everywhere U.S. troops are stationed, but this year it omitted tens of thousands of soldiers, sailors, and airmen fighting around the globe, including in Afghanistan, Iraq, and Syria. Savvy journalists were able to piece it together, though, from Pentagon data that lists the location of over 44,000 military personnel as “unknown.” Although the reports are meant to make the executive branch more accountable for U.S. deployments, the White House report left out the number of U.S. troops operating in Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria, Yemen, and Cameroon.

## Sign of the Times

A small business in Oberlin, Ohio, which is popular with students and faculty from Oberlin College, is facing accusations of racism after the owner had the audacity to have three black students arrested for as-

saulting him and stealing bottles of wine. After being labeled as a “racist establishment” by none other than a senior dean at the college, the family-owned business, Gibson’s Bakery, says it has no choice but to sue the college and Meredith Raimondo, vice president and dean of students, for slander, reports the Associated Press. It all started when the 18- and 19-year-old students tried purchasing alcohol with a fake ID. After the shopkeeper denied their purchase, he caught them trying to steal the wine, leading to them attacking him. The three black students all pled guilty to attempted theft and aggravated trespassing. In a statement required in the plea agreement, the students also admitted that their actions were wrong and that the store exhibited no racial bias. That didn’t matter, though. Oberlin students and faculty still called the owner a racist because he had the nerve to actually have the thieves prosecuted.

## Charlottesville Shocker

Contrary to the Internet postings of self-appointed “fact checkers,” Charlottesville’s black police chief Al Thomas did order cops to stand down during the “Unite the Right” rally this past August, issuing the directive: “Let them fight. [It will] make it easier to declare an unlawful assembly.” This came out in a new bombshell 220-page report by an independent review team. The report also states that the notorious “Charlottesville parking garage fight” was started by a “counterprotester”—i.e., antifa type—who, after he was arrested in October, was immediately turned loose on an unsecured bond. The culprit, Deandre Harris, received \$166,000 from “crowd-sourced funding.” Harris, a black man, used a club—allegedly a heavy flashlight in broad daylight—to hit a man and then whined that he was “beaten by white supremacists” for no reason.

## CLARIFICATION

The photograph on page 4 of Issue 49/50 was not identified, leading some to believe he was the subject of the story, Tony Hovater. The photograph depicts NYT reporter Richard Fausset.

# St. Nicholas Would Be Amazed at the Holiday He's Taken Over

By S.T. Patrick

The traditional staples of Christmas in America derive their origins from places that are uniquely cultural, religious, traditional, and profitable. From the traditional madness of Black Friday to the dulcet tones of crooner Bing Crosby, Americans either bask in or avidly detest the season that folksinger Burl Ives once called “holly jolly.”

Many of the Christmas traditions that are exhibited today are relatively modern creations based in some history—or historical legend. Parsing their origins between natural, cultural evolution and pure pursuit of profit can often bring out the Grinch in even the most positive person.

The phrase “Black Friday,” for example, dates back to Philadelphia in 1961. Its meaning has evolved from a negative description of increased pedestrian and automobile traffic to one of economic prosperity. It is the time of year when many retail ledgers move from losses (“the red”) to profit (“the black”). Spending in America during the Christmas holiday season now tops \$600 billion annually, 73% of which is spent on gifts. The average American spends over \$800 on gifts.

While Black Friday is traditionally the day after Thanksgiving, recent years have seen an increase of what is called “Christmas creep.” Many retailers have attempted to extend the seasonal deluge of consumer debt backwards, to Thanksgiving Day or before. Those now irked by Christmas music in October, aggressive seasonal advertising campaigns in November, or QVC’s month-long “Christmas in July” sale of sparkly, overstocked *tchotchkes*, may believe that “Christmas creep” refers to the corporate vice-president who created the idea of inching the season toward Halloween.

Retail and big business did not let a crisis go to waste, even during the worst economic times. Beginning in the Great Depression, banks began offering Christmas club savings programs that encouraged struggling patrons to save now so that they could spend later. Shortly thereafter, Sears introduced its first *Sears Wish Book* so that financially strapped citizens would know exactly what to buy.

Santa Claus, the holiday’s most iconic figure, is the subject of some myth and debate, though it is generally agreed today that he has supplanted His birthday celebration. The idea that Coca-Cola cre-

ated the modern image of Santa Claus solely to sell soft drinks, for instance, is a myth. The imagery of Santa in a red-and-white outfit had existed for decades before Coca-Cola first used the benevolent character to sell products in the 1930s.

One thing that can be said of Santa Claus is that he is typically American. Though generous, who else but an Americanized icon would be known for separating people by his own unilateral definitions of naughty and nice?

The image and legend of Santa Claus is something that has been built over centuries and stems from a historical character, St. Nicholas.

Nicholas was a third-century figure born in the then-Greek and now-Turkish village of Patara. When his wealthy parents died early in his life, Nicholas used his inheritance to follow the Christian teachings he had learned. He gave everything he had inherited to aid the sick and the suffering.

Promoted to Bishop of Myra as a young man, he suffered persecution, exile, and imprisonment under the anti-Christian Roman emperor Diocletian. Upon his release, Nicholas attended the Council at Nicaea in A.D. 325. Though his name does not appear on all existing lists of attendees, his presence is corroborated on the oldest existing Greek list, as well as five others. Many of the most accu-



**When retailers realized Santa Claus** was a bigger draw than Jesus on His own birthday, the once-saint turned jolly old elf was forged into the commercial icon of Christmas. Santa even makes an appearance at the Nativity in some front-yard displays. On the bright side, billions of people celebrate Christmas across the world demonstrating mass generosity and kindness, at least for one day out of the year. But Americans are still the most giving.

rate legends of Nicholas involve him saving innocents and the unjustly persecuted from prison.

When he died on December 6, A.D. 343, legend says that an unusual liquid substance called manna mysteriously formed in his grave. Because manna is said to have healing powers, the legend of Nicholas spread throughout the region and created a following more widespread than any he had



## Santa a Slaveholder?

This Dutch postcard shows Sinterklaas and his blackamoor servant Swarte Piet (Black Pete), introduced as the companion of the saint in the 1850s by a Netherlander storybook writer. It's believed that Black Pete was a kinder and gentler modern-day replacement for the frightening, ash-covered, black-faced devil Krampus that had been enslaved by Nicholas as his eternal servant in the Christmas lore of several other Germanic nations. Ironically, Black Pete is himself now slated for sacrifice on the altar of political correctness. One simply can't have a white Santa ordering about a dark-skinned, Muslim slave, especially if he's dressed in black face.

experienced in his lifetime.

The responsibility for canonization—the bestowing of sainthood—in the Roman Catholic Church was given to the pope in the late 1100s. Nicholas was given the status of sainthood prior to the East vs. West schism in 1054; therefore, debate exists as to whether St. Nicholas is a saint at all. Although 40 saints were removed during the Roman Catholic calendar revision of 1969, Nicholas was not one of them, so the celebration of his feast day is optional.

Despite commercialism that often borders on the vulgar, America remains the most giving nation in the world. If Christmas still brings a season of giving that would make the ghost of St. Nicholas—and the magi themselves—gloriously gleeful, then just maybe we can all patiently embrace a premature airing of Perry Como's “Home for the Holidays.” After all, the generosity of the season is still exhibited in our motives and actions if not in our culture. ★

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# Tenacious Sandy Hook Researcher Wins One in Court

By Dave Gahary

**T**AVARES, Fla.—As the five-year anniversary of one of the worst mass shootings in U.S. history approached, this small city in central Florida—located 1,144 miles from Newtown, Conn.—recently played host to the ongoing drama around whether or not the Dec. 14, 2012 Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting took place as the government says it did.

Wolfgang W. Halbig, who is convinced no children were killed at Sandy Hook, prevailed in a lawsuit brought against him by the father—Leonard Pozner—of one of the children murdered by 20-year-old Adam Lanza. Halbig achieved mass notoriety when an interview that this reporter had conducted with him revealed that Halbig had been visited by two homicide detectives from his local sheriff's office, who had asked him to stop asking questions about the shooting.

Halbig, a former Florida State Trooper and school safety consultant—is best known for his request to have his “16 simple questions” about the event answered by calling and emailing multi-

ple agencies as well as by filing dozens of Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests.

Pozner brought the suit against Halbig when Halbig revealed on his website the contents of a FOIA request, which included some of Pozner's personal information.

This reporter attended the Nov. 7 hearing in Tavares and conducted an exclusive interview with Halbig's attorney, Caleb Payne, who discussed a bit of his client's history vis-à-vis Sandy Hook and the details of the case.

AMERICAN FREE PRESS asked him how he got hooked up with Halbig.

“I jumped at the chance to represent Wolf in this case because to me it's a very clear First Amendment violation,” he said. “The First Amendment is something that is integral to our society and the ability for people in the media and the press to be able to ask questions and keep the rest of the government in check.”

Payne explained how Pozner came to sue Halbig. In a disturbing turn of events, a symptom of the police state warned about by John W. Whitehead in his *A Government of Wolves: The Emerging American Police State*, state agents simply showed up at his house unannounced, wanting to rifle through Halbig's personal belongings just for

asking some questions.

“Mr. Halbig was in his home when some agents with the state showed up and wanted to go through his records,” Caleb explained. “He asked what this was about, and they stated that someone had filed a complaint with the state attorney here, Pam Bondi. So Mr. Halbig then filed a FOIA request to get that [complaint] from Ms. Bondi's office. He received it, and he put it on the web.”

The FOIA contained Pozner's mailing address, a post office box, but that was enough for him to hire a lawyer. In response, Halbig not only removed the personal information—which he wasn't required to do—but also deactivated his website, sandyhookjustice.com. Pozner, however, continued to harass Halbig.

The judge ordered Pozner to be at the next hearing and produce the answers required via discovery—requests for answers to interrogatories, production of documents, and depositions.

The chance to question Pozner under the watchful eye of a video camera never arrived, however, as Pozner dismissed his complaint the afternoon he was required to provide the discovery answers, leaving Halbig with a big legal bill and a shuttered website. Halbig says he will countersue for attorney's fees and costs. ★

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# Liberal Mayors Bypass President With ‘Grassroots’ Eco-Globalism

By Mark Anderson

When President Donald Trump last June gave a cold shoulder to “global warming,” the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy sprang into action. Outraged, the covenant held its first-ever North American Climate Summit Dec. 4-6 in cooperation with the city of Chicago—mainly to push back against Trump.

According to various Chicago summit statements, Trump’s decision to withdraw U.S. support for the 2015 Paris climate accord (formally, the Paris Agreement) so offended the delicate sensibilities of these mayors—all of whom declare without dissent that climate change caused by humanity’s routine emissions is an unchallengeable fact—that they’re going to do whatever it takes to counter Trump with policies based on their worldview.

Created by the European Commission in 2008, this internationalist mayoral vanguard claims to have nearly 7,500 cities under the sway of its “climate change” worldview, but only 50 mayors bothered to show up.

Of course, the 50-plus mayors from across the world who convened for the summit at Chicago’s Sheraton Grand no longer traffic in more precise terminology like “global warming.” Instead, they peddle the popular malleable moniker “climate change.” That way, seemingly unusual temperature shifts, or highly severe storms, drought etc. all can be attributed to humanity’s industrial, agri-

cultural, and other routine atmospheric emissions, without regard to other possible causes.

Like the broader “global cities” movement’s leadership, these “climate mayors” have little or no qualm about usurping the role of national leaders. Improved local control can be a good thing in certain policy areas, but this “grassroots globalism” appears to be a revolutionary means of undercutting national authority from the bottom up.

Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel, who already closed two area coal-fired power plants as part of the Windy City’s battle plan, noted in a news release, “Even as Washington fails to act, cities have the power and will to take decisive action.”

Former New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, a leading figure in this movement, put it more bluntly: “All the U.S. cities signing the [Chicago Climate Charter] . . . sends a strong signal to the world that we will keep moving forward toward our Paris goal, with or without Washington.”

And former President Barack Obama spoke at the summit Dec. 5, saying that cities, states, and nonprofit groups have emerged as “the new face of leadership” on climate change.

Beyond such shifts in governance, these mayors are calling for radical changes in energy sources, with greatly reduced emissions and a dramatic overhaul of urban infrastructure, so that participating cities and outlying regions can meet or exceed the Paris Agreement’s ambitious emission-reduction standards.

Accordingly, the mayors on Dec. 5 signed the Chicago Climate Charter, which refers to the “nationally determined contributions” that national delegates adopted when they assented to emission-reduction goals specified in the Paris Agree-



Former U.S. President Barack Obama, left, greets Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel at the North American Climate Summit at the Sheraton Grand Chicago. Emanuel has already decided “global warming” is more important than the American worker, closing two local coal-fired plants, sending hundreds into unemployment. PHIL VELASQUEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE/TNS

ment (under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change).

“The Global Covenant has called for member cities to set targets that are at least as ambitious as their respective countries’ Nationally Determined Contributions, and through their commitments, cities within North America are already on target to reduce emissions [by] 2.72 gigatons of CO<sub>2</sub>e by 2030, or the equivalent of taking 585 million cars off the road,” the charter states.

CO<sub>2</sub>e means carbon dioxide equivalent, a standard unit for measuring carbon footprints that expresses the impact of each different greenhouse gas in terms of the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> that would create the same amount of warming.

