

The Patriots' Truth

Flint Hills T.E.A. Party News

We are hoping to resume our monthly meetings on the 2nd Saturday of the month after the KSU Football season. Check for updates at flinthillsteaparty.com. We are now posting news items, events and these newsletters — both recent and archived issues — at our newly updated website. Weekly meetings are held at McAlister's, 5:30-10pm, Wed. evenings. They are come and go, at your convenience. Your concerns are important – they are why we exist. In this publication: my thoughts are in green, other colors are just for getting attention. Help me include YOU!!

We must continue working, paying attention, informing & most of all PRAYING!! With the help of the LORD we will prevail!! The USA is too important to the world for us, yes us, you and me and all our friends and family, to let it be destroyed – Take a deep breath, PRAY, Forge ahead, we will succeed!!! I truly believe GOD is with us. With GOD's help we won't fail. Be informed, work for the good of the USA.

I want to start the New Year off with a Happy Thought and this certainly is a Happy Thought to Celebrate!!!

A senior gentleman walked up to the front gate of the White House. He told the Marine guard that he wanted to go in and see President Hillary Clinton.

The Marine explained that Mrs. Clinton is not the president and does not reside at the White house.

This occurred for the next 2 days and each day the Marine was very gentle with the senior.

The fourth day he showed up again and said he wanted to go in and see President Hillary Clinton.

This time the Marine got agitated. He told the gentleman, "THIS IS THE 4TH DAY IN A ROW YOU HAVE BEEN HERE. I'M GOING TO EXPLAIN IT ONE MORE TIME! HILLARY CLINTON IS NOT THE PRESIDENT AND SHE DOESN'T LIVE IN THE WHITE HOUSE!! DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT?"

The senior said, "Yes, I understand everything you said."

The Marine then asked, "then why do you keep coming back?"

The senior said, "I just love hearing it"!!

The Marine snapped to attention and saluted the senior and said, "See you tomorrow!"

Let us Pray that we are as happy about this in 4 years as we are now!!!

Subject: Fwd: FW: Maureen Dowd column like you've never seen

It's to be hoped that every wild-eyed liberal devotee of the The New York Times reads liberal columnist Maureen Dowd's column several times, reproduces it in large print, frames it, and mounts it on their bedroom ceiling so it's the first thing they read every day:

Begin forwarded message:

From: Never thought I would ever see a column like the one below from liberal NYT columnist Maureen Dowd. It is so right on!

The most amazing part of this well written piece is the fact Maureen Dowd, a very liberal columnist from the New York Times wrote it!

Maureen Dowd Election Therapy From My Basket of Deplorables

The election was a complete repudiation of Barack Obama: his fantasy world of political correctness, the politicization of the Justice Department and the I.R.S., an out-of-control E.P.A., his neutering of the military, his nonsupport of the police and his fixation on things like transgender bathrooms. Since he became president, his party has lost 63 House seats, 10 Senate seats and 14 governorships.

The country had signaled strongly in the last two midterms that they were not happy. The Dems' answer was to give them more of the same from a person they did not like or trust.

Preaching — and pandering — with a message of inclusion, the Democrats have instead become a party where incivility and bad manners are taken for granted, rudeness is routine, religion is mocked and there is absolutely no respect for a differing

opinion. This did not go down well in the Midwest, where Trump flipped three blue states and 44 electoral votes.

The rudeness reached its peak when Vice President-elect Mike Pence was booed by attendees of "Hamilton" and then pompously lectured by the cast. This may play well with the New York theater crowd but is considered boorish and unacceptable by those of us taught to respect the office of the president and vice president, if not the occupants.

Here is a short primer for the young protesters. If your preferred candidate loses, there is no need for mass hysteria, canceled midterms, safe spaces, crying rooms or group primal screams. You might understand this better if you had not received participation trophies, undeserved grades to protect your feelings or even if you had a proper understanding of civics. The Democrats are now crying that Hillary had more popular votes. That can be her participation trophy.

If any of my sons had told me they were too distraught over a national election to take an exam, I would have brought them home the next day, fearful of the instruction they were receiving. Not one of the top 50 colleges mandate one semester of Western Civilization. Maybe they should rethink that.

Mr. Trump received over 62 million votes, not all of them cast by homophobes, Islamaphobes, racists, sexists, misogynists or any other "ists." I would caution Trump deniers that all of the crying and whining is not good preparation for the coming storm. The liberal media, both print and electronic, has lost all credibility. I am reasonably sure that none of the mainstream print media had stories prepared for a Trump victory. I watched the networks and cable stations in their midnight meltdown — embodied by Rachel Maddow explaining to viewers that they were not having a "terrible, terrible dream" and that they had not died and "gone to hell."

The media's criticism of Trump's high-level picks as "not diverse enough" or "too white and male" — a day before he named two women and offered a cabinet position to an African-American — magnified this fact.

Here is a final word to my Democratic friends. The election is over. There will not be a do-over. So let me bid farewell to Al Sharpton, Ben Rhodes and the Clintons. Note to Cher, Barbra, Amy Schumer and Lena Dunham: Your plane is waiting. And to Jon Stewart, who talked about moving to another planet: Your spaceship is waiting. To Bruce Springsteen, Jay Z, Beyoncé and Katy Perry, thanks for the free concerts. And finally, to all the foreign countries that contributed to the Clinton Foundation, there will not be a payoff or a rebate.

