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REMEMBERING OUR HEROS INCLUDING ONE OF OUR OWN

Below left is Nick Benzschawel and his wife Mary who live in Meridian. Nick was a member of Seal Team 1 and did four tours of duty in Vietnam. He was Awarded many medals including The Bronze Star V, Purple Heart, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry, Meritorious Service Award and a Presidential Unit Citation. Thank you for your service Nick.



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TAKING BACK YOUR TOWN

By Jason Casella - Panda Idaho

This article is for those who are aware of what is happening in our Country and our World in general. If you have taken the red pill and are truly awake and aware and are ready to do something about it peacefully while we still can, please continue reading. If you have chosen the blue pill and wish to go back to sleep and bury your head in the sand, please keep moving---there is nothing to see here... As our founding fathers once said: "It does not take a majority to prevail... but rather an irate, tireless minority, keen on setting brushfires of freedom in the minds of men." -Samuel Adams; and "If there be trouble, let it be in my day, that my child may have peace." -Thomas Paine

You already know that there are a myriad of issues we are facing from tyrannical laws invading all aspects of our life from healthcare to education to property rights to Constitutional rights. Executive orders like 13603 and 10999 taking control over essentially every resource and every person being passed. Not to mention the Billions of rounds of hollow point bullets and things being done without laws being passed such as outlined here: <http://www.stopthecrime.net/docs/SILENT.pdf>. Benjamin Franklin said we have "a Republic... if you can keep it" Bill Cooper said: "You will have a choice, either you can resist; or you can bend over and shackle your own two feet and walk peacefully into slavery." Which do you choose? Have there not been enough people who have paid the ultimate price to bring you this information and who have fought for the freedoms you have enjoyed up to this point? I ask you, what do you leave for the next generation? What will your legacy be and what role will you play in the history books? One day when your children and grandchildren ask you if you did EVERYTHING you could to stop what we all know is coming, will you be able to TRUTHFULLY say yes?

I always find it funny when people try to discredit the many who have warned us about what we are seeing unfold today. If you have listened to Milton William Cooper at all and read his book Behold a Pale Horse along with taking his famous quote to task "Listen to and read everything you can get your hands on; believe nothing you cannot prove with your own research." You would know that everything that is being carried out has been told to us, has been written, documented in their own words. Quote: **"Some even believe we are part of a secret cabal working against the best interests of the United States, characterizing my family and me as 'internationalists' and of conspiring with others around the world to build a more integrated global political and economic structure - one world, if you will. If that's the charge, I stand guilty, and I am proud of it."** -David Rockefeller (Memoirs page 405). All is there out in the open for anyone to view, if they take the time to do so, they would know what I do; you don't have a choice. Quote: "A nation of people who will not use their intelligence are no better than animals who do not have intelligence. Such people are steaks on the table and beasts of burden by choice and consent." Do you fit that description? I certainly hope not. If you do, then it's time to wake up and change it. If you really want to know in a nutshell what is wrong with this country, go in your bathroom and look in the mirror.

Once you have taken a good hard look in the mirror, and determine where your rights come from; it's time to take action. I chose to start my action with the NDAA being that anyone can be detained without charge or trial indefinitely; I thought that would be a good place to start. It's a little difficult to get people to be vocal and assert their rights with fear of being kidnapped by the military. If you are standing up for anything against the status quo of the establishment, you can be detained indefinitely without charge or trial. So far that choice has proven to be a very good one. Not only ensuring everyone has the right to due process when they plan to take action is a good peace of mind to have. But, when the masses truly know that both republicans and democrats have both passed this and are both to blame, they look at things with new eyes.

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Particularly the ones who still think there is a difference between republicans and democrats and the divide and conquer strategy becomes impaired. When you win, the people who have been in this fight for some time and have not had any wins, get a win-they will become renewed and refreshed to take the battle on to other issues. Now that we have gotten through enough back story that most people who wouldn't go through with standing up for their rights have lost interest, here is what I did to make it happen. I'm going to focus more on the what; rather than the how as each of you are different and each city is different. So remember, whether you're in more of a "liberal" or more of a "conservative" town, being that this affects everyone, feel free to reach out to any and all group available. Keep it simple, don't re-invent the wheel. Talk to the leaders of any group and work through the existing structure.

The 10 Step Plan

Step 1) Research

First I studied the NDAA myself and I am a visual learner as well as a common sense learner. I read articles, watched videos like these: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PbA8Xtd2Y-M> and <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DKbn1MdV79s>, read about the court case Hedges v Obama, and spent a lot of time and signed up at www.pandaunite.org/takeback. Once I was familiar with it, I started talking to friends and family about it and got comfortable speaking and answering basic questions.

Step 2) Act

I went down to my city council and it was (the first time I had ever attended a city council meeting). There were only a couple people in the room other than the city council, mayor, clerk, and attorney. I'm talking ghost town here people. I spoke at the public comment and gave a brief introduction (which I had practiced with my friends and family). You will want to find out by visiting your city website or calling the clerk when the meetings are and if you have open comment in your area or if you have to be on the agenda in order to speak. All cities do it differently so find out how yours works. After I spoke, I got email addresses and contact information for all the council members including the mayor. I also made arrangements to ensure this issue would be on the next agenda as an item to be discussed.

Step 3) Build Coalition

After I spoke to the council, I started networking in my local area with current established groups, in my case it was a local tea party and local businesses. I made arrangements to meet them and gave presentations to their members to see if they would be interested in coming out to support the next time I would go and speak about the NDAA. I printed flyers to hand out to people and post at local businesses to spread the information on the next meeting, editable flyers are at: <http://pandaunite.org/resources/action-kit/>. In doing this, I was able to get about 15 people to the second meeting, 30 people out to third meeting, and over 80 people out to the 4th meeting where we passed our resolution.

Step 4) Media (Social and traditional)

I reached out to my local paper and educated them on the issue and the action I was taking. Being that this is a non-partisan human rights issue, they were pretty welcoming to letting me write a guest opinion.

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There are a lot more restrictions and hoops to jump through when you are “left” or “right” which I didn’t have to deal with once they were properly educated and informed about what the NDAA is and what PANDA is. I also became admin for my states panda facebook page to share information locally (there are pages set up for each state just waiting to be used). I also called into local and national radio shows to help get the information out.

Step 5) Win the crowd

In order for people to come out to support this or anything, they have to believe in it and understand why it affects them. When you are working on all the steps, remember to be as all inclusive as possible, we have strength in numbers. Remember this is non-partisan and this is a human right, stick to human rights and to things we all have in common. This link: <http://pandaunite.org/who-is-a-terrorist/> and DHS and DOJ memos and directives help as well. Showing how they can fit some or all of the criteria outlined on the government’s own documents is a big eye opener.

Step 6) Pack the house

If you successfully, thoroughly, and repeatedly complete the first 5 steps, step 6 should take care of itself. Then you will be speaking the same language as your politicians: Re-election. I think it does something psychologically when you go from one person to 15 to 30 to over 80. It seems like they will pass whatever you want so these numbers don’t keep multiplying.

Step 7) Win

Don’t take no for an answer. Most of the time, you will be offered a “compromise” which in my experience equates to the city council or county commission drawing up their own resolution that doesn’t do anything. You want the Restoring Constitutional Governance Resolution (RCG) passed and nothing else. The RCG declares the NDAA unconstitutional and says if anyone allows it to happen or cooperates will be prosecuted. “Compromises” wouldn’t do that and most of the time don’t declare the NDAA unconstitutional, but would “voice an objection to it” and ask for state or federal representatives to fix it for them. Your city and county have the authority, the right, and the duty to do this locally; they don’t need their “Big Brother” to do it for them. Speaking their language will force them to pass the RCG.

Step 8) Network

After the RCG passes and throughout the process, exchange contact information with each person helping and attending in these efforts. This will be your network not only to watch the watchers because a piece of paper doesn’t stand on its own, it takes vigilant human beings to ensure it happens. You will be able to also use the same people involved and same tactics to fight the next issue of the people’s choosing. There also are resolutions for Sheriffs and Police Chiefs to sign too.

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Step 9) Share

After you complete these steps successfully, we will want to share your win with news outlets. You will at minimum be giving a statement for a press release panda will put out and several outlets will pick up the story. Help share this information where ever possible. The more people hear about it, the more will do it. If any of your elected representatives voted against their oath and against our inherent rights, it's at this point that the light will be shined on them. The people then will choose whether they want this person to continue to represent them or to recall anyone who voted no.

Step 10) Take a Break

This is a marathon not a sprint. We want to make sure people don't burn out with all the issues out there. This should help make your efforts in the future a lot easier but don't forget to take a rest and stay balanced. This will help to facilitate more people to get involved once they see this victory.

Politicians speak one language: Re-Election

For more information, visit www.pandaunite.org/takeback

"NEXT GENERATION SCIENCE STANDARDS" or NGSS ARE COMING TO IDAHO!

By Bob Compton DVM, PhD

Part 1

More problems on their way to a school district near you.

If you think that Common Core is toxic to our children, wait until they are exposed to the NGSS. Controversial political issues, for example, 'climate change' (new term for 'global warming') are being emphasized in the NGSS to the detriment of sound science. The same pro-governmental organization, ACHIEVE Inc. that coordinated Common Core, together with 13 federal agencies has brought us the Next Generation Science Standards - see <http://news.heartland.org/newspaper-article/2013/04/22/states-respond-common-core-science-standards>

The most serious issue embedded in the "Framework and Science Standards" is the emphasis on evolution - see <http://eagnews.org/just-as-we-start-understanding-the-implications-of-common-core-here-comes-the-controversial-debut-of-new-nationalized-science-standards/>

Foundational to the 'theory' of evolution are the hidden assumptions of Materialism. This lack of transparency is contrary to good teaching and good science. Student education is reduced to indoctrination, which stifles student motivation and interest in science.

So what is Materialism and its foundational assumptions? Why don't the authors of NGSS reveal their foundational assumptions to students, teachers, parents and even the court system?

