

The Patriots' Truth

Flint Hills TEA Party News

Next meeting July 12 – 9:30am, Manhattan Fire Dept HQ-Sta #1. The Special Speaker – TBA (to be announced). Bring your concerns to be discussed. The Working Group meets at McAlisters, 5:30-10pm, come and go, as is convenient for you, on Wed. evenings. We MUST keep God in our Hearts. See you at the Library Sat., June 14 or McAlisters Wed evenings. I've been ask to explain the different color of print here – so: Green is me/my thoughts, red – mostly article headings, others – just for attention getting. Change of font is just to break the monotony and get your attention. GOD be with you & yours & GOD Bless America!!

Common Core House Bill 3399 in Oklahoma Rejected

OKLAHOMA CITY -- Gov. Mary Fallin has signed legislation that repeals the Common Core education standards in Oklahoma, saying the federal government's attempt to influence state education policy was reason enough to abolish the math and English guidelines that had been scheduled to take effect in the upcoming school year.

The bill, overwhelmingly passed in the House and Senate on the final day of the 2014 Legislature, requires the state to return to old standards in place before 2010 and directs that new ones be developed by 2016. It requires all new standards and revisions to be subject to legislative review.

"There are things in the legislation that will cause challenges," Fallin said after signing the bill Thursday. "But there's also great opportunity for Oklahomans to work together."

Fallin said the intense debate over whether to repeal the Common Core standards has "focused our attention on the importance of education."

"We are very capable as Oklahomans of developing our own Oklahoma standards to make sure that our children receive the highest quality education possible in our state," she said.

Initially adopted in Oklahoma in 2010, the Common Core standards are part of an initiative of the National Governors Association, which is currently chaired by Fallin, to outline what students are expected to learn and know by each grade level. They have been adopted by more than 40 other states, but there has been growing concern, especially among grass-roots conservatives, that the standards represent a federal takeover of state education.

Fallin tried to placate those concerns in December by signing an executive order stating Oklahoma will be responsible for deciding how to implement the standards, but opposition continued to mount.

"It has become very apparent to me that the word 'Common Core' has become a word that is tainted, that is divisive in our state," Fallin said.

She said the federal government has tied funding to certain Common Core guidelines and that "it's a possibility" that repeal of the standards could affect federal education dollars received by the state. Between 5 percent and 7 percent of the state education budget is provided by the federal government.

Former supporter of the Common Core standards, State Superintendent of Education Janet Barresi, praised the repeal.

"As it has become entangled with federal government... Common Core has become too difficult and inflexible," Barresi said.

The more rigorous standards had been supported by the business community, including the politically powerful State Chamber.

Mike Neal, president and CEO of the Tulsa Regional Chamber, said Fallin's decision to sign the bill "is a massive disappointment" to educators, administrators and business leaders who have tried to develop internationally benchmarked but locally controlled academic standards.

"Gov. Fallin and the Oklahoma Legislature have reneged on their promise to Oklahoma's students, bending to political hysteria at the expense of our children and the quality of our future workforce," Neal said.

The Oklahoma Academic Standards, which are aligned with Common Core standards in English and mathematics, were scheduled to be reflected in tests administered to students next year, and more than 60 percent of the school districts in the state already have aligned curriculum with the new standards, according to state education officials.

Shawn Hime, executive director of the Oklahoma State School Boards Association, said Fallin's decision "will

throw many schools into chaos as they prepare for a new academic year."

"This decision is not good for Oklahoma's schools, and it's not good for Oklahoma's kids," he said.

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Patrons of USD378, now is the time. Our present School Board needs input on what the patrons want, will or won't pay for, and why. I believe we should do one thing: **We must put the EDUCATION of the children first.** This means we must forgive & forget past issues. We need to look at such issues as innovative school technologies, redistricting, remodeling, and/or new construction. As a patron of USD 378, I'm looking forward to the honest and open discussions we need. ~ Larry Tawney

Newsletter from Representative Tim Huelskamp

June 12, 2014

Dear Friend,

For nearly a century, Washington D.C. has been on a radical pace taking away our freedoms, one step at a time. From Wilson to Roosevelt to Lyndon Johnson, most of the 20th Century was dominated by this march of power away from the people and into the hands of the elite, do-gooders.

It seemed impossible to stop this power-grab.

But then Ronald Reagan came onto the scene in the mid-'70s with a simple idea of returning freedom to the people. He was ridiculed and rejected not only by Democrats but also by establishment Republicans. But he persevered, and he inspired and led a movement that broke the back of Washington's power — for a while.

Can one man make a difference? In one word — **Yes.** In another word — **Reagan.**

In recent months, the VA scandal has rocked Washington. Veterans have died because of bureaucratic incompetence. Veterans are sicker because of shocking delays and inadequate care. In fact, 100,000 veterans are still languishing and waiting on care today.

Fearing the worst for our Kansas Veterans, **last week I made a surprise visit to the Wichita Robert J. Dole Veterans Hospital.** They had announced the Friday before that nine veterans were stuck on waiting lists. I contacted them for an explanation immediately — with no answers for days.