As Eddie Murphy so eloquently stated in the movie "48 Hrs.": "There's a new sheriff in town." And he is going to be here for 1,461 days. Merry Christmas."

From: John D'Alola

FYI, JDA

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http://www.americanthinker.com/blog/2016/12/higher_education_at_the_precipice.html

A straight-A student at Kansas State University has boldly proclaimed that the college emperor has no clothes and bidden a public farewell to what he calls a "scam." This could be a sign of what lies ahead for the left wing propagandists that have taken over our colleges and universities.

An entirely predictable cataclysm awaits the American higher education sector. Having jacked up their prices at roughly triple the rate of inflation for at least 5 decades, college education is no longer affordable without crippling debt for all but the richest families. The sole justification for spending a quarter of a million dollars on a child's education at a full-price private school is that a prestige degree is the gateway to upper middle class work status.

Yet in tandem with higher education's putative lock-grip on career prospects has come an intellectual death spiral into ideology and irrelevance. Bachelors with prestigious baccalaureate degrees are now a cliché; but the underlying fact is that a bachelor's degree in grievance studies (most of the humanities and social sciences are now little but propaganda on the evil of America) does not equip one for useful work.

All of these facts are well known, but have yet to influence a significant-enough segment of the market, with a few exceptions. Instapundit and the University of Tennessee's Glenn Reynolds has ceaselessly been writing about the coming Higher Education Bubble for years now. And he has chronicled the market and ideological forces already closing in on the nation's law schools, as automation and a changing market mean fewer jobs for new graduates. ([Latest news](#): Charlotte Law School students suing and claiming problems not disclosed).

But until the smart kids start saying that they don't need college, that it just isn't worth it, higher education can keep on running toward the cliff. Well, it is starting (hat tip: [Instapundit](#)). Scott Jaschik of [Inside Higher Education](#) (a trade journal) reports:

Billy Willson finished his first (and his last) semester at Kansas State University this week -- and in so doing has set off a debate there and beyond on the value of college and of general education in particular.

In a Facebook post, he announced that he was dropping out, despite having earned a 4.0 grade point average. He said that he would start his own business and learn more from that experience than anything he could hope to achieve at Kansas State or any college. He ran a photo of himself giving the finger to Kansas State, although he's since said he really wants to be doing that to all of higher education. (snip)

"YOU ARE BEING SCAMMED," Willson wrote on Facebook. (The wording, grammar and capitalization quoted here and later in this story are verbatim from Willson's and others' social media posts.) "You may not see it today or tomorrow, but you will see it some day. Heck you may have already seen it if you've been through college. You are being put thousands into debt to learn things you will never even use. Wasting 4 years of your life to be stuck at a paycheck that grows slower than the rate of inflation. Paying \$200 for a \$6 textbook. Being taught by teacher's who have never done what they're teaching. Average income has increased 5x over the last 40 years while cost of college has increased 18x. You're spending thousands of dollars to learn information you won't ever even use just to get a piece of paper."

He added: "Colleges are REQUIRING people to spend money taking gen. ed. courses to learn about the quadratic formula (and other shit they will never use) when they could be giving classes on MARRIAGE and HOW TO DO YOUR TAXES."

His complaints are not political, which really helps spread the discontent. He can't be dismissed on this basis as a crazy rightie. Willson's own first plan, a t-shirt business, will only be stepping stone. But if this angry young man focuses and starts to acquire online education on-demand, as is now possible, he can learn every skill he will need. I live in the San Francisco Bay Area and am exposed to numbers of millennials working in the tech sector. Some have computer science degrees, others do not. All are pulling in enviable wages, and all of them are constantly *acquiring new skills online*. That is the nature of life today for techies.

For this life, an online degree in computer science would be helpful, but a young person like Willson can simply pick up a skill set and get hired without ever paying outrageous tuition.

The marks are wising up.

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What a horrible thought – An education at American college/universities does NOT give an individual the ability to make a living in his chosen field!! We need to be looking into this! If this is true, what can we do, how can we remedy this problem? Our youth and the youth from all over the world coming to America for an education deserve better. What can we do and how can we get started? Someone must have some thoughts on this – I'm listening! Let's figure this out and get started correcting it – NOW!! **GOD will be with us!!**

Another forward from John.

KU libraries are offering these pins so students can make clear their preferred gender pronouns

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — University of Kansas students are being offered buttons through the school's [library](#) system meant to make their preferred gender pronouns clear.

Various University of Kansas Libraries employees now sport the square-shaped pins, with extra ones also doled out to interested students, [the Lawrence Journal-World](#) reports.

Library leaders say the buttons are part of the library system's "You Belong Here" marketing effort meant to lure undergraduates and ensure that they feel welcome, including transgender students.

The buttons come in three versions: "He him his," "She her hers" and, for people who don't identify themselves as male or female, "They them theirs."

"Because gender is, itself, fluid and up to the individual," a sign at the libraries reads. "Each person has the right to identify their own pronouns, and we encourage you to ask before assuming someone's gender. Pronouns matter! Misgendering someone can have lasting consequences, and using the incorrect pronoun can be hurtful, disrespectful, and invalidate someone's identity."