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OPED BY GOVERNOR C.L. BUTCH OTTER



I ran for Governor in 2006 after learning the hard way about the dysfunction of our national government's Culture of Constant Expansion – a phrase that I believe captures the growing chasm between Washington, D.C. and the states and, more importantly, between the feds and the American people.

Six years in Congress representing Idaho's 1st District provided me with a lifetime of object lessons about how far the U.S. government has strayed from the federalist principles that are the foundation of our republic. It started soon after I arrived in Washington when I was vilified for fighting the USA PATRIOT Act after 9/11. But I believed then as I do now that expanding the government's powers posed a clear and present danger to our individual liberties.

I soon learned that the Culture of Constant Expansion is no respecter of liberty. I wasn't surprised or particularly disillusioned; but I was sorely disappointed and frustrated at the cynicism I found, and the seemingly paradoxical mix of willful inertia and spasmodic overreach that now defines our national politics.

I came home to Idaho – an oasis of fiscal sanity and civic virtue – because I still wanted to make a difference in the lives of individual citizens. I came home to Idaho because I believed then as I do now that the only way we can rebuild America's greatness is the same way our nation was built in the first place – state by state.

For almost eight years now I have been working hard to assert our state's rights under the 10th Amendment and to lead by example in fulfilling the proper roles of government while living within the people's means. Every day in office has reinforced my core belief that government too often is not the answer to people's problems but rather, at best, an impediment to citizens pursuing their own solutions. I have been determined to make our state government operate more efficiently, effectively and transparently, with more collaboration and less red tape, by educating and empowering rather than proscribing and punishing.

The Great Recession made some of my actions necessary in order to protect Idaho's long-term ability to provide those functions that the people have come to expect. Common sense and a commitment to conservative principles made them possible.

Now I am being challenged for re-election by a Boise Democrat who echoes the Culture of Constant Expansion values of Washington, D.C. – bigger, more centralized government is the solution; the dollars in your pocket are a public resource, and the government's access to them for our own good should be virtually unrestricted; and uniform application of the rule of law is a choice subject to the vagaries of political whim.

Those are not Idaho values. Those are not my values.

While pushing back against federal government and judicial overreach on issues as diverse as endangered species, water rights, gun rights, private property, same-sex marriage and entitlement programs is a constant struggle, it unfortunately has become an essential part of governing a state. I am eager to keep meeting the challenge; my opponent has already abrogated the authority he seeks to the discredited policies of the Obama administration.

He wants to require our employers to provide a higher minimum wage. He wants universal single-payer healthcare. He wants to expand federal entitlements. He wants more of our public lands locked up from traditional uses. He wants higher taxes and more social workers in our schools. He wants more restrictions on gun ownership. And he wants you to pay for it. Put simply, he wants more federal control and government interference in our lives. I want less. I came home to Idaho with a vision for our state becoming what America was meant to be. That vision remains, but the challenges posed by the Culture of Constant Expansion are greater than ever. It will take all of us here in Idaho, working together, to realize our goals.

ORWELL & HUXLEY WERE WAY AHEAD OF THEIR TIME

By Chris Troupis



As true Idaho conservatives, we share a common sense of *angst* and frustration about the apathy and disinterest of the vast majority of Americans in our country's pell-mell race to ruin. It seems to me, and probably to you as well, that we are watching our leaders "fiddle while Rome burns." We all know that our basic freedoms and values are being threatened daily by those in control of our government, and small vocal liberal groups who have great influence with those people in power, to wit: environmentalists, gay rights advocates, civil rights advocates, immigration rights advocates, among others. In the presence of this constant barrage, I have struggled to understand why and how so many of my friends, colleagues, and acquaintances have

absolutely no interest or even concern about dishonesty in government, crony capitalism, or the corrupt politics of this country. What bothers me even more is the fact that notwithstanding this utter disinterest in the affairs of our nation, or in preventing its steady decline, many of these people still go out to vote. And they don't make their voting choices based on a candidate's abilities or position on important issues, but on how he or she is portrayed in television ads, or discussed in the commentaries of dishonest and biased media representatives. These are the 'pawns' of America, but they cast the bulk of 'independent' votes that determine who wins and loses elections.

It is vitally important for us to know what makes these people tick, because unless we find a way to wake them up, persuade them that we are in the midst of a crisis of epic proportions, and rally them to our cause, we will lose our country. And we will lose Idaho along with it.

When I was growing up in the 60's, my high school reading list included George Orwell's *1984* and Aldous Huxley's *Brave New World*. Those books are probably banned now for political incorrectness, or what is more likely, banned because they too accurately describe our present age. I recently came across Neil Postman's book, "Amusing Ourselves to Death: Public Discourse in an Age of Show Business." He wrote it in 1985. This is how he contrasted the apocalyptic visions of Orwell and Huxley.

"Orwell warns that we will be overcome by an externally imposed oppression. But in Huxley's vision, no Big Brother is required to deprive people of their autonomy, maturity, and history. As he saw it, people will come to love their oppression, to adore the technologies that undo their capacities to think.

What Orwell feared were those who would ban books. What Huxley feared was that there would be no reason to ban a book, for there would be no one who wanted to read one. Orwell feared those who would deprive us of information. Huxley feared those who would give us so much that we would be reduced to passivity and egoism. Orwell feared that the truth would be concealed from us. Huxley feared we would become a trivial culture, preoccupied with some equivalent of the feelies, the orgy porgy, and the centrifugal bumblepuppy."

Huxley's prediction of the future is clearly upon us. In the 60's, we were warned against becoming addicted to television and becoming the "Boob Tube Generation" In the 70's, Timothy Leary coined the motto "Turn On, Tune In, Drop Out," to describe an anti-war Hippie movement that promoted a lifestyle of hedonism, absence of concrete moral values, distrust of all authority, and the embrace of everything anti-establishment. Since then, we have evolved into a culture addicted to the Internet, social media, and entertainment. As Huxley predicted, we have been deluged not only with so much information, but so many choices of how to entertain and please ourselves, that most of us are no longer interested in anything of serious importance to our generation or the next. Instead, we are happy to be constantly entertained, and enjoy creature comforts.

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We can argue and debate the causes of this cultural malaise, but that won't address the crisis we face. We have a large group of "pawns" in America, who are completely disconnected from the political process for all intents and purposes except one – they vote. And these people respond like Pavlov's dog to simple commands. The Democrats have figured those commands out. If they give away money, the people who receive it consistently vote for them. The 'pawns' aren't paying a lot of attention, so the Democrats have been successful in labeling Republicans and Republican policies as evil, mean spirited, selfish, and greedy, simply by repeating labels and buzz words over and over again. Hollywood has done this to Christians by portraying all homosexual relationships as intelligent, healthy, caring, loving, and compassionate, while at the same time depicting all Christians as stupid, bigoted, small minded, and cruel. When you are dealing with people who don't read anymore, and don't engage in critical thinking, it is easy to bait and mislead them.

All around us we see that Aldous Huxley's vision of the end of the world is upon us. There is so much information readily available, and so much entertainment at our fingertips, that an entire generation thinks about nothing else than how to have fun all the time. Avoiding boredom has become the sole goal in their lives. We need to connect with those people. To do that, we have to figure out what will move them. Obviously money is number one. They need to know that their ability to make a living is being threatened and the threat is imminent. But there are other motivators too, and we need to identify those and learn how to get through the static so they hear and respond to the news.

While Huxley's vision of the world covers the vast majority of Americans, let us not discount Orwell's terrors. The fact is that Orwell's vision is just as omnipresent as Huxley's, and the two concepts have a symbiotic relationship. We have a Big Brother who wants to take away our privacy, our freedoms, our right to dissent. But Big Brother's assault on conservatives in America, the only people really concerned and involved in the fight to protect our way of life, can only succeed if the great masses of America are kept out of the fray. They must stay uninvolved, blissfully unaware of the increasing temperature in the boiling pot. Conservatives can be neutralized in batches if they are isolated and ostracized from the rest of the 'politically correct' society.

During my campaign for Attorney General, we heard that there was a battle over the "hearts and souls of the Republican party." That battle is being waged across the country. But it is not a battle for all Republicans. It is a battle between true conservatives and those who represent the Establishment. Republicans and Democrats in power will use the 'pawns' to stay in power, and will jointly ostracize and vilify conservatives to neutralize our influence. The war of words has already begun with the vilification and mischaracterization of the "Tea Party Movement."

I don't have the answers. But I know we all must start looking for them. We can only take back our country if we have the numbers with us. We have to turn 'pawns' into 'patriots.' I hope all of you will start giving this serious thought and start talking among yourselves about how to turn the tide.

MITCH JAURENA IS RUNNING FOR ACHD COMMISSONER

As your ACHD Commissioner, I have worked to cut costs and improve the conditions of the roadways. I have listened to the concerns of local citizens, elected officials and businesses to reach the right solutions for the right reasons.

My opponent claims that he is running because the needs of various cities in the county have not been heard. That could not be further from the truth. Ada County has seen significant progress during my term as Commissioner. I have listened intently and worked diligently with mayors, city council members, and community representatives in District 4 to understand their views and desires. The displeased voices which my opponent has discussed come from downtown Boise outside of District 4. I have opposed their costly social engineering projects and ensured that our tax dollars are spent wisely. Because of this, I have gained the support and endorsement of Ada County Commissioners Dave Case and Jim Tibbs, Meridian City Councilmen David Zaremba and Keith Bird, Kuna Mayor Greg Nelson and Kuna City Councilpersons Joe Stear, Richard Cardoza, Briana Buban-Vonder Haar and Pat Jones -100% of the Kuna City Council- as well as District 22 State Senator Russ Fulcher, District 22 State Representatives John Vander Woude and Jason Monks, and Idaho House Majority Leader Mike Moyle.

My opponent, on the other hand, has aligned himself with figureheads and special interest groups in Boise and Boise's North End who support expensive social engineering projects and alternative transportation plans. Trolleys, light rail, and dedicated bike lanes at the expense of traffic lanes are costly and serve few citizens outside of downtown Boise. I believe that your tax money is better spent taking care of local community needs in the form of economic development, safe routes to schools, and curbs, gutters, and sidewalks. I will not roll over to appease vocal minorities who want to spend your money on expensive, ineffectual projects.