This doesn’t mean that certain summit ideas, like using more wind and solar power—including designing buildings to produce their own power—are unwise. The electrical grid’s known vulnerability could be reduced if more structures could be made self-sufficient, which is a more common-sense reason to pursue such an energy policy. However, more regulations means more costs for regular Americans, who are already struggling to find decent work and pay the bills.

Meanwhile, the Chicago Council on Global Affairs—the Midwest’s version of New York’s Council on Foreign Relations, a world-government “architectural firm”—held a summit-kickoff panel discussion Dec. 4, moderated by globalist *New York Times* columnist Thomas Friedman. That and other discussions indicate these mayors are devoted to making sweeping policy changes that will cost multi-billions of tax dollars, largely irrespective of national policy direction. ★

Mark Anderson is AFP’s roving editor.



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# Swiss Press Club Refuses to Censor Reporter With Inside Info on Syria

By Mark Anderson

**N**oted British investigative journalist and photographer Vanessa Beeley is among the very few media people who've gotten inside the Syrian conflict and told the hard truth about it.

Despite the fact that Ms. Beeley risked life and limb to get the real story within Syria, as soon as the Geneva Press Club in Switzerland announced that she would be one of three speakers at a Nov. 28 presentation on the vaunted White Helmets, the establishment press and its allies showed their true colors when they went into hysterics.

The White Helmets are an organization that the mainstream media has hailed as impartial civil-war heroes, despite strong evidence that the organization has aided and abetted radical forces against the Syrian government.

Intense pressure was applied to Geneva Press Club President Guy Mettan by United Nations staffers in Geneva, by mainstream journalists, and by Reporters Without Borders, among others, to cancel the event due to Ms. Beeley's participation. But Mettan, showing the true Swiss spirit of neutrality, refused to knuckle under, and Ms. Beeley was allowed to deliver a powerful 16-minute speech.

While Reporters Without Borders publicly boycotted the Geneva event, Mettan's response, indicating that he strongly supported Ms. Beeley's right to be heard, was emphatic.

"I have never seen anything like it," he remarked. "An [organization] defending press freedom is telling me to censor a conference. That

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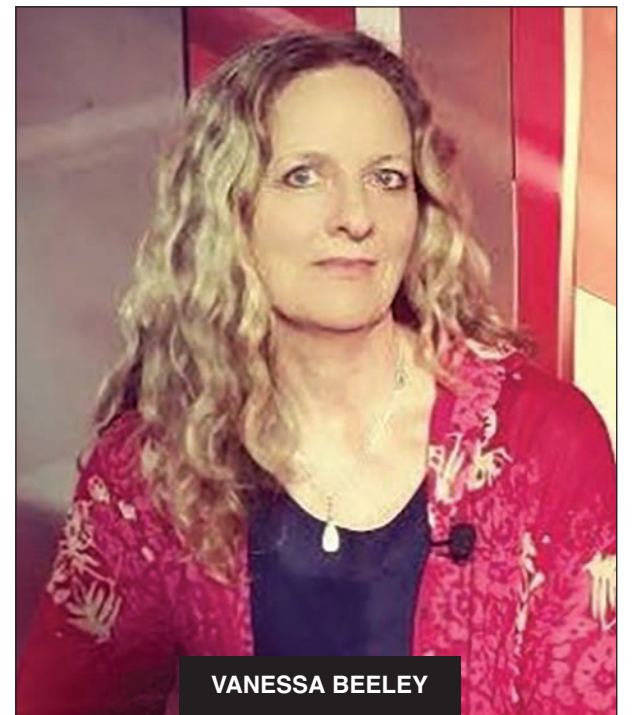
"Rather than practice censorship, I propose that you participate in this press conference." —Guy Mettan

kind of pressure usually comes from countries known to be dictatorships . . . This is the first time such a demand has come from an [organization] defending journalists . . . It goes without saying, I will not be following up."

He added that he had told the detractors, "Rather than practice censorship, I propose that you participate in this press conference, as I have also suggested to the White Helmets supporters, and to pose questions that you find useful to the speakers."

He added that he applied "the principles of openness and the search for truth" that have characterized the press club "since its foundation."

The independent journalist has worked tirelessly to reveal the stark realities of the violence that's been raging in Syria for more than six years. However, what scares the orthodox press most is that Ms. Beeley's work also has exposed the confounding widespread mainstream media lies that always portray Syria's leader as the unrepentant "strongman" who allegedly gets his jollies gassing his own people—even though there's strong evidence that ISIS and other insurgent factions are responsible for the chemical weapons attacks in



VANESSA BEELEY

**Kudos to the Geneva Press Club**, which honored free speech despite pressure to ban Vanessa Beeley.

Syria and framed the government in the process.

Contrary to the official narrative that's been hammered nonstop, Ms. Beeley found that Syrian President Bashar al-Assad has actually been defending his country from a vicious Western-backed operation that clandestinely trained and armed ISIS-ISIL as foot soldiers to overthrow Syria. When the government finally freed the city of Aleppo, mainstream media distorted and misreported the obvious outcome, an action that has had a profoundly negative effect on public opinion and, therefore, Western foreign policy.

Notably, there have not been any substantive challenges to any fact Ms. Beeley offered in her Geneva Press Club presentation. On the contrary, she has received nothing but personal attacks.

"The majority of the evidence against the White Helmets comes directly from the White Helmets themselves," Ms. Beeley stated at the Press Club event, countering constant claims that negative reports on the White Helmets are largely "Russian propaganda."

She went on to tell the club that, contrary to mainstream media claims that the White Helmets constitute Syria's "civil defense," she found that Syria's legitimate civil defense was formed in 1953 and has nothing to do with the White Helmets.

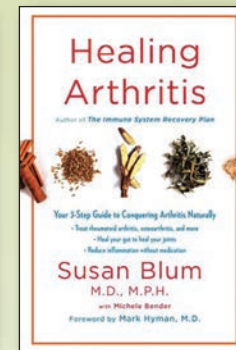
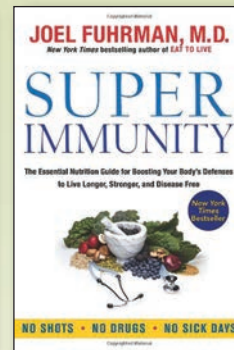
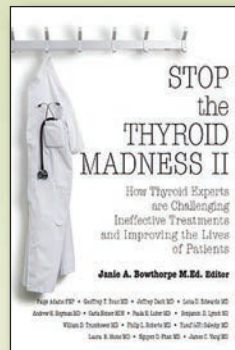
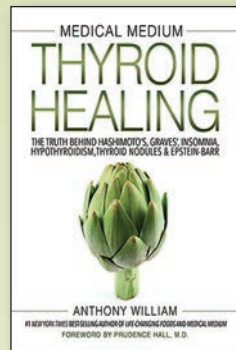
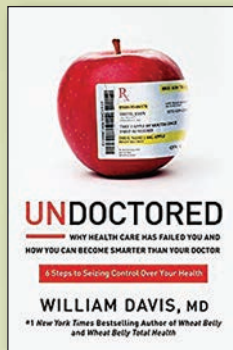
Moreover, while the White Helmets call themselves a neutral non-governmental organization that supposedly will help anyone in need, Ms. Beeley said they're always found embedded in terrorist-held areas controlled by ISIS, by the al-Nusra front, or by other terrorist outfits, although so-called "moderate" groups might be found to have a White Helmet presence at times.

"All these groups and subgroups are responsible for ethnic cleansing and documented atrocities against the Syrian people," she said, adding that the White Helmets have been seen cleaning up after terrorist atrocities against Syrian civilians, removing evidence of what really has been happening, among even more atrocious actions resulting in mayhem and death among innocents. ★



**The Swiss Press Club in Geneva**, to its credit, refused to banish free speech from its halls for political expediency, allowing controversial reporter Vanessa Beeley to speak truth about the war in Syria.





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# GOP Establishment Relieved Moore Lost

• Media barrage instrumental in gaining Democrats coveted Senate seat

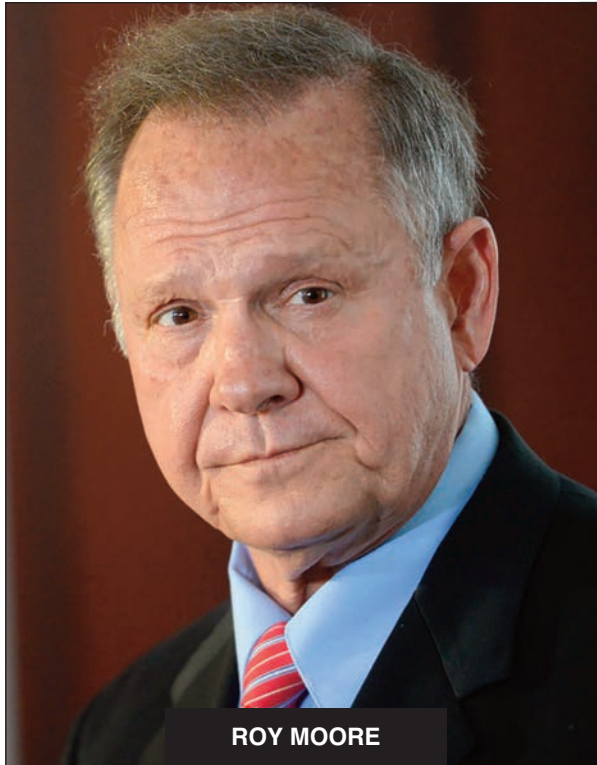
By Allen B. West

**D**oug Jones is now the senator-elect from the state of Alabama—no surprise there. This doesn't really mark a "yuuge" win for the Democrats (less than 1% ain't a mandate); rather, it just goes to show that the hyenas tracked down and devoured an old, wounded wildebeest. Still, there are some very simple lessons learned and points of order from this special election.

First of all, the left has a powerful ally in the liberal progressive media, namely in this case, *The Washington Post*, owned by Amazon billionaire Jeff Bezos. Isn't it funny that the *Post* said nothing about Judge Roy Moore's past until that perfect moment in the general election portion of this special election?

Why didn't they make this brouhaha in the primary? Because they wanted a wounded prey that could be defeated. Jones wouldn't have had a chance in Hades to win this election, save for the crippling of his opponent.

Going forward, any GOP candidate must strategize against the "surprise" moment the left will employ in order to undermine them. It will never be centered on issues or policy, but rather they will do what they do best: demonize, just as Saul Alinsky has taught them in his *Rules for Radicals*. It wasn't that Jones was a superior candidate but that Moore was a damaged one, and they placed the voters in Alabama in a moral dilemma. Second, blacks are still ol' reliable for the progressive socialist left. The Democrats rolled out the identity politics pimps in Cory Booker, Duval Patrick, Barack Obama, and even Charles Barkley. It just goes to show that once again, the black vote can be duped



ROY MOORE

by the party of slavery, secession, segregation, and socialism—none of which bodes well for the black community.

Someone in the GOP should have seen this coming, but they never do anything or take any action. The best representation of the failure of progressive socialist policies is evident in the urban centers, and the black community especially. And what ended up bringing Jones across the finish line? Yes, Jefferson County, Alabama, Birmingham, and I can just bet that any analysis of the socioeconomic plight there will indicate failure, despair, despondence, dependence—the calling card of the welfare nanny-state, as advocated for by the liberal

Many in the GOP establishment are relieved that Roy Moore lost. Not only was he a threat to their internationalist agenda, GOP lawmakers were dreading the ethics investigation that they believe would have been launched against the former judge.

progressives of the Democrat Party.

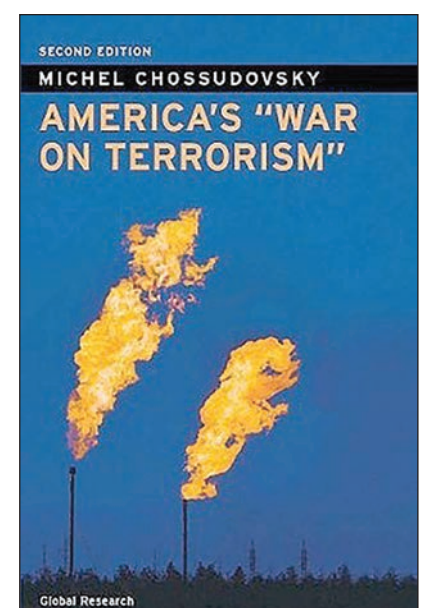
However, right on cue, the same old faces show up and implore the folks on the modern 21st-century economic plantation to harvest the new crop—electoral patronage votes. Jones won't do a thing for the black communities in the deplorable urban centers of Alabama—well actually, his new daddy, Sen. Chuck Schumer of New York, ain't thinking about none of those good colored folks down in 'Bama who put Jones over the top. Just doggone sad to be used in such a blatantly identifiable way, and even more pathetic that the GOP still doesn't go behind enemy lines and point out this electoral abuse.

Third, did y'all hear that loud noise and feel that tremor last night? It was a shout and jumping coming from Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell. The last thing McConnell wanted was to hold that meeting the day after the election to outline how the Senate GOP should massage a Moore victory. Let's be honest: McConnell and the GOP establishment didn't want to contend with the coming onslaught that was already prepared for them by the Democrats and their leftist media accomplices that would have begun immediately.