Expressing gender identity through buttons or other means has cropped up elsewhere in the interest of inclusion. Buttons were given out at the start of this semester at Vermont's Champlain College, home to a new [Women and Gender Center](#). Students and teachers at the University of Vermont also have worn name tags and made business cards with their preferred pronouns. The University of Michigan this semester began letting students designate their own pronouns that will be reflected on class rosters.

At Kansas, library workers can choose whether they want to wear them, said Rebecca Smith, the library system's chief of communications and advancement.

Extra buttons are available at some library counters, and the libraries have reordered them at least once to keep up with demand, Smith said.

"We've told all of our front-line employees, if a student asks, give them a button," Smith said.

"A commitment to support the voices of marginalized people is part and parcel to the libraries' commitment to the values of the First Amendment," added Kevin Smith, the university's libraries dean who is not related to Rebecca Smith.

What will they think of next? Isn't this getting a bit ridiculous? Can't we just communicate with each other? I always thought it was GOD's choice if we are male or female, but if you choose to pick your own – OK just tell me!!

LIBERTY ALLIANCE

12-31-16

Vladimir Putin demonstrated he has more class in his little finger than Barack Obama has in his whole body including those size 16 shoes, specially made by a company that outfits clowns. We are not laughing, but in an obtuse way Mr. Obama has made Mr. Trump's job easier as Mr. Putin laughs him off. Mr. Trump should invite the 35 Russian diplomats back and have a nice dinner at the White House and send Barack Obama a roast crow.

Mr. Putin wrote: "The diplomats who are returning to Russia will spend the New Year's holidays with their families and friends. We will not create any problems for US diplomats. We will not expel anyone. We will not prevent their families and children from using their traditional leisure sites during the New Year's holidays. Moreover, I invite all children of US diplomats accredited in Russia to the New Year and Christmas children's parties in the Kremlin."

Talk about turning the Obama sword on him and twisting it! In a few brief sentences, Putin made Obama into the villain and himself into the hero. Good job, Barack. I wonder who could take office soon to make you look like the villain you and swoop in on his white horse to save the day? Oops...But, this was not all of Barack's skullduggery: Mr. Obama just signed more than 3500 new Regulations, all designed to give Mr. Trump problems if allowed to stand. They will go as soon as President Trump can get his pen in hand, giving him another opportunity to prove his political and best-for-the-country chops, but what a childish, petulant thing to do.

Meanwhile back in the Kremlin, Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov recommended Russian President Vladimir Putin execute a retaliation in kind, and expel 35 American diplomats, saying "...we cannot leave such acts unanswered. Reciprocity is part of diplomatic law"

In response Mr. Putin took the high road, rejected the Lavrov proposal, and posted a statement saying Russia won't expel any Americans in retaliation to US moves. He nailed Barack to the wall of utter irrelevance. Mr. Putin could only have made it worse adding, "Now the grown-ups are in charge." Mr. Putin ended the statement by congratulating U.S. President-elect Donald Trump, and the American people on the New Year and invited the children of US diplomats to a holiday celebration at the Kremlin.

Donald Trump responded, "I always knew Mr. Putin was smart." The only sounds from the Democrats were those of crickets. On Facebook former Russian President, now Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev, wrote the Obama administration was ending in "...anti-Russia death throes. It is regrettable that the Obama Administration, which started out by restoring our ties, is ending its term in an anti-Russia death throes. RIP."

President Putin laughed off Obama's temper tantrum added Russia has the right to respond in tit-for-tat manner, but will not engage in irresponsible diplomacy. Wrapping with, "It's a pity that the current U.S. administration is finishing their work in such a manner," and Russia refuses "to sink to the level of this irresponsible "kitchen" diplomacy." This is bull ring bandillero style darting by a man who knows what he is doing, unlike our President.

Barack Hussein Obama is the distillation of 50 years of Affirmative Action. He is intelligent, coming by it naturally with two academic parents. Had he not been handed everything free for the color of his skin he could have been something great instead of just a clever, but petulant brat always believing he is the smartest man in the room and prone to tantrums when it is clear that he is not.

Our President-elect was the son of a hard-working, smart developer who depended on highly skilled specialists from engineers to nail pounders. Young Donald admired the men who built things and spent every minute with them he could. He learned the business, literally from the ground up, respecting workers at all levels. He learned to recognize sincerity and skill. When he was undertaking his first big project the most impressive manager candidate was a woman! Mr. Trump rattled the business by appointing her as the boss of the job building Trump Tower, the focal point of his empire. She came in ahead of schedule and under budget!

Mr. Trump appreciates that we and Russia have a common enemy: Islam. Russia has millions of ethnic Russian Muslims. The World War III is under way. Both we and Russia are the targets and defenders. We stand a much greater chance of victory by working and standing together. Putin and Trump recognize that. Mr. Obama was made Muslim at age six to the Imams he is or if not committing apostasy the penalty for which is death, hence some of his recent moves against Israel to identify his allegiance with Islam.

The most likely truth is that Mr. Obama has no faith, but Obama. He is a terminal narcissist and will be, or say, whatever it takes to promote Obama in his religion of self. It is just that simple.

It is about time someone took Barack Obama for what he is --- nothing, at least, nothing important. If anything his wife has earned the title of being even less. She cut our children's lunches to so much NOTHING that they became so tired and not able to think BEFORE the end of their school day. Is that the way the Obama children ate??? I don't know, but I sincerely doubt it.

