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Too much happened this week! Enjoy...

The cartoons come from:

www.townhall.com/funnies.

If you receive this and you hate it and you don't want to ever read it no matter what...that is fine; email me back and you will be deleted from my list (which is almost at the maximum anyway).

Previous issues are listed and can be accessed here:

<http://kukis.org/page20.html> (their contents are described and each issue is linked to) or here:

<http://kukis.org/blog/> (this is the online directory they are in)

I attempt to post a new issue each Sunday by 2 or 3 pm central standard time (I sometimes fail at this attempt).

I try to include factual material only, along with my opinions (it should be clear which is which). I make an attempt to include as much of this week's news as I possibly can. The first set of columns are intentionally designed for a quick read.

I do not accept any advertising nor do I charge for this publication. I write this principally to blow off steam in a nation where its people seemed have collectively lost their minds.

And if you are a believer in Jesus Christ, always remember: **We do not struggle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places** (Eph. 6:12).

This Week's Events

The United Arab Emirates ambassador to the United States, Yousef al-Otaiba, publically stated Tuesday that the benefits of bombing Iran's nuclear program outweigh the short-term costs such an attack would impose.

In related news, Iran has just banned the mullet and male pony tail. A FoxNews commentator said that even a broken clock is right twice a day.

BP is to remove the ineffective cap on their gushing well in the gulf with something which will capture most of the oil escaping from the well. This will be a 2 or 3 day process.

BP will soon begin to drill for oil off the shores of Libya, the negotiations for which have been going on for years. The release of the Lockerbie bomber, who will probably live for another 15–20 years, appears to have been the key to these negotiations being fruitful for BP (and for the cash-poor British government).

The Obama White House, representing the federal government, has filed suit against Arizona over their immigration law. Although WH talking heads this past week have talked all about racial profiling, the basis of the suit is federal preeminence in controlling illegal immigrants.



10 Russian spies are exchanged for 4 westerners incarcerated in Russia.

President Obama gives a recess appointment to Dr. Donald Berwick, making him administrator of Medicare and Medicaid, and in charge of 4% or more of our GDP. Recess appointments were originally a part of government, because the Congress would recess for long periods of time. Later, these were used for appointments which were difficult to get passed or were filibustered. However, this may be the first recess appointment who would have been confirmed, but the Obama administration just did not want any of his background made known.

According to the Nielsen Co, CBS, NBC, ABC and Fox together had the smallest number of prime-time viewers last week in two decades of record-keeping.

San Francisco, a bastion of readily available medical marijuana, is looking into banning the sale of pets (because there are so many abandoned animals, including hamsters). Mayor Gavin Newsom, by executive order, has banned Coke, Pepsi and Fanta Orange from vending machines on city property, although their diet counterparts will be allowed.

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) is blocking certain websites from the federal agency's computers, including halting access by staffers to any Internet pages that contain a "controversial opinion," according to an internal email obtained by CBS News. 5 categories of sites and applications are blocked. What's not specifically blocked? Porn.

This was a very difficult story to track down on the internet: The ArcelorMittal steel plant, in East Chicago, Indiana is generating what some are calling "recycled green energy" that is saving the company a hundred million dollars a year on its energy costs. The trick is trapping waste heat from the giant ovens used to heat metal for smelting and using it to run turbines. Thomas Casten, the Chairman of Recycled Energy Development says, "What they've done at this plant produces about twice the amount of clean energy as all of the solar collectors in the US since the dawn of the industry." This is one plant. Just like those small nuclear reactors, where is the press on this story? Where are the environmentalists praising this company to the heavens?

This is a significant news item which I missed: during the protests in Iran, both Ayatollah Khamenei and President Ahmadinejad had planes ready to get them out of the country, if necessary (I heard this for the first time during an interview with Cyrus Nowrasteh). This ought to give us an idea of how fragile the Iranian government is at this time, and how an smart U.S. President could have potentially toppled that regime.

James O'Keefe and Hannah Giles are sued by an ACORN San Diego employee for \$75,000.

The University of Illinois has fired an adjunct professor who taught courses on Catholicism after a student accused the instructor of engaging in hate speech by saying he agrees with the church's teaching that homosexual sex is immoral.

Governor Bobby Jindal says the oil must be stopped before it reaches the shore. Still, many federal employees are busy with paper towels "cleaning up" marshes and marsh grasses.



Say What?

Liberals:

During Wednesday interview with Channel 2 News and confronted with the anxiety that some Israelis feel toward him, Obama said that "some of it may just be the fact that my middle name is Hussein, and that creates suspicion." He then added: "Ironically, I've got a Chief of Staff named Rahm Israel Emmanuel. My top political advisor is somebody who is a descendent of Holocaust survivors. My closeness to the Jewish American

community was probably what propelled me to the U.S. Senate."

"This [Stimulus Bill] legislation was designed to cushion the downturn," said White House Press Secretary Robert Gibbs. You may recall this as being touted as a job's bill. Uh uh, that is not the story now.

President Obama from January: "That is why I have moved quickly to work with my economic team and leaders of both parties on an American Recovery and Reinvestment Plan that will immediately jumpstart job creation and long-term growth."

President Obama on the campaign trail: "This is a choice between the policies that got us into this mess in the first place and the policies that are getting us out of this mess, and the other side is banking on people not having a good memory. They're trying to bamboozle you."

Michelle Obama: "We are going to have to change our traditions and our history and move to a better place."

Obama supporter Jimmy Buffet on the oil spill in the gulf: "To me it was more about eight years of bad policy before (Obama) got there that let this happen. It was Dracula running the blood bank in terms of oil and leases. I think that has more to do with it than how the president reacted to it."

Alvin Greene, the Democratic Senate candidate for South Carolina, suggested this week, "Another thing we can do for jobs is make toys of me, especially for the holidays. Little dolls. Me. Like maybe little action dolls. Me in an army uniform, air force uniform, and me in my suit. They can make toys of me and my vehicle, especially for the holidays and Christmas for the kids. That's something that would create jobs. So you see I think out of the box like that. It's not something a typical person would bring up. That's something

that could happen, that makes sense. It's not a joke."

NASA official Charles Bolden announced on Al Jazeera Network: "When I became the NASA Administrator - before I became the NASA Administrator - [Obama] charged me with three things: One was he wanted me to help re-inspire children to want to get into science and math, he wanted me to expand our international relationships, and third, and perhaps foremost, he wanted me to find a way to reach out to the Muslim world and engage much more with dominantly Muslim nations to help them feel good about their historic contribution to science, math, and engineering." Bodlen's concluding remarks to Al Jazeera: "NASA is not only a space exploration agency, but also an earth improvement agency."

Minister King Samir Shabazz, aka Maurice Heath, who was one of the nightstick-wielding African-Americans outside a Philadelphian polling place in 2008: "I hate white people - all of them! Every last iota of a cracker, I hate 'em. Through South Street with white, dirty, cracker whore [expletive] on our arms. And we call ourselves black men with African garb on." And "You want freedom? You're gonna have to kill some crackers! You're gonna have to kill some of their babies!" This is the person who the Department of Justice has declined to prosecute, even though there is a default judgment against him. Christian Adams, a former DOJ attorney, quit his job after over the Obama administration's refusal to prosecute the Panthers.

Deputy Assistant Attorney General Julie Fernandes ordered, "Never bring another lawsuit against a black or other national minority, apparently no matter what they do."

Mayor Gavin Newsom, in co-authored article about the Stimulus bill: "Let's continue a federal stimulus program that's working exactly as it was

intended - putting thousands of people back to work now."

With respect to the spy exchange, Joe Biden told Jay Leno: "I thought they'd take Rush Limbaugh." (Biden can be funny).

Ken Feinberg, the dispenser of BP funds, when questioned about the potential imperfections of dispersing funds, said, "The perfect is the enemy of the good." (I will admit when a liberal says something sensible).

Jerry Brown, about giving respect to his constituents: "**First of all you treat them with respect.** You lay out your agenda, and you get everybody understanding we're Californians first. We're not Democrat or Republican or a member of this group or that group. And don't just say unions are a powerful force. Hey, you know Wall Street destroyed \$11 trillion worth of wealth. That's powerful. No union could do that. **Then there's the tea baggers and the Chamber of Commerce.** The key to democracy is leadership what can forge the common purpose. That's what I feel my entire life has prepared me to take what I learn, work with the diversion conflicting factions and get this common pathway to the future. Seizing the assets of California, which after all is still the eighth wealthiest political entity in the world." Either Brown does not realize that this is a homosexual slur, or it is just a part of his vocabulary which slipped out.

Crosstalk:

Washington Post's Ruth Marcus on the Palin *mama grizzly* vid: "I think it's the same, old, vapid, platitudinous Sarah Palin," said Marcus. "There is not a shred, not a shred of substance in this ad."

George Will responded with: "On the vapidness meter, that ranks nowhere near, 'We are the ones we have been waiting for,' which was

Obama's way of flattering the self-esteem of his supporters."

Conservatives:

Rush Limbaugh, "The center of the universe is not the RNC, it is right here." [in his studio]

From FoxNews' *Bulls and Bears*: "Fannie and Freddie saying that these [green] loans are too risky is like Lindsay Lohan saying, 'This cocktail is too strong.' "

Jake Tapper asked George Will if the President's claim Republicans "are peddling that same snake oil that they've been peddling now for years" will resonate with voters this November.

Will responded, "No, because he is an expert on snake oil. This is the man who said, if we pass the \$767 billion stimulus bill, which it turns out costs \$862 billion, a \$95 million oops, we would have unemployment at 8 percent and no higher, and it went higher. This is the man who last week was out saying, 'I'm going to give \$2 billion, about \$2 billion, to two companies to create about 1,600 jobs.' That's \$1.5 million per job. That is snake oil"

Must-Watch Media

Powerful Palin ad; the new feminism:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fsUVL6ciK-c>

Dodge Chrysler targets TEA partiers in ad:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ezk0e1VL80o>

Newt Gingrich interviewed by Greta on Obama suing Arizona (this is excellent):

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SRWFtRt1NQQ>

Our country was found on the basis of distrust of the government, by Penn Jillett:

<http://bighollywood.breitbart.com/hollywoodland/2010/07/09/penn-jillette-mistrust-of-government-is-a-beautiful-thing/>

Anti Ground-Zero Mosque ad (banned by CBS):

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mjGJPPRD3u0>

This is way cool; it is an animation of the air traffic over the United States over a 24 hour period of time (it is not in real time; it is only 3 minutes):

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d9r3H4iHFZk>

DOJ is not to bring any lawsuit against a brother:

<http://bigjournalism.com/bparks/2010/07/08/another-story-the-msm-doesnt-want-you-to-know-about-never-bring-another-lawsuit-against-a-black/>



Democrat film maker says Obama stole election from Clinton (she alleges massive voter fraud):

<http://www.breitbart.tv/new-documentary-charges-obama-stole-nomination-from-hillary/>

The film site (with excellent previews):

<http://wewillnotbesilenced2008.com/>

More examples of why we ought to continue to ignore the opinions of movie stars:

<http://bighollywood.breitbart.com/jjmno/2010/07/09/watch-inception-stars-trash-evil-stupid-cheney-palin-preach-hypocritical-environmentalism/>

Here is a film to see: *The Lottery* (you can buy the DVD here as well)

<http://thelotteryfilm.com/>

Although the following is not great video, it presents evidence of a spiritual battle occurring in Dearborn, Michigan. Believers in Jesus Christ are accosted by police for handing out the gospel of John to Arabs as the exit an Arab festival (not even a Muslim festival).

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Smw9QuH1xkA>

Video and story on the New Black Panthers, in front of the polling place and his hating white crackers statements.

<http://www.wnd.com/?pageId=175817>

Glenn Beck on this story:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YhYL-gmPdWg>

"Let's talk about this brother" New Black Panther president praised Osama Bin Laden:

<http://tv.breitbart.com/new-black-panther-president-praises-bin-laden/>

Congressman Aaron Schock does not want to spend money telling everyone where stimulus money was spent; he makes a good case:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KpIHwpSTY8A>

Newt Gingrich on Obama's recess appointment (there is a commercial first):

<http://video.foxnews.com/v/4276576/obamas-controversial-recess-appointment/>

Missouri, like all states, is facing a severe budget crisis. But, they still managed to go out and spend \$100,000 for some new "Welcome to Missouri" signs (the old ones were 20 years old). There is a commercial first:

<http://www.breitbart.tv/despite-state-cash-crunch-missouri-spends-big-bucks-on-vanity-signs/>

11 reasons to vote Democrat this year

<http://www.the912project.com/2010/07/03/73-11-great-reasons-to-vote-dem-in-nov/>

A Little Comedy Relief

Jodi Miller: "Last week, Move America Forward held its annual Troop-a-thon. Also held last week, Code Pink's bake sale for Hama."

And "Venezuela recently seized 11 oil rigs owned by American companies, or, as Hugo Chavez calls it, 'keeping up with Obama.'"

Short Takes

1) Written by Kathy from a discussion site I go to: *I know Michigan has a HUGE Muslim population. That is why they are getting away with what is in these videos. They are also running for office. This is a concerted effort all over the west - Europe and here. First, move to the area. Second, have children like hamsters. Third, overwhelm and outnumber the indigenous population. Fourth, infiltrate by running for local office. Fifth, as things get into place, begin instituting Sharia law - since Islamists would now have the majority necessary to impose their will. The UK is very hard hit - there is the English Defense League - I believe they have a web site - that just protested the building of a huge mosque near their homes.*

To a Muslim, a mosque is not like a church or synagogue - just for worship. It is a symbol of conquest and it is where they do all the agitating and teaching propaganda. They want to name the mosque in NY at the Ground Zero area "Cordoba House" - in honor of their conquest of southern Spain in the late Dark and early Middle Ages.

There are a couple of videos on YouTube which deal with Muslim behavior, depending upon their percentage of the population. If you have not seen these videos, you need to watch them.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SNZQ5D8lwfl>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uNN-K44Qv14>

2) Did you hear about the depressions of 1920 and 1946? Probably you have, if you have been watching Glenn Beck. These depressions ended quickly with tax cuts and a reduction in federal spending. What depression did not end very quickly? The one over which FDR presided. What recession will not end quickly? The one over which President Obama presides. Hmm, I wonder if there is anything to be learned by this?

Glenn Beck's shows (I highly recommend Friday's July 9th show). I watched this with an independent (Obama voter) who was seeing his show for the first time, and she was engrossed by this show.

<http://watchglennbeck.com/>

3) Last week I quoted that lame statement that Michael Steele made about Afghanistan (a statement with many Republicans have publicly repudiated). The official DNC statement is

"Here goes Michael Steele setting policy for the GOP again. The likes of John McCain and Lindsey Graham will be interested to hear that the Republican Party position is that we should walk away from the fight against Al Qaeda and the Taliban without finishing the job. They'd also be interested to hear that the Chairman of the Republican Party thinks we have no business in Afghanistan notwithstanding the fact that we are there because we were attacked by terrorists on 9-11.

"And, the American people will be interested to hear that the leader of the Republican Party thinks recent events related to the war are 'comical' and that he is betting against our troops and rooting for failure in Afghanistan. It's simply unconscionable that Michael Steele would undermine the morale of our troops when what they need is our support and encouragement. Michael Steele would do well to remember that we are not in Afghanistan by our own choosing, that we were attacked and that his words have consequences."

It was a dumb thing to say. This same statement could have been issued almost on a weekly basis from the RNC back in the years 2005–2008.