And then on Wednesday, rumors suddenly began circulating that 385 Veterans were on secret waiting lists — not just the 9 claimed by the VA five days before. Clearly, the numbers didn't add up. And with no response from them, I had had enough. I jumped in a car and rushed to Wichita to investigate first hand this VA scandal.

In order to document any possible lies or misleading statements, I asked a local television station to meet me at the Hospital. And what we found was shocking. The Medical Director and his assistant just happened to be out of town for a "management conference" for the entire week. The folks left in charge refused to answer questions. In fact, **they showed me an email from the Obama Administration that gagged them from even talking to me.**

But I wouldn't take 'No comment' for an answer. I persisted. I cajoled. I begged. *"Tell me how many Kansas Veterans are languishing on secret waiting lists. Show me that they've gotten the care they deserve."*

After I refused to leave until receiving answers, they finally got the Director on the phone. And he claimed that he didn't know of any secret waiting lists delaying veteran care. But after more than 30 minutes, he finally admitted that 385 Veterans were "unknowingly" placed on an "unauthorized waiting list." I demanded a full report on their care within 24 hours - and left the facility.

Since then, we have learned that more than a 1,000 Veterans were on secret waiting lists in Wichita. Did they not know or did they lie? Either way, this is tragic. My visit to the Hospital — along with pressure from Veterans and their families, publicized by the media and myself — exposed the VA failures right in our home state.

As a result, just two days ago the U.S. House unanimously passed a bill that is a solution to this VA Crisis by giving Veterans the choice of their own doctor, their local hospital or clinic. And it seems to be moving quickly into law.

Meanwhile, beyond the VA, scandal after scandal has been plaguing Washington. Benghazi and the IRS. Eric Holder, Kathleen Sebelius, the Obamacare website and many others. Corruption, bullying and incompetence. It's a disaster. And in every case, the media and Democrats — and sadly some Republicans — are trying to sweep them under the rug.

But a warning to Obama and the rest of his Administration — as shown in the VA scandal, **I am not taking 'No comment' for answer.**

Can one man make a difference? Well, I do know one man standing firmly on principle is worth more than a dozen (or two or three) who sit idly by doing nothing.

Yours in Liberty,
Tim Huelskamp
Member of Congress

P.S. Stubborn oversight is what's needed in Congress. Stubborn principles change the world. There are many who say they want to come to Congress to make a difference. But most buckle under the political pressures from the Washington Establishment--they too often get sucked in to the system. Stubborn resolve to stand on principle no matter the political winds is what brings about real change.

*I told YOU – **TIM HUELSKAMP IS A KEEPER!!** Kansans are so fortunate to have **TIM** — **we MUST KEEP HIM!!!** We also get the opportunity to reelect **Todd Tiahrt**, as he runs for Congressional Rep. against Mike Pompeo. **Todd** was a strong Conservative Rep before, worked hard to accomplish Conservative issues & I have confidence he will be again. **VOTE FOR TIM HUELSKAMP & TODD TIAHRT!!!***

From **Patriot Notes, PATRIOT ACTION NETWORK** **TEA PARTY PUSH BACK!!**

Urgent PAN Alert

Patriots,

Grassfire has learned that a number of lawmakers from both sides of the political aisle are planning to unveil a resolution condemning President Obama's decision to release five Taliban generals in return for Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl.

The Washington Post is reporting that if passed, the resolution would "put the House on the record as condemning and disapproving of the President's failure to comply with the lawful statutory requirement of Congressional notification prior to the release of detainees from the United States detention facility at Guantanamo Bay."

Rep. John Barrow (D-GA), after attending classified briefings on the Bergdahl swap, said of Obama's decision to bypass Congress, "Checks and balances aren't negotiable... it's critical that the Administration not treat Congress as an adversary or as an afterthought."

The frustration over what some are calling an "imperial presidency" is palpable — presenting a perfect opportunity for grassroots Americans to demand articles of impeachment be drafted!

+ + Less Than 1,000 "Impeach" Petitions Needed to reach Presentation Goal!

Patriots, early next week, Grassfire representatives will be combing out across Capitol Hill hand-delivering more than 100,000 "Impeachment" petitions to leading lawmakers and the House Judiciary Chairman, and we want to make certain your petition is among those presented.

[Go here now to help us reach the 100,000-petition threshold, and ensure delivery of your "Impeach" petition to key House lawmakers.](#)

In our last alert we said this may be the most important petition delivery in Grassfire history. That's why we are calling on ALL members of our team to take immediate action by [going here now and adding their names to the national "Impeach" petition](#). [ref: www.grassrootsaction.com/r.asp?U=453693&CID=855&RID=38469894]

There is no question President Obama has been operating in clear violation of the law. With Congress infuriated, it's time for grassroots Americans like you to confront the lawlessness and demand immediate corrective action. That's *precisely* what these national "Impeach" petitions will do when they are hand-delivered *directly* to the House Judiciary Committee!