I have worked relentlessly to make impact fees reasonable and speed up approval times for projects. During my tenure ACHD has **reduced construction plan review** from eight weeks to one week, **reduced development plan review** from 39 days to 17 days, **reduced the cost** for roadway maintenance by over ½ Million dollars (\$106 per 4,783 lane miles), introduced an impact fee single service area and **reduced impact fees** to 17% below the Pacific Northwest average. As your Commissioner, I oppose the concept that government knows what is best for its citizens. Citizens vote in more places than in the ballot box; they also vote in the marketplace. I believe in using the free market to meet the needs of the community. If you want a candidate with common sense solutions to transportation issues on the ACHD Commission, I ask for your support on November 4th. If you want to learn more visit my website at Mitch4ACHD.com or my Facebook page at Mitch 4 ACHD.

Thank you!

THANKS IACI FOR ANOTHER LIBERAL REPUBLICAN LEGISLATOR

By Evalyn Bennett

The General Election campaign season has begun in earnest, with absentee ballots already available. Idaho citizens, please do not rush to complete an absentee ballot, but instead take the time to carefully examine the qualifications of the candidates running for office. Do not assume that because a candidate is a nice person or has the "right letter" (R, D, I, C) by his name, he is qualified to represent you in public office.

I have already written about two Republican candidates that concern me: Butch Otter for Governor and Sherri Ybarra for State Superintendent of Public Instruction. In this letter I wish to comment on the qualifications of Merrill Beyeler (from Leadore, Idaho), a Republican candidate for District 8B state representative. During the primary election season, Mr. Beyeler's conduct at a local candidates' forum and his campaign materials did not make me inclined to support his candidacy. Additional information I learned during the Lemhi County Republican's meeting on September 11 confirmed my opinion that conservative Republican write-in candidate Mike Barrett would be a better representative of the citizens in District 8 (Lemhi, Custer, Gem, Valley, and Boise counties).

In May, Mr. Beyeler came to a Lemhi County primary candidates' forum uninvited... and late. This candidates' forum was specifically for Lemhi County offices. Mr. Beyeler's opportunity to speak was at the Republican rally the preceding week, where state-level candidates, including Beyeler's opponent (incumbent legislator Lenore Barrett), could address the audience. What Mr. Beyeler said during the county candidates' forum did not convince me that he is a conservative who would represent us well at the state legislature. His responses were vague and emphasized "retaining our way of life." Not everyone in District 8 lives on a large pristine ranch with a \$1.98 million conservation easement like Mr. Beyeler, or would be ok with just retaining (rather than improving) his current way of life. I find this mantra unacceptable during a five-year recession with its high unemployment, low wages, high prices, and increased government control over all aspects of our lives. We need government deregulation that supports resource development, innovation and good paying jobs; reasonable prices; lower taxes; and more personal and family control over our affairs.

Our district also needs a state legislator who will work to unleash the natural resources of our state. Mr. Beyeler's one specific answer to a question at the primary forum demonstrated that his viewpoint on state acquisition of federal lands is contrary to both the current Idaho legislature and the Idaho Republican Party Platform. The question concerned whether the State of Idaho should seek to obtain management control of federal lands (and resources) within our borders. Mr. Beyeler thought that was unrealistic, yet the Idaho legislature ALREADY passed HCR21 and HCR22 in the 2013 session, asserting Idaho's intention to seek management control of federal lands. These resolutions are a first step to implement the Idaho Republican Platform plank found in Article VI, Section 7: "We encourage the State of Idaho to seek authority to oversee the utilization of natural resources on federal lands within the state." Mr. Beyeler's view is clearly out of step with both the legislature he is seeking to be a part of and the party platform he is supposed to uphold.

In Idaho, each Republican candidate for state or federal office is required to complete a disclosure statement indicating full or partial agreement with the party platform. Mr. Beyeler's primary campaign disclosure statement did not indicate disagreement with the above-stated platform plank. If the forum revealed his true views, I am left to wonder what other aspects of the platform he has conveniently said he agrees with (in order to get elected by Republican voters), yet doesn't intend to follow or implement.

Mr. Beyeler's primary campaign materials also made me question his integrity. The campaign postcards sent out by various political action committees (PACs) in support of Beyeler's campaign were misleading in their
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By Evalyn Bennett

discussion of incumbent Representative Lenore Barrett's position on wolf management. If a liberal PAC has sufficient interest in Lenore Barrett's opponent to fund his campaign, it is a sure sign that the PAC considers Merrill Beyeler to be less conservative than Mrs. Barrett! I realize that Mr. Beyeler did not necessarily seek the endorsement of any PAC. But if he disagreed with the postcards, the organizations that sent them out, or the organizations that funded the PACs, he should have immediately issued press releases to media sources in our district to repudiate those campaign materials. However, he neither apologized to Mrs. Barrett for the materials nor stated his disagreement with them.

Finally, Mr. Beyeler's remarks at the Lemhi County Republicans meeting on September 11 confirmed my opinion that he does not represent the conservative Republicans of our District. His comments repeatedly emphasized his concern for only a fraction of our district's constituents (ranchers), totally ignoring the needs of citizens in our five counties who work for banks and stores; own small businesses; teach; work in construction, health care, and government agencies... or are unemployed or underemployed. Rather than standing against the Governor's policies that encroach on our freedoms, I was left with the impression that Mr. Beyeler would try to get along with everyone and seek to "build a wide base of support," even if doing so was contrary to the guidelines of the Idaho Republican Party Platform or the liberties of Idaho citizens.

Fortunately, District 8 residents can choose to write-in on their ballots the name of a well-qualified candidate as District 8B representative. Mike Barrett of Challis, Idaho, has demonstrated leadership and communication skills and a conservative position on the issues. He has already served the citizens of District 8 as a precinct committeeman, city councilman, Custer County Republicans chairman, and district Republicans vice-chairman. In these leadership positions he has become well aware of the needs in our district. I encourage the citizens of Gem, Valley, Boise, Lemhi, and Custer counties to learn more about Mike Barrett's qualifications before going to the polls on November 4 or completing your absentee ballots.

BREAKING NEWS MIKE BARRETT IS RUNNING IN DIST 8

Republican Challis City Councilman Seeks to Serve in the Idaho Legislature

Challis – Challis City Councilman, Mike Barrett, today announced that he will seek a bid for Idaho Legislative District 8, House Seat B as a 'write-in Conservative Republican Candidate.' "Liberty loving conservatives are the conscience of the Republican Party," stated Councilman Barrett.

"I am the Republican 'Right-in' Candidate. Conservative Republicans throughout the district have strongly encouraged me to enter the race, right now, providing a Conservative Republican Alternative for the voters in the November 4th General Election," announced Councilman Barrett.

"When the right set of circumstances present themselves, a write-in candidacy makes a lot of sense," Barrett explained. "The wave of support is humbling and energizing. People are telling me that this race needs a credible conservative in this election to counter the liberal and progressive agendas of the other candidates."

"My experience as a manager in the mining and construction industry includes budgeting, resource allocation, and contract negotiation which will bring a private sector perspective to government," stated Barrett.

"I will make measured, balanced, and reasonable decisions based upon my moral compass, a clear understanding of American History, and my principles based on the U.S. Constitution."

I have served in the Republican Party for many years," continued Barrett, "my solution-oriented record on land, education, and limited government issues provide a bold contrast at this critical time." As Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. once said, "If we don't stand for something, we'll fall for anything."

"We must honor our past, which empowers our present, and secures our future," concluded Barrett, "My 'Right-in' Candidacy provides the vehicle for your voices to be heard by voting in overwhelming numbers this November."

**FIRST THEY IGNORE YOU, THEN THEY LAUGH AT YOU,
THEN THEY FIGHT YOU AND THEN YOU WIN (GANDHI)**

Senator Stennett's reply to an e-mail sent by Tamara Sullivan-Watson

From: Senator Michelle Stennett [<mailto:MStennett@senate.idaho.gov>]

Sent: Wednesday, September 17, 2014 3:48 PM

To: 'Tamara Sullivan-Watson'

Subject: RE: Transfer of Public Lands

Starting last week the Federal Lands Task Force began traveling the state to ask communities about Idaho taking over management of federal lands. Taxpayers are paying for this roadshow, which so far has cost over \$40,000, despite [the trend in other Western states to drop the land grab notion in favor of collaborative management](#). Idaho has already proven that collaboratives work to better manage lands, create jobs, boost selective logging and improve overall forest health through cooperative land planning. As a member of this task force, I have an obligation to point out several facts that show the futility of Idaho continuing to pursue a takeover of lands that taxpayers all across America currently help us maintain.

First, it is unconstitutional. Neither the US nor Idaho constitutions allow it. Article IV (the Property Clause) of the U.S. Constitution gives Congress, not the courts, authority over lands and territories. At the state level, Article 21, section 19 of the Idaho Constitution (the Disclaimer Clause), states in part: “[T]he people of the state of Idaho do agree and declare that we forever disclaim all right and title to the unappropriated public lands lying within the boundaries thereof...” Idaho, as a territory, agreed to this disclaimer as a condition of statehood. In an April 23, 2014 survey, Idaho Attorney General Lawrence Wasden stated “...the Idaho Territory was created by an act of Congress on March 4, 1863, and signed into law by President Abraham Lincoln during the Civil War. The Idaho Territory was created from lands that had previously been organized as both the Oregon Territory and the Washington Territory. In other words, the federal government held the lands a long time before Idaho became a state on July 4, 1890. It is quite difficult to ‘take back’ lands that we, as a state, have never owned. Even Ken Ivory, the Utah legislator that advocates this idea, readily acknowledges that Idaho never owned these lands.”