4) So the argument the DOJ is making against Arizona is, the United States government retains the right to enforce or not enforce federal laws?

5) Noel Shepard: Chatting with California gubernatorial candidate Jerry Brown on "Hardball," the MSNBC host Chris Matthews called the Republican candidate for governor in that state Meg Whitman a know-nothing.

"What is it in the American psyche or character that says, if you don't know anything, you're somehow an average person or average guy and you have horse sense?" asked Matthews.

"What is it about people that keep picking people like George W. Bush to be president? And you see these people like Sarah Palin out there with fans."

It seems in Matthews' view, governing Texas, Alaska, or running one of America's leading Internet companies requires zero intellectual capacity

<http://newsbusters.org/blogs/noel-sheppard/2010/07/10/chris-matthews-calls-george-w-bush-and-sarah-palin-know-nothings>

By the Numbers

Over the past week, NBC's "Nightly News" had an average of 7.8 million viewers
ABC's "World News" had an average of 6.7 million
"CBS Evening News" had 5 million viewers
O'Reilly's "The Factor" on cable station FoxNews has about 4–5 million viewers a night.

In the past year, network news has lost 1 million viewers.

46% of those who are unemployed have been unemployed for more than 76 months.

In the past 40 years, there have been 50,000 well holes dug in the gulf (I believe on the U.S. side alone?), with the present BP leak as being the

first major leak in a U.S. well in the gulf. The gulf provides the U.S. with 10.6% of its crude.

Politifact claims (and I have worded this as they suggested) that 30% of the oil produced in the U.S. comes out of the gulf, and 80% of that comes from deep water drilling.

Who classify themselves as *extremely patriotic*:

	2005	2010
Republicans	35%	52%
Democrats	22%	20%

These are fascinating numbers, because, since Obama was elected president, patriotism has gone up among Republicans and down among Democrats.

Democracy Corps (the firm of James Carville and Stan Greenberg),

"Now, I am going to read you a list of words and phrases which people use to describe political figures. For each word or phrase, please tell me whether it describes Barack Obama very well, well, not too well, or not well at all."

When asked about "a socialist,"
33% of likely voters say it describes Obama "very well,"
22% say "well,"
15% say "not too well,"
25% say "not well at all."



A Little Bias

According to the Government Accountability Office (GAO), the federal government helped pay the home air conditioning bills for more than 11,000 dead people, 1,100 federal employees, and 725 convicts in fiscal year 2009 as a part of a \$5 billion program known as the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program .

Polling by the Numbers

Gallup Poll:

One in three Americans (32%) now say they are "extremely patriotic," up from 26% in 2005 and 19% in 1999.

WOLF BLITZER: (music) The US Justice Department suing to block Arizona's controversial new immigration law.

KATIE COURIC: (music) ...the federal government sues to block Arizona's controversial immigration law.

SHEPARD SMITH: (music) the Department of Justice today sued the state of Arizona over its controversial new immigration law.

SGT. SCHULTZ: The Department of Justice filed a suit over Arizona's controversial new immigration law.

CHUCK ROBERTS: (music) The Justice Department has filed a lawsuit against Arizona's controversial immigration bill. (sic--law)

CENK UYGUR: (sfx) ...filing a lawsuit against Arizona over the state's controversial immigration law.

RICHELLE CAREY: The Justice Department has filed a lawsuit today against Arizona's controversial immigration bill.

BRIAN WILLIAMS: The United States today sued the state of Arizona. It's about the controversial new immigration law.

The DOJ's refusal to prosecute African-Americans who disrupt polling places and video of what one of the New Black Panthers said about hating white crackers. One DOJ lawyer resigns in protest. Ignored by ABC, NBC, CBS, the New York Times and the Washington Post. Another cable station kept referring to this as a 2-year-old story, even though the refusal to prosecution and the DOJ resignation just occurred.

That NASA official who said that one of his most important missions is to reach out the Muslim community and make them feel good about their contributions to the scientific world—ignored, I believe, by the same people.

Almost every media outlet refers to the Arizona immigration law as the *controversial immigration law* (including FoxNews), even though this has the support of 70% of Arizonians and 60% and more of those outside Arizona. However, Obama's White House filing suit against AZ is never called controversial, even though more people are against that than for it. Obama himself, never called controversial, even though his entire presidency is filled with controversial acts, controversial appointments, and controversial laws. But, the Arizona law, where it is favored at nearly 2 to 1 throughout the United States, now *that's* controversial.

Recycled energy which puts solar energy to shame? Almost completely ignored in the media.

The Al Gore sex poodle story, which has been around for some time now, is now appearing, albeit briefly, in the alphabet media.



FoxNews has covered or at least alluded to a lot of important stories not covered by most of the alphabet media:

The background of former Green Jobs Czar Van Jones. Most people did not even know who he was, and then, suddenly, he hands in his resignation, and this gets a brief mention in various media sources. What you are not told is, for a week prior to this, Beck played video and audio of this man, so that you knew who he was in his own words. This was around the time the White House was telling other news services that FoxNews was not a real news service and to not treat them as such.

The TEA party movement began long before it was reported in the mainstream media. There were congregations of 1000–15,000 TEA party members before any media service said anything about them. I called family in California and asked them what they thought of the TEA partiers who were about 3000 strong in the capital of California, but no local media source seemed to want to report on this story.

The Black Panther who believes we ought to be killing cracker babies, whose voter intimidation charge was suddenly dropped by Obama's DOJ, with one lawyer quitting over it, all this past week—is not a story media sources feel is important, and the few who have covered it, keep saying it is a 2-year old story (3 or 4 times in the same 2 or 3 minutes of coverage), even though dropping the case and the DOJ attorney quitting all just happened.

Levi Johnston, father of Bristol Palin's child, renigs on the lies which he told publically, and who covers it? FoxNews. Not sure about the other media sources who thought that his original lies were newsworthy.

NASA executive comes out and says we need to build the self-esteem of the Muslim world, and tell them how important their invention of algebra was (some 1000 years ago), and that this is his mission as per President Obama, and who reports on it? FoxNews, of course.

Why was Obama's recess appointment of Berwick unique among recess appointments—discussed on FoxNews. Who else covered this?

Questions for Obama

An outstanding question was asked of Robert Gibbs the other day. I will paraphrase it from memory. "You are filing suit against Arizona,

because they have passed legislation which you claim conflicts with federal law, even though it mirrors federal law. Will you also sue sanctuary cities because their city policies are in direct conflict with federal law?" I actually did think up this question on my own, but someone also asked it.

Here's the question with Gibb's outstanding response:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j-BG9ksLLVo>



Political Chess

Democrats demagogue that Republicans will not support an extension of unemployment benefits; Republicans are simply requiring the money to come from somewhere else in the budget (e.g., from unspent stimulus money). With media cover, Democrats know that this will be a good issue to campaign on.

I found this to be quite enlightening. When Bush and McCain were working on immigration reform, then Senator Obama was going along with it, but part way through the negotiations,

began offering up pro-union amendments, e.g., a sunseting of the guest-worker program (bear in mind, Democrats have no interest in illegals working here, if they cannot eventually become Democratic voters). Here is the slick chess move: Republican Jim DeMint voted for this amendment because he figured it would help to foul immigration reform.

More Proof Obama is an Amateur

What Obama is doing now in the gulf will affect oil prices negatively in 2012 (you could put this under prophecies as well). Look for a significant jump in oil prices in 2012, unless this administration tries to implement price controls (which will not float if the Congress is Republican).

News Before it Happens

North Dakota to become the 3rd largest oil producing state in the United States (if there is not significant blockage from the present administration or by environmentalists). This will cause a boom in North Dakota employment, although nothing as big as happened when the Alaskan pipeline was laid. From FoxNews.

Charles Krauthammer predicts that, because General Petraeus is saving Obama's bacon in Afghanistan (the country of the *real* war), Obama will back off on a strict withdrawal date.

Wrong Call

I thought that, if Obama was running the war, then there would be little outrage and no more legislation with a timetable for withdrawal submitted. Well, I am partially wrong. Some Democrats are quietly submitting legislation for firm withdrawal dates for Iraq, which is being quickly tabled or voted down. It is enough to provide them cover, but little is said about this,

because the alphabet media supports President Obama more than these few Democrats.

There will be a sharp increase in oil prices in mid-2012 (see previous column).

Missing Headlines

DOJ walks away from easy conviction of voter intimidation.

NASA is Obama's new emissary to the Muslim world?

Come, let us reason together....

A Growth Agenda for the GOP

Obama doubles down on 'stimulus.' Republicans can take advantage.

By Karl Rove

During the last week, President Barack Obama doubled down on a losing political bet, further cementing the Democratic Party's reputation as the champion of bigger deficits, higher spending and more government. He did so just as the public is crying out for lower deficits, less spending and less government.

In his Saturday radio address, Mr. Obama attacked Republican opposition to additional stimulus spending, saying they "just don't get it." Maybe they do get it. The first, \$862 billion stimulus bill of 17 months ago has after all failed to work the president's promised magic.

Last Thursday House Speaker Nancy Pelosi joined the president in his bad bet by offering up the economic gem that extension of unemployment benefits "creates jobs faster than almost any other initiative you can name." Really? Faster than, say, cutting personal income tax cuts or slashing the corporate tax rate?

Rank-and-file congressional Democrats do not seem eager to follow Mr. Obama and Mrs. Pelosi down this road. For example, the House barely passed its \$127 billion "Stimulus II" spending bill in late May by a vote of 215 to 204, with 34 Democrats joining all but one Republican in voting no. At least 20 of those Democrats come from districts at risk this fall. Democrats who represent swing districts are increasingly wary of supporting higher spending, taxes and deficits, or ceding greater power to the federal government. These issues are driving independents and other swing voters into the GOP column.

To maximize their gains, Republicans must go beyond promising to slash Democratic spending and reverse the Obama agenda (as important as these are). They also need to offer a competing agenda for increasing jobs and prosperity, and outline the concrete steps they will take to get back on the track for economic growth.

Republicans have a receptive audience: Americans overwhelmingly believe prosperity comes from entrepreneurs and free enterprise, not government. Republicans must emphasize that they stand for small and medium-size business-and stand foursquare against crony capitalists who seek advantage by partnering with big government.

A GOP growth agenda would keep intact the 2001 and 2003 tax cuts. Tax reform and simplification-including the flat tax and cutting the corporate tax rate-can also be winning issues if advocated by Republican candidates with authenticity and passion.

Laying out a positive agenda also requires GOP candidates to connect the dots between public policies and real-world consequences. So Republicans must make a compelling case that allowing the tax cuts to expire will result in history's largest tax increase-killing jobs, punishing hard work and enterprise, damaging growth, wounding small business, and postponing

the moment government finally restrains spending.

They need to explain that raising taxes on dividends and on capital gains would lower economic growth for years to come. Retirements would be less secure, capital more expensive for every enterprise from manufacturing to commercial real estate, and investment in American jobs and companies less attractive.

A jobs, growth and prosperity agenda is a natural complement to austerity policies. It offers hope as well as sacrifice. And growing the economy makes reducing deficits more manageable.

The GOP must also be a critic of obstacles placed by foreign governments on the sale of American goods and services. We are 5% of the world's population-we cannot remain prosperous by simply doing our own laundry. The countries with which the U.S. has trade deals represent 4% of the world's population, but 38% of our exports. Even Mr. Obama pays lip service to increasing U.S. exports.

The GOP should also pledge to oppose power grabs by unions, especially those dominated by government workers. Voters increasingly understand labor bosses make American enterprise less competitive. Democratic Sen. Tom Harkin's threat to pass "card check" in a lame-duck session must be taken seriously.

Some will argue this set of issues isn't entirely new. But efficacy matters more than novelty. And in today's environment, tested and timeless ideas look attractive compared to the radical transformation Mr. Obama is imposing on America.

Rarely has a political party faced a more receptive public. Mr. Obama's brand of liberalism has given Republicans the opportunity to make a confident and bold case for conservatism. They need only to make it.

From:

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Obama and the Fiscal 'Road to Hell'

G-20 leaders don't agree with the president that more spending will revive the economy. Nor do most Americans.

By Karl Rove

At last week's G-20 meeting, President Barack Obama achieved a two-fer. He suffered a significant international defeat, and he increased the chances his party will suffer a major domestic one this fall.

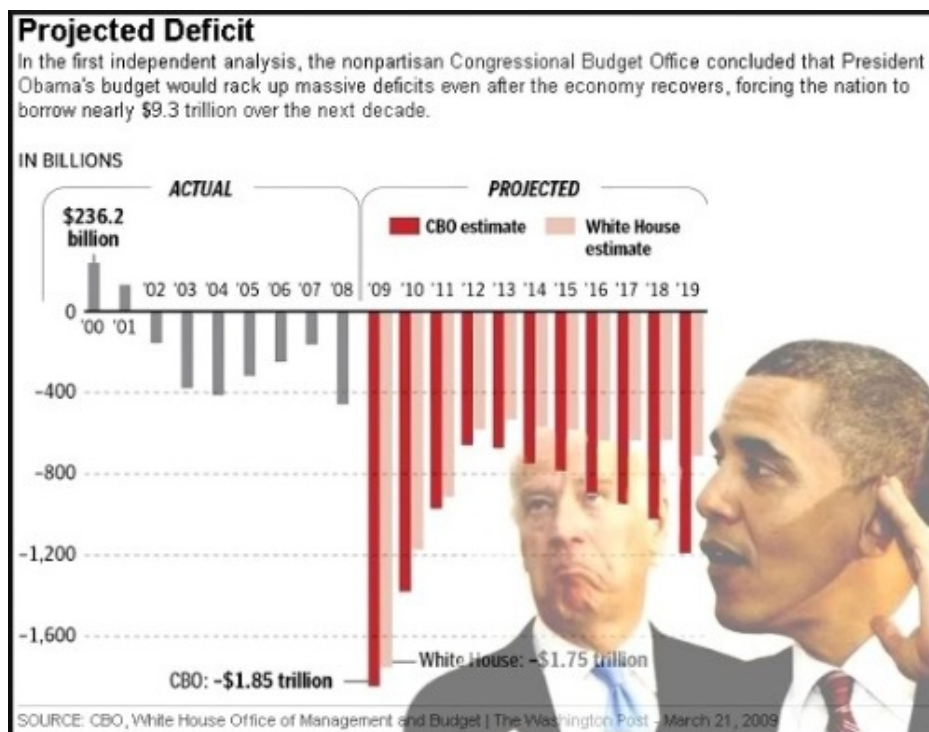
Mr. Obama's international defeat was self-inflicted. He went to Toronto to press other major nations to do as he has done: Expand government spending, or suffer, in the president's words, "renewed economic hardship and recession."

Canada, Germany, Great Britain and most other countries declined Mr. Obama's invitation. The German economic minister "urgently" prodded America to cut spending at a press conference on June 21, prior to the G-20 meeting. The president of the European central bank took direct aim at Mr. Obama's argument, telling the Italian newspaper La Repubblica on June 16 that "the idea that austerity measures could trigger stagnation is incorrect."

The European Union president, Czech Prime Minister Mirek Topolanek, tore into Mr. Obama's stimulus and other spending policies in a stunning address to the European Parliament in March 2009, calling them "the road to hell" and saying "the United States did not take the right path."

If it sounds strange to have European leaders lecturing the U.S. about fiscal restraint, it should. But that is where America finds itself after Mr. Obama's 17-month fiscal orgy.