***YOU SHOULD HAVE TO PASS A DRUG TEST TO RECEIVE A WELFARE CHECK –
BECAUSE I HAD TO PASS ONE TO EARN IT FOR YOU!!!***

The New Dumping Grounds

By Michelle Malkin

A source tipped me off last week to a curious occurrence: It seems that **two planeloads of illegal aliens were recently shipped to Massachusetts**. The first reportedly landed at **Hanscom Air Force Base** in Bedford. According to my tipster, approximately 160 illegal immigrants arrived on that flight and stayed nearly a week before being transferred to a Department of Homeland Security (DHS) site and then released.

The second flight reportedly was diverted from **Hanscom** to **Boston's Logan Airport** this past weekend. I am told that both Massachusetts and New Hampshire officials were on hand. I reached out to **Hanscom AFB** for confirmation but did not receive

a call back by my deadline.

Question: **How many other military bases are stealthily being used to redistribute, house, process, and release illegal border crossers?**

What we do know for sure is that the Obama administration already has converted several other military bases across the country into outposts for tens of thousands of illegal aliens from Central and South America.

San Antonio's **Lackland Air Force Base** opened its doors as an illegal-immigrant camp last month. **Port Hueneme Naval Base in Ventura County, CA**, will shelter nearly **600 illegal border-crossing children and teens**. The **Fort Sill** Army post in Lawton, Okla., was ordered on Friday to take in 1,200 illegal aliens despite the objections of GOP governor Mary Fallin, who blasted the White House, saying, "The Obama administration continues to fail in its duty to protect our borders and continues to promote policies that encourage, rather than discourage, illegal immigration."

A makeshift detention center in Nogales, Ariz., is being used as the central clearing station for the latest illegal-alien surge. The deluge is a threat to national security, public safety, and public health — not to mention a slap in the face to the law-abiding men and women in uniform on those bases and a kick in the teeth to law-abiding people around the world patiently waiting for approval of their visas.

Meanwhile, a law-enforcement source in Texas tells me this week that countless illegal aliens are being released into the general public despite testing positive for tuberculosis. **"The feds are putting them on public transportation to God knows where,"** he said.

Another source, working in the Border Patrol in south Texas, tells me: "Our station, along with every other station, is flooded with women and small children. One lady yesterday had a baby as young as eight months. And they're coming over with pink eye and scabies. So getting them medically cleared becomes a priority. They'll be here for almost a week, so we provide them with formula and diapers. We have a catering service contracted to feed them because it's too many for us to feed on our own. And of course, they end up being released because every family housing facility is full. They're supposed to show up for immigration court at a later date, but they don't."

Same old, same old. I've reported for years on the feds' catch-and-release games and deportation Kabuki. The "notice to appear" letters — known as "run letters" — are a notorious joke in open-borders circles.

The latest "crisis" is a wholly manufactured product of White House administrative amnesties, which are supported by a toxic alliance of ethnic-vote-seeking Democrats and cheap-labor-hungry big-business Republicans. **The flood comes just as Obama's DHS announced a two-year extension for beneficiaries of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program.** A whopping **560,000 illegal aliens have been granted amnesty under DACA and also have received employment authorization.**

As I've said for two decades, illegal-alien amnesties guarantee two things: more illegal immigration and more Democratic voters. **Now we have a White House forcing US military bases to provide interminable benefits and services to illegal aliens for political gain, while said White House evades responsibility for allowing military veterans to die waiting for the most basic of medical services.**

Bill Clinton's Loving Wife... worth the read

Remember this in November!!

It's no secret that all politicians lie, but Bill Clinton has got to be the dean of all liars.

Bill Clinton's Loving Wife, by Dick Morris, former political advisor to President Bill Clinton
AN ANALYSIS WORTH READING

If you happen to see the Bill Clinton 5-minute TV ad for Hillary in which he introduces the commercial by saying he wants to share some things we may not know about Hillary's background, **beware**. As I was there for most of their presidency and know them better than just about anyone, I offer a few corrections.

Bill says: "In law school, Hillary worked on legal services for the poor."

The facts are: Hillary's main extra-curricular activity in law school was helping the Black Panthers, on trial in Connecticut for torturing and killing a federal agent. She went to court every day as part of a law student monitoring committee trying to spot civil rights violations and develop grounds for appeal.

Bill says: "Hillary spent a year after graduation working on a children's rights project for poor kids."

The facts are: Hillary interned with Bob Truehaft, the head of the California Communist Party. She met Bob

when he represented the Panthers and traveled all the way to San Francisco to take an internship with him.

Bill says: "Hillary could have written her own job ticket, but she turned down all the lucrative job offers."

The facts are: She flunked the DC bar exam; yes, **flunked**. It is a matter of record, and only passed the Arkansas bar. She had no job offers in Arkansas - **none** - and only got hired by the University of Arkansas Law School at Fayetteville because Bill was already teaching there. She did not join the prestigious Rose Law Firm until Bill became Arkansas Attorney General, and was made a partner only after he was elected Arkansas Governor.

Bill says: "President Carter appointed Hillary to the Legal Services Board of Directors and she became its chairman."

The facts are: The appointment was in exchange for Bill's support for Carter in his 1980 primary against Ted Kennedy. Hillary then became chairman in a coup in which she won a majority away from Carter's choice to be chairman.

Bill says: "She served on the board of the Arkansas Children's Hospital."