We all know the GOP folds like cheap stadium seats when assailed by the left, and this was going to be the "mother of all assaults." However, if ol' Mitch can find the courage, perhaps he can now retake the high ground and demand that Minnesota Sen. Al Franken departs, immediately, from the

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Senate, not as he stated in his floor speech, that he would be “resigning in the coming weeks.”

But there’s someone else who’s probably glad that Moore didn’t win: President Donald Trump.

If Moore had won and McConnell had surrendered, acquiesced, and cowered by starting up an ethics committee investigation into Moore, the Democrats would have gotten a special gift. The Democrats would have then used that as an established precedent to demand the exact same thing be done against Trump. Funny, they’re now all about going back in time to investigate allegations occurring prior to someone being in elected federal office. Yet when Bill Clinton was sitting in the Oval Office, well, that was just fine by them, not to mention all that happened while he was governor of Arkansas.

The other thing that McConnell is grateful for with a Jones win is that he now has a great excuse for getting nothing done.

And that brings me to the last point of my analysis of the Alabama senatorial special election. The biggest loser from last night is Steve Bannon. He has truly suffered a massive fall from grace. There can be no doubt that the story will be that Bannon caused the GOP to lose a sure Senate seat in Alabama. There will be those who will lay the end of the Trump agenda at the feet of Bannon. I’m not one of those, but Bannon’s vehement support of Moore and his vitriolic attacks against the GOP establishment put him squarely in the sights of those looking for a fall guy.

As we go into 2018, what will become of those who’d been seeking Bannon’s support? Remember, Bannon has been touting how he’s going to run candidates in primary elections against those he’s castigated as GOP establishment incumbents. Moore’s loss made his job a tad bit harder to accomplish, unless he seeks out potential challengers with impeccable resumes and the ability to soundly articulate the issues. Even without the sexual allegations against him, Moore struggled with a level of competence on the prevailing issues. We should all be able to agree with that.

I have no issue with someone being a fighter against the D.C. swamp, but you also have to convince folks you’re knowledgeable. As we say in the Army, ain’t nobody following an idiot into a fire-fight. I’m not calling Moore an idiot, but he was not inspiring enough to overcome the highly apparent hit job done against him—and watch all the accusations and allegations fade into Neverland now he’s been defeated.

Going into the 2018 midterm elections, does the election victory of Jones offer us any insight? The left won by once again adhering to the Alinsky rules and wounding the opposition candidate beyond repair, turning morality into their weapon. How ironic is that?

The whole “resistance” mantra isn’t a winning ticket, but what they have validated is that finding a means to personally destroy the opposing candidate is a winning strategy. And all the progressive socialist left cares about is winning . . . by any means necessary.

That’s the lesson of the Alabama senatorial special election. ★

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# The Dream of 61% of American Voters: Vastly Improved U.S. Border Security

By the AFP Staff

The best news on the immigration front as 2017 comes to a close is the exit of Rep. Luis Gutierrez (D-Ill.) who's been in office since 1993. Because Gutiérrez is retiring, as opposed to leaving in handcuffs, the congressman will be around to help shut down the government later this month if Democrats choose to.

Gutiérrez represents a gerrymandered district in Chicago recognized as “earmuffs” because it packs two predominantly Latino areas into one district, creating a Hispanic-majority district. He has made a career out of supporting “gay” rights and other liberal social causes, but the outgoing congressman's true legacy will be attempting to foist anti-American immigration bills upon the country.

His first major bill was the Dream Act in 2001. It would have allowed undocumented youth brought to the United States as minors a pathway to citizenship in spite of their illegal entry. After the bill failed, President Barack Obama later created the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program (DACA). In order to qualify, registrants must have entered the U.S. under the age of 16, be under the age of 31 on June 15, 2012, have maintained continuous presence in the U.S. since June 15, 2007, be enrolled in or have graduated from high school or hold a GED, or have been honorably discharged from the military, and have not been convicted of a felony, significant misde-

meanor, or three or more misdemeanors occurring on separate dates from separate acts, and not pose a threat to national security or public safety.

Obama attempted to extend the amnesty from two to three years in 2014. Twenty-six states sued, and the courts found his action illegal.

This year, President Donald Trump announced he would end the Obama-era program and told Congress to fix the system. Many Democrats and weak Republicans sought to sneak language into the year-end spending deal to solve the dilemma and provide amnesty, but Trump threatened to veto such a bill.

It's worth noting that 2018 is an election year. Call Congress at (202) 224-3131 or visit [house.gov](http://house.gov) and [senate.gov](http://senate.gov) to find email addresses for your representatives, and let them know you want a separate vote for the Dream Act. You can also let them know if you favor H.R.3440, the “Dream Act of 2017” introduced in July by Rep. Lucy Roybal-Allard (D-Calif.) that is even more liberal than the bill Gutiérrez offered in 2001. Her bill has been sitting in two committees since it was introduced.

A Rasmussen Reports telephone and online survey of 1,000 likely voters nationwide, conducted between Nov. 30 and Dec. 3, found “61% of likely voters think protecting the border before considering the Dreamer question is important.” Of those, 43% percent said it is “very important.” Of the 33% who disagree, only 12% said border protection is “not at all important.”

Republicans lost face, and government money, when neocons forced a shutdown in 2014 because they would not fund Obamacare. The mainstream media twisted a pair of government clo-



LUIS GUTIERREZ



LUCY ROYBAL-ALLARD

sures in 1995-96 into a feud between then-House Speaker Newt Gingrich, who was portrayed as a baby having a temper tantrum, and an adult President Bill Clinton.

As it turned out, only we taxpayers lost. George Stephanopoulos, the president's communication director at the time, claims the shutdown helped Clinton get re-elected in 1996. Republicans kept control of the House and Senate.

In 2009 Gutiérrez co-sponsored the Comprehensive Immigration Reform for America's Security and Prosperity Act. He claimed the bill would create a pathway to citizenship for non-criminal, undocumented immigrants and improve border security. He never explained what “non-criminal” illegal aliens are. It was heavy on amnesty and light on border security.

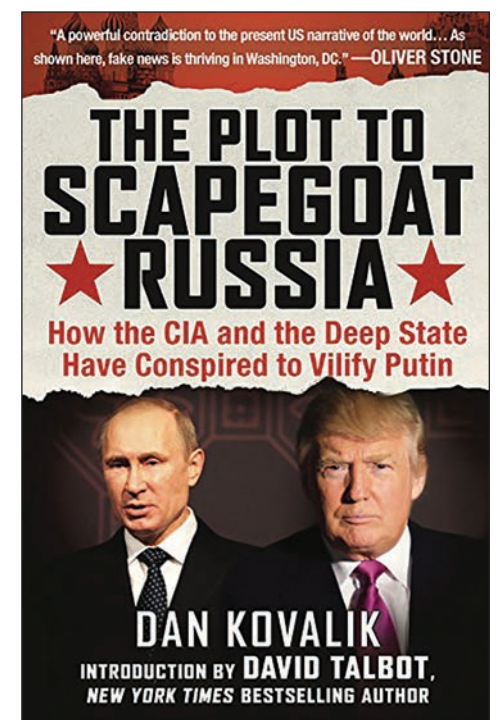
Although the typical socialist supporters backed the proposal, thankfully, it died in committee.

While Congress has yet to truly reform U.S. immigration, the fact that no major piece of legislation was passed that increased immigration into the U.S. is a victory for populist Americans, who want their elected representatives to stop backing unchecked immigration and start putting America first. ★

## The Plot to Scapegoat Russia

*How the CIA and the Deep State Have Conspired to Vilify Putin*

**NEW FROM AFP!** By Dan Kovalik, introduction by David Talbot. Since 1945, the U.S. has justified numerous wars, interventions, and military build-ups based on the pretext of the Russian Red Menace, even after the Soviet Union collapsed at the end of 1991 and Russia stopped being Red. In fact, the two biggest post-war American conflicts, the Korean and Vietnam wars, were not, as has been frequently claimed, about stopping Soviet expansion, but about maintaining old colonial relationships. Similarly, many lesser interventions and conflicts, such as those in Latin America, were also based upon an alleged Soviet threat, which was greatly nonexistent. And now the specter of a Russian Menace has been raised again in the wake of Donald Trump's election. *The Plot to Scapegoat Russia* examines the recent proliferation of stories, usually from American state actors, manipulating the threat of Russia, and the long history of which this episode is but the latest chapter. It will show readers: 1) the ways in which the U.S. has needlessly provoked Russia, thereby squandering hopes for peace and cooperation; and 2) how Americans have lost out from this missed opportunity, and from decades of conflicts based upon false premises. *The Plot to Scapegoat Russia* is one of the timeliest reads of 2017. Softcover, 240 pages, \$19 plus \$4 S&H inside the U.S. (Outside the U.S. email [bookstore@AmericanFreePress.net](mailto:bookstore@AmericanFreePress.net).) Mail your order to AFP, 16000 Trade Zone Avenue, Unit 406, Upper Marlboro, MD 20774. Call 1-888-699-6397 toll free, Mon.-Thu. 9-5 to discuss what credit card options we can offer.



# Young Americans Want Third Party

• Children of digital age not hoodwinked by pro-war, pro-deficit D.C. politicians

By Rep. Ron Paul

**D**o we need a third major political party? I often joke that I'd be happy if we actually had a second party, as when it comes to the big issues—war, monetary policy, civil liberties—the Republicans and Democrats are more alike than different. Perhaps that's why a recent NBC News poll has found that nearly two-thirds of young people surveyed do not believe either the Republicans or Democrats are doing a good job and that a third major political party is needed.

I think this is an encouraging sign. I suspect the NBC News poll result reflects the fact that young people are not as easily hoodwinked by the mainstream media and by the two-party duopoly charade in Washington. This generation has grown up with the Internet and the abundance of alternative media that challenges what really is a one-party system in the United States. They have been exposed to many new ideas, including good ones like libertarianism and non-interventionism.

Currently, mainstream politics in the U.S. is all about power—how to get it and how to keep it—and not at all about philosophy or ideology. It is about selling out principles at every turn in order to chalk up another point in the “win” column. On issues like war and spending, it's incredible how easily the two major parties are able to “compromise.”

A serious effort to create a new political party could be very exciting, but only if that new party is based on real ideas rather than simply the desire



**To make America truly great again**, any new third party would have to adopt the core principles of populist nationalism: sound money and neutrality.

for power. Creating a viable third party will not be easy. While there is plenty written in the media about foreign collusion in U.S. elections, the real collusion is between the Republican and Democratic Parties to prevent new parties from joining them on the national stage and the ballot.

Unfortunately, the Libertarian Party has failed to live up to what should have been its role as an ideological alternative to Washington's one-party system. As was quite obvious in the 2016 presidential election, the Libertarians yielded to prevailing attitudes on war, welfare, the Federal Reserve, and more. In believing that winning was

more important than standing for something, they ended up achieving neither.

I would still like to have some hope for the Libertarian Party, but to really fill its role as a challenger to our two-party system (that is actually a one-party system) it would need a major overhaul. It would need to actually embrace the core libertarian principles of non-aggression and non-intervention in the affairs of others.

At the end of my 2008 presidential campaign, I brought together the candidates of the “minor” political parties and proposed that we agree on

some basic principles regardless of whether we are libertarians, conservatives, progressives, or greens. Among those was the idea that we should never go to war unless we were directly attacked or threatened, that the Federal Reserve should not be allowed to benefit the rich by creating money out of thin air, and that we should not endorse deficit spending.

If a new party could come together and agree on these basic principles while agreeing to disagree on other, less important priorities, we could begin a movement toward peace and prosperity.

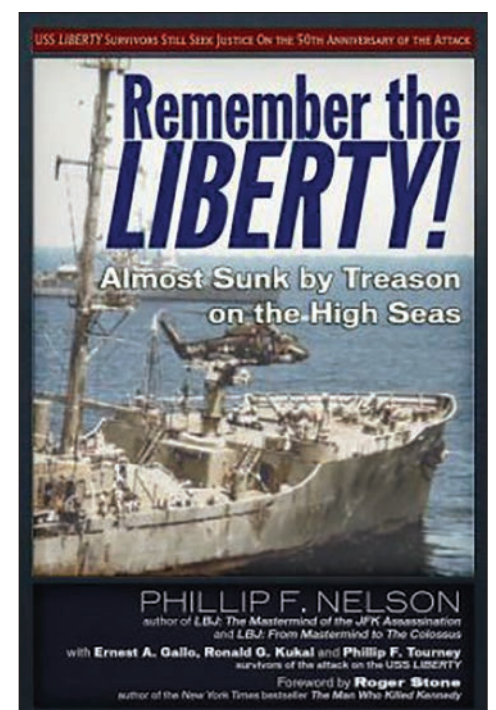
Let us hope that this NBC News survey provides the inspiration to a real pro-peace, pro-prosperity movement in the United States. I have much confidence in the youth of our country. ★

— Ron Paul, a former U.S. representative from Texas and medical doctor, continues to write his weekly column for the Ron Paul Institute for Peace and Prosperity, online at <http://www.ronpaulinstitute.org>.