The other flaw in his G-20 appearance is domestic. The president's statements that more deficit spending was "necessary to keep economic growth strong" and his cautioning against "the consequential mistakes of the past" when stimulus spending "was too quickly withdrawn" puts his administration and party squarely in favor of policies unpopular with most Americans.



Since 2000, the Gallup organization has asked voters what they believe will be the most important problem for the U.S. in 25 years. This year Americans are saying the challenge will be the deficit. And last month, almost eight in 10 voters surveyed by the Associated Press called the federal budget deficit an "extremely" or "very important" issue.

There was more bad news Tuesday for Democrats from recent focus groups conducted in battleground congressional districts in Iowa, Ohio, New Jersey, Arkansas and Florida.

A report on these focus groups issued this week by Resurgent Republic (a group I helped found) showed that both political independents and tea party participants passionately denounced federal spending and deficits, using words like "reckless," "out of control," "unnecessary" and "unhelpful." The evidence suggests that both groups remain deeply skeptical of Mr. Obama's stimulus package and are unpersuaded by the administration's arguments in its favor.

The authors of the Resurgent Republic study concluded that both independents and tea party voters believe "nearly unanimously" that reckless government spending, not lack of tax revenues, is responsible for the deficits. This goes to the very heart of the modern Democratic agenda with its guiding philosophy of bigger government and higher taxes.

All of this negative news is wearing on the president. At the G-20's concluding news conference, Mr. Obama-brittle and petulant-attacked GOP critics "who are hollering about deficits," saying he would be "calling their bluff" next year by "presenting some very difficult choices." Then "we'll see how much of . . . the political arguments they're making right now are real, and how much of it was just politics."

The president's problem is largely a mess of his own making. Deficit spending did not begin when Mr. Obama took office. But he and his Democratic allies have supported, proposed, passed or signed and then spent every dime that's gone out the door since Jan. 20, 2009.

Voters know it is Mr. Obama and Democratic leaders who approved a \$410 billion supplemental (complete with 8,500 earmarks) in the middle of the last fiscal year, and then passed

a record-spending budget for this one. Mr. Obama and Democrats approved an \$862 billion stimulus and a \$1 trillion health-care overhaul, and they now are trying to add \$266 billion in "temporary" stimulus spending to permanently raise the budget baseline.

It is the president and Congressional allies who refuse to return the \$447 billion unspent stimulus dollars and want to use repayments of TARP loans for more spending rather than reducing the deficit. It is the president who gave Fannie and Freddie carte blanche to draw hundreds of billions from the Treasury. It is the Democrats' profligacy that raised the share of the GDP taken by the federal government to 24% this fiscal year.

This is indeed the road to fiscal hell, and it's been paved by the president and his party. Voters will have their chance this November to render their verdict on the Obama years. No wonder Republicans feel confident these days.

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Six Months to Go Until The Largest Tax Hikes in History

From Ryan Ellis

In just six months, the largest tax hikes in the history of America will take effect. They will hit families and small businesses in three great waves on January 1, 2011:

(N.B. This version of the document contains even more tax hikes than the original version did)

First Wave: Expiration of 2001 and 2003 Tax Relief

In 2001 and 2003, the GOP Congress enacted several tax cuts for investors, small business owners, and families. These will all expire on January 1, 2011:

Personal income tax rates will rise. The top income tax rate will rise from 35 to 39.6 percent (this is also the rate at which two-thirds of small business profits are taxed). The lowest rate will rise from 10 to 15 percent. All the rates in between will also rise. Itemized deductions and personal exemptions will again phase out, which has the same mathematical effect as higher marginal tax rates. The full list of marginal rate hikes is below:

- The 10% bracket rises to an expanded 15%
- The 25% bracket rises to 28%
- The 28% bracket rises to 31%
- The 33% bracket rises to 36%
- The 35% bracket rises to 39.6%

Higher taxes on marriage and family. The "marriage penalty" (narrower tax brackets for married couples) will return from the first dollar of income. The child tax credit will be cut in half from \$1000 to \$500 per child. The standard deduction will no longer be doubled for married couples relative to the single level. The dependent care and adoption tax credits will be cut.

The return of the Death Tax. This year, there is no death tax. For those dying on or after January 1 2011, there is a 55 percent top death tax rate on estates over \$1 million. A person leaving behind two homes and a retirement account could easily pass along a death tax bill to their loved ones.

Higher tax rates on savers and investors. The capital gains tax will rise from 15 percent this year to 20 percent in 2011. The dividends tax will rise from 15 percent this year to 39.6 percent in 2011. These rates will rise another 3.8 percent in 2013.

Second Wave: Obamacare

There are over twenty new or higher taxes in Obamacare. Several will first go into effect on January 1, 2011. They include:

The Tanning Tax. This went into effect on July 1st of this year. It imposes a new, 10% excise tax on getting a tan at a tanning salon. There is no exemption for tanners making less than \$250,000 per year.

The "Medicine Cabinet Tax" Thanks to Obamacare, Americans will no longer be able to use health savings account (HSA), flexible spending account (FSA), or health reimbursement (HRA) pre-tax dollars to purchase non-prescription, over-the-counter medicines (except insulin).

The HSA Withdrawal Tax Hike. This provision of Obamacare increases the additional tax on non-medical early withdrawals from an HSA from 10 to 20 percent, disadvantaging them relative to IRAs and other tax-advantaged accounts, which remain at 10 percent.

Brand Name Drug Tax. Starting next year, there will be a multi-billion dollar tax assessment imposed on name-brand drug manufacturers. This tax, like all excise taxes, will raise the price of medicine, hurting everyone.

Economic Substance Doctrine. The IRS is now empowered to disallow perfectly-legal tax deductions and maneuvers merely because it judges that the deduction or action lacks "economic substance." This is obviously an arbitrary empowerment of IRS agents.

Employer Reporting of Health Insurance Costs on a W-2. This will start for W-2s in the 2011 tax year. While not a tax increase in itself, it makes it very easy for Congress to tax employer-provided healthcare benefits later.

Third Wave: The Alternative Minimum Tax and Employer Tax Hikes

When Americans prepare to file their tax returns in January of 2011, they'll be in for a nasty surprise-the AMT won't be held harmless, and many tax relief provisions will have expired. These major items include:

The AMT will ensnare over 28 million families, up from 4 million last year. According to the left-leaning Tax Policy Center, Congress' failure to index the AMT will lead to an explosion of AMT taxpaying families-rising from 4 million last year to 28.5 million. These families will have to calculate their tax burdens twice, and pay taxes at the higher level. The AMT was created in 1969 to ensnare a handful of taxpayers.

Small business expensing will be slashed and 50% expensing will disappear. Small businesses can normally expense (rather than slowly-deduct, or "depreciate") equipment purchases up to \$250,000. This will be cut all the way down to \$25,000. Larger businesses can expense half of their purchases of equipment. In January of 2011, all of it will have to be "depreciated."

Taxes will be raised on all types of businesses. There are literally scores of tax hikes on business that will take place. The biggest is the loss of the "research and experimentation tax credit," but there are many, many others. Combining high marginal tax rates with the loss of this tax relief will cost jobs.

Tax Benefits for Education and Teaching Reduced. The deduction for tuition and fees will not be available. Tax credits for education will be limited. Teachers will no longer be able to deduct classroom expenses. Coverdell Education Savings Accounts will be cut. Employer-provided educational assistance is curtailed. The student loan interest deduction will be disallowed for hundreds of thousands of families.

Charitable Contributions from IRAs no longer allowed. Under current law, a retired person with an IRA can contribute up to \$100,000 per

year directly to a charity from their IRA. This contribution also counts toward an annual "required minimum distribution." This ability will no longer be there.

From:

<http://atr.org/six-months-until-br-largest-tax-hikes-a5171>

The selective modesty of Barack Obama

By Charles Krauthammer

Remember NASA? It once represented to the world the apogee of American scientific and technological achievement. Here is President Obama's vision of NASA's mission, as explained by administrator Charles Bolden:

"One was he wanted me to help re-inspire children to want to get into science and math; he wanted me to expand our international relationships; and third and perhaps foremost, he wanted me to find a way to reach out to the Muslim world and engage much more with dominantly Muslim nations to help them feel good about their historic contribution to science and math and engineering."

Apart from the psychobabble -- farcically turning a space-faring enterprise into a self-esteem enhancer -- what's the sentiment behind this charge? Sure America has put a man on the moon, led the information revolution, won more Nobel Prizes than any other nation by far -- but, on the other hand, a thousand years ago al-Khwarizmi gave us algebra.

Bolden seems quite intent on driving home this message of achievement equivalence -- lauding, for example, Russia's contribution to the space station. Russia? In the 1990s, the Russian space program fell apart, leaving the United States to pick up the slack and the tab for the missing

Russian contributions to get the space station built.

For good measure, Bolden added that the United States cannot get to Mars without international assistance. Beside the fact that this is not true, contrast this with the elan and self-confidence of President John Kennedy's 1961 pledge that America would land on the moon within the decade.



There was no finer expression of belief in American exceptionalism than Kennedy's. Obama has a different take. As he said last year in France, "I believe in American exceptionalism, just as I suspect that the Brits believe in British exceptionalism and the Greeks believe in Greek exceptionalism." Which of course means: If we're all exceptional, no one is.

Take human rights. After Obama's April meeting with the president of Kazakhstan, Mike McFaul of the National Security Council reported that Obama actually explained to the leader of that

thuggish kleptocracy that we, too, are working on perfecting our own democracy.

Nor is this the only example of an implied moral equivalence that diminishes and devalues America. Assistant Secretary of State Michael Posner reported that in discussions with China about human rights, the U.S. side brought up Arizona's immigration law -- "early and often." As if there is the remotest connection between that and the persecution of dissidents, jailing of opponents and suppression of religion routinely practiced by the Chinese dictatorship.

Nothing new here. In his major addresses, Obama's modesty about his own country has been repeatedly on display as, in one venue after another, he has gratuitously confessed America's alleged failing -- from disrespecting foreigners to having lost its way morally after 9/11.

It's fine to recognize the achievements of others and be non-chauvinistic about one's country. But Obama's modesty is curiously selective. When it comes to himself, modesty is in short supply.

It began with the almost comical self-inflation of his presidential campaign, from the still inexplicable mass rally in Berlin in front of a Prussian victory column to the Greek columns framing him at the Democratic convention. And it carried into his presidency, from his posture of philosopher-king adjudicating between America's sins and the world's to his speeches marked by a spectacularly promiscuous use of the word "I."

Notice, too, how Obama habitually refers to Cabinet members and other high government officials as "my" -- "my secretary of homeland security," "my national security team," "my ambassador." The more normal -- and respectful -- usage is to say "the," as in "the secretary of

state." These are, after all, public officials sworn to serve the nation and the Constitution -- not just the man who appointed them.

It's a stylistic detail, but quite revealing of Obama's exalted view of himself. Not surprising, perhaps, in a man whose major achievement before acceding to the presidency was writing two biographies -- both about himself.

Obama is not the first president with a large streak of narcissism. But the others had equally expansive feelings about their country. Obama's modesty about America would be more understandable if he treated himself with the same reserve. What is odd is to have a president so convinced of his own magnificence -- yet not of his own country's.

YOU HAVE TO PASS IT TO FIND OUT WHAT'S IN IT!



A Bigger, Badder IRS: Brought to You by Obamacare

by Daniel Foster

The National Taxpayer Advocate, tasked with representing your interests within the Internal Revenue Service, says the IRS must restructure - and grow - to handle its new redistributive and

enforcement responsibilities under the Affordable Care Act:

Though the IRS's main mission is to collect taxes, it has been given a key role administering health insurance premium subsidies, tax credits for small businesses, assessments on employers and the mandate that beginning in 2014 everyone obtain insurance.

"I have no doubt the IRS is capable of administering social programs, including health care," Olson said. "But Congress must provide sufficient funding and the IRS itself must recognize that the skills and training required to administer social benefit programs are very different from the skills and training that employees of an enforcement agency typically possess."

Moreover, to "reduce the under-reporting of business income," the ACA will require all businesses and tax-exempt orgs to issue 1099s to all vendors with whom they do more than \$600 of business (both services and goods) in a given tax year, an onerous requirement that "may impose significant burdens on businesses, charities, and government agencies," and that "may turn out to be disproportionate as compared with any resulting improvement in tax compliance."

"For example, if a self-employed individual makes numerous small purchases from an office supply store during a calendar year that total at least \$600, the individual must issue a Form 1099 to the vendor and the IRS showing the exact amount of total purchases," the IRS release said.

The advocate estimates this will affect 40 million businesses, including 26 million sole-proprietorships.

And why is this tax reporting stuff even in a health-care bill? To help fund it, that's why. To help Pelosi and Reid and Obama get the faux deficit score they needed, the measure is expected to raise \$13.7 billion over ten years - though that's before administrative and discretionary costs, which will add another \$115 billion or so to the bill's official price tag.

Pass the bill to find out what's in it.

From:

<http://corner.nationalreview.com/post/?q=Zjk2YmRhYjI1NTlkMzIINjVmZTI2YzZhN2YzNzY5Y2Y=>

Anti-Business Obama

by Mike Brownfield

It looks like the Obama spin machine is at it again, this time launching a concerted effort to rebut reports this week that President Barack Obama is anti-business. But given Obama's record of stoking government intervention in the private sector and creating an environment of uncertainty poisonous to business growth, hiring and expansion, it's no wonder the President is branded with an anti-business scarlet letter.

The storyline began in The Washington Post, where columnist Fareed Zakaria endeavored to find out why America's 500 largest nonfinancial companies are sitting on \$1.8 trillion in cash, rather than spending it on expansion (which would mean new jobs). Business leaders told Zakaria that it comes down to economic uncertainty surrounding new laws, regulations and taxes; the expansion of federal agencies' authority; and the unknown implications of Obamacare, financial reform and cap-and-trade. And the kicker? Zakaria notes that most of them had voted for Obama yet all of them now believe he is "at his core, anti-business."

Others joined the chorus, too. Verizon CEO Ivan Seidenberg said, "By reaching into virtually every

sector of economic life, government is injecting uncertainty into the marketplace and making it harder to raise capital and create new businesses." And then there's Jeffrey Immelt, chairman and CEO of General Electric, who reportedly said of Obama, "business did not like the U.S. president and the president did not like business." The only surprise here should be how long it's taken business leaders to speak out about Washington's runaway train intervention in the marketplace, all in the name of creating new jobs.



Under President Obama, that intervention began with an \$862 billion stimulus, and it was joined by a failed Cash for Clunkers program, a government takeover of the domestic auto industry, a bailout of Fannie and Freddie that may hit \$1 trillion, a visceral attack on private sector compensation, a government takeover of health care and, now, financial regulation reform which is said to be riddled with unintended consequences. What next? Cap-and-trade hangs heavily on the horizon, as does the prospect of a value added tax, which Heritage's J.D. Foster says will "recast the nation into a full state of dependency on Washington."

And what has all of this produced? The economy has lost 2.3 million jobs since President Obama signed his stimulus bill, leaving him 7.4 million jobs short of what he promised the American economy would support by 2010. Is it any wonder corporate America is shaking in its boots?

There are things Congress and the President could do to encourage businesses to grow, expand and create jobs. Heritage's James Sherk writes:

Increased federal spending will not spur the private-sector investment and risk-taking necessary to create jobs and reduce unemployment. Congress should instead reduce government spending to free up funds for private investment while committing to not passing any measures - such as card-check, cap and trade, or the health care mandates - that would make creating new jobs more expensive.