The facts are: Yes, she did. But her main board activity, not mentioned by Bill, was to sit on the WalMart board of directors for a substantial fee. She was silent about their labor and health care practices.

Bill says: "Hillary didn't succeed at getting health care for all Americans in 1994, but she kept working at it and helped to create the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) that provides five million children with health insurance."

The facts are: Hillary had nothing to do with creating CHIP. It was included in the budget deal between Clinton and Republican Majority Leader Senator Trent Lott. I know; I helped negotiate the deal. The money came half from the budget deal and half from the Attorney Generals' tobacco settlement. Hillary had nothing to do with either source of funds.

Bill says: "Hillary was the face of America all over the world."

The facts are: Her visits were part of a program to get her out of town so that Bill would not appear weak by feeding stories that Hillary was running the White House. Her visits abroad were entirely touristic and symbolic and there was no substantive diplomacy on any of them.

Bill says: "Hillary was an excellent Senator who kept fighting for children's and women's issues."

The facts are: Other than totally meaningless legislation like changing the names on courthouses and post offices, she has passed **only four substantive pieces** of legislation. One set up a national park in Puerto Rico. A second provided respite care for family members helping their relatives through Alzheimer's or other conditions. And two were routine bills to aid 9/11 victims and responders which were sponsored by the entire NY delegation. **Presently she is trying to have the US memorialize the Woodstock fiasco of 40 years ago.**

Here's what bothers me more than anything else about Hillary Clinton. She has done everything possible to weaken the President and our country (that's you and me!) when it comes to the war on terror.

- 1. She wants to close GITMO and move the combatants to the USA where they would have access to our legal system.**
- 2. She wants to eliminate the monitoring of suspected Al Qaeda phone calls to/from the USA.**
- 3. She wants to grant constitutional rights to enemy combatants captured on the battlefield.**
- 4. She wants to eliminate the monitoring of money transfers between suspected Al Qaeda cells and supporters in the USA.**
- 5. She wants to eliminate the type of interrogation tactics used by the military & CIA where coercion might be used when questioning known terrorists even though such tactics might save American lives.**

One cannot think of a single bill Hillary has introduced or a single comment she has made that would tend to strengthen our country in the War on Terror. But, one can think of a lot of comments she has made that weaken

our country and make it a more dangerous situation for all of us. Bottom line: She goes hand in hand with the ACLU on far too many issues where common sense is abandoned.

Share this with every democrat you know... ask them to prove Dick Morris wrong. Think about it - he's (Dick Morris) said all of this openly, thus if he were not truthful he'd be liable for defamation of character! And you better believe Hillary would sue him. Is America ready for a woman president? I believe we are, just NOT this one.

GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS & GOD BLESS AMERICA!

Then as I thought I was finished with this subject, for now, I received this from a conservative cousin in Texas:

If you open the link below on Hillary you will be reminded of the lies and deceptions that brought her to where she is today. It will take a bit of reading, but worth your time to refresh your memories.

She wants to be your next liar-in-chief to run America in probably a worse manner than the current @\$%\$#@. Remember Arkansas? Not a single one of her and Bill's security staff in Arkansas is alive to tell their stories. Amazing how they mysteriously died while others were reported to have committed suicide. How soon we forget.

As a 27-year-old staff attorney for the House Judiciary Committee during the Watergate Investigation, Hillary Rodham was fired by her Supervisor, lifelong Democrat Jerry Zeifman. When asked why Hillary Rodham was fired: "Because she was a liar," Zeifman said in an interview. "She conspired to violate the Constitution, the rules of the House, the rules of the committee and the Rules of Confidentiality."

That was Hillary at 27. And, now she will run for President. Comforting, huh??? Well, she will fit right in again...

Also see: <http://www.eohistory.info/2013/hillaryHistory.htm>

And: <http://members.jacksonville.com/reason/fact-check/2014-03-08/story/fact-check-was-hillary-clinton-fired-watergate-investigation>

Out of curiosity I googled "Deaths of Clinton Administration" and got PAGES of info on deaths of Clinton's comrades, cabinet members, & associates. If those of you without computers want more of this, let me know and I'll put SOME in future Newsletters. From what I have found we DO NOT want more of "CLINTON POLITICS" anywhere in our Dear COUNTRY. Get this info to as many Democrats as possible — to as many Americans as possible — out to the world! Stay tuned!! I have many more irritations that will be exposed here!!!

From ACLJ Chief Counsel

by Jay Sekulow, ACLJ Chief Counsel,

The IRS now claims it's "lost" even more emails the IRS targeting scandal.

First it was former top IRS official Lois Lerner's emails; now it's six more IRS officials. Are they dumping evidence?

The White House is now joking about it, saying, "You've never heard of a computer crashing before?"

This is no joke. The IRS was trying to destroy the conservative movement. It systematically violated the Constitution. Now it's trying to escape responsibility by "losing" the evidence.

We're not just talking about this outrage; we're taking action. We sent demands to a dozen Democratic Senators and Congressmen requiring them to preserve evidence, and we've put the entire federal government on notice: follow the law or face the consequences. If you're as outraged as we are, take action with us.