MAIN NAVIGATION EXPOSED: HOW BARACK & MICHELLE OBAMA REALLY LOST THEIR LAW LICENSES

OCTOBER 14, 2016| BY KIM PINES

The mainstream media will never report much on the fact that both Barack and Michelle Obama lost their law licenses for criminal behavior. How would they have gotten the president elected by covering this story? Do you think his followers would have still voted for him knowing he lost his law license?

President Barack Obama, former editor of the Harvard Law Review, is no longer a "lawyer". He surrendered his license back in 2008 in order to escape charges he lied on his bar application. A "Voluntary Surrender" is not something where you decide "Gee, a license is not really something I need anymore, is it?" and forget to renew your license. No, a "Voluntary Surrender" is something you do when you've been accused of something, and you 'voluntarily surrender' your license five seconds before the state suspends you.

According to *BeforeItsNews*, in 2008, Obama surrendered his law license on charges that he lied on his bar application. What? Saint Obama lied? Say it ain't so! In 1993, Michelle surrendered her law license when a federal judge told her she could either surrender her license or be charged with insurance fraud. So, both of them engaged in "voluntary surrender." Why didn't they fight the charges unless they knew they were about to be accused of something? So shady! **So Shady?? So like the Obama's – but then they have so much to hide. Let us be glad they are "gone". But are they?? They have plans to continue to be in the "Linelight" – Let's stop them!!**

KANSANS FOR LIFE

UPCOMING EVENTS

- [Rally for Life in Topeka, Monday, Jan. 23](#)
- [Perinatal Hospice Care, Wichita, Tuesday, Jan. 24](#)
- [Valentine Banquet, Overland Park, Tuesday, Feb. 7](#)
- [Prayer Breakfast, Saturday, Feb. 11](#)
- [Valentine Banquet, Wichita, Saturday, Feb. 18](#)

[KFL.org](#): Contact us: 800-928-5433

Obama's Legacy

Now that President Obama is within 20 or less days of finishing his 8 year run as President, he is telling us about the legacy he created in his 8 years. I wonder if he'll include the following?

Here is a list of his impressive accomplishments:

1. First President to be photographed smoking a joint
2. First President to apply for college aid as a foreign student, then deny he was a foreigner.
3. First President to have a social security number from a state he has never lived in.
4. First President to preside over a cut to the credit-rating of the United States.
5. First President to violate the War Powers Act.
6. First President to be held in contempt of court for illegally obstructing oil drilling in the Gulf of Mexico.
7. First President to require all Americans to purchase a product from a third party.
8. First President to spend a trillion dollars on "shovel-ready" jobs when there was no such thing as "shovel-ready" jobs.
9. First President to abrogate bankruptcy law to turn over control of companies to his union supporters.
10. First President to by-pass Congress and implement the Dream Act through executive fiat.
11. First President to order a secret amnesty program that stopped the deportation of illegal immigrants across the U.S., including those with criminal convictions.
12. First President to demand a company hand-over \$20 Billion to one of his political appointees.
13. First President to tell a CEO of a major corporation (Chrysler) to resign.
14. First President to terminate America's ability to put a man in space.
15. First President to cancel the National Day of Prayer and to say that America is no longer a Christian nation.
16. First President to have a law signed by an auto-pen without being present.
17. First President to arbitrarily declare an existing law unconstitutional and refuse to enforce it.
18. First President to threaten insurance companies if they publicly spoke out on the reasons for their rate increases.
19. First President to tell a major manufacturing company in which state it is allowed to locate a factory.
20. First President to file lawsuits against the states he swore an oath to protect (AZ, WI, OH, IN).

21. First President to withdraw an existing coal permit that had been properly issued years ago.
22. First President to actively try to bankrupt an American industry (coal).
23. First President to fire an inspector general of AmeriCorps for catching one of his friends in a corruption case.
24. First President to appoint 45 czars to replace elected officials in his office.
25. First President to surround himself with radical left wing anarchists.
26. First President to golf more than 150 separate times in his five years in office.
27. First President to hide his birth, medical, educational and travel records.
28. First President to win a Nobel Peace Prize for doing NOTHING to earn it.
29. First President to go on multiple "global apology tours" and concurrent "insult our friends" tours.
30. First President to go on over 17 lavish vacations, in addition to date nights and Wednesday evening White House parties for his friends paid for by the taxpayers.
31. First President to have personal servants (taxpayer funded) for his wife.
32. First President to keep a dog trainer on retainer for \$102,000 a year at taxpayer expense.
33. First President to fly in a personal trainer from Chicago at least once a week at taxpayer expense.
34. First President to repeat the Quran and tell us the early morning call of the Azan (Islamic call to worship) is the most beautiful sound on earth.
35. First President to side with a foreign nation over one of the American 50 states (Mexico vs. Arizona).
36. First President to tell the military men and women that they should pay for their own private insurance because they "volunteered to go to war and knew the consequences."
37. Then he was the First President to tell the members of the military that THEY were UNPATRIOTIC for balking at the last suggestion.

I feel much better now. I had been under the impression he hadn't been doing ANYTHING. Impressive, isn't it?
 Makes me wonder how many of these accomplishments can and will be Undone by our incoming President.

Obama's Last Days are a Blueprint for World War

Some of you are probably old enough to remember the bumper sticker "What If They Gave A War And No One Came?" Incredibly, we are now getting the answer to that question from Russian leader Alexander Putin.

