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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).

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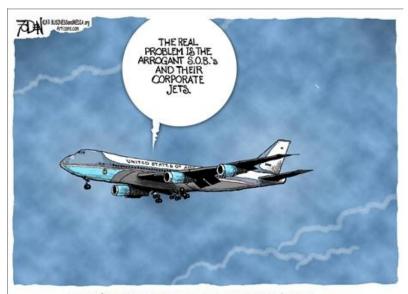
I attempt to post a new issue each Sunday by 5 or 6 pm central standard time (I sometimes fail at this attempt).

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

President Obama, in several of his most recent speeches, railed against the tax loopholes for corporate jets. He failed to mentioned that these tax loopholes were a part of his Stimulus Package of 2 years ago.



SURPRISE MR. PRESIDENT ... WE AGREE WITH YOU.

There has been a struggle about the government providing Medicaid funds to Planned Parenthood in Indiana. So Live Action Films went into action and called a number of Planned Parenthood clinics in Indiana, making a request to come in and use their medicaid benefits. They were referred to their primary care physician or to other clinics.

The White House itself was going to send out "secret doctor shoppers" who would investigate as to whether primary care physicians are accepting or rejecting new patients depending on the type of insurance they have. The White House decided against this, when the public found out about it.

According to a White House report, the 2009 stimulus bill raised GDP by as much as 3.2 percent in the first quarter of 2011 and it also added between 2.4 and 3.6 million jobs.

49 members of the U.S. House of Representatives--including the chairman of the House Oversight Committee, the chairman of the Republican Policy Committee and two presidential candidates--are pointing to evidence they say is "contradictory" to Supreme Court Justice Elena Kagan's confirmation testimony and calling for the House Judiciary Committee to investigate the matter. The lawmakers also say they believe that evidence already made public shows that Kagan must recuse herself from any court cases involving the health care bill signed into law by President Barack Obama while she was serving as Obama's solicitor general.

The magnetic presidential seal flew off President Obama's limo when he was fund-raising in Philadelphia. I wonder if this is a sign?

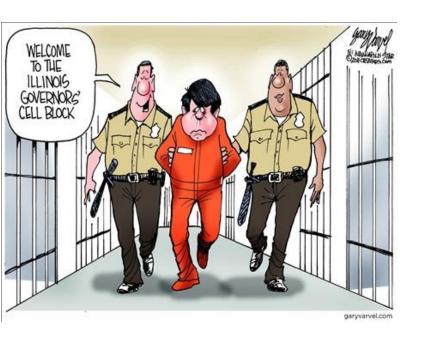
Thaddeus McCotter made his bid for the office of president official this week, reasoning perhaps that, if a man named *Barack Obama* could be elected, then maybe it was his time. Thad plays a mean guitar and was a 5-term Congressional representative.

The Senate was in session for 25 seconds this past Friday, their response to being chastised by President Obama. In the government, this counts as a full day's session.

This is an item I missed from last week: The Issues4Life Foundation and The Radiance Foundation have launched a pro-life billboard campaign with the goal of saving the lives of hundreds of thousands of black babies aborted in America each year. The reasoning here is to raise awareness and to change behaviors, because a pregnant Black woman is 3x more likely to abort her baby than a white woman. Planned Parenthood and California pro-choice groups are calling the ads racist.



Former Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich's was convicted on 17 of 20 corruption charges.



To patch a \$4 billion budget hole, more than 1,600 Florida state government employees were laid off and another 562,000 began paying into their pension plans for the first time in 37 years. This is the kind of thing which conservatives and independents read, and ask themselves, "Why do they not pay into their own pension plans?"

There are at least 13 counties in Southern California which are talking about seceding from California.

Pro-Abortion group sues Texas over law requiring sonogram before terminating pregnancy. Liberals love education and believe that it, along with spending huge amounts of money, is the solution to everything—except when it comes to abortions—more information is apparently a bad thing when it comes to killing babies.

Atheists will fly July 4 Airplane Banners In 27 States that read "God-LESS America" and "Atheism Is Patriotic."

An affirmative action ban was passed five years ago in Michigan, which became a part of their constitution, barred publicly funded centers of higher education from granting "preferential treatment to any individual or group on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin." A federal court has just ruled this unconstitutional.

Tunisia's commission of political reform announced that it adopted (by majority) a "republican pact" that will be the basis of the future new Constitution, and a rejection of any normalization with Israel will become a part of the constitution.

The prestigious Punjab University in Pakistan is holding a poem and essay competition to glorify Osama bin Laden, using posters emblazoned with images of the burning World Trade Center towers.

Unconfirmed: there are possible arms deals between Libya and al-Qaeda.

The terror group Al-Qaida has threatened to attack 11 senior staff at the AeroVironment Inc., the senior executives of a US company that builds unmanned surveillance aircraft.

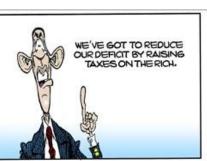
Kim Jong-il's half-brother has been reportedly placed under house arrest in Pyongyang because his resemblance to his father and founder of the nation, Kim Il-sung, could derail the transfer of power to the Dear Leader's son.

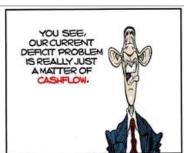
Hugo Chavez has cancer and is taking treatments in a Cuban hospital.

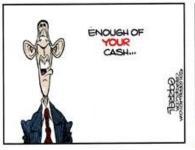
# Say What?