~ Jay Sekulow, ACLJ Chief Counsel

Kansas Can Do Better Than Common Core

AUGUST 5th - KANSAS PRIMARY ELECTION DAY!

Do you know who is running in your district and state?
Do you know where they stand on Common Core education standards?
Take time to find out! [#StopCommonCore](#)
Be informed, speak out and **VOTE!**

Find information here: https://www.kssos.org/elections/elections_upcoming_candidate.asp

Common Core Opposition Is Key Issue for Many Campaigns

<http://truthinamericaneducation.com/common-core-state-standards/common-core-opposition-is-key-issue-for-many-campaigns/>

Don't forget... the RNC and the KS GOP have both passed anti-CC resolutions! This is vital information with campaign season in full swing.

KS GOP anti-CC Resolution:

<http://kansasagainstdcommoncore.wordpress.com/2013/09/14/kansas-gop-passes-common-core-resolution/>

RNC anti-CC Resolution:

<http://truthinamericaneducation.com/common-core-state-standards/rnc-passes-anti-common-core-resolution-at-their-spring-meeting/>

Remember: Common Core has supporters and opponents from across the political spectrum.
[#StopCommonCore](#)

Received today from David Powell

Friends — Experience Matters!

In Kansas we have an Attorney General who is an Attorney, a Secretary of State who is a Constitutional Professor, a Treasurer who has an MBA. Isn't it about time we had an Insurance Commissioner who works in... Insurance?

There are six candidates for the position of Kansas Insurance Commissioner (5 Republicans, 1 Democrat.) Four have held an insurance license. Three are currently licensed. Two have never been licensed. Only one, David Powell, has held licenses, worked *and continues to work* in all areas of insurance.

Kansas needs someone who can make decisions based on knowledge and experience.

Kansas needs someone who is knowledgeable in all areas of insurance to represent Kansas at the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

Kansas needs David Powell for Insurance Commissioner!

[Donate Today!](#)

[We must help David – he has been helping us for years!!](#)

David has been helping us for years — now it is our turn. Some are yapping about others who are running, but you must check out their experience in Insurance — by comparison the others resume is pretty bleak. Talk to David, he can and will help you!! David has been helping Kansas and Kansans for 37 years. He has written Legislative Bills to help Kansans; he is working with Kansas Authorities to protect us against fraud. David Powell has NOT waited for a title, office, or the money that goes with those things before he stepped up to be a TRUE and HONEST Kansan helping Kansans – traveling back and forth from his home in El Dorado to work with State personnel, at his

own expense. David has been **helping us for over 37 yrs.** David has a **passion** for Insurance and the desire to help people – help them with all areas of Insurance. David had served us – now we **must repay David by contributing to his campaign – contribute and elect David Powell to be our next Insurance Commissioner – we need to elect David so he can continue to serve us as he has ALREADY SERVED US for many years!!!**

ELECT DAVID POWELL TO BE KANSAS INSURANCE COMMISSIONER!!

Taken from Timeline Photos and Quotes:

“Separation of Powers” IS in the constitution. “Separation of church and state” IS NOT!! Congress is the only *legal* authority that shall make laws. So why are judges, random police and the President of the US making laws? Because WE THE PEOPLE DON’T KNOW the Constitution!!! And we’re letting the ones *who want to destroy the Country, run the country!!!*

I’m going to address a subject that is becoming ridiculous, and should not even occur in the primary elections.

Many of our elected officials/employees have in the past and now continue to endorse candidates in primary races. This is a ploy by many of those individuals to influence citizens to vote for their choice of candidate. Isn’t it time our elected officials/employees did the job they are ELECTED TO DO and leave the endorsing to those free to do so? That INCLUDES Senators and Representatives and for that matter Party hierarchy also, are they not to represent all in the party until the people make their decision — DO WHAT THEY ARE ELECTED TO DO & LEAVE THE ENDORSING TO THOSE THAT ENDORSING WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH THEIR ELECTED RESPONSIBILITIES/DUTIES!!! Providing input on a personal level is NOT an endorsement but there should never be a FORMAL PUBLIC ENDORSING before the people make their voices heard. We have elected these officials/employees to do a job for US — to fulfill a position. We DID NOT elect them to pick future candidates for us. Do these officials think we are not smart enough to pick the best candidate? We picked them — Hmmmm — were we wrong about them, too? It’s something to think about.