Nobel Peace Prize winner Barak Obama keeps trying to start a war with Russia, and Putin keeps refusing to show up! (See my Patriot article Obama Has Brought the US to the Brink of War with Russia, 10/6/16, for recent background)

Obama's latest provocation has been to close two Russian diplomatic compounds in the US and expel 35 diplomats for no demonstrable reason whatsoever; along with new sanctions. (Totally unsupported allegations of Russian hacking of US elections is the official cover story) These are the kinds of actions that precede a declaration of war. The Cuban Missile Crisis didn't produce this much action.

But Putin's response has been simply to announce that he will not respond in kind. The Russian embassy in London Tweeted that the Obama administration is "hapless," and attached a picture of a duck with the word "LAME" printed across it. Poor, stupid Obama.

Except that he's actually not poor, or that stupid. He has another iron in the start-WWIII-fire; and he clearly hates what is left of the Judeo-Christian world.

Obama instructed our UN Ambassador Samantha Power to "abstain" in the December 23 UN Security Council vote on Resolution 2334 (while you were getting ready for Christmas). This resolution is reliably reported to have in fact been engineered by the Obama administration.

OBAMA'S GREATEST ACCOMPLISHMENT: BUILT THE STRONGEST REPUBLICAN PARTY EVER!!!

Should we thank Obama for waking the Republican Party up?? Let us wait & see how awake they are. Are they just pretending for now or will they become true Republicans??

MY PEOPLE SKILLS ARE JUST FINE!! It's My Tolerance to Idiots that Needs Work!!

Read and Decide if this is the “degree” you want our children to get from School!!

FYI,

The article sounds so peachy-keen - but what it is is an indictment of government schools which do not (cannot?) graduate students who can do math, read, and accomplish any degree of research. If graduating students have these abilities, would not the diploma they receive mean that KANSASWORKS was superfluous baggage?

Wonder how many tax dollars would be freed up if KANSASWORKS was shutdown, tax dollars that might then be dedicated to improving classroom instruction, not to school overhead and lawsuits for more tax dollars.

One accomplishment of such programs is that they provide employment for all those involved in the conduct and management of the programs.

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<http://www.wibw.com/content/news/Pottawatomie-County-improves-its-employee-base-with-409720365.html>

WAMEGO (WIBW) -- The Pottawatomie County Economic Development Corporation (PCEDC) has worked with local community leaders, educators and employers to certify Pottawatomie county as an ACT Work Ready Community.

The ACT website shows that Pottawatomie County is the third county in the state to join over 140 certified counties in the nation. The certification will help employees and students know what their strengths and weaknesses are, and help employers place new hires based on what they can demonstratively do through testing.

“With the hard work of local superintendents, principals, guidance counselors and human resource managers through the Human Resource Management Network of Manhattan (HRMN), our team was able to get the necessary Work Keys assessments and support from the business community in order to get the county certified,” said Jack Allston, PCEDC executive director. “A major team member was Jo Brunner with KANSASWORKS. She and her team were instrumental in promoting and testing significant current and transitional workers.”

PCEDC and KANSASWORKS have tested over 400 students and workers in the Pottawatomie County.

“The ACT Kansas Work Ready Certificate shows an employer the basic skill levels a job applicant has in Math, Reading and Locating for Information,” said Jo Brunner, workforce services supervisor at KANSASWORKS. “The employer can then determine what additional training, if any they may choose to provide, to the jobseeker upon hire. The skills identified by the assessments reflect skills needed in almost all jobs.”

Brunner said, “In the Junction City and Manhattan Workforce Centers KANSASWORKS provides the Career Ready 101 online refresher course for those people seeking employment and we provide the WorkKeys assessments so that jobseekers can obtain a Kansas Work Ready Certificate.”

Over 50 employers in the Pottawatomie County area are currently participating and recognize the ACT Work Ready Certification. Employers can review workers and students and match them to the job skills they require for open job positions.

“Currently we use [the certificates] as pre-employment tools for certain departments,” said Dawn Van Horn, human resources director for the city of Junction City. “By obtaining the certificate, you are slotted to progress through the pre-employment recruitment process. As a municipality, budget dollars are tight and accounted for. This program is no-cost to the potential candidate or employer. It provides the candidate with another tool for their career progression and provides an employer with an assessment of what potential candidates can bring to the table as far as skill sets and capabilities.”

Jobseekers can complete the certificate testing in the KANSASWORKS workforce centers. Companies can look online at www.workkeys.org under occupational profiles to see what test scores exist for similar jobs throughout the nation.

Your company can recognize the ACT Work Ready Certification and review workers and students that match the job skills you need.

To learn how your company can utilize this program or learn more about testing, contact the PCEDC at (785) 456-9776 or email jessica@ecodevo.com.

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This is a very disturbing truth to me. I know of students with learning disabilities that can hardly write, spell, and do math that have “graduated” from Kansas High Schools. They graduated “with honors” and have “Work Ready Certificate”; however, employers will NOT hire them because they know they do not have the “Reading & Writing” Skills they want their employees to have. The schools no longer have to work with these students – but they never actually taught them the reading, writing and math they need to participate in life as needed. Then they wonder why we have so many unemployed and unemployable in our population. In their opinion

they have “taught” them to be “hirable” and then wash their hand of them. I’m not saying it would be easy, but to be fair to the parents and students the schools should make the parents and students aware of what the student has and has NOT learned. I don’t know IF there are different diplomas for these students or not. I want to stress – these students have NOT been taught the skills needed to be a productive part of our country’s society. Our basic schools need to be teaching the basic needs of our population.