Instead, though, it looks like the Obama administration is trying to convince businesses that the President is on their side. Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner said this week:

Now, this president understands deeply that governments don't create jobs, businesses create jobs. And our job as government is to try to make sure we're creating the conditions that allow businesses to prosper so they can hire people back, get this economy going again.

In reality, this President has done the exact opposite. He has attempted to use government spending to create jobs, failed miserably, and has only succeeded in creating an environment where businesses - the real job creators - are afraid to put America back to work.

From:

<http://blog.heritage.org/2010/07/09/morning-bell-anti-business-obama/>

He's Done Everything Wrong

by Mort Zuckerman

Obama punted on the economy and reversed the fortunes of the Democrats in 365 days.

He's misjudged the character of the country in his whole approach. There's the saying, "It's the economy, stupid." He didn't get it. He was determined somehow or other to adopt a whole new agenda. He didn't address the main issue.

This health-care plan is going to be a fiscal disaster for the country. Most of the country wanted to deal with costs, not expansion of coverage. This is going to raise costs dramatically.

In the campaign, he said he would change politics as usual. He did change them. It's now worse than it was. I've now seen the kind of buying off of politicians that I've never seen before. It's politically corrupt and it's starting at the top. It's revolting.

Five states got deals on health care-one of them was Harry Reid's. It is disgusting, just disgusting. I've never seen anything like it. The unions just got them to drop the tax on Cadillac plans in the health-care bill. It was pure union politics. They just went along with it. It's a bizarre form of political corruption. It's bribery. I suppose they could say, that's the system. He was supposed to change it or try to change it.

Even that is not the worst part. He could have said, "I know. I promised these things, but let me try to do them one at a time." You want to deal with health care? Fine. Issue No. 1 with health care was the cost. You know I think it was 37 percent or 33 who were worried about coverage. Fine, I wrote an editorial to this effect. Focus on cost-containment first. But he's trying to boil the ocean, trying to do too much. This is not leadership.

- More Daily Beast opinion on Obama's first year
Obama's ability to connect with voters is what launched him. But what has surprised me is how he has failed to connect with the voters since he's been in office. He's had so much overexposure. You have to be selective. He was doing five Sunday shows. How many press conferences? And now people stop listening to him. The fact is he had 49.5 million listeners to first speech on the economy. On Medicare, he had 24 million. He's lost his audience. He has not rallied public opinion. He has plunged in the polls more than any other political figure since we've been using polls. He's done everything wrong. Well, not everything, but the major things.

I don't consider it a triumph. I consider it a disaster.

One business leader said to me, "In the Clinton administration, the policy people were at the center, and the political people were on the sideline. In the Obama administration, the political people are at the center, and the policy people are on the sidelines."

I'm very disappointed. We endorsed him. I voted for him. I supported him publicly and privately.

I hope there are changes. I think he's already laid in huge problems for the country. The fiscal program was a disaster. You have to get the money as quickly as possible into the economy. They didn't do that. By end of the first year, only one-third of the money was spent. Why is that?

He should have jammed a stimulus plan into Congress and said, "This is it. No changes. Don't give me that bullshit. We have a national emergency." Instead they turned it over to Harry Reid and Nancy Pelosi who can run circles around him.

It's very sad. It's really sad.

He's improved America's image in the world. He absolutely did. But you have to translate that into something. Let me tell you what a major leader said to me recently. "We are convinced," he said, "that he is not strong enough to confront his enemy. We are concerned," he said "that he is not strong to support his friends."

The political leadership of the world is very, very dismayed. He better turn it around. The Democrats are going to get killed in this election. Jesus, looks what's happening in Massachusetts.

It's really interesting because he had brilliant, brilliant political instincts during the campaign. I don't know what has happened to them. His appointments present somebody who has a lot to learn about how government works. He better get some very talented businesspeople who know how to implement things. It's unbelievable. Everybody says so. You can't believe how dismayed people are. That's why he's plunging in the polls.

I can't predict things two years from now, but if he continues on the downward spiral he is on, he won't be reelected. In the meantime, the Democrats have recreated the Republican Party. And when I say Democrats, I mean the Obama administration. In the generic vote, the Democrats were ahead something like 52 to 30. They are now behind the Republicans 48 to 44 in the last poll. Nobody has ever seen anything that dramatic.

From:

<http://www.thedailybeast.com/blogs-and-stories/2010-01-19/hes-done-everything-wrong/>

An open letter from actor Jon Voight to President Obama:

June 22, 2010

President Obama:

You will be the first American president that lied to the Jewish people, and the American people as well, when you said that you would defend Israel, the only Democratic state in the Middle East, against all their enemies. You have done just the opposite. You have propagandized Israel, until they look like they are everyone's enemy - and it has resonated throughout the world. You are putting Israel in harm's way, and you have promoted anti-Semitism throughout the world.

You have brought this to a people who have given the world the Ten Commandments and most laws we live by today. The Jewish people have given the world our greatest scientists and philosophers, and the cures for many diseases, and now you play a very dangerous game so you can look like a true martyr to what you see and say are the underdogs. But the underdogs you defend are murderers and criminals who want Israel eradicated.

You have brought to Arizona a civil war, once again defending the criminals and illegals, creating a meltdown for good, loyal, law-abiding citizens. Your destruction of this country may never be remedied, and we may never recover. I pray to God you stop, and I hope the people in this great country realize your agenda is not for the betterment of mankind, but for the betterment of your politics.

With heartfelt and deep concern for America and Israel,

Jon Voight

Links

Submit your political ideas to be discussed, and these ideas, or their refinement, may end up as a Republican issue.

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Is this true? Is there a mad rush to build the mosque at ground zero?

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<http://draftsarah.wordpress.com/>

Chris Christie looks to privatize department of motor vehicles and many other services:

http://www.northjersey.com/news/politics/070910_Christie_looks_to_privatize_motor_vehicle_inspections.html

Nikki Haley is poised to become the first female and first non-white governor of the state; and Tim Scott is the first African American Republican nominee for Congress from South Carolina since Reconstruction.

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<http://cnsnews.com/news/article/69149>

Take the Obama-care quiz (it is only 5 questions):

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Pet sales could be banned in SF:

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Gavin Newsom loves the Stimulus Bill:

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Alvin Greene's jobs proposal:

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<http://www.politifact.com/truth-o-meter/statements/2010/jun/21/orrin-hatch/hatch-says-30-percent-our-oil-comes-gulf/>

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<http://biggovernment.com/sahiller/2010/07/11/why-didnt-the-democrats-take-a-vote-on-deficit-neutral-unemployment-bill/>

O'Keefe and Giles being sued by ACORN employee:

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Illinois teacher fired for hate speech (hate speech is all about opposition to a liberal agenda):

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The Rush Section

Arizona's Law Isn't "Controversial"

RUSH: We have a little montage here of all of the State-Controlled Media on the so-called controversial Arizona immigration law.

WOLF BLITZER: (music) The US Justice Department suing to block Arizona's controversial new immigration law.

KATIE COURIC: (music) ...the federal government sues to block Arizona's controversial immigration law.

SHEPARD SMITH: (music) the Department of Justice today sued the state of Arizona over its controversial new immigration law.

SGT. SCHULTZ: The Department of Justice filed a suit over Arizona's controversial new immigration law.



CHUCK ROBERTS: (music) The Justice Department has filed a lawsuit against Arizona's controversial immigration bill. (sic--law)

CENK UYGUR: (sfx) ...filing a lawsuit against Arizona over the state's controversial immigration law.

RICHELLE CAREY: The Justice Department has filed a lawsuit today against Arizona's controversial immigration bill.

BRIAN WILLIAMS: The United States today sued the state of Arizona. It's about the controversial new immigration law.

RUSH: It's not "controversial." Seventy percent of the country supports it. What's controversial is Obama. What is controversial is this lawsuit. What's controversial is the fact the federal government does not want to enforce its own law and protect the borders. That's the controversial. But the media is trying to make the controversy here the Arizona law. It's not. Seventy percent of the American people support it. Here's the governor, Jan Brewer, yesterday in Gilbert, Arizona (this is their 90th birthday

celebration, by the way) and a portion of what she said.

BREWER: There is a movement throughout the United States of people wanting some action from the federal government and so we would probably see these types of bills being enacted in other states. We need the federal government to do their job and if they don't do it then Arizona will.

RUSH: And she made a further observation about this...

BREWER: They attempted to scare people in responding to the initial presentation of the bill. Obviously today we found that the federal government did not address that issue of racial profiling into their lawsuit.

RUSH: Yeah, a reporter had asked, "The lawsuit said the law is about 'attrition,' that its sole purpose is to scare people out of the state. Do you agree with that?" And she said, "No. We're not trying to scare people out of the state. We're trying to enforce the federal law. We're trying to enforce immigration law! We're not trying to scare anybody out of the country."

"Controversial immigration law" on Google gets over five million hits. If you search "controversial immigration law," that's how many hits you'll get on a Google search. We've had this drummed into our heads 24/7, 365, "controversial immigration law." What's controversial is this administration. What's controversial is the lawsuit. What's controversial is the law, the federal law is not being enforced. Now, Governor Jan Brewer makes the point here that we looked to the lawsuit the federal government did not address the issue of racial profiling, at all. Let's go back to May 19th in the Rose Garden. Obama and Señor Wences, the Mexican president: Felipe Calderon. They held a joint press conference. This is some of what Obama said.

OBAMA: [M]y administration is taking a very close look at the Arizona law. We're examining any implications, especially for civil rights because in the United States of America no law-abiding person -- be they an American citizen or a visitor or tourist from Mexico -- should ever be subject to suspicion simply because of what they look like. ... A fair reading of the language of the statute indicates that it gives the possibility of individuals who are deemed suspicious of being illegal immigrants from being harassed or arrested, and the judgments that are going to be made in applying this law are troublesome.

RUSH: So Obama said he told the Justice Department to look at the law because it would lead to racial profiling, but his own lawsuit doesn't mention it. You know why his lawsuit doesn't mention racial profiling? It's because there isn't any racial profiling in the Arizona law. The regime has been lying about this aspect of the Arizona bill, the Arizona law ever since it first came up. There is no racial profiling in it, and that's why racial profiling is not part of Obama's lawsuit.

RUSH: Now, to be clear, the lawsuit itself... This is actually kind of funny. The Justice Department's lawsuit against Arizona doesn't accuse Arizona of profiling or violating civil rights. But the same Justice Department which filed suit has also attached a brief in support of an injunction against the Arizona law, and it does suggest that it will cause "the harassment of aliens who are in the state," whether legally or not. So the lawsuit itself does not mention profiling, but they've attached a brief to it which does. Now, this is very important and very crucial. One of the reasons they may not have stressed the civil rights aspect is because the law still hasn't gone into effect, so there is no one they can point to as having been discriminated against. The law doesn't go into effect 'til the end of this month. They're trying to stop this thing before it's even gone into effect. Howard Fineman on MessNBC last night was asked the

following question: "Would the best political argument against this law be to go ahead and let it be enforced, and would the worst argument against it have it stayed by a court during a midterm election period?"

FINEMAN: If they were to enforce that to the letter, the scene would be somewhere between, uh, the Keystone Cops and the World War II internment of the Japanese. I mean, they would be arresting people right and left. They would be stopping everybody at traffic lights. They would be overloading the federal system because they'd be transporting the people that they captured to federal authorities. It would create mayhem, and the sight of that on national TV I think would be very damaging to the Republicans and to that cause.

RUSH: Now, there's just one problem with this analysis, and that is you can't arrest people by stopping them at a traffic light. This is another misrepresentation of the Arizona law. You can't go up to anybody at any time because of the way they look or the fact they're stopped at a traffic light and arrest them. They have to commit some offense prior -- from speeding, to robbery, to murder, running drugs, whatever it is. But you just can't randomly stop people under this law, and it is being misrepresented in toto by the schlubs in the slavish State-Controlled Media. There is no racial "profiling" in the bill, and there is no "random stopping" for somebody's who's not suspected of committing a crime. So you just can't go up to people at a red light when they're stopped and say, "Hey, are you an immigrant? Are you illegal? Let me see your papers."

You can't do it. The law doesn't permit it. And, by the way, when's the last time a Democrat complained about what FDR did with the Japanese? They never complain about that. National security! Democrats are not embarrassed by that at all. In fact, they tried to make it sound like the Republicans are the ones that do that. The Republicans don't do that. FDR

interned hundreds of thousands of people, Japanese. "He was a man of his time, a great man! The greatest president ever." Talk about civil rights violations!

RUSH: Suzanne in North Hills, California, as we go to the phones. We'll start with you today. Great to have you with us.

CALLER: Rush Limbaugh, mmm, mmm, mmm. I have a question. That person that we laughingly refer to as the leader of this nation who is sticking his nose into the Arizona law referring to that as profiling.

RUSH: Yeah.

CALLER: When you can stop somebody for probable cause, what's the difference?

RUSH: Exactly right. Exactly right.

CALLER: Maybe you should start a rumor and explain that to him.

RUSH: (laughing) Start a rumor? Yeah. My rumors end up being true even in the same story where the rumor is discounted.

CALLER: I know. That's why we love you.

RUSH: Thank you, Suzanne. That's a good thought. Now, remember, there's no profiling cited in the actual suit. In an accompanying brief they talk about civil rights violations.

CALLER: Yes, but he still doesn't know what he's talking about.

RUSH: Well, now, see, that's the rub.

CALLER: Nobody seems to mind that.

RUSH: No, I think a lot of people do. You're just not seeing it. It's not reported in the media. I think you have an undercurrent of outrage

throughout this whole country about this administration.

CALLER: But nobody will say anything on the surface. They all grumble and whine about it behind closed doors or at work.

RUSH: Well, whoa, whoa, whoa, whoa. Who do you mean? Everybody. You said nobody will say anything on the surface. Who?

CALLER: Besides you.

RUSH: Well, I know me but are you talking about elected Republicans or the media? Who you talking about?

CALLER: The media specifically. You'll hear somebody make a comment at a party or off the record, but they'll never admit it on the air or in print that one, you're right, two, they're wrong, and that Obama doesn't know what he's doing.

RUSH: Well, but see, he does know what he's doing.

CALLER: He's ruining the country.

RUSH: He is dividing this country into tribes.

CALLER: True.

RUSH: We have always been a unified people. There's always been a distinct concept of an American. But we've been hyphenating American for a long time. Look at this New Black Panther guy. The only way to get freedom is to kill cracker babies.

CALLER: True.

RUSH: We've got this kind of divisive rhetoric and anger that's popping up all over the country. The whole concept of American exceptionalism is under assault, and who are we pandering to?

We're pandering to the lowest common denominator groups.

CALLER: True.

RUSH: We are redistributing the wealth from the achievers and the earners, the people that don't work, can't work, or what have you. We have an all-out assault on the things that define the greatness of this country.

CALLER: Are you going to be the leader of our tribe?

RUSH: I already am --

CALLER: (laughing.)

RUSH: -- the leader of our tribe, as evidenced by the fact that I am not nobody saying anything on the surface. I am a body. I am somebody. I am somebody. Wow. That sounds powerful. "I am somebody, speaking from the mountaintop," and I am speaking on the surface. Great call, Suzanne. Thanks much.

Due, where's my discrimination?