## Remember the Liberty! Almost Sunk by Treason on the High Seas

**NEW!** By Philip Nelson. In the annals of U.S. military history, there are no doubt many unsolved and perplexing mysteries, but few could compare to the fate of the U.S. Navy spy ship that was mercilessly attacked by one of its closest allies intentionally and without warning. One of the reasons it is still a mystery is because it is also the only peacetime attack on a U.S. naval vessel that has never been investigated by the U.S. Congress. The *Liberty* was an electronic intercept spy ship which was not intended for direct fighting. Its top speed was only 18 knots. Yet the *Liberty's* fate, one of the most enigmatic, unresolved military mysteries of all time, is, paradoxically at its core, quite clear-cut and undisputed. The basic facts generally accepted by all are that, on the fourth day of the Six Day War between Israel and its Arab neighbors, Israel savagely attacked the *Liberty*. On the warm, sunny-bright day of June 8, 1967, starting at about 6:00 a.m., at least 12 Israeli aircraft of different types began surveilling the *Liberty*, some of which were only 1,000 feet or less in altitude, apparently to photograph her for later targeting purposes. The precision of the later attack could only have been accomplished

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# Body Heat Burns Hydrogen to Help Stop Disease!

## Avoid “Single Pass” Water Filters/Distillers producing “Zero Energy” Water!!

By John Ellis

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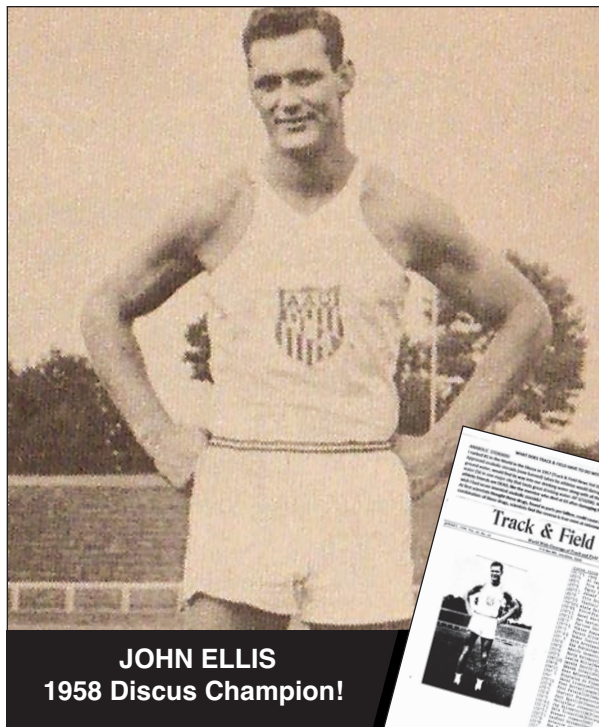
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### CLEANSING YOUR BODY

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1958 Discus Champion!

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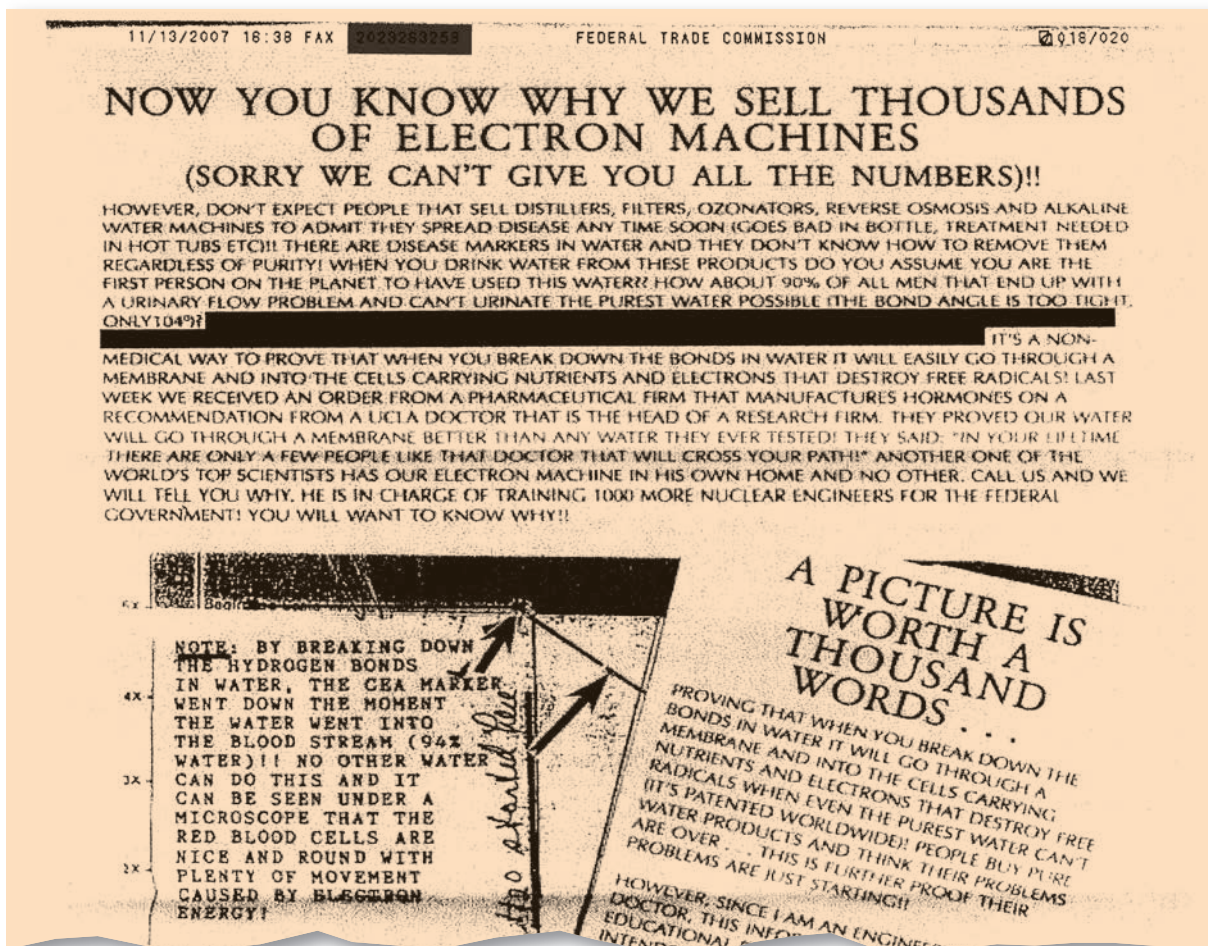
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# Will Trump Embassy Move End Up Haunting America?

“ Declaring Jerusalem Israel’s capital will make it easier to cleanse the eastern portion of the city.

By Philip Girdaldi

President Donald Trump’s recognition of Jerusalem as Israel’s capital and his stated intention to relocate the U.S. embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem does not benefit the United States in any way and will almost certainly do great harm to the American people. It is ironic that a man who ran for president based on a simple slogan, “America first,” has instead put Americans at risk by deferring to Israeli interests without any regard for the consequences of such action.

The subordination of U.S. interests to those of Israel will no doubt be pondered by historians 20 years from now, if the United States of America continues to survive that long. Israel would not appear to be a good candidate for Washington’s best friend in the whole world, which is where the political class and media have placed it. It’s the only country in the world largely composed of settler-colonists and descendants that has been allowed to displace and perpetually punish the former inhabitants. It’s also a country with a terrible human rights record that nevertheless is able to tap U.S. taxpayers for billions of dollars in aid and other freebies annually combined with American-provided political protection from bodies like the United Nations. And it does all that through the operation of a fifth column of co-ethnic-religionists hugely over-represented amongst U.S. elites and organized to put the interests of Israel ahead of the interests of the United States.

The declaration that Jerusalem is Israel’s capital is the latest disgrace, most particularly because Israel, which has no borders, has no legal title to much of the land that it is claiming. But the move is not a matter of law, but rather the product of decades of pressure by both Israel and its powerful domestic U.S. lobby. Now that Jerusalem is part of Israel, the next step will be to “legalize” the occupation of the West Bank, which will be accompanied by the ethnic cleansing of the remaining Palestinians.

The original 1947 United Nations partition plan that created Israel called for Jerusalem to be “internationalized,” but that arrangement was subverted when Israeli terrorists expanded the area it controlled and began the ethnic cleansing of the Palestinians. U.S. presidents have put off moving the U.S. embassy to Jerusalem because of UN Security Council Resolution 478, passed in 1980, which contradicted Israel’s declaration that Jerusalem was its “complete and united capital.” East Jerusalem was territory captured in the 1967 Six-Day War, which historians recognize as a war



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that Israel started. Resolution 478 led to the placing of foreign diplomatic missions anywhere in Israel but Jerusalem, putting the lie to the Israeli pretensions. Since 1967, the U.S. has also supported UN resolution 242, calling for the removal of Israeli military forces from territories captured in 1967.

All those responsible positions taken by Washington in the past have now been upended by the Trump White House action. Heavy lobbying by pro-Israel organizations, which began in earnest in the 1980s, demanded a “move the embassy” law that would seek to legitimize Israel’s claims on the entire city. The pressure was particularly intense on Congress, resulting in the Jerusalem Embassy Act of 1995 under President Bill Clinton. The act was actually drafted by the Zionist Organization of America and AIPAC.

It is important to recognize that when it comes to Israel, no legitimate U.S.-driven interests are ever in play. Rather, it is a case of effective, multi-billion-dollar lobbying mounted by those mostly Jewish organizations and individuals that are heavily focused on promoting Israeli interests. Politicians at all levels in the United States are now routinely screened by the Israel lobby and are made to state their views on the Middle East conflict before they enter primaries or otherwise run for office.

Israel uniquely employs thousands of Internet trolls who work to counter any perception that their country is behaving badly. They have been hard at work since Trump made his announcement. Anyone asserting in the media that the Palestinians have again been robbed is attacked from all sides by commenters using American-sounding names but writing often non-native Eng-

lish. The comments are, ironically enough, full of suggestions that Arabs are somehow subhuman and incapable of negotiating their own futures.

Jewish talking heads embedded in the media have also fulsomely praised Trump’s apparently brilliant decision to follow the “one road to peace.” As Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu once observed that the 9/11 attack on the United States had been “good for Israel,” it would almost certainly be wise to consider the source and the objective when articles appear praising Trump. One recent piece on the embassy move as the road to peace was actually written by the Israeli ambassador.

Particularly discouraging is the lining up of leading Democratic Party politicians to praise the Trump move. Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.), who is Jewish and who fancies himself Israel’s “shomer” or defender in the Congress, has been prominent. Sen. Ben Cardin (D-Md.), also Jewish and one of the leaders in the Senate’s promoting and passing pro-Israel legislation, was also very supportive. Some critical media has observed that both men have been conspicuously more active in responding to the “needs” of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) rather than those of their own constituents.

Back in 1962, the Kennedy administration tried to have the predecessor organization of AIPAC, the American Zionist Council, register as a foreign agent precisely because it was feared that Israel would exploit American Jews to interfere in U.S. politics to support Israeli governments even when contrary to U.S. interests. That is precisely what has happened. Unfortunately, Kennedy died and the Department of Justice never enforced the registration order.

It is still in its early days, but the Jerusalem decision by Trump has already pitted the U.S. against the entire world with the sole exception of Israel. Nothing good can come out of it. The only question is: When will Americans see the light and force their leaders to take back our government, and will that happen before it is too late? ★

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# Wealthy Zionist Donors Rewarded

• Raft of influential moguls, neocons celebrate Trump's recognition of Jerusalem

By Richard Walker

In a move condemned by most world leaders, President Donald Trump rewarded his wealthy donors and Christian Zionist supporters by ruling that Israel can now claim Jerusalem as its capital. He also ruled that the U.S. will begin planning to move its embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

The decisions were seen as effectively ending any hopes for a two-state solution, if such hopes had ever had any chance of success. Observers concluded that the moves would further diminish U.S. standing in the world and would weaken policymaking for years to come. It did not, however, come as a surprise since these were promises President Trump had made to his major Zionist donors, including casino owner Sheldon Adelson, as well as to evangelical elements such as John Hagee and his support base.

Many political figures have already made it clear to him they felt that altering the international status of Jerusalem, a city shared by humanity's three major religions, would kill any possibility of the Palestinians claiming East Jerusalem for a future Palestinian capital and would generate violence.

Pro-Israel members of Congress on both sides of the aisle cheered the moves that Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin "Bibi" Netanyahu and his most extreme Israeli government in history have consistently been demanding from Washington.

Netanyahu has been a vocal opponent of a two-state solution, and the move will now give him cover to finally end any possibility of a deal with the Palestinians.

Some extreme pro-Israel voices in the U.S. have long argued that the best way to handle the Palestinians is to deny them their dream of a homeland

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If Palestinians are allowed to vote in Israeli elections, Israel could cease to be a Jewish-run state.

and a national government. Trump has now made it easy for Israel to expand its control over all of Jerusalem and to increase its settlement activity.

Palestinian residents of Jerusalem number some 800,000—37% of the population—yet they live in horrible conditions and are denied the rights of Israelis. Missing in congressional euphoria about the policy changes is that ending a two-state solution will mean Israel can no longer pretend to be a democracy while it controls all Palestinian territory and continues to run an apartheid state with walls and walled-off settlements. It will soon face growing international pressure for full voting rights for Palestinians. If Palestinians were allowed to vote in Israeli elections, in decades Israel would cease to be a Jewish state because the Palestinian birthrate is currently much higher than the Israeli one.