Here’s an example. Secretary of State Kris Kobach, Lieutenant Governor Jeff Colyer, Attorney General Derek Schmidt all endorsed Senator Pat Roberts, before the Primary election. As a result they were not able to do the jobs they were elected to do when needed. That job was to oversee a hearing when the Kansas citizens objected to Pat Roberts filing to run for US Senator from Kansas when he was violating the Kansas and United States Constitution of *“when elected he would be an inhabitant of KS”*. Roberts only has a mailbox in Dodge City and a Kansas Drivers License. He owns land in Dodge City with a house on it, but has rented it out for years. Roberts has NEVER lived in it, nor anyone in his family. Early in his career, his voting address for his absentee ballot was using a mailbox in front of an empty lot in Dodge City. Robert's car is registered in Virginia – he pays those taxes in Virginia, NOT Kansas. He returns to Kansas ONLY to Campaign!! The Secretary of State Office, Kris Kobach, Lt. Governor’s Office, Jeff Colyer and State Attorney General Office, Derek Schmidt are responsible for hearing the voices of the citizens when they challenge the ability of individuals to run for individual offices. HIRED/UNELECTED individuals took the places of the elected officials on the committee to sit in this situation. Appointed, unelected, individuals were the ones who conducted that hearing. It is the duty of the elected officials to conduct such hearings. The men who actually conducted the hearing are NOT elected officials – they are hired!! The citizens of Kansas elected the men they intended to serve in these matters if and when it became needed, however, they were unavailable to do the job they were elected to do because THEY chose to endorse a candidate. That committee hearing and that judgment was an absolute FARCE!! There was NO CHANCE of a fair hearing!! There was not a thought of even really listening to the citizens raising the formal objection. These 3 elected Kansas Officials gave that committee responsibility over to hired individuals who gave absolutely NO THOUGHT AND/OR CONSIDERATION to actually listening to the Kansas citizens concerns. It was almost a laughing matter to them. The citizens were patted on the

head and told all would be fine.

Providing input on a personal level is not an endorsement but there should never be a FORMAL PUBLIC ENDORSING before the people make their voices heard.

We, the PEOPLE, are quite able to check out those that are running, investigate what they have and have not done, talk to them, ask them questions, see what they have to say, listen to their intentions. Over all I have worked with and supported Kris Kobach – I'm 100% for his voting law. There are some issues I do not agree with, and endorsement is one of them, but for Sec'y of State there is no one more qualified or worthy of my vote. Jeff Colyer is a Sebelius-follower and I've never figured out why Brownback selected him as a running mate. He has been involved in the Medicaid mess up from the get-go. I backed Derek Schmidt when he ran for Attorney General, but will not back him again – he has NOT done a productive thing since he was elected. Think long and hard about what you think, and how and why you think it!! Let me know – let your neighbors know. Let's work it out. Let's elect responsible people, let them know how we feel. Send me your feelings and opinions – I'm very interested and it is very important. This shouldn't have to be made into a law – our elected officials should have enough sense to figure some things out for themselves – or maybe they shouldn't be in positions that require some independent/intelligent thinking. We have some very productive and conservative people in Kansas' offices and some running for those positions. We must study each person – choose them carefully for what they have done and what they say they will do. Have they done what you wanted them to or do you think they will? These decisions are hard ones and way too many times they come back to bite us, but do check it out and make your own decision. Endorsements by elected persons must be well researched and be sure it does NOT interfere with performing their elected duties!! Above all – do your research and then VOTE!! The Primary is AUGUST 5th. Be sure you vote – make your voice heard!!

*Voters have a decision to make in the up coming primary State Representative election in District 64. We have 3 candidates to choose from, but I see only one clear choice. I know that one candidate's husband says he has to ask a family member before a decision can be made about federally mandated Common Core education standards. The second candidate voted in favor of Common Core while on the KS State School Board. The third candidate, **Glen Hawkins**, will oppose Common Core and make his own decisions. Mr. Hawkins is well-worth your consideration. As voters, we need to get it right for our children's future, for Kansas education in general. I am a very concerned citizen.*
~ Larry Tawney

Common Core education? Not in the state of Louisiana

Posted by Bill Bissell, June 19, 2014 at 12:21pm in Patriot Action Alerts

If Gov. Jindal of Louisiana has his way, Common Core education system will not be in Louisiana. Gov. Jindal is making steps to keep it out of that state.

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal took steps Wednesday to block the use of tests tied to the Common Core education standards, a move that puts him at odds with state legislative, education and business leaders, but one that could help the likely 2016 presidential candidate with TEA Party supporters and conservative voters.

Top Louisiana education officials said the Republican governor overstepped his authority, and they intend to go ahead and roll out the standards and the testing tied to them.

Jindal once supported Common Core, but reversed his stance earlier this year. He says federal officials are using the English and math standards adopted by most states as a method for wresting education control from local officials.

"Common Core's become a one-size-fits-all program that simply doesn't make sense for our state," Jindal said at a news conference.

This commonsense governor is getting resistance from the local loon liberals who believe brainwashing your kids for the empire is okay.

[ref: http://www.nola.com/education/index.ssf/2014/06/bobby_jindals_common_core_anno.html]

During a mid-day news conference, Jindal called on the Legislature and state Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to come up with "Louisiana standards and a Louisiana test" to replace Common Core, the country's biggest education change in a generation. But Louisiana's top two education officials said they would not budge.

Isn't it amazing how liberal loons can find ways to resist real commonsense, and cling to communist insanity? If Gov Jindal were eligible for President, he would be making his campaign easy.

Where is the intelligence of our Kansas Governor and Legislators? Make Kansas one of the "NO COMMON CORE" states!! Keep our children free to be what & who they want to be!! Give our teachers the right to teach, they have the ability to not be sheep to the Federal Government!! KANSANS have always been freethinking, NOT followers!! Kansans start thinking on your own!! Do what YOU know to be best for our children, State and Country!!