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Cox News: Rush Spread Cuban Drilling Rumor That's Coming True

RUSH: There's a story that I found last night, Cox newspapers, and I found this because the story mentions me, and it's the weirdest thing. It's from the Seattle Times but it's datelined West Palm Beach, Florida. And the headline: "Drilling Off Cuba Could Be Sticky Proposition." Now, listen to the way this thing starts: "Despite the warnings of Dick Cheney, George Will, Rush Limbaugh and Fox News, the Russians are not drilling for oil off Cuba. Neither are the Chinese.

In fact, no one -- not even Cuba -- is drilling for oil off Cuba. The pesky and persistent rumor, bubbling back up with the Deepwater Horizon disaster, is still nothing more than a pesky and persistent rumor -- aired in 2008 by former Vice President Cheney (who got the misinformation from conservative columnist Will), repeated on Fox News and recently revived by conservative radio commentator Limbaugh, who told his listeners 10 days after the spill: 'The Russians are drilling in a deal with the Cubans in the Gulf. The Vietnamese and Angola are drilling for oil in the Gulf in deals with the Cubans.'" Now to this point in the story I guess we all made it up. There's nothing to it, nothing but a pesky rumor. George Will started this chain of disinformation, it went to Cheney, and then went from Cheney to Fox News, and then somehow I picked it up. But it's not true. It's just a pesky rumor.

However, the next paragraph, after that lead: "However, as oil from BP's exploded well continues surging from the Gulf floor and washing onto Panhandle beaches, the rumor is poised to become fact." I read this, I was incredulous. "Drilling Off Cuba Could Be Sticky Proposition." The first two paragraphs deny that there is any drilling in the Gulf with the aid of the Cubans. It's a pesky rumor; it's disinformation. George Will's responsible, Cheney's responsible, I'm responsible, Fox News is responsible. There isn't any drilling in the Gulf with the Cubans, Angola, the ChiComs, the Vietnamese, nobody. Got that? "However, as oil from BP's exploded well continues surging ... the rumor is poised to become fact." Well, how can it ever be a rumor? Who wrote this? Christine Stapleton. I've never seen anything like this. I've seen everything that the Drive-Bys have done but I have never seen anything like this. It would be like me coming up, "Psst, psst, have you heard that rumor the Cubans and the ChiComs and the Russians are drilling in the Gulf?" "Yeah, I heard." "Well, it's not true. It's not true. Except next week it's going to start." What the name of Sam Hill is going on here?

Here are the details of this pesky rumor: "Repsol, a Spanish company, expects to begin drilling off Cuba in 2011, according to published reports and oil-industry analysts. Companies from at least 10 other countries, including Russia and China, are negotiating or already have signed lease deals to drill off Cuba." And yet the first two paragraphs of this story say it's nothing but a pesky rumor, spread by people like me and George Will and Dick Cheney and Fox News. The rest of the story is details of all of this drilling that's going to go on with the Cubans, the Angolans, the Vietnamese, and the ChiComs. And then there's this question: "Should the United States be concerned about drilling off Cuba?" Why should we be concerned, Christine? It's a rumor. It's an unsubstantiated rumor spread by me and George Will and Dick Cheney and Fox News, and now after telling everybody in the lead of your story it's just a rumor now all of a sudden you're offering details and asking if we should be concerned about it? So after asking the question, should the US be concerned about drilling off Cuba, yes, she writes, is the answer, "according to Jorge Piñon, former president of Amoco Oil Latin America and now a visiting research fellow with the Cuban Research Institute at Florida International University."

Okay, so now we've gone from a pesky rumor, unsubstantiated started by George Will, picked up by Cheney, Fox News, and Rush Limbaugh, to the confirmation that it's not a rumor, it's happening, and that it's bad news for the United States, all of which you know already because you listen to this program. But these Cox news people write a story saying what you've heard up to now is not true, Limbaugh, Cheney, Fox News, George Will lied to you. We're telling you the truth. What they said is true, but they're liars and they're rumormongers, listen to us at Cox. This guy Jorge Piñon said, "Let's face it, the oil industry is a risky enterprise and there is always concern for a Deepwater Horizon incident. If we are going to be afraid of drilling off Cuba, we need to be afraid of the 3,500 rigs drilling in the Gulf of Mexico." Wait a minute. Whoa, 3,500 rigs?

There are 33 rigs that are ours. It's a rumor? It's just a pesky little rumor, and it's been fed by people like George Will, Dick Cheney and me who have no credibility, then rest of the story is, "Oh my gosh, it's happening," and there's an expert at a Florida International University that says it's not a good thing.

"How much oil lies beneath Cuban waters is unknown. Only one exploration well has been dug and hydrocarbons were detected. A U.S. Geological Association survey indicated there are significant reserves." Can I read the first paragraph again? "Despite the warnings of Dick Cheney, George Will, Rush Limbaugh and Fox News, the Russians are not drilling for oil off Cuba. Neither are the Chinese. In fact, no one -- not even Cuba -- is drilling for oil off Cuba." It's a pesky rumor bubbling back up. However, the rumor is poised to become fact. I'm reading verbatim from this convoluted absolutely incompetent piece. "The troubling question for companies hoping to drill is what to do with the oil after they get it out of the ground." What in the hell, the troubling question for companies hoping to drill is what to do with it after they get it? I think this person works for me. This is how stupid she is. This is unbelievable!

RUSH: You know, it's fascinating to watch this stuff, the oil drilling in the Gulf of Mexico. 'Cause I think I figured out what's going on. This story... I've been slandered. I have been libeled. I've been out-and-out lied about. Character assassination. But they have never done it so feebly, so incompetently. I mean, Christine, if you're going to rip me, do a good job of it. Don't have two paragraphs about how I'm spreading lies then the rest of the story is how I'm right! It's just incredible. This is about this Cox News story, said Cheney and George Will and I spreading rumors about Cubans drilling for oil in the Gulf with the Russians and the Angolans and the Vietnamese. It's not true, but it's about to become true. It's about to become true.

In fact the Wall Street Journal: "Cuban Drilling Poses New Threat to Florida Beaches -- Maria Ritter, a spokeswoman for Spanish oil company Repsol YPF SA, said it plans to drill off Cuba, about 60 miles south of Key West, Fla., early next year. If successful, this would likely kick off a spate of exploration." Now get this: "The U.S. controls coastal waters up to 200 miles from its shores, but," but under the Carter administration, "a 1977 treaty it agreed to divide the Straits of Florida equally with Cuba. That means [the Spaniards] can drill a deepwater well about the same distance from Key West, Fla., as the Deepwater Horizon was from the Louisiana coast. ... Cuba imports about 110,000 barrels of oil daily and produces an additional 52,000 barrels, mostly from onshore and shallow-water fields, according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration."

Now, why do this? Why give the Cubans an equal right to drill for oil in the Straits of Florida? (interruption) Well, it's not just so that they will like us. Here's the dirty little secret here. The left is trying to use the prospect of oil, having all these oil deposits off of its coast... Cuba! I mean, look, the Cubans are gonna drill with the Russians. The Cubans are going to drill with the Spanish. The Cubans are going to drill with the Angolans. The Cubans are going to drill with the ChiComs. Why Cuba in this? Cuba can't do diddly-squat on their own! So when I see this, the little gray cells start firing in there. So talking about all of these oil deposits off the coast of "Cuba"? Why? Could it be...? Could it be that this is a way to get the United States to lift the trade embargo with Cuba. The left is saying it would help us.

It would allow US companies to go in there and get oil as well. Not just the ChiComs, and not just the Russians, and not just the Spanish, and not just the Vietnamese and the Angolans but we could go in there as well. You can see the priorities here. They are willing to let the United States further defile Mother Nature if it happens

in Cuba. It'll help the workers paradise in Cuba and might lift the embargo. Now, I may be pulling a rabbit out of my hat here, but with all of this talk here.... We got a moratorium, folks. We have a drilling moratorium. A judge has just overturned it. The Obama regime is going back to court trying to get a stay so that the moratorium will stay in effect, and, meanwhile, everywhere else in the Gulf of Mexico, everybody else is drilling, and we're not.

Yet at the same time we're told, "We gotta get rid of our dependency on foreign oil." Something... This is just pure diabolical. No other way to describe this. (interruption) It's not stupid. No, no, no. It's not stupid. It's diabolical. This regime is shutting down not just in the Gulf, but they want a moratorium on drilling in Alaska. Existing wells. Now, try this story -- and, by the way, it's not just the administration. The media is doing everything it can to frighten everybody to agree with the moratorium. This is from the Associated Press: "More than 27,000 abandoned oil and gas wells lurk in the hard rock beneath the Gulf of Mexico, an environmental minefield that has been ignored for decades. No one -- not industry, not government -- is checking to see if they are leaking, an Associated Press investigation shows. The oldest of these wells were abandoned in the late 1940s, raising the prospect that many deteriorating sealing jobs are already failing.

"The AP investigation uncovered particular concern with 3,500 of the neglected wells -- those characterized in federal government records as 'temporarily abandoned.' ... As a forceful reminder of the potential harm, the well beneath BP's Deepwater Horizon rig was being sealed with cement for temporary abandonment when it blew April 20, leading to one of the worst environmental disasters in the nation's history. BP alone has abandoned about 600 wells in the gulf, according to government data. ... BP alone has abandoned about 600 wells in the Gulf, according to government data. There's ample reason for worry about all permanently and temporarily abandoned wells -- history shows

that at least on land, they often leak." Now, never in this article -- not once -- do they cite a specific well that's leaking. Not once, folks.

They cannot and they do not cite a specific well of these 27,000 abandoned wells. (Gasp!) We should be really frightened. Wait 'til your kids hear about this, and they will hear about it in school, 27,000 abandoned wells! Why, the Obama administration, they're really brilliant. They're compassionate and caring. We ought to shut down all the oil drilling in the Gulf. We've got 27,000 abandoned wells out there. What if they all turn into a Deepwater Horizon gusher? Meanwhile, the Cubans and the Russians and the Spanish, the Angolans and the Vietnamese are going to start drilling for oil off the coast of Cuba and we're not. No, we're gonna scare our population into never, ever going and getting any oil 'cause there's 27,000 abandoned wells out there, folks. The Associated Press, I read this story twice, does not cite one leaking well. Not one.

And yet, "More than 27,000 abandoned oil and gas wells lurk in the hard rock beneath the Gulf of Mexico, an environmental minefield that's been ignored for decades. No one is checking to see if they are leaking an AP investigation shows." Well, if no one's checking to see, how the hell do you know, AP? "The oldest of these wells was abandoned in the late forties." So you're supposed to get scared to death, folks! Twenty seven thousand wells out there! Potentially 27,000 Deepwater Horizon. Yeah. 27,000, and you're supposed to go along with the moratorium. No drilling. Meanwhile, you're not supposed to know that the Cubans, the ChiComs, the Russians, the Angolans, the Vietnamese and Spanish are going to be drilling off the coast of Cuba, in the Gulf of Mexico. In fact, that's just a rumor. That's just a rumor spread by George Will and Dick Cheney and Rush Limbaugh and Fox News, except it's a sticky problem 'cause it could come true.

I checked e-mail during the break. "Man, Rush, you're reaching now, you're really reaching. All this drilling in Cuba is about the embargo." All right, all right. I've often said, don't doubt me. Here, my friends, in my formerly nicotine-stained fingers, the Associated Press, July 29th, 2006, Miami. Now, remember all this is just a rumor, according to Cox, disinformation, rumor spread by me, George Will, Dick Cheney, Fox News. "Cuban Oil Renews Embargo Debate -- Discovery of sizeable reserves means U.S. trade ban may finally have a cost. Some facts about America's trade embargo with Cuba: It's been U.S. policy since 1961. It has yet to loosen Fidel Castro's grip on power," although his colon did. "It has cost America little strategically or economically. Until now, that is." Four years ago.

"From here on out, say a growing chorus of experts," and despite rumors to the contrary of Rush Limbaugh, George Will, and Dick Cheney, "America will pay a price for maintaining its 45-year trade ban with the communist nation -- a strategic and economic price that will have negative repercussions for the United States in the decades to come. What has changed the equation? Oil. To be more specific, recent, sizeable discoveries of it in the North Cuba Basin -- deep-water fields that have already drawn the interest of companies from China," despite it being a rumor that Limbaugh said, "India, Norway, Spain, Canada, Venezuela and Brazil," Russia, Angola, Vietnam. It's just rumors, though, spread by Limbaugh.

"Embargo past its prime? This, in turn, has reheated debate in the U.S. Congress and the Cuban-American community on an old question: Has the time finally come to shelve the embargo -- given America's need for more sources of crude at a time of rising gas prices, soaring global demand and the outbreak of war in the Middle East?" Maybe we need to strike a deal with Cuba. There you have it, AP, 2006. We're going to stop drilling? We have stopped drilling, got a

moratorium. The Cubans are prepared to go hog wild drilling.

RUSH: Who's next? This is Drew in New York City. Great to have you on the program. Hi.

CALLER: Good afternoon, sir. How are you?

RUSH: Very well.

CALLER: I just wanted to point out that I recently took a cruise through the Caribbean and on to Cozumel, Mexico, and back, and we went on over northern Cuba, and there were sites where drilling was taking place in the international waters, and in Cuban waters, and I did ask, and to the captain's knowledge and to the crew's knowledge, they were not American. So somebody's there already.

RUSH: Yeah.

CALLER: And there are future sites being set up.

RUSH: The Spanish are there right now in conjunction with the Cubans, the Angolans, the Vietnamese are coming in and the Chinese. Even this Cox news story which tries to dispel it as just a rumor, says, "But it's about to come true."

CALLER: I just want to state, sir, the extensive record has shown to me that you've never been one to lie to your listeners because that's not your goal or your intention, and I understand that and I just want you to know that I believe you and I believe in you and I listen to you every day and I always will. God bless you.

RUSH: God bless you, Drew, thanks very much. I don't lie. If I make an error or if somebody on the staff, more correctly, makes an error, then I correct it as soon as I know that it is a mistake.

They've filed a lawsuit down in Arizona on immigration. How come Holder and Obama have not gone down there to look at the situation?

They haven't. They have not gone down to Arizona; they have not gone to the border. Why do they not want to see what's going on with their own eyes? There's no evidence to back up their argument, and they don't want evidence contrary to their argument staring them in the face.

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No Economic Growth on Horizon, Just Massive Obama Tax Increases

RUSH: Here's Obama. Another speech on the economy today at the White House. The president talking about the economy and jobs. It's nothing new. We've heard it since 2008.

OBAMA: Growth won't come from an economy where prosperity is based on fleeting bubbles of consumption, of debt. You can't rely on paper gains. We've seen where that led us and we're not going back. If we want to once again approach full employment and fuel real economic growth, then we need an end to the policies that got us here. We need to lay a new and stronger foundation on which businesses can thrive and create jobs and rising incomes.

RUSH: (sigh) Uh, well, it seems to me, Mr. President, that we have already laid this "new stronger foundation," yours, and it's a disaster. We're not going back? We're gonna fuel real economic growth? We need to end the policies that got us here? You ended those policies a long time ago, Mr. President. The "policies that got us here" are yours, and you haven't ended your policies. Mr. Obama's policies are the reason we are where we are economically. Let me remind

you, I had this information last week. "It is about "Six Months Until the Largest Tax Increases in History -- In 2001 and 2003, the GOP Congress enacted several tax cuts for investors, small business owners, and families. These will all expire on January 1, 2011." Now, you keep all that in mind when you hear what I'm going to say.