Also lost in the mass media coverage of the Jerusalem rulings was the role played by Trump's son-in-law, Jared Kushner, a family friend of Netanyahu. It is rumored that Kushner misled Trump that the Saudis would back his Jerusalem decisions, but they did not. Like all Arab states, they condemned the announcement. That helped shed light on another matter troubling world leaders,



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namely the fact that Kushner, who has no political experience, is claiming privately that he has encouraged Arab leaders to back his play for an ultimate deal on the Palestinian issue. Most observers dismiss Kushner's claim as fanciful at best.

Kushner has spent time with the impetuous young Saudi leader, Prince Mohammed bin Salman, known as MBS. He introduced MBS to his two closest advisers, Orthodox Jews like Kushner himself—Trump's bankruptcy lawyer, David Friedman, and Jason Greenblatt, a Trump organization real estate dealer. It is believed that they discussed a crazy plan to offer the Palestinians a piece of land for a future capital, but not in East Jerusalem, and upwards of \$100 billion to be provided by the Saudis, Qatar, and the U.S.

Haim Saban, an Israeli-American dual-national billionaire who has been critical of Kushner, told Kushner that he could not understand how he could operate with a "bunch of Orthodox Jews who have no idea about anything." Saban, a major donor to the Democrat Party, is known for his ardent support of Israel.

A growing concern now is that Trump will try to further please his pro-Israel backers and Netanyahu by killing the Iran nuclear deal, a move that could ultimately lead to war.

Given Kushner's lack of knowledge of international issues there is a real danger that Netanyahu, with Kushner in the palm of his hand, and the ear of Trump, may pursue his ultimate goal to force the U.S. into a war with Iran and Lebanon. ★



HAIM SABAN  
Liberal Zionist supports move.



JOHN HAGEE  
Christian Zionist pastor.



JARED KUSHNER  
Trump's son-in-law.

Richard Walker is the *nom de plume* of a former New York mainstream news producer who grew tired of seeing his articles censored by his bosses.

# Poll Shows Americans Brainwashed for War

Survey reveals majority think it's OK to nuke millions of foreigners in a preemptive nuclear strike

By Chuck Baldwin

A recent survey conducted by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) revealed a chilling discovery: A majority of Americans are apparently agreeable to preemptively nuking other nations, knowing that millions of civilians would die.

The theoretical nation used in the survey was Iran. And the MIT survey found that 60% of the American people would be willing to preemptively nuke Iran, knowing that 2 million civilians would be killed.

This new survey is a reversal of decades of public opinion regarding the use of atomic or nuclear weapons following Harry Truman's decision to drop atom bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan, in 1945, which resulted in the deaths of some 120,000 Japanese people—most of whom were civilians. Plus, those were immediate deaths; they do not count the thousands who died slow, agonizing deaths from radiation poisoning.

From 1945 to the early 2000s, virtually every survey confirmed that the American people saw



The institution of George W. Bush's preemptive war policy was a dark day for America and for America's conservative Christian community, whose fundamental, unified objection to mass murder was seemingly wiped away with the stroke of W's pen.

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Knowing that 2 million civilians could die, 60% of those polled approved of a preemptive strike on Iran.

the atomic bombings on Japan as morally wrong and did not want to see a repeat of the bombings. It seemed that the American citizenry had a renewed understanding and reverence for “just war” principles that valued the innocent lives of foreigners following the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombings. From the early 2000s to the present day, however, the American people seem to have lost their reverence for “just war” and their respect for innocent lives in other countries.

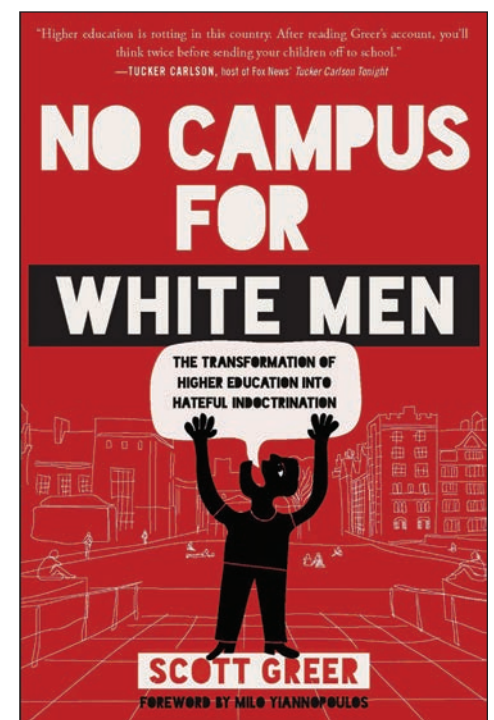
It is not surprising to me that of the respondents who favored nuking and killing 2 million Iranians, most were Republicans (approximately 70%). I have said for years that conservatives and, especially, Christians, who comprise a large percentage of the Republican Party, have become rabid warmongers. I was not wrong.

Because George W. Bush was seen as a devout “born again” Christian and had the support of the entire religious right, I tried to warn people that when Bush introduced his preemptive war doctrine and invaded Iraq and Afghanistan—and simultaneously launched his “war on terror” (meaning war on Muslims, except for Muslims in Saudi Arabia, of course)—he was in the process of forever changing the fundamental philosophy and theology of America's Christians. And, again, I

## No Campus for White Men:

*The Transformation of Higher Education Into Hateful Indoctrination*

**NEW!** *No Campus for White Men* shines a bright light on the growing obsession with diversity, victimization and identity politics on today's college campuses, and shows how it is creating an intensely hostile and fearful atmosphere that can only lead to ever greater polarization in American society. Across the country, ugly campus protests over speakers with dissenting viewpoints, as well as a preoccupation with microaggressions, “trigger warnings,” “safe spaces,” and brand-new “gender identities,” make it obvious that something has gone terribly wrong with higher education. For years, colleges have pursued policies favoring students based not on their merit, but on their race, gender, and sexual orientation. The disturbingly negative effects of this culture are now impossible to deny. Scott Greer's investigative work links such seemingly unrelated trends as “rape culture” hysteria and Black Lives Matter to an overall campus mindset intent on elevating and celebrating leftist-designated “protected classes” above everyone else while intimidating, censoring, and punishing those who disagree with this perversely un-American agenda. Greer broadens the usual media focus well beyond coverage of demonstrations by easily offended college students, to spotlight the darker forces at work behind the scenes that are feeding higher education's metastasizing crisis and how all this results in sustained animosity, first and foremost, toward white men. Greer also documents how this starkly totalitarian culture is not isolated to higher education, but is rather a result of trends already operating in society. Thus, he shows, today's campus madness may eventually dominate much more of America if it is not addressed and reversed. Softcover, 240 pages, \$20 plus \$4 S&H in the U.S. Order from AFP, 16000 Trade Zone Avenue, Unit 406, Upper Marlboro, MD 20774. Call 1-888-699-6397 to order toll free, Mon.-Thu. 9-5 ET.



was not wrong.

And now Donald Trump is taking the war fever implanted in conservatives and Christians by Bush to a whole new level.

Of course, Trump is not alone in beating the drums for nuclear war. For all intents and purposes, Fox News could accurately be labeled a “ministry of (war) propaganda.” Fox celebrities such as Sean Hannity and Mike Huckabee constantly beat the war drums. And they are not alone, either. Republican pastors throughout America use a twisted interpretation of scripture to work their Christian congregations into a war fever almost every Sunday. I’m talking about pastors such as John Hagee, Jerry Falwell Jr., and Robert Jeffress. You know: the same ones who are Trump’s “spiritual advisors.”

After reading the MIT survey, international lawyer and journalist Darius Shahtahmasebi wrote:

One would have to wonder if most Americans are even aware that the Trump administration is spending billions of dollars developing its nuclear technology far beyond what America’s rivals can match. Recognizing the nuclear threat America poses to Russia and its interests, particularly by having NATO members surround Russia with its anti-missile defense system, Russian President Vladimir Putin issued a warning last year that Russia was modernizing its missile systems in preparation for what’s to come.

Russia has also warned multiple times about attacking Iran and views Iran as a strategic ally. This is just one of the factors Americans should take into account when considering the use of nuclear weapons.

Ask the 70% of Republicans who favor killing 2 million Iranian civilians in a preemptive nuclear attack to name exactly what Iran has done to merit such death and destruction, and it is doubtful that even one could come up with an answer. All they know is that Trump and James Mattis and Hannity and Huckabee and Hagee and Jeffress and, oh yes, Benjamin Netanyahu say that Iran (and Syria) is “bad” and must be destroyed.

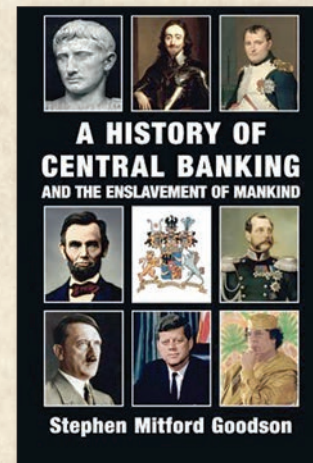
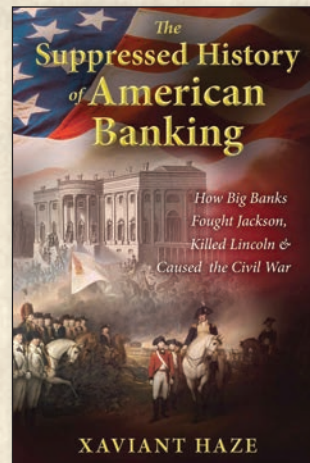
Trump, Republican neocons, and evangelical Christians seem to be salivating for global war. The neocons in Washington, D.C., are working to achieve an economic hegemony over the world. And conservative Christians are working to give the Zionist state of Israel political and military hegemony over the Middle East and trying to help usher in the Second Coming of Jesus Christ, as if He needs their help.

I’ll say it plainly: Modern evangelical Christianity has been co-opted by Zionism. Dispensational prophecy teaching regarding the modern state of Israel has turned Christians—who ostensibly have dedicated themselves to following the Prince of Peace—into cold, callused purveyors of war.

Yes, all of this war fever is due to one thing: blind support for the Zionist state of Israel. ★

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# What Should America Fight for? U.S. Policymakers Must Decide

By Patrick J. Buchanan

“We will never accept Russia’s occupation and attempted annexation of Crimea,” declared Secretary of State Rex Tillerson recently in Vienna. “Crimea-related sanctions will remain in place until Russia returns full control of the peninsula to Ukraine.”

Tillerson’s principled rejection of the seizure of land by military force—“never accept”—came just one day after President Donald Trump recognized Jerusalem as Israel’s capital and pledged to move our embassy there.

How did Israel gain title to East Jerusalem, the West Bank, and Golan Heights? Invasion, occupation, colonization, annexation. Those lands are the spoils of victory from Israel’s 1967 Six-Day War. But is Israel being severely sanctioned like Russia? Not quite.

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What Israeli Prime Minister Bibi Netanyahu just demonstrated is that, when dealing with the Americans and defending what is vital to Israel, perseverance pays off. Given time, the Americans will accept the new reality.

Like Bibi, Vladimir Putin is a nationalist. For

him, the recapture of Crimea was the achievement of his presidency. For two centuries that peninsula had been home to Russia’s Black Sea Fleet and critical to her security.

Putin is not going to return Crimea to Kiev, and, eventually, we will accept this new reality as well. For while whose flag flies over Crimea has never been crucial to us, it is to Putin. And like Israelis, Russians are resolute when it comes to taking and holding what they see as rightly theirs.

Both these conflicts reveal underlying realities that help explain America’s 21st-century long retreat. We face allies and antagonists who are more willing than are we to take risks, endure pain, persevere, and fight to prevail.

This month, just days after North Korea tested a new ICBM, national security adviser H. R. McMaster declared that Trump “is committed to the total denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula.”

If so, we are committed to a goal we almost surely are not going to achieve. For, short of a war that could go nuclear, Kim Jong-un is not going to yield to our demands.

For Kim, nuclear weapons are not an option. He knows that Saddam Hussein, who had given up his weapons of mass destruction (WMD), was hanged after the Americans attacked. He knows the grisly fate of Muammar Qaddafi, after he invited the West into Libya to dismantle his nuclear program and disarm him of any WMD.

Kim knows that if he surrenders his nuclear weapons, he has nothing to deter the Americans



North Korean leader Kim Jong-un is not going to give up his nuclear weapons as he believes they are the only thing standing between him and a vicious U.S. military attack upon his nation.

should they choose to use their arsenal on his armed forces, his regime, and him.

North Korea may enter talks, but Kim will never surrender the missiles and nukes that guarantee his survival. Look for the Americans to find a way to accommodate him.

Consider, too, China’s proclaimed ownership of the South China Sea and her building on reefs and rocks in that sea, of artificial islands that are becoming air, missile, and naval bases.