At the Flint Hills TEA Party meeting Wednesday evening at McAlisters I was told we need articles on “DRAIN THE SWAMP” in the newsletter. Here is what I found:

Originally it referred to:

DRAIN THE SWAMP

About

“Drain the Swamp” refers to draining the water out of a marsh in order to exterminate a population of mosquitoes spreading malaria, which is often used metaphorically in political contexts when promising the removal of undesirable elements from government.

Origin

According to etymologist Barry Popik,^[10] “drain the swamp” was originally used metaphorically in 1903 by Social Democratic Party organizer Winfield R. Gaylord in a letter discussing how socialists wish to deal with big business: “Socialists are not satisfied with killing a few of the mosquitoes which come from the capitalist [sic] swamp; they want to drain the swamp.”

Spread

In 1983, the 40th President of the United States Ronald Reagan revealed that “draining the swamp” of big government would be a primary focus of his administration. Immediately after the September 11th, 2001 attacks, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld pledged to “drain the swamp” where terrorists reside.^[5] In 2006, Democratic congresswoman Nancy Pelosi announced she would “drain the swamp” after being elected Speaker of the House of Representatives following 10 years of Republican control of Congress.^[4] On August 1st, 2010, [Urban Dictionary](#)^[2] user vanderpol submitted a definition for “drain the swamp,” defining its figurative use as “to exterminate something that is harmful,” noting that the term “is especially attractive for politicians.”

<http://knowyourmeme.com/photos/1189502>

On October 23rd, 2015, Republican presidential candidate Ben Carson released a campaign ad titled “Drain the Swamp,” calling for voters to elect him to clean up the United States government (shown below, left). On October 17th, Trump delivered a speech outlining his plan to “drain the swamp” in Washington, D.C., noting that he planned to place new regulations preventing executive branch officials and Congress from lobbying after they leave office (shown below, right).

On October 18th, Trump tweeted that he will “make our government honest again,” along with the hashtag “#DrainTheSwamp” (shown below).^[3] Within one month the tweet gathered upwards of 28,000 likes and 13,000 retweets.

<http://knowyourmeme.com/photos/1189501>

On October 23rd, political cartoonist [Ben Garrison](#) released an illustration titled “Drain the Swamp,” in which Trump is shown pulling the plug on a drain to suck down Hillary and Bill Clinton, Paul Ryan and John Podesta along with the words “corruption,” “war” and “crime” (shown below). That day, the cartoon reached the front page of the [/r/the donald](#)^[7] subreddit.

On October 20th, 2016, Redditor the-real Donald Trump submitted a post titled “Drain the Swamp” about the upcoming final presidential debate. Over the next month, the post received more than 13,000 votes (61% upvoted) and 17,000 comments on [/r/the donald](#).^[1] On October 26th, the women’s interest site [Bustle](#)^[8] published an article titled “What Does ‘Drain the Swamp; Mean?”, noting that Trump enthusiasts were using the hashtag in the context of purging media professionals. The same day, the news site [Slate](#)^[11] published an article about the history of the expression in politics.

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OK. Now you know the origin of the term “Drain the Swamp”. In the future I will post articles found on line explaining the many ways the term “Drain the Swamp” can be applied to our Country & Government & Government Officials. Stay tuned!!

I hate it when the voices in my head go silent.... I never know what they are planning

Presidents I've Known by George Roof, Chief Master Sergeant (Retired), US Air Force Taxidermist in Magnolia, Delaware (born in Lexington, SC)

Because I am a "lifer" in the military, I've seen the impact of a president more than many of you can imagine. I enlisted with LBJ and saw just what a Democrat clusterflock was all about. I went to Vietnam and saw how we were constantly and incessantly bombarded with micromanagement from Washington that got thousands of military people killed. I sometimes wonder if I'll get to heaven, but if I go to hell, I'm sure I'll still be a few hundred floors above that bastard Robert McNamara, LBJ, John Kerry, Jane Fonda, and yes, even the "hero" John McCain.

After Johnson "abdicated" rather than having his ass waxed, I lived through Nixon who was hawkish but allowed the generals (and there WERE a few real generals back then versus now) run the show. He was so out of touch that he never knew North Vietnam was about to surrender when the Paris Accord was presented.

Only God could help us after Gerald Ford was beaten by Jimmy Peanuts who'd been funded by Saudi money. The military was turned into Section 8 and even the Whitehouse suffered the austerity.

Then the light began to shine and Ronald Reagan swept into the fray. He not only loved the country and the military, they loved him back. Esprit d'corps was off the scale during his presidency. The Liberals were slowly turning into socialists, however, and about this time all the draft dodgers of the 1960's who'd been given amnesty by Jimmy Peanuts were turning out college graduates with degrees in socialism.

Bush 1 was an enigma from the CIA and though he never did much either way, he NEVER DID MUCH EITHER WAY.

Welcome to Bill Clinton. Clinton spent most of his two terms wagging the dog and creating the Oral Office, sending a bomber to blow up Qaddafi's tent and killing a goat or two, while allowing the UN to set up the infamous Black Hawk Down situation. He made history by becoming only the second president to be impeached.