Second, Idaho can't afford to take over those lands and maintain them, even if the Feds gave them to us, which they won't. A recent Congressional Research Service report says federal agencies spent \$392 million managing federal lands in Idaho in 2011-12—and the state would bear most of these costs alone if the federal lands are transferred. A transfer could be a net loss to the state, and to the endowments supporting K-12 and other beneficiaries. Fighting wildfires costs millions of dollars. Federal law enforcement fights crimes (like the kidnapping in the Frank Church wilderness last year or drug running). Our local sheriffs and police departments don't have the manpower or budget to adequately take over. Idaho has \$262 million of maintenance to do on our roads and bridges with no budget or infrastructure plan in the works. How would Idaho manage roads and trails on federal lands? The Idaho Department of Lands does not have the resources, staff, expertise, or even a formal calculation of the costs associated with a takeover, and are under no obligation to manage lands solely for public use or recreation.

Simply put, the state would have to sell those lands to the highest bidder—wealthy private individuals, private corporations, international corporations, developers, or foreign countries like Canada or China. **We lose access. Don't sell Idaho.**

PLEASE SEE PAGE 14 FOR KEN IVORY PRESIDENT OF AMERICAN LANDS COUNCIL REPLY

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**Ken Ivory's comments to Senator Stennett's e-mail
(Ken Ivory is the President of the American Lands Council)**

This is ridiculous.

The forever disclaim language appears in the enabling acts and constitutions of most all newly created states east and west of Colorado. States wanted the federal government to have clean title for the purpose of disposing of the lands (US Constitution Art. IV, Sec. 3, Cl. 2 "Congress shall have the power to dispose") faster and for the most money possible because "five percent of the proceeds of the sale of public lands which shall be sold shall be paid to the state to support the common schools." The federal government honored this obligation to dispose of the public lands for all states east of Colorado, where does it have the legal or moral authority to discriminate against western children, communities and states? The fact that they won't engage in a good faith analysis of these facts of history makes one wonder what agenda they are pursuing other than the truth?

Under federal control, access to our public lands is being restricted already. Roads and trails are being closed nearly on a daily basis. Under federal control, the health of the public lands is deteriorating. Catastrophic wildfires are consuming record breaking millions of acres each year, and killing millions of animals, destroying habitat, and decimating watersheds for decades to come. Under federal control, productivity of public lands is depressed. Why some are so anxious to argue for such a horrible status quo is a mystery.

It is not in the interest of our states, as we already generate substantial positive net revenues from the millions of acres of state public lands we already managed as a state. Senator Stennett assumes the states would manage their own lands in the abysmal manner that the federal government is managing these lands now, to the detriment of access, health and productivity.

Those whose lives and livelihoods depend upon the wise stewardship of their own lands are more responsive and responsible for their lands than distant, unelected, unaccountable bureaucrats or members of congress who are not from Idaho, and not electable or unelectable by the *people* of Idaho. It is clear the status quo is not working. It is time for a reasoned, rational discussion about how to manage our public lands going forward, including addressing the questions of why, when our statehood terms are the same as states east of Colorado, the federal government is treating our communities, children and states unequally and unfairly?

Our very system of law is based on equal protection, not this type of blatant discrimination. Why was it acceptable for Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Arkansas, Iowa, Louisiana, Florida, etc. to band together and battle for the federal government to transfer title to the nearly 90% of their lands (that the federal government had retained for decades!), and it is inexplicably not acceptable for today's western states to do the very same thing these others succeeded at? This has already been done before.

It seems Senator Stennett's email is the epitome of the nature of power politics that Gandhi summarized: first they ignore you, then they laugh at you, then they fight you, then you win. Thanks for sharing this with me. This is such a tremendous issue that it is worthy of all of our diligent study and efforts to bring about the fundamental fairness, equal protection of our laws and better access, health AND productivity of our lands.

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IDAHO ACT! FOR AMERICA UPDATE

BY WARREN GROVER

Act! for America is alive and well in Idaho—we just have not submitted any articles to the Gem State Patriot Newsletter for a while. Here are some of the issues and activities in which we are engaged:

While most readers of this publication are aware of what is happening with ISIS/ISIL/The Islamic State in Iraq and Syria, how many of you keep up with what is happening with radical Islam in the rest of the world? Did you know that there is a new Al-Qaeda affiliate in India? Are you aware of the Swedish Security Services recently thwarting two suicide bombers in plots that would have possibly killed “thousands” of Swedish citizens? Were you aware of a recent story in the “Daily Mail” in the U.K.: “The sexual abuse of about 1,400 children at the hands of Asian (Muslim) men went unreported for 16 years” because of fear of being seen as racist on the part of police and children’s council staff members in Rotherham, South Yorkshire. We try TO get issues such as these out to the general public, but find that most Americans are unwilling to accept them, to believe them, or to think issues such as this could ever happen here in our country.

We are, once again, mounting an effort to get “American Laws for American Courts” passed in the 2015 session of the Idaho State Legislature. The national executive director of Act! for America, who is originally from Idaho, has stated that “this should be a ‘slam-dunk’ in Idaho.” Well, he may have been away from his home state too long because we have not even managed to get it brought up in committee in the previous three attempts. As many of you are no doubt aware, Idaho is not the bastion of true conservatism that it once was; too many who call themselves conservative are, in fact, too concerned with political correctness and with holding on to their power and prestige instead of being concerned with doing the right thing.

Brigitte Gabriel, the founder and president of national Act! for America, has expressed an interest in coming to Idaho for a speaking engagement. To make this happen, it would be necessary to raise about \$15,000 to \$20,000 to cover all expenses and to put some money into the Act! funds for further actions. We have been working with a group of Treasure Valley businessmen who are trying to help defray these expenses via a fund raiser for Brigitte should we be fortunate enough to find a speaking venue for her. Thus far, commitments are only about half of what is needed to make this happen. And here is the truly frightening part of the equation: Brigitte prefers to speak in churches; to date she has spoken in many large church venues across the country (just check out some of her appearances on YouTube to see this is true). We have approached large churches in the Treasure Valley and in the eastern part of Idaho—she is only asking for a seating capacity of 1,000 and would accept less, but very few churches are even willing to listen to us and are “fearful” of having such a controversial speaker in their building!!! Maybe they should check out what ISIS and other radical Islamic groups are doing to Christians around the world.

Some of our members, along with other interested people, tried to stop the development of a Muslim cemetery in Kuna, but the final approval for this project was recently granted. It was at one of the meetings before the Kuna zoning and planning commission that the Imam leading the effort for the Muslim community noted that the United Nations has designated the Treasure Valley as a target for “refugee” settlement and used this as further justification for needing a 6,000 plot cemetery with further expansion possible in the future.

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**IDAHO ACT! FOR AMERICA UPDATE
BY WARREN GROVER**

On 9/11/14, Idaho Act! for America sponsored an event to remind people of the need to stop the spread of radical Islam. We had people waving signs at the busiest intersection in Idaho—the intersection of Eagle Road and Fairview Avenue in Meridian. In addition to signs saying to remember the event and to honor those who were killed, we had signs such as “ISIS equals Islam” and “No Sharia law in America.” We had a very positive response from the passing motorists with very few negative head shakes or hand gestures. Perhaps people are becoming more aware of this issue despite the lack of coverage by the mainstream media.

Finally, we would like to offer to meet with any of your organizations to discuss what we are doing, what Act! for America is all about, and what each of you can do to assist in this effort if you believe that this is, in fact, one of the major issues facing the world and our country today. As the Idaho state director of Act! for America, I would also be glad to talk to anyone wishing to start a local chapter anywhere in the state. Currently, we only have three chapters in the state despite the fact that almost 1,500 people have signed up with the national office and receive regular updates from them. My contact information is lrcgrover@gmail.com or phone me at 208-994-1924.

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Sliding Left

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I learned to read with Dick and Jane. They often ran and jumped because they were happy and gay. Those good books have largely disappeared. Gay, a good and moral word has slipped to the left and brought Dick and Jane to the dark side.

Sadly, this is a common occurrence. The new normal takes control, perverts and confuses that which was once clear, which was once perfectly understood. Piece by piece and inches at a time, that which we esteem to be of great value slips to the left and becomes engulfed by perversion, corruption and evil.

I have always considered myself to be a Republican, then the party slipped left. More recently, I discovered that the term "conservative" has moved left. In the reality of this "new normal", I am no longer either of these things. As evil men change and pervert that which once had meaning, others find themselves left behind and forgotten. This includes all of us who have remained unmovable in our faith, our patriotism, our honor and the principles that were forged by our fathers.

The Idaho State Journal has attempted to present all sides of most issues. In it we find the faithful and the faithless. We find the moral and the immoral. We find truth and we find lies. We find the conservative and the liberal.

In the persons of Larson and Larsen, we find the conservative voice. These are men who embrace the principles of the new conservative. They have abandoned the principles of their fathers and gravitate to a more modern conservative ideal. This is made clear by the fact that both supported the formation of the State Healthcare Exchange even though both admit that Obamacare is a constitutional violation. This is made clear by the fact that both supported our legislature when they chose to kill the Religious Freedoms Amendment which violated many articles of the Constitution and specifically the First Amendment.

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SLIDING LEFT by Lance Earl

Now to be fair, I suspect that neither Larson or Larsen consider their actions to be a problem. You see, the new definition of conservative allows for constitutional violations when these violations seem logical to the new conservative. The recent Hobby Lobby decision left no doubt about their false premise. You see, what Idaho did and is now doing to us is exactly the same thing that the federal government tried to do to Hobby Lobby. The Supreme Court clearly stated that these actions are unconstitutional. Even so, our legislature and the Journal's conservative representatives have taken no action to reverse their dark work. Why not? Well, the new conservative has adopted liberal attributes and with this new reality the requirement to do well fades.

There is a large and growing group of good people who cling to constitutional conservative principles. They have invested incalculable hours in an effort to stop the republican slide to the left. They dream of restoring that which was once good and honorable in the party. But sadly, the party has foundered, become immersed beneath the dark waters of corruption. It is unlikely that any amount of bailing will right this ship. I believe that only the miraculous hand of God can reverse this self imposed plunge into the abyss.

While their intent is just, they have failed to see that even this is a journey on an unconstitutional path. Their objective is to restore a constitutional balance of power by restoring the party. But can anyone show me the constitutional article that vests power of any sort in a political party? I can, however, constitutionally document that the majority of all power lies with the people. When a party ceases to represent the mind and will of the people, then the people must turn there faces forever from it and look to the light of the Constitution.