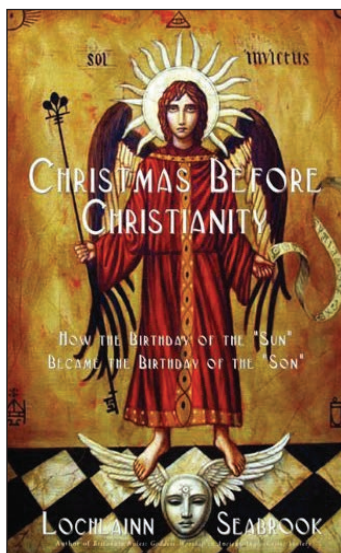
Hawkish voices are being raised that this is in-

## Christmas Before Christianity

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Even the most orthodox Christian theologians and fundamentalists admit that Jesus’s exact birth date is unknown. But it is hard to believe that “there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night,” as Luke tells us, when the weather would not have permitted it in December. Why then is His birthday observed between late December and early January around the world? As award-winning author and Bible scholar Lochlainn Seabrook reveals in this fascinating and exhaustively researched work, the answer is to be found in the Goddess-based vegetation religions of prehistory and their reverence for the Sun.



*Christmas Before Christianity* explores the pre-Christian foundations of humanity’s most popular holiday, including the many pagan gods, goddesses, myths, rituals, legends, ceremonies, customs and beliefs that contributed to its creation and development. Special emphasis is placed on ancient Egypt, where Christmas traditions can be traced.

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tolerable, and U.S. air and naval power must be used if necessary to force a rollback of China's annexation and militarization of the South China Sea. Why is this not going to happen?

While this area is regarded as vital to China, it is not to us. And while China, a littoral state that controls Hainan Island in that sea, is a legitimate claimant to many of its islets, we are claimants to none.

Vietnam, Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei, the Philippines, and Taiwan are the other claimants. But though their interests in the fishing grounds and seabed resources may be as great as China's, none has seen fit to challenge Beijing's hegemony.

Why should we risk war with China to validate the claims of Communist Vietnam or Rodrigo Duterte's ruthless regime in Manila? Why should their fight become our fight?

China's interests in the sea are as crucial to her as were U.S. interests in the Caribbean when, a rising power in 1823, we declared the Monroe Doctrine. Over time, the world's powers came to recognize and respect U.S. special interests in the Caribbean and Gulf of Mexico.

Given the steady rise of Chinese military power, the proximity of the islets to mainland China, the relative weakness and reluctance to confront the other claimants, China will likely become the controlling power in the South China Sea, as we came to be the predominant power in the Western Hemisphere.

What we are witnessing in Crimea, across the Middle East, in the South China Sea, on the Korean peninsula are nations more willing than we to sacrifice and take risks, because their interests there are far greater than ours.

What America needs is a new national consensus on what is vital to us and what is not, what we are willing to fight to defend and what we are not.

For this generation of Americans is not going to risk war, indefinitely, to sustain some Beltway elite's idea of a "rules-based new world order." After the Cold War, we entered a new world—and we need new red lines to replace the old. ★

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# U.S. Justice System Corrupt from Top Down to Local Level

By Printus LeBlanc

A disturbing trend of politically motivated prosecutions has emerged across the country. Congress has the role of oversight, but many members, who are former district attorneys or U.S. attorneys, seem hesitant to be critical of the U.S. justice system. It could be for fear of tarnishing their own legacies while they were prosecutors, or it could be they just don't want to believe a club they belonged to is rotten. Either way, Congress must wake up and take a hard look at American justice from the point of view of someone who has been falsely accused by a legal behemoth with unlimited resources.

In one of the most egregious examples of the politicization of justice, Milwaukee County District Attorney John Chisholm launched a succession of John Doe investigations against his Republican enemies. John Doe investigations are special investigations into alleged criminal activity that are conducted in secret. During the investigations, a strict gag order was imposed, and the targets were not allowed to speak publicly about the probes. It is important to note that prosecutors don't have to know a crime has been committed for such an investigation to take place. The statute is used to ascertain whether a crime has been committed and, if so, by whom.

The investigations started after Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker proposed making Wisconsin a right-to-work state. The proposal infuriated thousands of union members, including the Milwaukee County district attorney's wife, a teachers' union shop steward. The investigations would take years and include pre-dawn paramil-

itary raids on Walker's volunteers and donors. But because these were John Doe investigations, the targeted individuals could not tell their neighbors what the raids were about.

While the victims of the inquisition could not speak up, that didn't stop leaks sprouting from the investigators. In 2016, UK journal *The Guardian* published documents on the investigations. Eventually, a review was launched by Wisconsin Attorney General Brad Schimel, who recently released a shocking 91-page report that recommended contempt charges for a prosecutor and eight officials.

Department of Energy Secretary Rick Perry was another victim of the politicization of justice. While Perry was governor of Texas in 2013, he vetoed state funding for the Public Accountability Office. The agency was overseen by the Travis County District Attorney Rosemary Lehmborg, who was involved in a drunk-driving incident.

The governor had asked Ms. Lehmborg to step down, for obvious reasons, but she refused. Worse, she then accused the governor of abuse of power, and an ethics complaint was filed by a non-profit ally of Ms. Lehmborg, which led to the formation of a special prosecutor. The case was eventually thrown out, but only after the negative publicity from the case had damaged Perry's run for president.

The misconduct is not limited to state and local district attorneys; the federal justice system is also rife with bad behavior.

A quick glance at the Robert Mueller-led Special Counsel investigation into the 2016 election, with its multiple conflicts of interest and stonewalling of Congress, are proof that even justice on the federal level is rife with problems. ★

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# AFP Visits Texas Church Massacre Site

• Interview with witness to Sutherland shootings leaves many unanswered questions

By Mark Anderson

**S**UTHERLAND SPRINGS, Texas—A key witness of the senseless shooting at a southern Texas church, which police say left 26 dead and 20 wounded, spoke with AFP on Dec. 10, vividly describing the assault from the very place she witnessed it exactly five weeks earlier. Her recollections raise important questions about the chain of events and the time frame.

Terrie Smith, 54, who runs a food counter at the Valero gas station across the road from First Baptist Church in her quiet hometown of Sutherland Springs, recalled that, on that tragic Sunday, Nov. 5, her food counter was closed, as was customary, but she was at the station to get gasoline that morning when a gruesome chain of events began.

“My fiancé and I had just gotten out of the vehicle when an SUV was coming this way . . . and he made a quick U-turn right in front and pulled in [turned left] onto FM 539,” she said.

The driver pulled to the right and parked across from First Baptist Church at least 50 feet from the church’s front door, with the SUV’s rear end facing the Valero station.

“As soon as he got out of his vehicle, he started shooting,” Ms. Smith continued. “He kept on shooting all the way around. He went around the building . . . He made a complete circle.”

“He went all the way around the building?” AFP asked.

“He shot the whole outside first,” she replied, seeing much of the attack from several feet out-



**A witness to the events** outside the church at the time just before the massacre, Terrie Smith spoke candidly with AFP’s Mark Anderson.

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side Valero’s front door to get the best view under the trying circumstances.

As the assailant circled the entire building, possibly twice, he was walking fast and not actually running, as he repeatedly shot apparent AR-15 rifle rounds at the building, she said.

The overall church facility is not rectangular,

because the main sanctuary adjoins a long narrow offshoot of rooms, externally painted tan, that are used for meetings and Sunday school. Going all the way around the building represents a considerable distance.

The sanctuary section, still covered with what appears to be the original white asbestos siding, was patched so well that one can now scarcely tell a shooting took place, save for an undetermined number of faint, filled-in external and internal holes.

Neither the tan-painted areas, large sanctuary windows, nor other windows show obvious bullet impacts. They appear to still consist of the old glass, with crumbling old caulk and no new spackling. Ms. Smith and her fiancé, both of whom had waved away approaching motorists, then crawled to and entered the Valero station, telling the few on-site customers to take cover.

Things suddenly got very quiet when the shooter “went [back] to his vehicle and then he ran straight to the church,” she said, meaning he even took the time to return to his pearl-colored SUV before invading the building to carry out the worst of the assault.

“That took about how long, everything you’ve said so far?” AFP asked.

“Ten to 15 minutes at the most,” she replied.

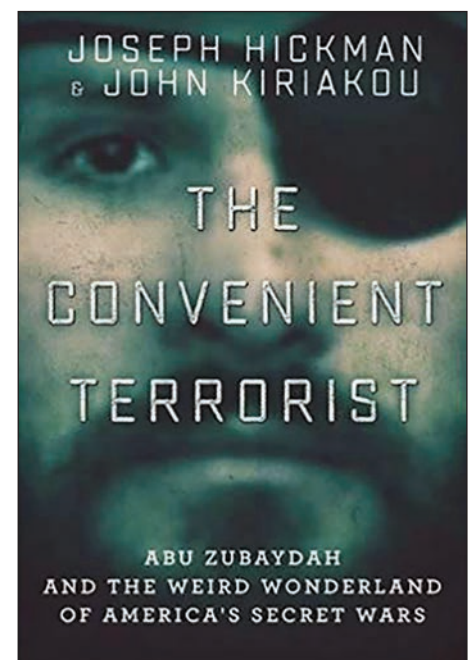
She saw only one person exit the church. He made it to the Valero, “with blood on his arms and on the side of his face,” she said. Regarding that survivor, she recalled, “He just collapsed right there on the floor.” Evidently grazed by a bullet shot from the outside, he survived.

Asked to carefully recollect his precise words before he fainted, she replied: “He said, ‘Some-

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An impromptu memorial honoring the murdered parishioners still stands on grounds of the church.

body's in the church; they're shooting everybody in the church; my family's in there . . . my family's in there.' ”

Ms. Smith soon heard a different gun sound as longtime local resident Stephen Willeford, an NRA instructor donning a pistol, shot at the assailant.

Willeford reportedly then flagged down young Johnnie Langendorff as he entered town from the south on Highway 87. In Langendorff's truck, the two pursued the assailant—identified as Devin Patrick Kelley, 26, of New Braunfels—at speeds up to 95 mph northerly on 539, reportedly for 11 miles.

The two called police *en route*. The police took over after Kelley crashed his SUV near New Berlin. He was found dead with what police described as a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head, and had been wounded by Willeford even though he'd been wearing armored black tactical gear.

The Air Force had dishonorably discharged Kel-

ley in 2014 after a military conviction on spousal-assault charges. Weapons-related charges stemming from Holloman AFB, N.M. were dropped. Kelley should not have been able to even purchase firearms, but the Air Force failed to file Kelley's conviction with the FBI, meaning he was not flagged on the National Instant Criminal Background Check System database as he bought guns.

A police spokesman told AFP the Texas Rangers are still investigating the Sutherland Springs shooting. The expected release date for a final public report is unknown.

One question among several is how the assailant was able to attack the congregation with such impunity when he called so much attention to himself—apparently shooting for an extended time period—well before entering the sanctuary. ★

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# Was Vegas Massacre a Botched 'Hit'?

• So many facts don't add up, researchers demand independent investigation

By S.T. Patrick

Nearly two months after the Oct. 1 mass shooting outside of the Mandalay Bay Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, the official explanation of what happened that evening has elicited more questions than it has provided answers. By mid-November, the increasingly rare release of news and information from Clark County and federal officials had critical alternative news outlets wondering how the deadliest mass shooting by an individual in U.S. history had disappeared from a 24/7 news cycle.

When questions go unanswered, it often signals an uneasiness officials have with the questions themselves. Motivations can range from embarrassment caused by dereliction of duty on the part of employees and authorities to a fear that a true revelation of answers will cause an official narrative to crumble.

In the aftermath of the shooting that killed at least 57 attendees of the Route 91 Harvest Music Festival in Las Vegas, a myriad of questions remains unanswered.

Within two hours of the attacks, Las Vegas authorities announced that Stephen Paddock, 64, a native of nearby Mesquite, Nev., was portrayed as a loner, an alcoholic, and the son of a father who was on the FBI's Most Wanted list for a decade. Sheriff Joe Lombardo avoided defining a specific motive but did allude to Paddock's recent loss of significant wealth.

Paddock's past remains murky in a way that



Concert-goers run for cover as a shooter (or shooters) sprays gunfire into the crowd.

has gone unexplained. He had taken several cruises that made port stops in the Middle East, yet despite ISIS claiming Paddock as their "soldier," the FBI insisted there was "no connection with an international terrorist group." He wired \$100,000 to an account in the Philippines a week before the shootings; officials still have not disclosed the details of the transfer.

According to investigators who searched his Mandalay Bay suite after the shootings, Paddock's hard drive was suspiciously missing from his laptop.

The strange tale of security guard Jesus Campos has been an enigma from the beginning. Cam-

pos was supposedly shot in the leg at 9:59 p.m., about six minutes before Paddock reportedly first began his attack. Campos then reportedly went to UMC Quick Care for treatment, but the facility administrators stated they have "heard nothing" of Campos receiving treatment from them.

Campos then left the country, thus no-showing several scheduled television interviews. When he returned he did not sit down for an interview with a hard-hitting news organization. Instead, he appeared on the entertainment talk show "Ellen DeGeneres Show," where he would not be expected to answer any probing questions.

Craig Eiland, an attorney for the victims, ques-

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tioned why Paddock hadn't been stopped before he began shooting out of the hotel room window. Eiland told Fox News that two police officers were attending to Campos outside of Paddock's door before the shooting of concert attendees began. Officials later claimed that it took them until 10:17 p.m.—18 minutes after Paddock shot Campos—to pinpoint the location of the shooter.