You keep in mind Obama saying, "We need to lay a new and stronger foundation on which businesses can thrive and create jobs," and you tell me if the tax increases that are gonna hit in six months will create an atmosphere or a stronger foundation on which businesses can thrive and create jobs and rising incomes. I don't know what credibility he's got on economic growth. I don't know where in the world he got it. I don't know why he has any credibility at all when he speaks on the economy other than he's the president. He has no credibility. Personal income tax rates will rise. The top income tax rate will rise from 35 to 39.6 percent (this is also the rate at which two-thirds of small business profits are taxed). The lowest rate will rise from 10 to 15 percent. All the rates in between will also rise. Itemized deductions and personal exemptions will again phase out, which has the same mathematical effect as higher marginal tax rates.

"Personal income tax will rise. The 10% bracket rises to an expanded 15%. The 25% bracket rises to 28%. The 28% bracket rises to 31%. The 33% bracket rises to 36%. The 35% bracket rises to 39.6%. Higher taxes on marriage and family. The 'marriage penalty' (narrower tax brackets for married couples) will return from the first dollar of income. The child tax credit will be cut in half from \$1000 to \$500 per [crumb cruncher]. The standard deduction will no longer be doubled for married couples relative to the single level. The dependent care and adoption tax credits will be cut." All this while Obama lays a "stronger foundation" on which businesses can thrive and create jobs and rising incomes.

The Death Tax will resume. "This year, there is no death tax. For those dying on or after January 1, 2011, there is a 55 percent top death tax rate on estates over \$1 million. A person leaving behind two homes and a retirement account could easily pass along a death tax bill to their loved ones. Higher tax rates on savers and investors. The capital gains tax will rise from 15 percent this year to 20 percent in [six months]. The dividends tax will rise from 15 percent this year to 39.6 percent in [six months]. These rates will rise another 3.8 percent in 2013." Then the "second wave" of taxes to hit will be those attached to Obamacare while we are "laying a new and stronger foundation on which businesses can thrive and create jobs and rising incomes."

"The 'Medicine Cabinet Tax.' Thanks to Obamacare, Americans will no longer be able to use health savings account (HSA), flexible spending account (FSA), or health reimbursement (HRA) pre-tax dollars to purchase non-prescription, over-the-counter medicines. ... The 'Special Needs Kids Tax' This provision of Obamacare imposes a cap on flexible spending accounts (FSAs) of \$2500. (Currently, there is no federal government limit.) There is one group of FSA owners for whom this new cap will be particularly cruel and onerous: parents of special needs children. There are thousands of families with special needs children in the United States, and many of them use FSAs to pay for special needs education. Tuition rates at one leading school that teaches special needs children in Washington, D.C. (National Child Research Center) can easily exceed \$14,000 per year.

"Under tax rules, FSA dollars can be used to pay for this type of special needs education," but no more, starting in six months. Then there's "The HSA Withdrawal Tax Hike. This provision of Obamacare increases the additional tax on non-medical early withdrawals from an HSA from 10 to 20 percent, disadvantaging them relative to IRAs and other tax-advantaged accounts, which remain at 10 percent." Then there's a "Third Wave: The Alternative Minimum Tax ... will

ensnare over 28 million families, up from 4 million last year. ... Small business expensing will be slashed and 50% expensing will disappear." All the while we are "laying a new and stronger foundation on which businesses can thrive and create jobs." So the money saved from depreciation and expenses will now go to the federal government in the form of higher taxes, leaving less money in the business to hire new employees or offer benefits and salary increases to existing employees.

In fact, "Taxes will be raised on all types of businesses. There are literally scores of tax hikes on business that will take place. The biggest is the loss of the 'research and experimentation tax credit,' but there are many, many others. Combining high marginal tax rates with the loss of this tax relief will cost jobs" while we are "laying a new and stronger foundation on which businesses can thrive and create jobs." So basically what we have here is President Obama just lying again as he has been since 2008. On top of all of those taxes that I just mentioned we're going to get the VAT tax, the value-added tax, like they have in Europe. We might even get a net worth tax. They might pass the first-ever-in-history wealth tax. (interruption) Well, I am saying it like it's a fait accompli because that's what this administration intends.

Of course, it will not be Obama who recommends it. It will be Erskine Bowles and Alan Simpson and their commission which will recommend it. Obama will say, "Well, we didn't abandon the policies that got us here soon enough. We gotta pay the piper now, and the Republicans have been talking about reducing the deficit and paying down the debt, and the only way we can do this is going to have these new taxes, the VAT tax, a net worth tax like they have in Europe." That's a tax on one's wealth. After all the other taxes have been paid -- after income taxes, after the new capital gains tax, after all of these other

taxes -- there will be a net worth tax, and it will be attached to people of \$250,000 or more.

It'll start small like a half a percent or a percent or whatever, and it will keep building and building and building, and this is all part of ensuring that nobody accumulates wealth anymore in this country. That's where we're headed. Fait accompli? Maybe not entirely. But unless the Republicans start talking about growth, economic growth and pointing out that Obama's killing it, and saying that in no uncertain terms... Yeah, you can talk about deficits and debt. People get that. You don't need to keep hammering that nail because it's in the coffin. People already know that. Economic growth has to be the policy. Economic growth has to be the answer to what we're having now, and none -- none, absolutely none -- of any of Obama's policies will lead to any economic growth in the private sector by design. It's not enough just to say, "Well, we gotta wait 'til this guy is out of office." If we're gonna make an effort to win the House and perhaps the Senate, you'd better be prepared to use the power that we acquire.

I'm a little long. Take a break, come back, get more of your phone calls. There's still three more sound bites of Obama's economic speech. You've heard it all before. The man ought have zero credibility on anything he says regarding economics.

RUSH: Now, here's another interesting tax increase that is effectively a tax increase coming in six months. "Charitable contributions from IRAs are no longer going to be allowed. Under current law, a retired person with an IRA can contribute up to \$100,000 per year directly to a charity from their IRA." They get the deduction; the charity benefits. This contribution counts toward an annual required minimum distribution, but this ability will be canceled, this feature will be canceled January 1st of 2011. One more Obama sound bite. This is from this morning in

Washington, as the president, who has destroyed the US private sector, speaks about it.

OBAMA: Some might argue that government has no role to play at all in our economy.

RUSH: Who says that?

OBAMA: Everybody in this room understands that the free market depends on a government that sets clear rules that ensure fair and honest competition, that lives within its means, that invests in certain things that the private sector can't on its own. In the absence of sound oversight, responsible businesses are forced to compete against unscrupulous and underhanded businesses who are unencumbered by any restrictions on activities that might harm the environment or take advantage of middle-class families, or threaten to bring down the entire financial system.

RUSH: I don't know where to start on this. You have an indictment of everybody in the private sector as a bunch of cheats, underhanded and unscrupulous, responsible businesses are forced to compete against them. Who is it that's unencumbered by any restriction? The government. His regime is what is unencumbered by any restriction. His regime is the biggest stumbling block to private sector growth that it has ever been. The US government has never been the obstacle that it is today. The US government has never, ever been as big an obstacle to prosperity as it is today, and to listen to this pap is maddening, pure maddening. In France, the wealth tax, by the way, 1.8% of net assets. It is called the solidarity tax on wealth. All your assets, your net assets -- meaning, after you've paid all your taxes -- what you're left with, there's a 1.8% tax on that. It's a tax on wealth every year, which we don't have in this country.

We've never had a tax on wealth. The income tax, by design, is to prevent the acquisition of

wealth, to certain limits. The income tax, the rising marginal rates, leaving you with less disposable income, that's one of its purposes. It's not primary to raise revenue. If it were to raise revenue, they would lower tax rates. That works every time it's tried. It's about control, it's about loss of liberty, it's about making as many people as possible dependent on government, not just for their needs, but also for their wants, 'cause people aren't going to have the disposable income to handle all of that, and so you will vote for the party which provides those things for you and that's what FDR and the Democrats have been setting up and executing for the last 50 years.

RUSH: And in case you didn't hear, in case you didn't hear Obama the first time or the second time, in case you didn't hear Geithner the first time or second time, he said it, Obama did, again just this morning.

OBAMA: As I told other leaders of the G20, after years of taking on too much debt, Americans will no longer borrow and buy the world's way to lasting prosperity. We alone cannot be the engines of economic growth. Furthermore, a strong and durable recovery requires that countries not have an undue advantage.

RUSH: What do those two have to do with one another? How do we have an undue advantage if we're going into hock, as he says? Anyway, that's your president, folks, that's your future. We're no longer going to be a leader in anything. We're just a bunch of average ho-hummers.

6 months to go before the largest tax increase in history:

Ends Justify the Means for Liberals

CALLER: With the Gulf thing, the Kagan thing, the Arizona thing, and all the Department of Justice

infinity of absurdity I'd like to talk to you about your favorite topic and mine: ClimateGate.

RUSH: (chuckling) Yes.

CALLER: You ready?

RUSH: Yes. We've got all the e-mails that Phil Jones wrote. They're all diabolically untrue. They are clear in their effort to mislead, to obfuscate, to hide evidence and so forth, and he's been "cleared." He's been cleared by his peers, and he's going to be reinstated as head of the Climate Research Unit at Hadley.

CALLER: Well, how is it do you think that now and only now that the scientists, Mr. Jones and their findings are given a pass and all is basically being reset to where the lie originally oriented itself?

RUSH: What's the question?

CALLER: Well, I just think it's stunning that they're just given a pass. It's like they're being cleaned a slate of the wind-driven snow.

RUSH: Oh. Why are you surprised that they would give themselves a pass?

CALLER: Well, because I think that after the first Tuesday in November --

RUSH: These are Brits. No, wait a second. These are Brits. These are Brits.

CALLER: Well...

RUSH: They don't care. See, the issue is not global warming and being accurate about it.

CALLER: (laughs)

RUSH: This is politics.

CALLER: I understand that.

RUSH: This is about expanding government. This is about telling people what they can and can't do. It's about blaming people for something that isn't happening. This is not about being credible on global warming. It's about creating a hoax and being able to get away with it for other reasons.

CALLER: Exactly. Those "other reasons" would be after the first Tuesday in November that I think it's going to be a blitzkrieg on the American people of unwanted legislation. You know, "Out of spite we will do unto you, and you will do unto us." I believe that's unconstitutional.

RUSH: Okay, well, yeah. No question. I think there's going to be a blitzkrieg and it's going to be massive. There's no question about it. But they don't care. If they cared, they'd do something about it. They don't really care. I'm not talking about the ClimateGate people; I'm talking the Democrats and liberals in general. This is their chance. They're ramming through as much as they can. They're lying and they're having their peers confirm the lies. It's just an alternative reality and universe. There is no reality. (interruption) Do I...? Do I think what will work? (interruption) The question has been posed, posed: Do I think the ClimateGate people will regain stature. Um, a tough question because I don't know how widespread it is that they've lost any stature. Remember, now, we have two or three medias -- or mediums -- and the Main Street media, people in that audience have no idea that it's a hoax. It's never been reported.

The Michael Mann, Phil Jones stuff, it's never been reported. Al Gore has not suffered one aspect of embarrassment over this. Not one! As far as the mainstream media audience is concerned, global warming is as real as ever -- and of course with it hitting 104, 105 in New York today and Baltimore and Washington, "Yeah, there's global warming out there!" So the question is not, "Will they regain their credibility?" but "Have they ever lost it?" Have they lost it with teachers? No. Are the teachers

in schools still teaching global warming? Right. They are. They ignored the truth because the truth is not what's important here. The agenda item and where it takes us is important. So as far as the people who believe in global warming, there hasn't been any change. These guys have not lost any credibility. There's no credibility to regain. (interruption)



In England? Yeah, the polls say that fewer people in England are believing in global warming. It's not going to stop these people. I mean, only 20% of the American people support what Obama's doing but is it stopping them from doing it? The left is relentless. The left is who it is. They are who they are, and they are dishonest as they can be. Trying to deal with them the same way you would deal with one of your recalcitrant children is not gonna work. I mean, we're dealing with true, evil, diabolic deviousness here. We're not on the same page. We don't have the same objectives. You know, they're not concerned with what's right. They're concerned with what they want. They're concerned with their agenda being uninterrupted. If they're willing to lie about everything to advance their agenda, what's this little burp? They've been reinstated. Michael Mann, Phil Jones.

There was nothing there. They've been reinstated! Their peers have put 'em back in there. The Muslims are not our enemy; conservatives are. No matter where you look, it's the same. I'm telling you that wherever you go in the... You think Hollywood is going to stop making global warming movies? You think Hollywood actors are going to stop preaching whatever they're preaching on global warming? They're not. They're gonna ignore this. It's a little blip. Some of these Hollywood people may not even know this controversy happened. It hasn't been reported anywhere but here and in the so-called conservative media. So in a lot of places these people haven't even lost their credibility, and if they did lose it temporarily, they got it back because the people who reviewed them are people who are thought to be unchallengeable in terms of credentials and honor, further additional academics -- and as we know, academics don't lie.

Here's Rebecca, Cincinnati, welcome to the EIB Network. Great to have you here.

CALLER: Rush Limbaugh! Mmm, mmm, mmm!

RUSH: Well!

CALLER: I just wanted to ask you a question. Since we had an ex-president over the weekend, Bill Clinton, say when he excused Senator Byrd's "fleeting association" with KKK and that the ends justify the means, where does that kind of thinking end? I mean, if you run on Democratic ticket, are you really a Democrat, and are you really promised the truth about health care and Arizona and the oil spill and...and...and?

RUSH: Well, again, this points up another opportunity to explain what's important. What Bill Clinton said about Robert Byrd -- and I remember playing the sound bite last week from the memorial. (doing impression) Yeah, you know, poor old Bob Byrd. There he lies in that casket. He grew up in the hills and the 'hollers' of

West Virginia. Heh, heh. We all know what was going on that time. He made a mistake. He got tied. He had a fleeting, a fleeting flirtation with the Klu Klux Klan, and he spent the rest of his life making up for it. He had to do it! He had to get elected. He was doing what he had to do to get elected. He was doing it for you. He joined the Klan for you. He joined the Klan for everybody that lives in West Virginia. He had to get elected to do great things in the civil rights movement. He had to do great things in Washington, and in order to do that he had to join the Klan. And he spent the rest of his life making up for it. Now, that's what defines a great person."

Well no more crapper of BS has ever been ladled at a funeral memorial than that. What was the point? What was the point of joining the KKK? Yeah, he had to do it. He did it for you! He joined the Klan for you, so he could eventually go to Washington and do all these great things. Like what? He voted for health care. He voted for every item in the Obama agenda. Every one of them. He even sacrificed his great reverence for Senate tradition in order to support the Obama agenda. So of course he's going to be given a pass because all that counts is the left-wing agenda. Whoever advances it, is great. You could be a murderer. If Charles Manson voted for Obama and supported the agenda, he would be granted parole tomorrow, and Clinton would show up at the parole hearing and say, "Yeah, he murdered a bunch of people, but he was just trying to advance our agenda." (impression)

"Yeah, he went out there, he had a fleeting little flirtation with murder. He went out there and his followers killed Sharon Tate and so forth, but he was doing it for you 'cause Charles Manson knew the threat posed in this country by people like George Bush and Ronald Reagan and Rush Limbaugh. So yeah, a fleeting flirtation with murder. Bob Byrd? Yeah, he recruited members for the Klan. He was a Kleagle! He didn't just recruit members; he started his own chapter, but he did what he had to do 'cause he had to get

elected for you so he could bring all that bacon back home to West Virginia. He got 30 buildings named after him, his own self." I dare say, ladies and gentlemen, that if Osama Bin Laden were to come out and support universal health care and so forth, we would suspend the search. Look, I may be using some extreme examples. My point here is I'm trying to impress upon you just how important the advancement of the leftist agenda is and how without honor and integrity they are in pursuing it. The ends justify the means. You're exactly right, because the left-wing agenda is decent and moral and honest, and we are evil, and evil, you can do anything to destroy -- even join the Klan.