I actually felt sorry for Bush 2. He was doomed to infamy from the start. He thought most of America was still the rah rah patriots of WWII when they were simply socialists waiting to feed him to the sharks.

Then there came the Manchurian Candidate with a faked (OK Democrats, let's say "of questionable origin" to assuage your PC brains) birth certificate, who'd gotten a free ride through college under a foreign student exemption, and whose college records and complete life history had been sealed. (We know more about Thomas Jefferson's bastard children than we do about Obama, Michelle, OR their two kids.) From his inaugural address, he slandered America and within days had begun to encourage dissension of the races as well as slandering police who "acted stupidly." That was mild to the crap that would come in doubling the national debt from what had been built by ALL THE PREVIOUS PRESIDENTS COMBINED, feeding us bullshit about how Muslims built this country, and nationalizing American industries.

Fueled by George Soros' money and using the Air Force fleet as his personal charters, he appointed malcontents and traitors into positions of authority. He trashed the Constitution by installing "ozars" (interesting he chose a title like that) to bypass Congressional authority. By that time, Congress was completely corrupt on both sides of the aisle. No one had balls to impeach this charlatan.

Mysteriously, the lone outspoken conservative Supreme Court Justice suddenly dies in his sleep at an Obama pal's hunting lodge and the Supreme Court is evenly split. Finally, Congress shows some balls and rejects Obama's nomination. The Libertards aren't worried because the fix is in. Soros has paid demonstrators to cause turmoil at all the Republican gatherings, Obama concedes that illegal aliens should vote as they won't be prosecuted, and Soros-manufactured voting machines are caught switching votes in certain precincts. Hillary has cheated her way to the nomination and her lies are completely ignored by the brainwashed minions of sycophants who follow her.

But a shocking thing happened on the way to the forum. \

Middle America had had enough and although the pollsters and the pipers tried to convince them not even to bother to vote, they were fed up with the denizens of the swamp. It was time. Florida was designated a "swing" state ignoring that all those old retirees living in St. Petersburg, and the fed up Cuban Americans of Miami weren't interested in their platform. Ohio and Pennsylvania, where coal production was blacklisted and where Obama had ridiculed them for "clinging to their Bibles and their guns," lay awaiting this supposed "landslide" Hillary vote and creamed it.

The Socialist world of the Democratic Party disintegrated. An American who expressed unbridled love of country and respect for police, firemen, and military steamrolled across the heartland and the liberals realized their scheme was trashed.

A CONSTITUTIONALIST would be nominated to the Supreme Court and if the hag who'd claimed to retire if Trump were elected would actually leave, the Supreme Court would have a massive majority of CONSTITUTIONALISTS for the next 40-50 years.

Now, the same party who'd ridiculed Trump on his comments about the election being rigged, started screaming that the election was rigged. They even advocated having the election repeated. They created mobs that burned and pillaged, stopped traffic, threatened murder, batter and rape of Trump supporters, and became the anarchists that the socialist dream thrives upon. They run like castrated

pigs for safe zones and use diaper pins as their national symbol.

This is exactly what happens when political correctness takes over and participation trophies are awarded to everyone. They can't conceive how disgusting and subservient they have become. Donald Trump may NOT be the best person for the job, but he's such a welcome respite from the candy-assed whimps who've been running the swamp that it's refreshing to see.

At the very least, Donald Trump derailed the Socialist train and bought us precious time. If he only does half of what he's promised, we'll still be legions ahead of where Obama has dragged us. Already countries who held us in contempt are lining up to be found in the favor of America.

So for you liberal lurkers and you half-assed fence-sitters, kiss off. You had your big hurrah and now your party is over. For you staunch Republicans in office, don't gloat so much yourselves. You've been put on notice by the American people that we're fed up with ALL YOU BASTARDS and if you don't start putting America first, you do so at your own peril.

You might want to buy a copy of George McGovern's autobiography and see how shocking and humbling it can be for a professional politician to have to try to find legitimate work once he falls from grace. This election was pure, unadulterated AMERICAN. Hillary got beaten and AMERICA WON THE ELECTION.

You can claim he's not "your president" all you want, but unless you forfeit your American citizenship, YES HE IS!!!! Go cry a river some place they need water.

This came from a man who should know what he is talking about. Face up – the Swamp is Draining, rather we like it or not!!

Do YOU receive political emails from many different sources? I do, I subscribe to them. Many of them are talking about repealing OBAMACARE – Their plans of replacing OBAMACARE are unclear. People must have something to go to IMMEDIATELY!! There canNOT be a time when they are NOT covered. This is the problem Congress now faces. If the entire nation had the law Kansan has there would be no problem. We have the freedom to buy insurance from any insurance company in the state. The law could be passed that all citizens have the freedom to buy Health Insurance from any Insurance Company they please. Put the Insurance Companies in competition with each other. You might be surprised how low health insurance could go. GOD be with Congress as they struggle with this problem & help them find a solution to this huge problem. GOD help them solve this problem quickly, successfully by working together. GOD be with us all!!

BEN CARSON on MUSLIMS

This has been the underlying premise that has kept Christianity and Islam at war for almost 2000 years. They cannot and will not assimilate into any society that does not embrace their theocratic views. Europe has already suffered a recent invasion of Muslims under the guise of refugees that will destroy Europe as we and they knew it. To ignore the same here will be at our peril.