Security experts have estimated that Mandalay Bay has over 3,000 security cameras. The *Los Angeles Times* referred to Las Vegas casinos as "miniature surveillance states." Yet no footage of Paddock has been released to the public. Officials have stated that no footage of Paddock exists, as the hotel's hallways are without cameras for logistical reasons.

On Sept. 11, an anonymous poster going by the moniker "John" posted an ominous warning on the "4chan" imageboard website warning readers to stay away from large gatherings in Las Vegas. After his initial predicted date passed without incident, many labeled it a hoax. Three weeks later, many wondered who "John" was and what he really knew. He had predicted a false-flag incident that would result in a major overhaul of Las Vegas security. He also claimed that several individuals would profit from the mass killing. AFP is not naming the individuals cited by John for legal reasons, but they include a prominent former U.S. official and a billionaire.

One of the most widely discussed pieces of footage from the Las Vegas shooting was the video of a young woman who described how a short, Hispanic woman and her boyfriend pushed their way to the front of the crowd. They began loudly harassing a woman until security began escorting them out of the venue. As the woman was being led out, she began shouting, "You're all going to die!"

Kymerley Suchomel, 28, was uninjured in the attack. Her Facebook post detailing the belief that there were multiple shooters on the ground soon went viral. "There was more than one gun firing. 100% more than one," she wrote. She wanted to or-



**Was the Las Vegas shooting part of a botched assassination attempt against Crown Prince bin Salman of Saudi Arabia by his cousin Talal?**

ganize a group of witnesses who would help tell the truth and correct the official narrative. A week later, Suchomel died, reportedly of an epileptic seizure.

One theory surrounding the shootings is that the chaos at Mandalay Bay was part of a larger project that would end in an assassination at the Tropicana Hotel and Casino and a coup in Saudi Arabia. The theory is that Prince Al-Waleed bin Talal of Saudi Arabia, co-owner of floors 35-39 of Mandalay Bay, had planned an assassination of his cousin Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, who is next in line to be king of Saudi Arabia.

Angry that the moderate Sunni Crown Prince Salman was named next in line for the throne by his father, King Salman, Talal, an extreme Wahhabist, allegedly ordered an attempt on the life of Salman to take place on Nov. 1 in Las Vegas.

Paddock, the theory states, was a pilot who ran guns between the U.S. and the Philippines for Talal. Paddock's wealth came from the gun running and not gambling. It was Talal who also gave Paddock access to the service elevators. The attempt on Salman's life failed, and Paddock became Talal's sacrificial lamb rather than his getaway pilot. Rumors of shots fired at the Tropicana persist.

On Nov. 4, Salman had Talal arrested on corruption and money laundering charges.

There were additional witnesses who reported shooters on the ground, shots fired in other hotels along the Las Vegas strip, anomalies in the police radio dispatches, reports of fireworks before the shots, and amateur photographic analysts who question the contents of the official and unofficial photos that have been released.

As the corps of citizen researchers continues to do the journalistic work that the mainstream media seems unwilling to execute, those following the story will continue to wonder—to paraphrase the ad campaign—what happened in Vegas. ★

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# Will Neocons Prop Up Any Nutball?

• Events in Eastern Europe show why warmongers can't be making the big decisions

By Patrick J. Buchanan

Even interventionists are regretting some of the wars into which they helped plunge the United States in this century. Among those wars are Afghanistan and Iraq, the longest in our history. Libya, which was left without a stable government. Syria's civil war, a six-year human rights disaster we helped kick off by arming rebels to overthrow Bashar Assad. Yemen, where a U.S.-backed Saudi bombing campaign and starvation blockade are causing a humanitarian catastrophe.

Yet, twice this century, the war party was beaten back when seeking a clash with Putin's Russia. And the "neo-isolationists" who won those arguments served America well.

What triggered this observation was an item on Page 1 of a recent issue of *The New York Times* that read in its entirety: "Mikheil Saakashvili, former president of Georgia, led marchers through Kiev after threatening to jump from a five-story building to evade arrest. Page A4."

Who is Saakashvili? The wunderkind elected in 2004 in Tbilisi after a "Rose Revolution" we backed during George W. Bush's crusade for global democracy.

During the Beijing Olympics in August 2008, Saakashvili sent his army crashing into the tiny enclave of South Ossetia, which had broken free of Georgia when Georgia broke free of Russia.

In overrunning the enclave, however, Saakashvili's troops killed Russian peacekeepers. Big mistake. Within 24 hours, Putin's tanks and troops were pouring through Roki Tunnel, running Saakashvili's army out of South Ossetia, and occupying parts of Georgia itself.

As defeat loomed for the neocon hero, U.S. foreign policy elites were alive with denunciations of "Russian aggression" and calls to send in the 82nd Airborne, bring Georgia into NATO, and station U.S. forces in the Caucasus. "We are all Georgians!" thundered Sen.

John McCain (R-Ariz.).

Not quite. When an outcry arose against getting into a collision with Russia, Bush, reading the nation right, decided to confine U.S. protests to the nonviolent. A wise call.

And Saakashvili? He held power until 2013, and then saw his party defeated, was charged with corruption, and fled to Ukraine. There, President Boris Poroshenko, beneficiary of the Kiev coup the U.S. had backed in 2014, put him in charge of Odessa, one of the most corrupt provinces in a country rife with corruption.

In 2016, an exasperated Saakashvili quit, charged his patron Poroshenko with corruption, and fled Ukraine. In September, with a band of supporters, he made a forced entry back across the border. Here is the *Times's* Andrew Higgins on his latest antics:

On Tuesday . . . Saakashvili, onetime darling of the West, took his high-wire political career to bizarre new heights when he climbed onto the roof of his five-story apartment building in the center of Kiev . . . As . . . hundreds of supporters gathered below, he shouted insults at Ukraine's leaders . . . and threatened to jump if security agents tried to grab him.

Dragged from the roof after denouncing Mr. Poroshenko as a traitor and a thief, the former Georgian leader was detained but then freed by his supporters, who . . . blocked a security service van before it could take Mr. Saakashvili to a Kiev detention center and allowed him to escape.

With a Ukrainian flag draped across his shoulders and a pair of handcuffs still attached to one of his wrists, Mr. Saakashvili then led hundreds of supporters in a march across Kiev toward Parliament. Speaking through a bullhorn he called for "peaceful protests" to remove Mr. Poroshenko from office, just as protests had toppled the former president, Victor F. Yanukovich, in February 2014.

This reads like a script for a Peter Sellers movie in the 1960s. Yet this clown was president of Georgia, for whose cause in South Ossetia some in our foreign policy elite thought we should go to the brink of war with Russia. And there was broad support



**Mikheil Saakashvili**, the possibly deranged former leader of Georgia, was once the darling of the West. Had he remained in power, this would-be U.S. puppet might have gotten us into a war with Russia.

for bringing Georgia into NATO. This would have given Saakashvili an ability to ignite a confrontation with Russia, which could have forced U.S. intervention.

Consider Ukraine. Three years ago, McCain was declaring, in support of the overthrow of the elected pro-Russian government in Kiev, "We are all Ukrainians now."

Following that coup, U.S. elites were urging us to confront Putin in Crimea, bring Ukraine, as well as Georgia, into NATO, and send Kiev the lethal weapons needed to defeat Russian-backed rebels in the East. This could have led straight to a Ukraine-Russia war, precipitated by our sending of U.S. arms.

Do we really want to cede to folks of the temperament of Mikhail Saakashvili an ability to instigate a war with a nuclear-armed Russia, which every Cold War president was resolved to avoid, even if it meant accepting Moscow's hegemony in Eastern Europe all the way to the Elbe?

Watching Saakashvili losing it in the streets of Kiev like some drunken college student should cause us to reassess the stability of all these allies to whom we have ceded a capacity to drag us into war. Alliances, after all, are the transmission belts of war. ★

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# Christianity vs. the SPLC

By Dave Gahary

In what could be the beginning of a long nightmare for the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC)—one of the legal arms of the cultural Marxist gangsters running roughshod over this once-great nation's traditions and institutions—D. James Kennedy Ministries (DJK Ministries), which had had enough of the “civil rights” group's shenanigans, is in the midst of suing the SPLC for branding the ministry as a “hate group.”

DJK Ministries's lawsuit alleges “defamation”—what the attorneys call *libel per se*—and discrimination. The SPLC brands 63 Florida entities as “hate groups,” and 917 in the U.S.

*Libel per se* as it relates to this suit is a legal term meaning a defamatory statement—about a person's “business or profession to their detriment”—communicated in a “fixed medium” and “considered to be so harmful on its face that the plaintiff need not prove special damages.”

Fort Lauderdale-based DJK Ministries “was included in SPLC's list of organizations of racist skinheads, neo-Nazis, white nationalists, the Ku Klux Klan, black separatists, followers of the Nation of Islam, New Black Panther Party members, opponents of immigration and Muslims, and Holocaust deniers.” The ministry made it on to the SPLC's “hate map,” for being classified by the Montgomery, Ala.-based group as “anti-LGBT [lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender].”

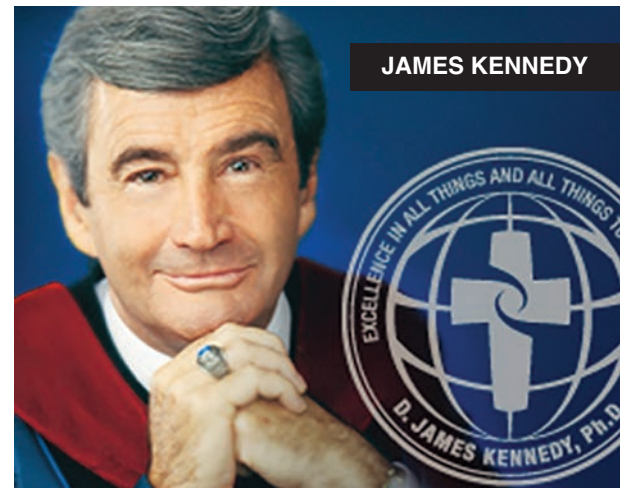
DJK Ministries was founded by pastor, evangelist, and broadcaster Dennis James Kennedy, who passed away in 2007. Kennedy began preaching in 1960 to 45 believers at the Coral Ridge Pres-

byterian Church in Fort Lauderdale, which would go on to become “the fastest-growing Presbyterian church in the U.S.” At its peak, Kennedy's weekly TV audience counted 3.5 million viewers in 200 countries aired on more than 400 stations and four cable networks, catapulting the church's membership to 10,000, becoming a \$37-million-a-year powerhouse. Coral Ridge had gained such attention that the left produced a 1970 film, “Like a Mighty Army,” exploring the church's popularity, in order to “clip its wings.”

Kennedy was such a force that upon his death, the White House issued a statement the next day stating that President George W. Bush and First Lady Laura Bush were “deeply saddened” by his passing, calling him “a man of great vision, faith, and integrity.” “Dr. Kennedy's message of love and hope,” the statement continued, “inspired millions through the institutions he founded.”

The hate-mongering SPLC was founded in 1971 by Morris Seligman Dees Jr. and Joseph J. Levin Jr. as a civil rights law firm “to cripple hate groups” such as the Ku Klux Klan. It has grown into a massive operation with \$50 million in revenue, 254 employees, and an endowment of over \$300 million. After the staged event in Charlottesville, Va. this past August, the SPLC gained new prominence, with Hollywood imbeciles like George Clooney making huge donations to the shyster law firm. Clooney and his wife reportedly gave \$1 million to support the SPLC's “efforts to prevent violent extremism in the United States.”

SPLC's critics—which include some in the mainstream media—have called the SPLC “self-promotional” and have stated that Dees “exaggerates the threat of hate groups.” *Harper's Magazine* wrote in 2000 that the SPLC stays focused on fighting “groups like the KKK, instead of focusing on is-



JAMES KENNEDY

sues like homelessness, mostly because of the greater fundraising potential of the former.” That same article stated that the SPLC “spends twice as much on fund-raising—\$5.76 million last year—as it does on legal services for victims of civil rights abuses.” The Atlanta-based Southern Center for Human Rights in 2007 called Dees “a con man and fraud who has taken advantage of naive, well-meaning people—some of moderate or low incomes—who believe his pitches and give to his \$175-million operation.”

DJK Ministries put out a plea for help via email recently, stating the “lawsuit is going to put a financial burden on the ministry but it is necessary to stop the discrimination of Christian organizations by organizations such as the SPLC and organizations that use the SPLC as a guide to identify hate groups.”

The lawsuit “cites religious discrimination based upon Title II of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. It also specifies trafficking in false and misleading descriptions of the services offered under the ministry's trademarked name in violation of the Lanham Act, as well as defamation under common law arising from publication and distribution of information that libels the ministry's reputation, subjecting it to disgrace, ridicule, odium, and contempt in the estimation of the public.”

DJK Ministries failed to return this newspaper's multiple requests for comment. ★

You can reach DJK Ministries by phone at (866) 534-1294, email to letters@djameskennedy.org, or snail mail—D. James Kennedy Ministries, P.O. Box 11184, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33339—if you'd like to help fund their fight against the SPLC.

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# Today, Speaking Your Mind Is a Dangerous Act

- Extremely vocal minority making sure rational criticisms are shouted down as “racist”

By Dr. Kevin Barrett

Since I was driven out of the American academy by neoconservative politicians in 2006, I have been incessantly attacked by Zionists. Their favorite term of abuse is “anti-Semitic conspiracy theorist.”