RUSH: Let me see if I can illustrate this in another way. You know about Al Gore and global warming. Let me tell you something. Al Gore's reputation on global warming, if it's damaged at all, is far more damaged because of a masseuse than because of the lies he's told in his movie, because of the hoax that is his movement. If he's damaged at all, the masseuse did it, not the e-mails and not the hoaxers and the scam artists in the global warming movement, of which he is one. Trying to reason with these people is like trying to reason with a suicide bomber. I mean, that's the level of commitment that we're talking about here. If you're on a bus in Jerusalem and you see somebody unzip the vest and you see the bombs, you don't start negotiating. You run for the hills. You get the hell off the bus. So, you know, trying to negotiate with these committed leftists, these Obama people, is a waste of time.

They are to be defeated. They are not to be gotten along with. I hate that phrase. I'm having a mental block. They're not people to have friendly relationships with. You don't have to be unfriendly, but the point is not to get along with these people. It's not to form a compromise. There's no compromise with these people. How the hell do you compromise with evil? How do you compromise with people who are dead wrong? How do you compromise with people

who want to destroy what has made the country great? Where is the compromise there? Why would anybody want to compromise with a media who has made it clear that their whole purpose is to destroy any opposition? Where do you compromise with that? These people have to be defeated, not reasoned with. You can't reason with them.

They're not animated by reason. They're animated by a religious zealotry commitment to their sick, destructive agenda. Bill Ayers! He had a "fleeting flirtation" with blowing things up. He now runs education in Illinois! Levi Johnston must have been listening to Bill Clinton. Levi Johnston finally apologized to Sarah Palin, chalked it up to his youthful indiscretion, just like Robert Byrd had a youthful "fleeting" with the Klan. And Levi Johnston, I don't know what got into him but he felt that he had to come up with some reason to explain all the vicious lies he told about Sarah Palin and her family. But he's done it -- and, by the way, he did it in People magazine. So he's still a fame whore. So, in addition to apologizing, old Levi Johnston still wants the fame now of having done the right thing in the midst of a youthful indiscretion. How charming. How wonderful.

<http://dailycaller.com/2010/06/28/sen-robert-byrd-not-only-was-a-klk-member-but-led-his-local-klan-chapter/>

<http://www.climatedepot.com/>

Obama Claims He Inherited "Decade of Economic Uncertainty"

RUSH: Obama in Kansas City today with yet another speech on the economy. I'm told by a spy, I have a spy in Kansas City who said this speech was listless, it didn't have a lot of focus, not a lot of energy, just didn't seem to cut it. So I'm going to play these two sound bites to see if

my spy reports accurately to me. Here's the first two of.

OBAMA: Ultimately government doesn't create all the jobs. Government can't guarantee growth by itself. But what government can do is lay the foundation for small businesses to expand and to thrive, for entrepreneurs to open up shop and test out new products, for workers to get the training that they need and for families to achieve some measure of economic security. And that role is especially important in tough economic times, and that's why when my administration began, we immediately cut taxes. That's right. You wouldn't know it from listening to folks, but we cut taxes for working families and for small business owners all across America to help them.

RUSH: I have to say, he doesn't sound too interested in this. My spy is accurate. This gives me comfort, by the way. You always want to know if your reporters are giving you the straight skinny on something. He doesn't sound excited. I mean listen to this. He's always defending government when he goes out and talks about the economy, have you noticed that? Always defends government. What government can do is lay the foundation for small business to expand, to thrive. What do you know about any of that? Obama doesn't know anything about that. He has urged people not even to do that. This is Obama, recently, Arizona State University.

OBAMA: Do you study business? Why not help a struggling not-for-profit find better, more effective ways to serve folks in need? You study nursing? Understaffed clinics and hospitals across this country are desperate for your help. You study education? Teach in a high-need school. Give a chance to kids who can't get everything they need, maybe, in their neighborhood, maybe not even in their home, but we can't afford to give up on them. Prepare them to compete for any job anywhere in the world. You study engineering? Help us lead a

green revolution, developing new sources of clean energy that will power our economy and preserve our planet. Find somebody to be successful for. Raise their hopes, rise to their needs.

RUSH: Find somebody to be successful for? Find somebody to be successful for. Raise their hopes, study socialism, run for president of the United States. What's the real message here? Anyway, that's Obama. He doesn't know anything about the private sector. And when he's being honest, he's out there telling people not to mess with it. Don't find a job in the private sector. Here's another sound bite. What ego does -- (laughing) -- calm down in there. Snedley is blowing a gasket. What ego does he have to tell people what to do with their lives? What's he ever done? He's trying to be inspirational. What he's trying to do, Snedley, is steer people in to dead-end stuff. He's trying to steer them into government jobs. He's trying to steer them into jobs of no identity whatsoever. Really, it's not ego, it's a diabolical scheme and it's his way of trying to be inspiring. Here's the next bite of Obama in Kansas City. I wonder who he thinks is responsible for the problems that we have?

OBAMA: There are some people who argue that we should abandon some of these efforts. Some people who make a political calculation that it's better to say "no" to everything than to lend a hand to clean up the mess that we've been in. I mean this has been a difficult time for America right now. Two years of brutal recession, a decade of economic insecurity --

RUSH: Decade?

OBAMA: -- and there are going to be some hard days ahead. That's the truth. It's going to take a while for us to dig ourselves out of this hole.

RUSH: It's going to take us a while to plug the hole, and it's gonna take a while to secure the border. We're not even going to try to do that.

I thought we turned the corner. I thought we're back from the brink. I thought we're on a roll now. You know, this guy, he's making a speech here, he didn't even tout -- and these new employment numbers are bogus anyway -- but he didn't even bother to tout them, at least not in the two bites we had. Difficult time for America. Decade of economic insecurity? What decade is he talking about? Is he talking about the last ten years? Maybe if he wants to talk about the last year and a half, economic insecurity ever since he was elected. My spy, by the way, in Kansas City, has a sad observation. He was walking around Kansas City today, and he said, "Times are really tough here. I saw a blind prostitute working the streets. You really have to hand it to her." I hadn't considered that. Really, really tough times. A blind prostitute working the streets on the day Obama's in to tout the economy in Kansas City.

RUSH: All right, so Obama is out there talking about a "decade of economic uncertainty." I looked it up. A decade ago, in July of 2000, the unemployment rate was 4%. This is before 9/11, granted. The unemployment rate was 4% in July of 2000. As recently as April of 2008, US unemployment was 5% -- and that used to be what we were told was as statistically low as it could ever go: 4.7 to 5%. We had an amazing recovery after 9/11, thanks to the Bush tax cuts. What decade of economic uncertainty is he talking about? Here's Leanne in Rockwood, Tennessee. Thank you for waiting and welcome to the Rush Limbaugh program.

CALLER: Hi, Rush. Thank you for taking my call.

RUSH: You bet!

CALLER: What I wanted to talk about was what you went over at the top of the hour: The ever-increasing wave of people who are abandoning Obama, and I have some liberal friends that have gone completely full circle. I mean, I was the one that was sending things

about Obama -- anything that could be substantiated, anything that can find corroborated, words out of his mouth pictures, whatever. Now they're sending me what I would call paranoia conspiracy theories, like a nine and a half minute thing off YouTube about Obama that I wouldn't even send, and she -- well, this is a girl in particular -- is telling me that she is now thinking that she says more and more, "I'm inclined to think the world will end in 2012." (exhasperated sigh)

RUSH: Uhhh...

CALLER: I'm like, "I don't know about the world ending, but Mr. Obama is surely endeavoring to end the American way of life."

RUSH: Well, look, there's polling data to back up what your anecdotal stories indicate. I forget what polling company it is. Is it a Fox poll? Maybe it's Gallup today. Twenty-one percent of the people are angry. You know, in all the approve-disapproval numbers with Bush, I never saw a category of "angry." You've got his approval numbers around 40, disapproval numbers around 30 or 42, something like that. People are unhappy with the future of the country is the number, and "angry about it" are 21%. I also saw that the only two demographics where Obama has majority support when it comes to job approval are Democrats at 81% and the black community at 150% support. Other than that, everybody is below 50% in approval or support for Obama.

RUSH: Charlotte, North Carolina, Scott, thank you for calling. You are on the EIB Network. Hello.

CALLER: Rush, it is an honor to speak with you, my friend.

RUSH: Thank you, sir, very much.

CALLER: I just want to let you know: I'm a business owner. I'm 40 years old. I've been in

business for over 15 years, and I am scared to death to spend any money. What's coming on January 1st when the Bush tax cuts expire, there's no way to prepare for that. Another example: My wife and I want to do some work in our house, we have the money to do it, but we're afraid to spend it. Another point: He just talked about -- what did Obama say? -- ten years of negative economy? That's ridiculous. The best years of growth in my business were due to George Bush and his tax cuts, period. I had two trucks when George Bush started office. Now I've got ten, and it's because he made it advantageous for me to grow my business --

RUSH: I know.

CALLER: -- and to hire more people.

RUSH: It's just another one of these straw men. It's another lie. Decade of economic uncertainty? You know, you talk about the coming tax increases and your lack of confidence to spend money to improve the house or grow your business. What about the 2,000 pages of financial reform which nobody has the slightest clue what's in there except -- except, guess what? -- there are gender and race quotas imposed on hiring in the financial sector. It has been discovered, it has been learned. Whatever is in there, it will not be good for small business people like you.

CALLER: Well, that's what I keep hearing, how he's done this stuff for small business. I can promise you, without a doubt -- and you know, I didn't go to Harvard, but without a doubt, he is not helping me. And honestly, Rush, and I don't like to say this, no matter what they try and do to keep me down, I'm going to survive. I'm going to do better. They can do whatever they want to do to try and tax me, to try and put me down, to try and make me Walk the Line. It's not going to happen, because I'm going to be bigger and badder than ever. I'm not afraid of him or this administration. I'm gonna keep plugging along

and keep working hard, because this is America, and that's what I'm supposed to do, and that's what I was raised to do.

RUSH: Exactly right. This is what people who have a statistic, zero-sum game view of the economy see. They see, "Okay, you'll just give up. Your taxes are going up so high, you'll just accept it. You'll just stop working. You'll just accept it."

CALLER: Not going to happen. I'm going to work harder.

RUSH: The entrepreneurs and the people who make this country work are not gonna sit there and just take it. They never do. They will find ways around it. They will work harder than ever just as you've described you're going to do. It's a dirty, rotten shame that you have to do it. It's not that a president can actually help you, but this guy can certainly put obstacles in your way in his role as president and chief steward of the government. That's the number one obstacle you face in growing your business is government regulation and the effort to penalize people like you in the private sector by taxing you and redistributing what you've earned to other people who are not working.

CALLER: This is true. Rush, my friend, I appreciate everything you do. Keep up the good work.

RUSH: Thank you very much. That's Scott in Charlotte, North Carolina, who is buttressing the point that there was no "decade of economic uncertainty" during the Bush years.

The American Dream may prove to be elusive for the new generation:

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/07/07/business/economy/07generation.html>

U.S. marks 3rd-largest, single-day debt increase

<http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2010/jul/7/us-marks-3rd-largest-single-day-debt-boost/>

Additional Rush Links

Democrats digging harder for dirt on Republicans:

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/07/06/AR2010070605271.html>

Even some Hollywood elites are beginning to turn against Obama:

<http://www.thedailybeast.com/blogs-and-stories/2010-07-07/aspen-ideas-festival-obama-loses-support-of-nations-elite/p/>

Race and gender quotas in the Financial Reform Bill:

<http://corner.nationalreview.com/post/?q=MDY3ODRiM2Q3ZThkMTFhMTM0NWMxOWY5MmY5NzNiM2Q=>

Perma-Links

Since there are some links you may want to go back to from time-to-time, I am going to begin a list of them here. This will be a list to which I will add links each week.

Answering Muslims (a Christian site):

<http://www.answeringmuslims.com/>

Angry White Dude (okay, maybe we conservatives are angry?):

<http://angrywhitedude.com/>

The Patriot's Network (important videos; the latest):

<http://patriotsnetwork.com/>

News Website to get the Headlines and very brief coverage:

<http://www.newser.com/>

Conservative news/opinion site:

<http://www.humanevents.com/>

The 100 most hated conservatives:

<http://media.glennbeck.com/docs/100americans-pg1.pdf>

Right Wing News:

<http://rightwingnews.com>

Secure the Border:

<http://securetheborder.org/>

A little history of Republicans and African-Americans:

<http://grandoldpartisan.typepad.com/blog/>

Back to the basics for the Republican party:

<http://www.republicanbasics.com/>

National Institute for Labor Relations Research

<http://www.nilrr.org/>

This man questions global warming:

<http://themigrantmind.blogspot.com/>

Glenn Beck's shows online:

<http://www.watchglennbeck.com/>

Janine Turner's website (I'm serious; and the website is serious too). This is if you have an interest in real American history:

<http://constitutingamerica.org/>

Obamacare Watch:

<http://www.obamacarewatch.org/>

Since this will be with us for a long time, the timeline of the BP gulf oil spill:

<http://directorblue.blogspot.com/2010/05/obamas-katrina-illustrated-timeline.html>

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/finance/newsbysector/epic/bpdot/7816715/Gulf-of-Mexico-oil-spill-timeline.html>

<http://www.treehugger.com/files/2010/05/bp-gulf-oil-spill-timeline.php>

This is cool: a continuous timeline of the spill, with the daily info and the expansion of the oil, and the response:

<http://www.esri.com/services/disaster-response/gulf-oil-spill-2010/timeline-advanced.html>

Do you want to watch what is happening on our border? These are actual videos of observations cams along the border:

<http://secureborderintel.org/>

<http://borderinvasionpics.com/>

If you have a set of liberal friends, email them one chart a week from here (go to the individual chart, and then choose download and format):

<http://www.heritage.org/budgetchartbook/>

A conservative worldview:

<http://www.divineviewpoint.com/sane/>



<http://www.theamericanright.com/forums/index.php>

<http://politipage.com/>

Celebrity Jihad (no, really). The headline to one story: Heroic Helen Thomas Tells Jews to "Get the Hell Out of Palestine," Go Back to Germany, Poland. Under the heading **harlots**, there are bunches of photos of starlets showing cleavage or wearing bikinis. This site appears to be deeply tongue-in-cheek.

The story on Helen Thomas:

Legendary White House reporter and founding member of the Muppets Helen Thomas made a heroic stand against the Zionists late last month, telling Jews to "get the hell out of Palestine" and to go home to "Poland and Germany."

Before the Jews sink their devilish claws into Helen, we want to show our solidarity by calling on all Jews to leave Zionist Occupied Hollywood by the end of June, or we shall begin "Operation

Gevalt," which will disrupt all shipments of Nova lox to the west coast.

Watch the video below and see for yourself.

Free Palestine! Allahu Akbar!

<http://www.celebjihad.com/>

The Freedom Project (most a conservative news and opinion site which appears to concentrate on matters financial)

<http://www.freedomproject.org/> Yankee Phil's Blogspot:

<http://yankeephil.blogspot.com/>

Ann Althouse ("Crusty conservative coating, creamy hippie love chick center.")