This denial has been the downfall of every non-Muslim nation who has refused to or has been afraid to believe it - do not fall into the trap of thinking anyone who is aware is racist or paranoid - the informed always have the advantage.

I want adults and children to understand this regarding MUSLIMS.

CAN MUSLIMS BE GOOD AMERICANS?

This is very interesting and we all need to read it from start to finish. And send it on to everyone. Maybe this is why our American Muslims are so quiet and not speaking out about any atrocities.

Can a good Muslim be a good American?

Theologically - no. Because his allegiance is to Allah, The moon god of Arabia .

Religiously - no. Because no other religion is accepted by his Allah except Islam. (Quran,2:256)(Kora

Scripturally - no. Because his allegiance is to the five Pillars of Islam and the Quran.

Geographically - no. Because his allegiance is to Mecca, to which he turns in prayer five times a day.

Socially - no. Because his allegiance to Islam forbids him to make friends with Christians or Jews.

Politically - no. Because he must submit to the mullahs, who teach annihilation of Israel and destruction of America , the great Satan.

Domestically - no. Because he is instructed to marry four women and beat and scourge his wife when she disobeys him. (Quran 4:34

Intellectually - no. Because he cannot accept the American Constitution since it is based on Biblical principles and he believes the Bible to be corrupt.

Philosophically - no. Because Islam, Muhammad, and the Quran do not allow freedom of religion and expression.

Democracy and Islam cannot co-exist. Every Muslim government is either dictatorial or autocratic.

Spiritually - no. Because when we declare 'one nation under God,' The Christian's God is loving and kind, while Allah is NEVER referred to as Heavenly father, nor is he ever called love in the Quran's 99 excellent names.

Therefore, after much study and deliberation...Perhaps we should be very suspicious of ALL MUSLIMS in this country. They obviously cannot be both 'good' Muslims and 'good' Americans. Call it what you wish, it's still the truth. You had better believe it. The more who understand this, the better it will be for our country and our future.

The religious war is bigger than we know or understand! ;

Footnote: The Muslims have said they will destroy us from within. SO FREEDOM IS NOT FREE.

The Military wants this message to roll all over the U.S. Please don't delete this until you send it on.

Geez, I never thought of it this way. Now I'm thinking we should block Muslims entirely. We must protect ourselves. I don't care if it isn't NICE. Is it nice for them to come and try to destroy us?? Wake up, folks!! The USA does NOT have to allow everyone in. As a matter of fact I think we should carefully screen everyone and limit incoming entirely. The USA is NOT getting any larger and can only support so many people. Am I crazy?

A short and informative read. Our fore-fathers were brilliant!

I knew this all along! Didn't everybody?

A MUST READ!

In case you have not seen a previous analysis of the popular vs. Electoral College vote debate, this is a good one.

For those who think the Electoral college is outdated and should be eliminated, here is why it is so extremely integral in a Representative Republic, otherwise we have nothing but mob rule!! tw.

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Summary: "So, in effect, Hillary was elected president of California and Trump was elected president of the rest of the country by a substantial margin."

We hear a cacophony of blaring and bleating from the media and the Hillary gaggle that she won the popular vote and therefore she should be president, 60,839,497 to 60,265,847. 47.8% to 47.3% with the remaining 4.9% going to the other candidates.

But here are the facts:

Trump won the popular vote in 31 states to her 19 and DC. 62% to her 38%.

Trump led in the total popular vote for all states except California.

Hillary won California 5,860,714 to Trump's 3,151,821. 61.6% to 33.1% exclusive of the other candidates.

Thus California gave Hillary the popular vote for all states claimed by the Democrats and their media stooges.

But deduct her California vote from her national vote leaving her with 54,978,783, and deduct Trump's California vote from his national total, leaving him with 57,113,976, he wins in a landslide in the other 49 states, 51.3% to her 48.7%.

So, in effect, Hillary was elected president of California and Trump was elected president of the rest of the country by a substantial margin.

This exemplifies the wisdom of the Electoral College, to prevent the vote of any one populace state from overriding the vote of the others.

Trump's Campaign Manager, Kellyanne Conway, whose expertise is polling, saw this early on and devised her strategy of "6 pathways to the White House".

This meant ignoring California with its huge Democrat majority and going after the states that would give him the necessary electoral votes to win, FL, NC, MI, PA, OH, and WI.

At its lowest point since the civil war! Could this mean the end of the Democrat Party? When the afternoon of January 20, 2017 arrives, the Republican Party will have:

- 1) The Presidency.
- 2) A majority of the House of Representatives.
- 3) A majority of the Senate.
- 4) Almost two-thirds of all the governorships.
- 5) Total control of the statehouses in almost two-thirds of all the states.

And in the near future, Republicans will be able to add:

- 6) A majority of the Supreme Court.

The above has NEVER happened before in American history.

Think about that and let it sink in for a moment...

And it's all because of one reason:

Barack Obama's forcing his extreme far-left agenda on an unwilling country by executive orders, left wing judges, and obsequious bureaucrats.

It's important to pass this on. With the demand that we do away with the Electoral College and take the popular vote being pushed by the media, etc, all Americans need to know that the Electoral College is working exactly as our Founding Fathers intended.

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