From [The Daily Signal](#), with commentary by [Brittany Corona @BrittanyLCorona](#)

Even Bill Gates is starting to have second thoughts about the consequences associated with Common Core.

On Tuesday, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation — the second-largest financial backer of Common Core after the federal government — issued a [letter](#) calling for a two-year delay of the full implementation of Common Core, which is set to take effect this 2014-15 school year.

In the [letter](#), Vicki Phillips, the director of education for the Gates Foundation, writes:

"[The] Gates Foundation agrees with those who've decided that *assessment results should not be taken into account in high-stakes decisions on teacher evaluation or student promotion* for the next two years, during this transition [into Common Core]... It's valuable for students to take the Common Core-aligned tests without consequences during this period, so that teachers can get familiar with the tests, have a chance to offer their feedback, and get a feel for the students' successes and challenges."

The Gates Foundation has financed and promoted Common Core from day one. As the Washington Post's Lyndsey Layton [points out](#), "The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation didn't just bankroll the development of what became known as the Common Core State Standards. With more than \$200 million, the foundation also built political support across the country, persuading state governments to make systemic and costly changes."

But the hasty roll-out of Common Core has given even its staunchest proponents pause.

With this letter, the Gates Foundation now joins the American Federation for Teachers, the National Education Association and the United Federation for Teachers in calling for a moratorium on the consequences attached to test scores and teacher evaluations in Common Core.

"You think ObamaCare implementation is bad. The implementation of Common Core is far worse," [said](#) AFT President Randi Weingarten last November after AFT called for a pause on Common Core implementation.

Although Gates and the teachers unions are not opposed to national standards, their pushback against the stakes associated with the Common Core national tests reveals the natural result of such centralization: it further distances the most important stakeholders — parents and teachers — from the educational decision-making process.

As University of Arkansas Professor Jay Greene [argues](#):

"Supporters say states, districts and individual schools would be free to surpass the national standards, just not fall below them. But testing would constrain what was taught and when... States would be penalized with lower scores on the national test if they taught subjects at a different time and in a different manner than what Common Core requires."

Children are unique, with unique learning needs. It's why one size does not fit all in education.

A moratorium will do nothing to solve the problem of teacher-preparedness with Common Core. The problem lies with the push for centralized educational standards.

But there is good news. Opposition to this centralization of education continues to mount as the consequences of adopting Common Core become more evident. To date, [17 states](#) have either withdrawn from the testing consortia or paused implementation — including three that have exited Common Core fully.

SEN. JERRY MORAN on PAT ROBERTS, THE TEA PARTY and THE NRSC'S ROLE IN PROTECTING INCUMBENTS
by [DAVID M. DRUCKER](#) for [THE WASHINGTON EXAMINER](#), MARCH 12, 2014

Sen. Jerry Moran is in a unique position.

The Kansas Republican won his Senate seat in 2010, perhaps benefiting from the National Republican Senatorial Committee's decision to stay out of what was a vigorously contested GOP primary against a fellow incumbent congressman. But as the current NRSC chairman, Moran is throwing his weight around on behalf of Kansas Sen.

Pat Roberts, who is facing a primary challenge from Milton Wolf, a radiologist and distant cousin of President Obama.

The NRSC took a hands-off approach to GOP primaries in 2012, even where incumbents were running for re-election. But since Moran became NRSC chairman last year, the committee has assumed its traditional role of protecting incumbents and playing a role in primary contests. That could put Moran on the spot in Kansas.

The senator is up for re-election in 2016 and could find himself staring down the same collection of activist groups, based in Washington, D.C., and elsewhere — though not in Kansas — who are working to oust Roberts. The same goes for the Republican voters who end up in Wolf's camp in the Aug. 5 primary. But Moran doesn't appear worried.

In a brief interview with the Washington Examiner on Tuesday just off the Senate floor, the NRSC chairman said he expects Roberts to cruise to victory in the primary, while cautioning that there is not a noticeable TEA Party-GOP establishment split among Kansas Republicans that might exist elsewhere. Moran also questioned the power of the out-of-state groups who are supporting Wolf to move the needle. Here's an edited transcript of the exchange: The Washington Examiner: How is Sen. Roberts doing in his primary?

Moran: He's doing very well. I have no doubt [that] Sen. Roberts will be the Republican nominee come August.

Examiner: Talk about Kansas Republican politics and what outsiders should understand. Is there an establishment-TEA Party divide among Kansas GOP primary voters?

Moran: Kansas is a solidly conservative state, so it's perhaps a matter of degree. But there's not a huge divide. The folks who come to a town hall meeting of mine, for example, often espouse very similar views to what somebody from [the] TEA Party would say. And the theme is, 'We want you to live within your means and we want you to abide by the Constitution.' Those are things that are broadly agreed to by most Kansans and certainly by nearly all Republicans. And, so that message from the folks that are described as Tea Party really isn't significantly different from what, broadly, Kansans feel.

Examiner: Are you familiar with Dr. Wolf?

Moran: To my knowledge, I met Dr. Wolf once, and I met him during my own Senate campaign in 2010. To my knowledge, I've not had any conversation or contact with him since then.