In this new normal, I am no longer Republican, no longer conservative. I am a constitutional, God fearing American. That's it! The Constitution was written in simple and clear English by men who were inspired by the Lord himself. You can read the entire thing in an hour. Its concepts and principles can be easily understand by common men and women. If the American people will determine to read and understand this document, it will never be moved to the left, it will never be perverted or corrupted for it is grounded in undeniable self evident truth.

When liberty-minded groups and like-minded individuals have had enough, they will join their constitutionally correct voices as one. Their united voices will ring from the house tops to the mountain tops and from sea to shining sea. When this happens, our elected officials will lose the option to act as new conservatives or worse. When this happens, we will reclaim our communities, our states and our nation. When this happens, sacred things will shift right and move into their rightful sphere. Until it happens, everything you know and love will continue to slide left toward the abyss.

When you are ready, give me a shout.

- See more at: <http://www.lanceearl.com/1/index.php/5/article/1523/Sliding-Left#sthash.vodR0qgQ.dpuf>

ISLAM & MUSLIMS

By Warren Grover

More Americans are beginning to catch on that there are very evil people who in the name of Islam commit atrocities unimaginable to the human mind. ISIS represents Islam in its purest form. Mohammed would be smiling from ear to ear if he were able to see ISIS carrying out his planned agenda for world domination.

For years I have been conducting first-hand research at mosques around the world. For years I have been warning innocent people that Islam in its purest form is being taught in the mosques. Most people have ignored the warnings and blamed the violence on just a few 'radical Muslims'. Many people continued to believe there are moderate Muslims and Islam is being hijacked.

In plain terms a moderate Muslim is a non-practicing Muslim. They do not exist and these people who claim to be Muslims are actually Apostates of Islam. Indeed they are good people who do not desire physical Jihad and world domination. Nevertheless they are ignoring the true teachings and basic beliefs of the Islamic ideology. These people are subject to death in accordance with Shariah law and groups such as ISIS are fulfilling the deeds of Mohammed. Around the world practicing Muslims are killing men, women and children who have departed from Islamic teachings.

If you were to ask any Islamic scholar they would tell you to faithfully practice Islam you must to the following basic principles:

1. A Muslim must adhere to all aspects of Shariah law, not just ones they feel like following. The acceptance of Shariah law cannot be separated. It is not a pick and choose system. For those who neglect portions of Shariah law they have left Islam and became Apostates.
2. A Muslim must have in their heart a desire to engage in physical Jihad in all places and all times. For those who can't fight they must provide financial and other support to the Mujahadeen (fighters). If they do not have the means to do this, at the very least they must support Jihad in their hearts.
3. A Muslim must desire a Caliphate. This is for Islam to be the dominate ideology in all parts of the world. You will hear numerous Muslims say this is not true, but basic common sense and Shariah law prove this to be accurate. Does not every Christian desire the world to accept Christianity and follow the beliefs? The same is true for Islam and Muslims.
4. The basic fundamentals of Islam dictate that slavery is authorized under Shariah law. This is why all of the Islamic terrorist groups kidnap and sell girls into slavery.
5. The marriage of girls as young as six years old is a standard practice within Islam. Mohammed married Aisha when she was six years old and all practicing Muslims state that Mohammed is an example for other Muslims to follow, and they do. Child marriages are not only being conducted in the Middle East in the name of Islam, but there are numerous mosques in America that advocate to the Muslim men to marry children.

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ISLAM & MUSLIMS

By Warren Grover

6. Shariah law authorizes the Muslim man to beat his wife or wives.
7. Shariah law is not compatible with any man-made law and the Islamic ideology declares man-made laws do not have to be followed. Islamic leader's state Shariah law and the U.S. Constitution are not compatible.
8. Islam teaches that the Quran and Shariah law are applicable to all, and they can never be changed.
9. The Islamic ideology teaches that Jews, Christians, and other non-Muslims are the enemies of Islam.
10. Islam teaches that the land currently Israel belongs to the Muslim people and Shariah authorizes the destruction of the Israeli state and all Jews.

Now for the important question. Are ISIS terrorists in America? The best way I can answer that is to advise people not to get wrapped up in the dozens of Islamic acronyms. All of the Islamic terrorist groups follow the 10 points I mentioned above. All practicing Muslims follow the 10 points. Remember non practicing Muslims are apostates of Islam.

This means my analysis is that there are approximately 6 million Muslims in America (no one knows for sure how many). There are around 2300 mosques and Islamic Centers in America. I have been to hundreds of mosques in America and outside of America. I estimate only about 25% of people who identify with Islam are practicing Muslims. This correlates to mean that about 1.5 million Muslims in America practice Islam as Prophet Mohammed dictated 1400 years ago.

When ISIS started rumbling through Iraq they had a couple of thousand people. Soon they had several thousand because the practicing Muslims knew ISIS is the true example of how Islam must be practiced. In America if there are 1.5 million practicing Muslims it is only a matter of time when they feel comfortable and secure about trying to form a caliphate to include America. 1.5 million Islamic terrorists can do a non-recoverable amount of damage to our country. So, yes ISIS and their supporters are operating in America and we will soon be provided proof in the way of isolated terrorist attacks simultaneously all across our great country.

Could our country have survived twenty 9-11 types of attacks being conducted at the same time? Our government was not prepared for even a natural disaster as in New Orleans (hurricane Katrina). We could not withstand several major attacks at the same time. If we don't stop the Islamic ideology from being spread in America, we will have ISIS and their followers placing a black flag of Jihad at the White House in the near future.

MEDICAID EXPANSION COULD KILL YOU AND BANKRUPT IDAHO

By Tea Party Bob

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The Idaho Reporter has run several articles on Medicaid expansion recently so we thought we might expand a bit on their writing.

Medicaid Expansion in Idaho will create another generation of citizens who feel they are entitled to free medical care. The bigger problem is who will pay the piper when the government can no longer foot the bill, and Idahoans are asked to come up with the difference from their taxes. What services will have to be cut in order to pay for this expansion? Our largest expenditures in the state budget are education and healthcare. Everybody enjoys going to a party, but no one wants to eventually pay the bill. Idaho already gets over 36% of its state budget from federal funds. How much more dependent must we become before we say enough is enough?

IACI and the task force talk about the tens of millions in tax revenues from large employers that they see coming our way due to Medicaid expansion; is this the way we have to grow our economy now? Is this the level we have come down to, selling our soul to the Federal Government which will only give us new mandates and put us further under their ever expanding thumb print of Uncle Sammy. I don't believe for a minute that IACI or the members of the task force are looking out for the best interests of the citizens of Idaho, and I would suspect that if IACI thinks it is good for us, then we had better not do it. Keep in mind IACI works for the big corporations, not for the little guys and small businesses. Let's look at who is really going to benefit by expanding Medicaid.

The current estimate of new sign ups for Medicaid is 103,000; however, the experience in many states who have already implemented the expansion program is that those numbers have been far higher than their estimates, as much as 100% higher in some cases. This would be a boon for the medical establishment in Idaho with possibly one hundred to two hundred thousand new patients paid for by the federal government. The real problem is that the people who really need the care the disabled, elderly and young children are not in the majority of those who will sign up. According to the Foundation for Government Accountability, it will be mostly non disabled and childless adults which will make up approximately 67% of the participants that will benefit from this expansion.

Let's address President of IACI's LaBeau's comment that "we're not interested in pure Medicaid Expansion, so much as we are interested in Medicaid redesign." This is the same organization that brought us a State Healthcare Exchange against the people's wishes. The same organization who lobbied legislators to vote in favor of that exchange regardless of what the voters wanted. Do you really think they are looking out for our best interest when it comes to Medicaid Expansion? The simple answer is if it doesn't help them and the big corporations that they work for, they would not be pushing this idea. Ask yourself this question; they brought you the State Healthcare Exchange and Obamacare which was supposed to lower insurance premiums, so how many of you have had reductions in your health insurance premiums this year? I will tell you very few, if any. Medicaid expansion with all of its new recipients will make it more difficult to get appointments with doctors and specialists.

How do we know that it will become more difficult to get doctors appointments?

Many of Idaho's doctors already limit the number of Medicaid patients they will see.

Idaho ranks 49th in Doctors per 100,000 citizens.

Idaho has a primary care doctor shortage in 43 of its 44 counties.

41.5% of Idaho's doctors are aged 55 and over.

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MEDICAID EXPANSION COULD KILL YOU AND BANKRUPT IDAHO

By Tea Party Bob

Does anyone really believe that Medicaid Expansion is going to make it easier to see a doctor or a specialist? The simple answer is unequivocally “NO”.

In states that did Pre Obamacare Expansion they experienced

- Up to three times as many sign ups as originally estimated like in Arizona.

- Three times as many childless adults were enrolled.

- There was no change in the uninsured, just more Medicaid and less private insurance as experienced in Maine, Oregon, Delaware and Arizona.

- Childless adults cost nearly twice as much as low income parents with children.

- Even the Private option which Arkansas opted for in 2014 is already over budget by almost 8 million dollars.

There is no such thing as Medicaid Redesign only Medicaid Expansion. How do I know this? I have been sitting in on Chamber of Commerce meetings that IACI has been holding around the state listening to the malarkey coming out of the mouths of IACI'S crony hosts. Believe me this is nothing more than a ploy to bring in more dollars for the medical industrial establishment, relieve big corporations that pay minimum wages to their employees of the burden of carrying them on their insurance policies and eventually stick us with the bill and more federal mandates. Medicaid Expansion could eventually bankrupt our state, but no one will tell you that.

We all know that the Federal Government is living way beyond its means and is over 17 trillion dollars in debt. There is going to come a time when we can no longer finance this debt or borrow anymore money. That will be the time that Idaho will be told by Uncle Sam that there is no more money to subsidize Medicaid. Or they might say that we will have to pick up 50% of the bill instead of 10%. In either case, it could bankrupt our state and keep the tight fist of government around our necks.