<http://althouse.blogspot.com/>

Independent American:

<http://www.independentamerican.org/>

If you want to be scared or depressed:

<http://theeconomiccollapseblog.com/>

Weekly poll, asking you to identify what we ought to cut in governmental spending:

<http://republicanwhip.house.gov/YouCut/>

Bailout recipients:

<http://bailout.propublica.org/main/list/index>

Eye on the bailout (this is fantastic!):

<http://bailout.propublica.org/>

The bailout map:

<http://bailout.propublica.org/main/map/index>

From:

<http://www.propublica.org/>

Are you tired of all the unfocused news and lame talking heads yelling at one another? Just grab a cup of coffee, sit back, and see what is really going on in the world:

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/video>

It is not broken, but the White House wants to control it: the internet:

<http://nointernettakeover.com/>



Sensible blogger Burt Folsom:

<http://www.burtfolsom.com/>

Whizbang (news and views):

<http://wizbangblog.com/>

Judith Miller is one of the moderate and fairly level-headed voices for FoxNews:

<http://www.judithmiller.com/>

<http://ifbushhaddonethat.com/>

John T. Reed comments on current events:

<http://johntreed.com/headline.html>

Investors Business Daily:

<http://www.investors.com/>

Army Ranger Michael Behenna sentenced to 25 years in prison for shooting Al Qaeda operative

<http://defendmichael.wordpress.com/>

The Daily Caller

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Reason TV

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Maybe the White House does not need to hold press conferences? It releases *exclusive* articles daily right here:

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IBD editorials:

<http://www.investors.com/NewsAndAnalysis/IBDEditorials.aspx>

Conservative New Media (it is so-so; I must admit to getting tired of seeing the interviewer high-fiving Carly Fiorina 3 or 4 times during an interview):

<http://conservativenewmedia.com/>

Ann Coulter's site:

<http://anncoulter.com/>

Allen West for Congress:

<http://allenwestforcongress.com/issues/>



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Conservative blog: Dan Cleary, political insomniac:

http://dancleary.typepad.com/dan_cleary/

David' Horowitz's NewsReal:

<http://www.newsrealblog.com/>

Stand by Liberty:

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Right wing news:

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CNS News:

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Pajamas Media:

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Far left websites:

www.dailykos.com

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<http://www.sodahead.com/>

Global Warming:

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Christian Blog:

<http://wisdomknowledge.wordpress.com/>

Muslim Demographics (this is outstanding):

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6-3X5hIFXYU>

News feed/blog:

<http://gatesofvienna.blogspot.com/>

Conservative blog:

<http://wyblog.us/blog/>

Richard O'Leary's websites:

www.letfreedomwork.com

www.freedomtaskforce.com

<http://www.eccentrix.com/members/beacon/>

News site:

<http://lucianne.com/>

Note sure yet about this one:

<http://looneyleft.com/>

News busted all shows:

<http://www.eyeblast.tv/public/search.aspx?q=newsbusted&t=videos>

Conservative news and opinion:

<http://bijenkorf.wordpress.com/>

Not Evil, Just Wrong website:

<http://noteviljustwrong.com/>

Global Warming Site:

<http://www.climatedepot.com/>

Important Muslim videos and sites:

Muslim demographics:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EaZT73MrYvM>

Muslim deception:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SNZQ5D8lwfl>

Conservative versus liberal viewpoints:

<http://www.studentnewsdaily.com/other/conservative-vs-liberal-beliefs/>

This is indispensable: the Wall Street Journal's guide to Obama-care (all of their pertinent articles arranged by date—send one a day to your liberal friends):

<http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748704471504574441193211542788.html>

Excellent list of Blogs on the bottom, right-hand side of this page:

<http://gatewaypundit.firstthings.com/>

Not Evil, Just Wrong video on Global Warming

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<http://www.taskforcefreedom.com/council.htm>

This has fantastic videos:

www.reason.tv

Global Warming Hoax:

<http://www.globalwarminghoax.com/news.php>

A debt clock and a lot of articles on the debt:

<http://defeatthedebt.com/>

The Best Graph page (for those of us who love graphs):

<http://midnightgraphs.blogspot.com/>

The Architecture of Political Power (an online book):

<http://www.mega.nu/ampp/>

Recommended foreign news site:

<http://www.globalpost.com/>

This website reveals a lot of information about politicians and their relationship to money. You can find out, among other things, how many earmarks that Harry Reid has been responsible for in any given year; or how much an individual Congressman's wealth has increased or decreased since taking office.

<http://www.opensecrets.org/index.php>

<http://www.fedupusa.org/>

The news sites and the alternative news media:

<http://drudgereport.com/>

<http://newsbusters.org/>

<http://www.hallindsey.com/>

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<http://reason.com/>

Andrew Breitbart's websites:

<http://biggovernment.breitbart.com/>

Kevin Jackson's [conservative black] website:

<http://theblacksphere.net/>

Notes from the front lines (in Iraq):

<http://atwar.blogs.nytimes.com/>

Remembering 9/11:

<http://www.realamericanstories.com/>

Larry Sabato's Crystal Ball site:

<http://www.centerforpolitics.org/crystalball/>

Conservative Blogger:

<http://romanticpoet.wordpress.com/>

Economist and talk show host Walter E. Williams:

<http://economics.gmu.edu/wew/>

The current Obama czar roster:

<http://www.politico.com/news/stories/0909/26779.html>

45 Goals of Communists in order to take over the United States (circa 1963):

<http://www.rense.com/general32/america.htm>

How this correlates to the goals of the ACLU:

<http://dianedew.com/aclu.htm>

ACLU founders:

<http://www.angelfire.com/mi4/stokjok/Founders.html>

Conservative Websites:

<http://www.theodoresworld.net/>

<http://conservalinked.com/>

<http://www.moonbattery.com/>

<http://www.rockiesghostriders.com/>

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www.coalitionoftheswilling.net

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Flopping Aces:

<http://www.floppingaces.net/>

The Romantic Poet's Webblog:

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Blue Dog Democrats:

<http://www.house.gov/melancon/BlueDogs/Member%20Page.html>

This looks to be a good source of information on the health care bill (s):

<http://joinpatientsfirst.com/>

Undercover video and audio for planned parenthood:

<http://liveaction.org/>

The Complete Czar list (which I think is updated as needed):

<http://theshowlive.info/?p=572>

This is an outstanding website which tells the truth about Obama-care and about what the mainstream media is hiding from you:

<http://www.obamacaretruth.org/>

Great business and political [news](#):

www.wsj.com

www.businessinsider.com

Politico.com is a fairly neutral site (or, at the very worst, just a little left of center). They have very good informative videos at:

<http://www.politico.com/multimedia/>

Great commentary:

www.Atlasshrugs.com

My own website:

www.kukis.org

Congressional voting records:

<http://projects.washingtonpost.com/congress/>

On Obama (if you have not visited this site, you need to check it out). He is selling a DVD on this site as well called *Media Malpractice*; I have not viewed it yet, except pieces which I have seen played on tv and on the internet. It looks pretty good to me.

<http://howobamagotelected.com/>

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Islam:

www.thereligionofpeace.com

Even though this group leans left, if you need to know what happened each day, and you are a busy person, here is where you can find the day's news given in 100 seconds:

<http://www.youtube.com/user/tpmtv>

This guy posts some excellent vids:

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HipHop Republicans:

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And simply because I like cute, intelligent babes:

<http://alisonrosen.com/>

The Latina Freedom Fighter:

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The psychology of homosexuality:

<http://www.narth.com/>

Liberty Counsel, which stands up against the A.C.L.U.

www.lc.org

Health Care:

<http://fixhealthcarepolicy.com/>

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<http://www.militaryphotos.net/forums/showthread.php?t=169400>

Christian Blog:

<http://wisdomknowledge.wordpress.com/>

Muslim Demographics (this is outstanding):

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6-3X5hIFXYU>

News feed/blog:

<http://gatesofvienna.blogspot.com/>

Conservative blog:

<http://wyblog.us/blog/>

Richard O'Leary's websites:

www.letfreedomwork.com

www.freedomtaskforce.com

<http://www.eccentrix.com/members/beacon/>

News site:

<http://lucianne.com/>

Note sure yet about this one:

<http://looneyleft.com/>

News busted all shows:

<http://www.eyeblast.tv/public/search.aspx?q=newsbusted&t=videos>

Conservative news and opinion:

<http://bijenkorf.wordpress.com/>

Not Evil, Just Wrong website:

<http://noteviljustwrong.com/>

Global Warming Site:

<http://www.climatedepot.com/>

Important Muslim videos and sites:

Muslim demographics:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EaZT73MrYvM>

Muslim deception:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SNZQ5D8lwfl>

Conservative versus liberal viewpoints:

<http://www.studentnewsdaily.com/other/conservative-vs-liberal-beliefs/>

This is indispensable: the Wall Street Journal's guide to Obama-care (all of their pertinent articles arranged by date—send one a day to your liberal friends):

<http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748704471504574441193211542788.html>

Excellent list of Blogs on the bottom, right-hand side of this page:

<http://gatewaypundit.firstthings.com/>

Not Evil, Just Wrong video on Global Warming

<http://noteviljustwrong.com/>

<http://www.letfreedomwork.com/>

<http://www.taskforcefreedom.com/council.htm>

This has fantastic videos:

www.reason.tv

Global Warming Hoax:

<http://www.globalwarminghoax.com/news.php>

A debt clock and a lot of articles on the debt:

<http://defeatthedebt.com/>

The Best Graph page (for those of us who love graphs):

<http://midnightgraphs.blogspot.com/>

The Architecture of Political Power (an online book):

<http://www.mega.nu/ampp/>

Recommended foreign news site:

<http://www.globalpost.com/>

News site:

<http://newsbusters.org/> (always a daily video here)

This website reveals a lot of information about politicians and their relationship to money. You can find out, among other things, how many earmarks that Harry Reid has been responsible for in any given year; or how much an individual Congressman's wealth has increased or decreased since taking office.

<http://www.opensecrets.org/index.php>

<http://www.fedupusa.org/>

The news sites and the alternative news media:

<http://drudgereport.com/>

<http://newsbusters.org/>

<http://drudgereport.com/>

<http://www.hallindsey.com/>

<http://newsbusters.org/>

<http://reason.com/>

Andrew Breithbart's new website:

<http://biggovernment.breitbart.com/>

Kevin Jackson's [conservative black] website:

<http://theblacksphere.net/>

Notes from the front lines (in Iraq):

<http://atwar.blogs.nytimes.com/>

Remembering 9/11:

<http://www.realamericanstories.com/>

Larry Sabato's Crystal Ball site:

<http://www.centerforpolitics.org/crystalball/>

Conservative Blogger:

<http://romanticpoet.wordpress.com/>

Economist and talk show host Walter E. Williams:

<http://economics.gmu.edu/wew/>



The current Obama czar roster:

<http://www.politico.com/news/stories/0909/26779.html>

45 Goals of Communists in order to take over the United States (circa 1963):

<http://www.rense.com/general32/america.htm>

<http://joinpatientsfirst.com/>

How this correlates to the goals of the ACLU:

Undercover video and audio for planned parenthood:

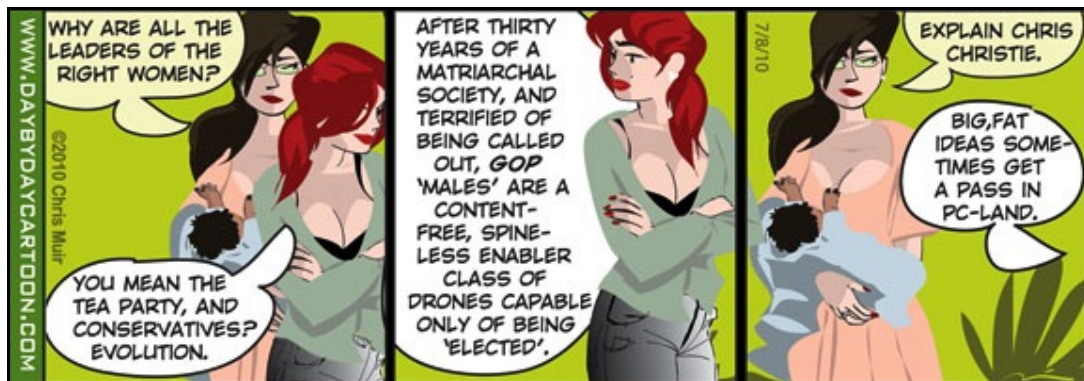
<http://dianedew.com/aclu.htm>

ACLU founders:

<http://www.angelfire.com/mi4/stokjok/Funders.html>

Conservative Websites:

<http://www.theodoresworld.net/>



<http://conservalinked.com/>

<http://liveaction.org/>

<http://www.moonbattery.com/>

The Complete Czar list (which I think is updated as needed):

<http://www.rockiesghostriders.com/>

<http://theshowlive.info/?p=572>

<http://sweetness-light.com/>

This is an outstanding website which tells the truth about Obama-care and about what the mainstream media is hiding from you:

www.coalitionoftheswilling.net

<http://www.obamacaretruth.org/>

<http://shortforordinary.com/>

Flopping Aces:

Great business and political [news](#):

<http://www.floppingaces.net/>

www.wsj.com

The Romantic Poet's Webblog:

www.businessinsider.com

<http://romanticpoet.wordpress.com/>

Blue Dog Democrats:

Politico.com is a fairly neutral site (or, at the very worst, just a little left of center). They have very good informative videos at:

<http://www.house.gov/melancon/BlueDogs/Member%20Page.html>

<http://www.politico.com/multimedia/>

This looks to be a good source of information on the health care bill (s):

Great commentary:

www.Atlasshrugs.com

My own website:

www.kukis.org

Congressional voting records:

<http://projects.washingtonpost.com/congress/>

On Obama (if you have not visited this site, you need to check it out). He is selling a DVD on this site as well called *Media Malpractice*; I have not viewed it yet, except pieces which I have seen played on tv and on the internet. It looks pretty good to me.

<http://howobamagotelected.com/>

Global Warming sites:

<http://ilovecarbondioxide.com/>

35 inconvenient truths about Al Gore's film:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V5J7JNfLYco>

<http://www.noteviljustwrong.com/trailer>

Islam:

www.thereligionofpeace.com

Even though this group leans left, if you need to know what happened each day, and you are a busy person, here is where you can find the day's news given in 100 seconds:

<http://www.youtube.com/user/tpmtv>

This guy posts some excellent vids:

<http://www.youtube.com/user/PaulWilliamsWorld>

HipHop Republicans:

<http://www.hiphoprepublican.blogspot.com/>

And simply because I like cute, intelligent babes:



ALLIES OR ENEMIES. YOU MAKE THE CALL

I come in peace. I didn't bring artillery. But I'm pleading with you, with tears in my eyes: If you fuck with me, I'll kill you all.

~Marine General James Mattis, to Iraqi tribal leaders:

<http://alisonrosen.com/>

The Latina Freedom Fighter:

<http://www.youtube.com/user/LatinaFreedomFighter>

The psychology of homosexuality:

<http://www.narth.com/>

Liberty Counsel, which stands up against the A.C.L.U.

www.lc.org

Health Care:

<http://fixhealthcarepolicy.com/>

Betsy McCaughey's Health Care Site:

<http://www.defendyourhealthcare.us/home.html>