Examiner: You had to fight hard to win your 2010 primary. What does that tell you about what Sen. Roberts needs to do for his primary?

Moran: It's a matter of Pat being Pat — that he continues his efforts in visiting with Kansans, telling his story. Others of us understood that his efforts here in Washington, D.C., make a difference; that he brings a conservative kind of Kansas perspective to almost everything we deal with here. I think it's just a matter of what you'd call a campaign that we see every couple years in our state in which you're out having conversations with voters.

Examiner: Does the New York Times story about how much time Sen. Roberts has [spent living](#) in Kansas matter?

Moran: I don't think that this is a significant issue at all. I don't think the conversation that surrounded the story itself was very helpful. Lots of people said lots of things that added onto a story that doesn't exist. I don't think there's Kansans that have the sense that Sen. Roberts isn't a Kansan or has lost touch with our state. I just think a number of people answered questions poorly to the press and then it became a different story than it needed to be.

Examiner: Is Kansas used to seeing political advertising from out-of-state interests and could the outside groups advertising on behalf of Dr. Wolf impact the race, either helping him or turning off voters to his candidacy?

Moran: I don't think we're accustomed to outside money or advertising. That's a pretty unusual thing in our state. It's developed more over time. But still, I think people are generally uncomfortable with it, uncertain as to who is saying this and why they're saying it. And we're still a pretty old-fashioned state, in which voter contact, town hall meeting, handshake on Main Street, conversations at senior center, still matter significantly.

Examiner: Given that the NRSC did not get involved in your 2010 primary, is your participation in the primary this year on behalf of Roberts putting you in an awkward position?

Moran: Our overt effort — when you hear me say that we're supporting someone, it's somebody who is already a United States senator — that's a primary responsibility of the NRSC. In other races, in races across the [country,] we've been trying to get people within the state to come together, to coalesce around a candidate. We're not that overt in trying to influence the outcome of primaries. We want to bring people together in a state to let them do that.

Examiner: You're up for re-election in 2016. Could your support for Roberts come back to haunt you in your own primary?

Moran: It's a reminder to me that the time I spend with Kansans is important and that they need to know that the guy who is the chairman of the NRSC hasn't forgotten who he is, where he comes from, and cares about the same things — shares the same values — as we do. So the only note that I make is, make certain that Kansans continue to know me, see me, understand me, that we have conversations, so that they can see for themselves that I haven't gone to Washington, D.C., and become part of some establishment leadership group.

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*The way I understand this is that Moran thinks the Kansas citizens that formally objected to Pat Roberts' ability to file are insignificant and unimportant. Being one of those people, I do NOT agree. In my book he is just as bad or maybe worse than Pat Roberts. Our group has asked Moran to talk to our group many times – when he was originally running for Senator, after he was elected, and during this campaign. Can anyone tell me of anything out-of-the-ordinary that Senator Jerry Moran has done or even really tried to do since he was elected to the Senate? I know of nothing – **nothing** out of the ordinary! He was seen at McAlister's a couple of times on Wednesday evenings – we invited him to join us and he just disappeared – not to be seen there on Wednesdays again. That's how he works with Home State groups – ignores, won't talk to, etc. We have never been anything but polite, sincere, and inviting. Senator Jerry Moran has acted as if the Flint Hills TEA Party does NOT exist in any way shape or form.*

To finish up this Newsletter I want to give some info on **GLEN R. HAWKINS, resident of Riley, KS running for the 64th Dist. KS House of Representatives. Glen is a true Conservative who wants to make a difference.**

Glen says:

- I was raised on a dairy farm in Minnesota, where I learned about rural values, hard work, and finishing the job right.
- I chose Kansas. My wife & I decided Kansas would be our home after my first duty assignment at Ft. Riley in 1974. We returned to stay in 1998.
- I Retired after 20 years service in the Army.
- I've been married to LaVerne for 41 years. We have 3 grown children: Jonathan, a son who lives in York, NE, with his wife Carlee; Jennifer, a retail store manager in Ogden, UT; and Katherine, a stay-at-home mom with two children, married to Eric, an infantryman at Ft. Carson, CO.
- **Education:** United States Military Academy at West Point, BS, 1973; University of Southern California, MA, International Relations, 1981; Harvard University, MA, History, 1983

POLITICAL PRINCIPLES

- Individual freedom as a God-given right.
- Limited Constitutional government as established by our Founding Fathers.
- Free enterprise and respect for private property
- The right to Keep and bear arms.
- Low taxes and less regulation
- Fiscal responsibility: a balanced budget and government living within its means.
- The sanctity of life.
- Local control of education: NO COMMON CORE.
- Personal responsibility of citizens to provide and care for themselves.
- Faith in GOD is essential to the moral fiber of communities and the nation.
- Faithful adherence to the 10th Amendment.

After the 4th of July parade in Randolph yesterday Glen told us, "I'm not speaking against my opponents, I'm just going to tell folks what I want to accomplish if they will elect me." I've never heard a candidate say that before, but it sounds like a great idea to me. Talk to Glen about YOUR concerns – I'm sure you'll be favorably impressed.