There are 280 thousand uninsured in Idaho currently. Here is the real kicker, Medicaid expansion would cover single adults who earn up to \$16,105 a year are eligible and families of four who earn up to \$32,913 per year. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics 7.7 % or about 31,000 Idahoans make the minimum wage under \$15,080 a year, and keep in mind the per. capita income for Idaho is \$34,986 per year. Who will really benefit from Medicaid expansion? Employers have been cutting hours and offering more part time employment because of the new Obamacare rules which will mean lower wages, bringing tens of thousands of Idahoans under government eligibility requirements. The large employers would no longer have to pay for medical insurance for those who qualify for Medicaid.

They could just tell their employees to go on Medicaid because they are eligible. As I said previously, there was no change in the uninsured, just more Medicaid enrollees and less private insurance participants as experienced in Maine, Oregon, Delaware and Arizona.

What we really need is a role for Direct Primary Care and HSA accounts so we can get away from government dependency and hold people accountable for healthy lifestyles. If people don't have any skin in the game, then they will not change bad habits that get them into medical difficulties requiring government subsidized medical care. Look at the simple fact that 42 cents out of every medical dollar goes towards paper work. With Direct Primary Care much of that paper work disappears and goes towards actual medical cost. Senator Steven Thayn has presented a program based on Direct Primary Care and our legislators should take a good long hard look at this potential alternative to Medicaid.

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MEDICAID EXPANSION COULD KILL YOU AND BANKRUPT IDAHO

By Tea Party Bob

It is far too often that our legislators look to the government to solve our economic woes when what we really need is to get rid of government subsidies. We need the government to step aside and stop picking winners and losers. Professor Steve Peterson an economist at the University of Idaho, like so many others tends to think government can borrow forever and that more government is the way to grow our economy. Unfortunately this is the kind of thinking that got us into the current mess we are in. How about letting free enterprise take over and actually produce some jobs that pay better than minimum wage. How about helping to expand the businesses we currently have here instead of giving subsidies to lure corporations from out of state with absurd tax breaks for 10 and 15 years.

Unfortunately no one is telling the public about how our current healthcare will be affected with the implementation of Medicaid Expansion. Everyone will be affected as we will have many more people seeking medical services from the same amount of doctors, so don't be surprised if it takes you 6 months to get an appointment with a doctor you need to talk to tomorrow. This is the medical rationing we talked about in other issues of this newsletter. Instead of Medicaid Expansion how about medical school expansion and medical education expansion to give us the doctors we will need to serve our state in the future of Idaho

(Many of the statistics and information used in this article came from a presentation by The Foundation for Government Accountability)

**Call your State Representatives and Senators and tell them
you don't want Medicaid Expansion in any form.**

WONDER WHY WE HAVE A STATE HEALTHCARE EXCHANGE? LOBBYISTS.

GUESS WHO WANTS MEDICAID EXPANSION? GUESS WHO BENEFITS MOST?

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‘Compact for America’- Wrong!

Nullification – Right! By Rich Loudenback

A NATION OF GREAT SALESMEN

There’s an old joke about the greatest salesman in the world being the guy that sold a milking machine to a farmer with only one cow, and then he took the cow as down payment.

Today we know that literally anything can be sold, and an, impressive sales pitch developed to do the job. Years ago who would have thought we would be paying for much that we take for granted today such as sawdust made into presto-logs, bottled water, radio and TV waves and even air itself.

The trade of the politician has evolved into one of deciphering the sales pitches of lobbyists, special interest PAC’s and the politicians’ big money donors, et al his favorite constituents.

About the easiest sales pitch going strong today to overworked, time deprived, under informed and frustrated legislators is the grand new scheme for supposedly righting the wrongs of our stalemated and wrong direction government via a ‘Convention of the States,’ referred to as the ‘Compact for America.’ Many legislators are so overwhelmed and disgusted with politics crippling almost everything that well-meaning statesmen want to rightfully deal with, one can sympathize with their wanting to accept a great sounding ‘quick fix.’

The claim is that this is not a Constitutional Convention, but one that would involve the governors of 38 states and a sundry of other appointed delegates (possibly carrying the water for special interests); and this Convention of the States would be pre-ratified by the legislators of three-fourths of the states as prescribed in Article V of the Constitution (*so they’re going to sign on before they can read it?*). So not to worry. As Bill Cosby once said, “Ri-i-g-g-h-h-t-t!!

In other words these ‘promoters’ are spewing their vindicating mantra to eager ears so frustrated and tuned into Mark Levin’s wave length that they are almost ready to scream: **“We have to do something, even if it’s wrong! And such a convention in this machinating world of the extremes dedicated to taking down America as we’ve known it entering us into a New World Order as a member state run by un-elected global elitist is where this is ultimately designed to evolve. Want proof? Ask yourself who’s to believe in the first place that congress would follow the law of such a new single issue, like a new ‘Balanced Federal Budget Amendment’ any more than government doesn’t follow other laws now.**

THE FOLLY OF IT ALL!

So what’s all the urgency and real motive about? It’s about getting the door to such a convention open! Read Article V closely, read history and catch on. Once the convention is called everything is all up to the delegates, period! Pre-convention rules such as single issue dictum are void. A convention once convened can re-write, abolish, and establish any ratification rules they want, just like our original delegates did.

To get off talking about single issue or run-away conventions is almost like semantics since **the big issue is one that proponents and Mark Levin conveniently fail to acknowledge. It is the rest of the Article V sentence they choose to not acknowledge.**

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Wake up legislators, Article V reads “...when ratified by the Legislatures of three-fourths of the several states, or by Conventions in three-fourths thereof, as the one or the other Mode of Ratification may be proposed...”

Do our legislators know for fact that they can guarantee results of such a convention will actually go to $\frac{3}{4}$ of state legislators and not to Ratifying Conventions in $\frac{3}{4}$ of the states? Reality is that they absolutely cannot make such a guarantee and absolutely should not make such a naive assumption.

Only the delegates at the convention have the complete authority to decide on all that it considers, which should most certainly concern us since they can actually abolish entirely our existing Constitution just as our original delegates abolished the Articles of Confederation which was their purpose for convening.

HISTORY SAYS IT ALL

Having known tyranny first hand so well, those sage men of their day blessed us in 1787 with the remarkable document that has brought this nation so far and inspired others. And being the realists of their day they knew that there was no way that the 13 colonies would unanimously ratify this revolutionary new document. They established in Article V that ratification must be by the “...Legislatures of three-fourths of the several states, or by Conventions in three-fourths thereof as the one or the other Mode of Ratification may be proposed...” **“ So guess how they ratified our Constitution. They ratified our Constitution in special Ratifying Conventions in nine states only, so meeting the $\frac{3}{4}$ requirement, “...or by Conventions in three-fourths thereof...”**

And this happened one other time in our history. During the repeal of Prohibition, Amendment 21, was so ratified under the rules of Article V thusly: “...or by Conventions in three-fourths thereof...,” in other words by special Ratifying Conventions. **Don’t you know the state of Utah’s legislature would never have ratified repealing Prohibition!**

The late Richard B. Morris, Professor of History Americus, Columbia University, in his comprehensive history of the writing of our Constitution entitled ‘Witnesses At The Creation,’ wrote: “Even under the current ratification procedures in Article V, if they are not changed by a newly sitting convention, a Legislature is not guaranteed to have a proposed Amendment come before it for ratification. “

REALITY REVEALED IN VOTING RECORDS

Extremists pressing hard will no doubt be among those assorted delegates since the original Compact for America group of Republicans have decided to now include 11 Democrats and acknowledging that they wish to include more Democrats, minorities and women. Do you really think delegates to such a convention can be trusted to do right for America? Most legislators today have voting records for voting with the Constitution, in both parties, that are abysmal to outright non-existent (check Hawaii senators – 0 and 0), and they carry special interest baggage. One only needs checking voting records to verify this.

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From the ‘*Freedom Index*,’ a congressional scorecard based on the U.S. Constitution, their 3rd look at the 113th Congress, reveals that **the U.S. House of Representatives most recent voting record voting with the Constitution is only 38% and the Senate is a paltry 29%.**

“In the Virginia Resolution of 1798, Madison reaffirms this fundamental principle of constitutional construction: *‘Encroachments springing from a government, whose organization cannot be maintained without the cooperation of the states, furnish the strongest excitements upon the state legislators to watchfulness, and impose upon them the strongest obligation, to preserve unimpaired the line of partition.’*

“With these facts in mind, it would seem that our nation’s fiscal and political well-being is better served by governors jealous of their states’ sovereignty and their rightful role ‘shelters against the abuse of power,’ signing into law state bills nullifying unconstitutional federal measures (including those that have propelled our national indebtedness into the stratosphere) than by governors uniting at a constitutional convention with unchecked power to amend our Constitution out of existence in the name of balancing the budget.”

The point on sorry voting records is obvious. These politicians must be replaced at the polls. It doesn’t matter their party. We need American patriots who honor their oaths to our Constitution representing us. Only then by the grace of God are we going to get back to what brought us. A country of great ideals, free people in a free marketplace unobstructed from their aspirations and hard work by their very own government.

The 2014 Veterans Day Parade will be held in downtown Boise on Saturday, November 8th

Parade start time is 9:30 AM.

The parade route is Jefferson and Bannock Streets between 4th and 11th Streets.

The parade will include Idaho National Guard units, units from Boise area Armed Forces Reserve organizations of all Services, and airman from Mountain Home, AFB. All veterans service organizations will be represented; e.g. Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Legion, the Marine Corps League, etc. Also participating are several area high school and junior high school bands, and various other youth groups such as the Young Marines, the Civil Air Patrol, and the US Navy Sea Cadets. Participating civic organizations include Lions of Idaho and the El Korah Temple. This year’s parade will feature floats honoring veterans sponsored and built by Home Depot, the BSU Construction Association, the Lions of Idaho, the Civil Air Patrol, and the Cynthia Mann Elementary School. A special feature this year is the U. S. Navy Northwest Area Marching Band that operates out of the Seattle Washington area. The band requested to participate as part of its Idaho tour.