Throughout the summer and fall of 2006 I was repeatedly covered by Fox News, CNN, *The New York Times*, and the rest of the mainstream media. I was under attack for blaming Dick Cheney, Donald Rumsfeld, and George W. Bush—none of whom is Jewish—for 9/11. In those days I did not reference the Israeli connection to 9/11. At the time, I thought it was a secondary issue. Yet imagine my surprise when a powerful, concerted Zionist PR operation smeared me as “anti-Semitic” and a “holocaust denier.” I could not even get demonstrably false, completely unsourced libels removed from my Wikipedia page.

I had never even spoken about the holocaust, a topic I knew very little about. I had never made any references of any kind to Jews being behind any conspiracies at all. I blamed 9/11 on non-Jewish individuals. Yet somehow the Zionist lobby saw me as a threat—and smeared me, without a shred of evidence, using their usual terms of abuse.

I soon began to wonder why the Zionists saw 9/11 truth as such a huge threat. And why were they so hysterical about “holocaust denial”? They seemed to be exhibiting what police procedural handbooks refer to as “guilty demeanor.”

Once I was branded with the scarlet letter speciously deeming me an “anti-Semitic conspiracy theorist” I could no longer get a normal job. The libels strewn all over the Internet by the Zionists made me toxic to potential employers.

This unfortunate development put severe stress on my wife and family, but it had a positive side: I was suddenly free to be completely intellectually honest. No longer concerned with projecting an

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For his resistance to the power of the Israeli lobby, Kevin Barrett has been relentlessly smeared.

employable image, I could seek and speak the truth without limitation or impediment.

Broadening my 9/11-focused research, I began to study other contested historical issues. I studied the history of Zionism. It turns out that the real founder of Zionism was not Theodore Herzl but the Satanist false messiah Sabbatai Zevi. I studied the history of banking. It turns out that the Rothschilds and their friends and heirs run the West; the politicians are just front men. I studied revisionist interpretations of World War II history. It turns out that it was not the Good War depicted in puerile mainstream history books. I even read several books for and against holocaust revisionism. It turns out that the holocaust revisionists are not obviously wrong—and the fact that their opponents jail and torment them rather than refuting them suggests that they may well be right.

Anyone who speaks or writes honestly about these issues will be smeared as an “anti-Semitic conspiracy theorist.” They will no longer have any career opportunities except in historical revisionism and alternative media. They will not be able to stop speaking and writing about these forbidden topics even if they wanted to.

So since I have been condemned to eke out an existence as a B'nai Brith-certified “anti-Semitic conspiracy theorist,” I might as well make the

best of it. What follows is a bare synopsis of an interesting “Jewish conspiracy theory.”

A tiny Jewish elite has existed for roughly 2,500 years. This elite is the fruit of an ongoing liaison between ideologues—first Yahwist priests, later rabbis, and now secular intellectuals—and wealthy businessmen, two groups that have been eugenically intermarrying.

This tiny elite makes a very good living by organizing self-serving schemes of plunder. Its basic modus operandi is simple: Find a juicy target to pillage, turn it into an enemy, convince followers that your enemy is their enemy, ransack the target, then rinse and repeat.

Their priests started it: “Our jealous god says to go smash the god of the neighboring tribe, steal their stuff, and give it to ‘Yahweh,’ meaning us.” The followers who fell for this racket were the first “Jews”—the first brainwashing victims of the original tiny Jewish elite. Infant circumcision subsequently created generations of traumatized people who could be easily brainwashed into enmity and paranoia.

Today’s Jewish elite—including seven of eight Russian oligarchs, 40% of American billionaires, 50%-plus of key Western media owners and decision-makers, 90%-plus of Hollywood bigwigs, just for starters—continues to brainwash ordinary Jews as well as non-Jews that “our enemies are your enemies.” They brainwashed Americans into hating Germans. They brainwashed Americans into hating Arabs and Muslims. They are currently trying to brainwash us into hating Iranians. And they have brainwashed Western people into hating truth-tellers who threaten their interests—the so-called “anti-Semitic conspiracy theorists.”

So that is today’s “anti-Semitic conspiracy theory.” If you don’t like it, call the ADL. ★

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# Manners Make the Man

In focusing on an essential thought structure as expressed by Mark Twain—“when you lower yourself arguing with fools, onlookers won’t be able to tell the difference”—this is an act of positive discrimination, meaning that by discriminating in such a way the person is actually thinking. All thinking individuals discriminate and thereby clarify to others what their value system is all about.

This whole politically correct issue actually emerged when some felt the need for manners in education had reached a crisis point. In the recent post-WWII era, hedonistic nihilism within our crass and soulless materialistic worldview that notably emerged during the late rebellious 1960s and 1970s had reached a point of crudeness where basic civility had been lost. Remnants of this are still floating about on TV, especially in comedy shows where swear words abound.

The Marxist-feminist death dialectic of win-lose is currently dominating our Western “free and democratic” world discourse, as embodied within the Hillary Clinton mindset. It is time to re-focus on the Hegelian life-giving dialectic of win-win, where opposites do not meet in a life-death struggle but emerge in a new synthesis. For example: thesis=man; antithesis=woman; synthesis=child. The Marxists/feminists see it differently: man=woman; synthesis=woman cas-

trates man to produce the androgynous person.

I recall that Oxford University’s New College’s motto is: “Manners Maketh Man”—indicating that what you have written about is a timeless problem, which also concerned 14th-century educators, and is something that needs to be stressed again and again. It is, in fact, every parent’s and educator’s duty to imbue the young with such civility; otherwise, the uncivilized ethos of might-is-right will flourish.

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*Australia*

## Obscene Speech Protected?

In the [Dec. 4 & 11] edition of AMERICAN FREE PRESS newspaper, its editor, Mr. Christopher Petherick, asks the general public to weigh in on the issue of whether the Constitution’s First Amendment protects, or should protect, obscenity.

Nothing in the Constitution text empowers government to be speech police and thought police. Because of the presence of the 14th Amendment therein, government cannot give us a precise legal definition of obscenity in a way that satisfies that amendment, when one man’s trash is another man’s treasure. Granting that obscenity is indeed sinful, not all sin is also criminal, under civil secular law.

However, all people should be



wise enough to know that the kind of language they use identifies the caliber of people with whom they associate themselves. We should heed the sage words of President Grover Cleveland: “A man is known by the company he keeps, and also by the company from which he is kept out.” Not all that is legal to do is necessarily wise to do.

LAWRENCE K. MARSH  
*Maryland*

## Should Be Ashamed

Pat Buchanan is apparently okay with a sex offender being in office. No, I don’t mean Trump. Trump will get his dues, soon. I’m referring to [Buchanan’s column in the Dec. 4 & 11 issue of AFP on] Roy Moore. Regardless of

your views on unborn children, no one like Moore should ever get near office.

How on Earth is anyone supposed to believe that the government is with the people and for the people if you allow criminals like Moore to take office? You should be ashamed of yourself, sir.

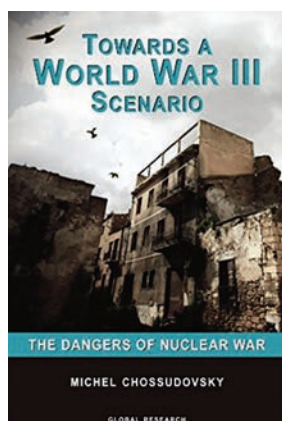
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## Tax Troubles

[Regarding Ron Paul’s column on tax reform in AFP’s Nov. 20 & 27 edition], in addition to the alleged devious purpose of the Federal Reserve Bank, as noted by Ron Paul, which is to provide a broad-based mechanism for increasing taxes, central banks of most First-World countries tend to set

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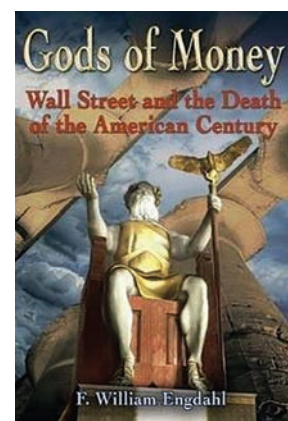
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monetary policy to achieve a “target inflation rate” of around 2% per year. This is to avoid the economic risk of price deflation, which could bring an economy to its knees as people put off purchases today as they wait for lower prices in the future.

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If Dr. Paul’s wish comes true and the Federal Reserve Bank is abolished, how does he propose to protect the national economy against both deflationary and inflationary monetary spirals, if not by regulating the supply and cost of borrowing currency through a central, national bank?

ALAN KER  
*Canada*

**(Former Rep. Ron Paul has written and spoken many times on his plan for honest currency. He believes the only way to stop private bankers from inflating the currency by turning on the printing presses and printing as much fiat currency as they like would be to back money with gold and silver just as the Constitution states. Contact Paul’s Institute for Peace and Prosperity at 833 West Plantation Drive, Clute, Texas 77531 for more on this.—Ed.)**

### Get Parasites Out

I am from Alabama, and I support Roy Moore. I have met him twice, once in private with his wife. He understands the problems we face, including the illegal income tax (redistribution of the wealth, a Marxist principle). We discussed the winless and useless war waged by those who

profit the most and support the likes of Sens. Lindsey Graham and John McCain.

In reality, we have lost our once-great nation to a bunch of sexual perverts and minorities who have no idea what common law is about. The only hope we have is a true political revolution and throwing the bums out of D.C. These parasites are nothing but self-serving financial bloodsuckers, who draw obscene wages, enjoy unbelievable perks, and enjoy a retirement program that is fit for royalty. We’ve got to get the corrupted parasites out of office.

KEN BROWN  
*Alabama*

### Too Timid on 9/11

[In regard to the interview AFP did with Pastor Chuck Baldwin in Issue 45&46], Pastor Baldwin is too timid on the topic of who really did 9/11. Steven Anderson and Louis Farrakhan set a good example in this regard. And, for the record, there is no making friends with the [Southern Poverty Law Center], which should have to register as a foreign agent and be denied tax exempt status.

ED KENDRICK  
*Missouri*

### The Armenian Genocide

I largely agree with Phil Giraldi’s analyses but I must point out that he had the chance 10 years ago, and since then, to spotlight the ADL for hypocritically denying the Christian Armenian genocide committed by Turkey while at the same time, of course, demanding that everyone everywhere recognize the Holocaust.

It is also well known that the ADL and Israel also worked at Turkey’s behest to defeat Armenian genocide res-



olutions in Congress. Other leading Jewish organizations such as AIPAC, AJC, B’nai B’rith, and JINSA also tried to stop the recognition of the Armenian genocide. Israel has yet to recognize the Armenian genocide. This is pure hypocrisy.

One wishes that Giraldi had mentioned these things along the way. He knows about them, that is for sure.

DARREN HAROOTYAN  
*Wisconsin*

### Culture Munchers

I want to thank the staff at AMERICAN FREE PRESS and THE BARNES REVIEW [history magazine] for trying to provide us average Americans an option to the entrenched academic and media conglomerate. I am an old guy (78) but I am quite familiar with the Internet and social media, having my own Facebook page and searching often on the web for the truth about news and historical events. I greatly appreciate, however, my print copies of the aforemen-

tioned publications because I count on them to weed out the wheat from the chaff, i.e., the truth from the lies. I only wish that younger people would appreciate the value of these two truly unique publications and support them wholeheartedly.

It is my suggestion—as I have done myself—that every, and I mean EVERY, AFP and TBR subscriber think about how important these publications are and buy just one gift subscription for a friend. Do you realize they would double their circulation—and influence—overnight?

FRED MILLER  
*Tennessee*

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**4 Don't worry about your will or trust.** The estate tax dollars that your government could collect will be used for, well, anything the government chooses. Just think what a few of your favorite charities—those you've been supporting during your life—could do with that money.

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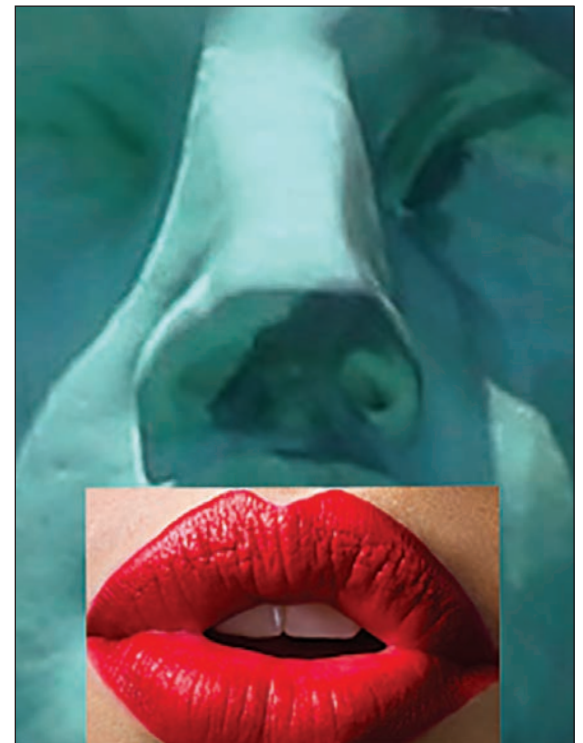
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