How to Restore the Nation by Restoring Idaho

By Christian Fioravanti

Conservative Americans focus too much attention on fixing the federal government to solve our problems. We have yet to see a serious change in the direction that Congress is taking us. Very little has been done federally to restore the U.S. Constitution, protect individual liberties, and put God at the forefront of our nation once again. So, does this mean we are all doomed to fall under absolute tyranny and develop into a totalitarian state Hitler would've been proud of? Absolutely not!

We have the opportunity in the next 15 years to see America evolve into the most prosperous nation the world will ever know for several decades. This is not pie in the sky, wishful thinking. It can be a reality, if we act now!

The answer lies in state and local government. If we can successfully promote liberty-minded candidates for all levels of office, we can be victorious! And I'm not talking about pushing "good" conservatives who generally support the Constitution and traditional values of a Republican. I'm talking about building slates of dynamite candidates who don't give a damn about the next election, and will stand up and fight for the next generation! We need men and women who have a strong foundation in God, country, and the U.S. Constitution the way our founding fathers intended for America. We need leaders of high moral character who are unwavering in their commitment to God & country. People who are willing to sweat, put their necks on the line, and leave their normal lives behind to fight for liberty.

If we begin electing state legislators who will stand up to the federal government, we will save our nation. We can begin by enacting legislation to nullify unconstitutional federal laws and restore power back to individual states. Our founding fathers established a system of sovereign nation states. Unfortunately today, we have too few statesmen in office fighting for state sovereignty. How can we expect an out of control federal government to be the judge and jury protecting their own warped, unlawful system? An example of this would be the US Supreme Court claiming Obamacare is constitutional, when it clearly is not. It's a classic story of the thief declaring his own innocence to armed robbery. Of course a criminal, given the power, would rule his own innocence of any wrong doing. Thomas Jefferson made a similar point when discussing how the people can protect themselves from unconstitutional laws. They are simply "null and void" he proclaimed. Therefore, state governments need to stand up and protect their citizens from an overreaching federal government.

Imagine for a moment, if Idaho started this trend to restore our constitutional republic. Imagine other states climbing on board, duplicating our legislation and defending their citizens from federal overreach. We would have effectively stripped the power away from Washington D.C. and reigned in much of the illegitimate centralized government, virtually overnight.

The answer to solving our nation's problems does not lie with Congress alone. I encourage everyone to run for office, get involved, and assist those currently elected to stand up for the people of Idaho. Let us be the first state to lay the ground work towards the restoration of our Republic.

Christian Fioravanti
Candidate for District 1 State Senate

A COMMON CORE UPDATE – by Idahoans For Local Education

WHERE WE'VE BEEN – We continue to host/speak in neighborhoods and communities across the state to increase public awareness... even in private homes for small personal gatherings. We will go anywhere and speak to anyone in order to spread the news that it's NOT just standards! The *Common Core package deal* includes... Standards – Excessive Assessments – Excessive Data Mining – Teacher Evaluations & Distribution – Massive Corporate Influence – Questionable Curriculum / Content – and most importantly... Loss of Local Decision Making! In the past 18 months or so, we've traveled Idaho to... Challis... Grangeville... Emmett... Burley (twice)... Twin Falls... Castleford... Notus... Payette... Caldwell... Nampa... Eagle... and of course Meridian & Boise. Plans are in the works for Kuna & Mountain Home and we are scheduled for October 18th in Preston and October 25th in Coeur d'Alene. More details coming soon on these locations.

OUTREACH CAMPAIGN – Our public informational meetings have evolved into what we are calling our "outreach campaign" that we introduced over the summer. Essentially, we are making **a standing offer to any community or group (or individual)** that is willing to reserve a time and place for our "traveling road show". We will come to you, and if you can find a few volunteers to deliver them, **we will prepare and ship printed flyers** for use in a door to door campaign to promote the meeting. It is important to cast the net wide in this effort, as this *common issue* is uniquely suited to cross political, social and cultural divides as we work to connect with parents across Idaho. For this reason, we've started advising against the use of typical *conservative monikers* (such as Tea Party, Republican, JBS, 9-12 or others) in organizing and promoting these outreach meetings. Not because these aren't terrific groups, but because by referencing them, we run the unnecessary risk of automatically closing the door on those who need to hear it the most.

If you're interested in hosting a meeting, please call Valerie at 794-1250 or Stephanie at 571-8770.

COUNTY GROUPS – One of our current efforts is to **help connect folks with others in their counties**. We've been adding names and contact info (where approved) to a state-wide list and are currently seeking individuals who are willing to be a point of contact for their county. We will be **offering guidance to any group who desires it** to help them get active in their area... including presentation materials... study materials... hand outs... action items... etc. You can join one of these county groups by visiting our website at IdahoansForLocalEducation.com. Click on "County Connect" at the right end of the black bar at the top. Then complete the form. There are now 22 counties represented!

AN "OPEN LETTER" TO TEACHERS – In order to reassure teachers that **our CC opposition is NOT directed at them**, we have completed a letter that we will be emailing to as many as we can manage across the state. We wish to let them know that **it is THEM that we trust to educate our children** and that we understand they are in a difficult position by being caught in the middle between parents and the administration. We are also **seeking their input** in developing our recommendations for improvements and alternatives as we move forward in our efforts.

OUR GOALS FOR 2015 LEGISLATIVE SESSION – One area group plans to present Oklahoma's full repeal bill to legislators for consideration in the next session. We will certainly lend our support to such an effort, though we are also preparing to follow less aggressive pursuits that we believe have a better chance for success. Among them... **we wish to revisit the data privacy bill that was passed in the last session**. This is essentially a boiler plate version obtained from the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC), which places all authority in the hands of the State Board of Education. (The very people that brought us this mess in the first place!) What we desire is to have the SBOE stripped of some of that unchecked authority, by adding language to specify that certain types of information cannot be collected at all... ever. We will also propose that the **inter-agency sharing of student data** with the Idaho Department of Transportation and the Idaho Department of Labor be **discontinued altogether**... and all reporting outside of the school or district be returned to aggregate form. So

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that programs can be measured and tracked and not individual students. It will be necessary to determine whether or not there are other agreements that need to be addressed, and possibly the existing data stores as well. We also believe it's imperative for Idaho to **exit the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium** (SBAC) and will push to drop all end of year "summative" assessments, that serve no instructional purpose. We also plan to **push for an opt out testing provision to be added** to the Rules of Thoroughness that guide public education in Idaho.

OFFERING A "SOLUTION" TO FILL THE VOID – We do have options among the proven pre-CC standards from other states. We have already contacted the California State Board of Education about permission to use their proven successful **Math standards**, which simply requires that we promise not to use them to make money. We have already obtained a free copy of the highly acclaimed Massachusetts **English Language Arts standards** in their newly updated form from their lead standards writer, Sandra Stotsky. If there are portions of the CC standards that teachers generally like, then let's assemble an Idaho development team (including actual teachers!) and come up with something that is uniquely Idaho that better reflects our way of life. **As for testing...** either drop EOY summative assessments (like SBAC) altogether in favor of the less intrusive, less costly, less time consuming MAP test (Measurement of Academic Progress). OR go back to the ISAT vendor who already replaces 1/4 to 1/3 of the content every year anyway, and ask them to realign with the new standards. We don't need high tech, high cost testing to know whether or not our students are succeeding. It is our understanding that the **most useful tests** to truly gauge achievement are the **formative assessments** that are designed by teachers for classroom use. Let's engage the teachers to help determine the best approach for assessments too.

DON'T BE DISCOURAGED – It took Oklahoma four years to dump Common Core! Idaho is 2 years or more behind early implementation states and, while we had hoped to learn from their experience, it's apparently going to require our own painful experiences to break through. Support for Common Core continues to erode, though. Other states are beginning to walk away... IN, SC, MO, LA, NC, OK have already either dumped the new test or the standards, or both... and Iowa is now poised to act. Many more states have pending legislation for similar pursuits. Local progress has been made through awareness, such as the 2014 data privacy bill. It may be flawed, but it's an admission of a problem. And.... (drum roll) we "primaried" John Goedde, the Incumbent Senate Ed Committee Chairman, who basically told concerned mom's to take their kids out of school if they don't like the system. The latest evidence of the continuing erosion came in the form of two new polls from Gallup and Education Next, with very similar results. **Compared to one year ago...** general public support dropped by 12% and support among teachers is down 30%, while general public opposition has doubled and opposition among teachers has tripled! It just proves that the more you know, the more you dislike Common Core!



OPTING OUT OF SBAC TEST (number one parent request) – Unfortunately, there is no clear path to doing this in Idaho. The Rules of Thoroughness that govern assessments stipulates that all public school students participate in the end of year summative assessment chosen by the SBOE, and names the ISAT. This is the likely reason for the renaming of the test from SBAC to ISAT 2.0. It may be that civil disobedience will be our only effective option... by not "asking permission" but asserting our inherent parental rights by simply REFUSING. It may become necessary to seek a legal remedy through the court, which we are also exploring.

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TIMING IS EVERYTHING IN AN ELECTION

By John Bujak

John Bujak's reply to the Idaho Press Tribune article 10/1/2014

http://www.idahopress.com/members/idaho-supreme-court-rules-bujak-committed-ethical-violations/article_b3988898-4913-11e4-9d82-1b732fb73c39.html

Politics is a dirty game. For the most part in Idaho, third-party candidates are ignored. The candidates from the two major parties attack each other and make promises to the voters without ever referencing the minority parties at all. That changes, however, when a third-party candidate gains some political traction. At that point the gloves come off and the mud starts to fly.

It is clear that I have gained political traction in the governor's race. The press, which hardly mentioned me in the beginning, has started to run articles about me and my campaign regularly. I have been winning radio "flash polls" in eastern Idaho. I have been invited to all of the major debates including the statewide Idaho Public Television debate on October 30th. People are talking about me as a candidate who could win the election in a Jesse Ventura style upset. That has the good old boys worried and they are starting to go on the attack.

There was an article in the Idaho Press Tribune this morning. The headline was, "Idaho Supreme Court Rules that Bujak Committed Ethical Violations." They make it sound like this is some new event when in fact it is simply the Supreme Court accepting an agreement I made with the Idaho State Bar in March. They have now decided to take action on it – interesting timing considering how close we are to the general election. The order accepts my agreement with the Bar giving me credit for time that I voluntarily spent on suspension while criminal charges were pending. It does not affect my ability to practice law. It does not change the fact that I was cleared of all criminal wrongdoing.

I predict that this will be the first of several attacks to come. The more my conservative message resonates with the voters, the more the good old boys will try to put me down. They will use the political propaganda machine to try and convince you to vote for the person they want to see in office. Don't be fooled. When the attacks come, question the timing and truthfulness of what is said. Don't just accept what they try to spoon feed you. In November, we have a chance to make history. Come to the polls and vote for the only conservative choice. Let's take Idaho back for the people!

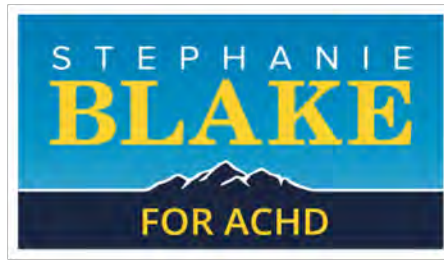
My name is John Bujak and I'm running for Governor of Idaho!

EDITORS NOTE-Food for Thought

We find it interesting that with all of the scandals that a newspaper could have brought to light like the WIFI scandal between Syringa and Quest or the Corrections Corporation of America scandal they bring up an ethics case. This case could have been ruled on in March of this year but was held off till just before the election.

WHY?

Could it be that the Libertarian Candidate John Bujak was gaining a little too much traction in the polls, and it was time to unleash the wrath of the good old boy establishment upon his campaign?



Ada County is a tremendous place to live, own a business, recreate and raise a family. The Ada County Highway District (ACHD) is the one government agency that touches all these aspects of our lives on a daily basis. ACHD's roads get us to work, move our goods and equipment, and shelter our children when walking to and from school. ACHD interfaces with businesses and developers in the forms of fees, reviews and approvals. In short, who we elect to sit on the ACHD Board of Commissioners is critical. I am running for this important job, because I want ACHD to be on the right track, the track that the citizens of Ada County choose – and **ACHD needs strong leadership and a fresh perspective to make sure we are moving in the right direction in the years to come.**

I believe ACHD must lower impact fees, increase efficiency, and forge strong partnerships with the citizens and businesses in our community. I will work to reduce congestion by actually coordinating construction closures, integrate planning with Ada County cities to anticipate growth, and push for all 427 of ACHD Traffic signals to be updated to “intuitive signals” that detect cars and reduce needless idling and the extra emissions it causes. I am a mother see the need to advocate for safer routes to schools by repairing or installing sidewalks, and insuring that there are clear and safe connections from our neighborhoods to our local schools and parks. Finally, as a Commissioner I will ensure your tax dollars are spent wisely, strategically and transparently. I believe in less government, and when and where government is actually needed, it should be lean, efficient and serve the people who pay for it. **I will not increase your tax bill to pay for inefficiencies in local government.**

My opponents have offered no concrete ideas for how they plan to lead as an ACHD Commissioner. One opponent stated in a recent candidate forum that ACHD doesn't need any new ideas. I disagree. The citizens of District 3 and Ada County at large need a new voice – someone who isn't tangled up in old political allegiances or resting in the laurels of their family heritage, but someone who is solely interested in finding the *right* answers to the problems we face. I believe I am that person and that's why I am running. I ask for your support at the ballot box in November and by passing this message on to your friends, family and associates in District 3. It's time for a fresh step in the right direction.

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TREVOR LOUDON

New Zeal blogger and author, Trevor Loudon, will be speaking in the greater Boise area in **October** as part of his U.S. book tour! This is rare opportunity to hear directly from the renowned researcher who has carefully documented the details of the progressive infiltration of the U.S. Congress.

What's Loudon's "The Enemies Within: Communists, Socialists and Progressives in the U.S. Congress" All About?

Trevor Loudon's newly released book "[The Enemies Within: Communists, Socialists and Progressives in the U.S. Congress](http://www.trevorloudon.com/)" is like no other book written on American politics.

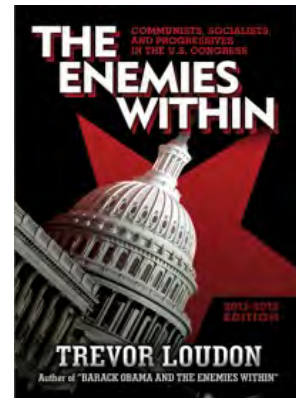
The book is designed to expose, in layman's terms, the comprehensive communist, socialist and extreme progressive infiltration of the U.S. House of Representatives and the Senate.

"The Enemies Within" profiles fourteen Senators and more than fifty Representatives and their ties to Communist Party USA, Democratic Socialists of America, Workers World Party, and The Institute for Policy Studies, Council for a Livable World and other radical anti-American organizations.

Ever wondered why the US Congress has moved further and further left over your lifetime, even while much of the electorate has become more and more conservative? Why government regulation and taxes have exponentially increased, even though most Americans still oppose Big Government?

"The Enemies Within" is designed to show American voters exactly how modern communism works and how it impacts on your life, every single day. Just how do the communists win big on things like Obamacare and immigration "reform," which go completely against the wishes of the American people? "The Enemies Within" names names and takes no prisoners.

Visit... <http://www.trevorloudon.com/>



Plan now and bring your friends to one of the following **FREE events:**

Monday, October 6th – 6:30pm

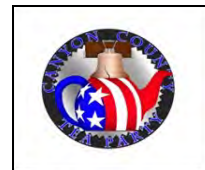
Mission Aviation Fellowship

12 N. Pilatus Lane

Nampa, Idaho

Contact: Sheila Ford 412-3214

darrylrford@gmail.com



Wednesday, October 8th – 7:00pm

American Legion Post 113, VA Building

22 W. Broadway Ave.

Meridian, Idaho

Contact: Valerie Candelaria 794-1250

info@912ProjectIdaho.com



If you have a local group that would like to host another speaking engagement in the greater Boise area between Oct 9 and Oct 12, contact Valerie at The 9-12 Project of Idaho to learn the minimal requirements!



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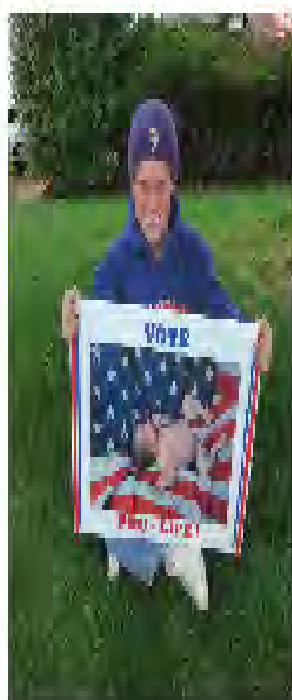
Life Chain

Sunday, October 5

2-4 pm

Meet us at the Red Robin on Milwaukee. We'll provide pro-Life signs. This event gives us a great opportunity to share the pro-Life message with folks coming in and out of the Mall. Similar events

will be happening in over 800 cities across the nation.



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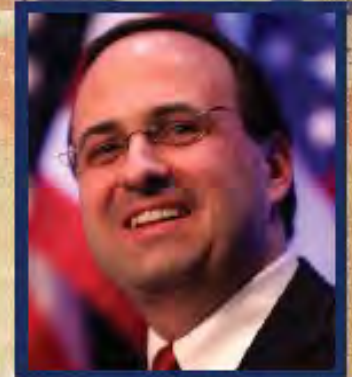
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Banquet Keynote Dr. Thomas Woods

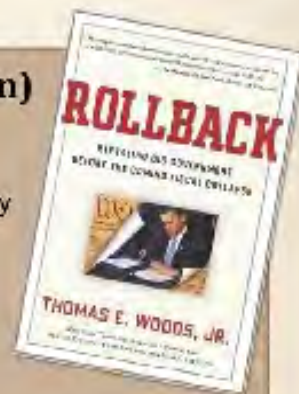


Thomas E. Woods, Jr., is a senior fellow of the Ludwig von Mises Institute and a host of the **Tom Woods Show**, which broadcasts every weekday. He holds a bachelor's degree in history from Harvard and his master's, M.Phil., and Ph.D. from Columbia University. Woods has appeared on CNBC, MSNBC, FOX News Channel, FOX Business Network, C-SPAN, and Bloomberg Television, among other outlets, and has been a guest on hundreds of radio programs, including National Public Radio, the Dennis Miller Show, the Michael Reagan Show, the Dennis Prager Show, and the Michael Medved Show.

Woods has authored 11 books, edited and wrote the introduction to five books, contributed the preface to one book and the forward to two books. He is also the author of *Beyond Distributism*, part of the Acton Institute's Christian Social Thought Series.

Dr. Woods is the author of 11 books (TomWoods.com)

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- **W obronie zdrowego rozsadku** (A collection of Wood's essays released in Poland, 2007)



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*Lunch on your own

Expo Workshop Topics (pending, final schedule to be posted online when confirmed)

Free Trade vs Fair Trade, Common Core, Trans-Atlantic Partnership, NSA/Digital Security, Agenda 21, Con-Con/Article 5, Reclaiming State Lands, Sharia Law, Militarization of Law Enforcement, Right to Work, Sound Money, Global Government/UN, Gun Laws, Flex Your Rights/Civil Rights Training, Crony Capitalism, Industrial Hemp, Medical Marijuana, Food Freedom, Health Freedom.

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12 N. Pilatus Lane
Nampa, Idaho **Contact:** Sheila Ford 412-3214
darrylrford@gmail.com



Wednesday, October 8th – 7:00pm
American Legion Post 113, VA Building
22 W. Broadway Ave.
Meridian, Idaho **Contact:** Valerie Candelaria 794-1250
info@912ProjectIdaho.com



The RLC's Liberty Expo and Spirit of 76 awards Banquet will be on Saturday October 25th at the Riverside Hotel. We do not yet have a schedule of events or a complete list of speakers but people can look at the IdahoLibertyExpo.com website for example discussion panel topics from last year's expo

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