#### Liberals:

President Obama: "Now, it would be nice if we could keep every tax break, but we can't afford them. Because if we choose to keep those tax breaks for millionaires and billionaires, or for hedge fund managers and corporate jet owners, or for oil and gas companies pulling in huge









profits without our help - then we'll have to make even deeper cuts somewhere else. We've got to say to a student, 'You don't get a college scholarship.' We have to say to a medical researcher, 'You can't do that cancer research.' We might have to tell seniors, 'You have to pay more for Medicare.' That isn't right, and it isn't smart. We've got to cut the deficit, but we can do that while making investments in education, research, and technology that actually create jobs. We can live within our means while still investing in our future. That's what we have to do."

President Obama: "Look, I think that what we've seen in negotiations here in Washington is a lot of people say a lot of things to satisfy their base or to get on cable news."

Senator Chuck Schumer on the White House unilaterally raising the debt limit, which has been already discussed privately: "I think it needs a little more exploration and study. It's probably not right to pursue at this point and you wouldn't want to go ahead and issue the debt and then have the courts reverse it."

Joe Biden at national teamsters convention: "And don't any of you, by the way, any of you guys vote Republican. . . . don't come to me if you do! You're on your own, Jack!"

Senate leader Harry Reid: "It's time that we return to the fiscal discipline that Democrats brought to Washington in the 90's." I guess he forgot who controlled the House and the Senate when the budget was balanced last.

Chris Hahn, Democratic strategist on FoxNews: "The free market and small government policies led us down this road—it's how we got here." Like many liberals, on one day, they will accuse President George W. Bush of spending us into oblivion, and, on the next, claim that he was a

small government guy. He can be one of those guys; he can't be both.

Chris Hahn: "Huntsman is the one guy that really us us Democrats worried." [quoted from memory]

Bill Clinton: "[Former ambassador and Utah Gov. Jon Huntsman is] quite an impressive man...[he is] refreshingly unhidebound" and "[he] comes across as a non-ideological conservative...[and] practical."

Thom Hartmann: "[If the debt ceiling is not raised, then we should] close all federal buildings named after Ronald Reagan whose policies brought us this disaster"



MSNBC guest Sally Kohn: "Frankly, the Republicans here...the extreme right of the Republican party are acting like ideological terrorists. They're literally willing to blow up our economy and the future of our nation to score a few political points. And I think this is the point where the President has to say `look, we don't negotiate with ideological terrorist.'"

Rep. Barbara Lee of CA, speaking about a movement which is using billboards to reduce Black abortions: "I am deeply offended by the race-based billboards that are being displayed in my congressional district by the Radiance Foundation and Issues4life. These billboards stigmatize women of color and perpetuate myths about parenting skills and the types of women who seek and use abortion services."

A Planned Parenthood receptionist in Michigan City, Indiana in turning down a medicaid patient: "Your primary care doctor should be able to do [a Well Woman exam,] I mean, that's what they're there for. They have the same services we have."

Jeremiah Wright: "The media labeled me controversial...white folks said Columbus discovered America—they lied...when white folks say I am still controversial, they are still lying."

#### The Liberal News:

ABC's John Donvan on 20-20's Independence Day program: "[The founding fathers] were not gods, they were guys - guys who didn't give women the vote and let slavery stand."

Douglas Brinkley (on the same program): "When you look at the founding documents of our country, they are elastic; they are meant to be pulled and bent in different directions as each era dictates."

Chris Matthews: "There are times when he [Bill Clinton] sounds like Jesus in the Temple."

#### Liberals from the past:

Candidate Obama in 2008: "I cannot guarantee that it is going to be in the first 100 days. But what I can guarantee is that we will have in the first year an immigration bill that I strongly support and that I'm promoting. And I want to move that forward as quickly as possible."

Remember, for a year, Obama could have pushed through almost anything, since he had big majorities in the House and Senate.

#### Liberals making sense:

President Obama: "I ran for President because I believed in an America where ordinary folks could get ahead; where if you worked hard, you could have a better life. That's been my focus since I came into office, and that has to be our focus now. It's one of the reasons why we're working to reduce our nation's deficit. Government has to start living within its means, just like families do. We have to cut the spending we can't afford so we can put the economy on sounder footing, and give our businesses the confidence they need to grow and create jobs."

Time Magazine's Mark Halperin: "I think he [Barack Obama] was kind of a dick yesterday."

Robert Samuelson, reporter for the Washington Post: "[President Obama has] no plan to balance the budget—ever." [I don't know Samuelson's affiliation; I put him here because he is a reporter].

Lynn Forester de Rothschild, a former Hillary Clinton fundraiser: "America needs a president who understands the special sauce of what it is that makes this country great. The fact of his personal story of being half black and all that is a wonderful, inspiriting story. But it doesn't qualify him to be president."

#### **Crosstalk:**

Michele Bachmann: "I want my candidacy for the presidency of the United States to stand for a moment when we, the people, stand once again for the independence from a government that has gotten too big and spends too much and has taken away too much of our liberties. Government thinks it knows better. Government

thinks it knows better how to spend our money. Government thinks it knows better how to make a better life for us. They think they create jobs. They even think they can make us healthier, but that's not the case. We have to recapture the Founders' vision of a constitutionally conservative government if we are to secure the promise for the future."

Chris Matthews: "What is this...the Protestant Reformation? That somehow we're going back to the purity of the original Christian church? We're going back to the original perfection of slaveholders and how perfect they were and government is the enemy."

#### **Conservatives:**

Presidential candidate Michele Bachmann: "I want you to know, as president of the United States, I look forward to creating real jobs for both the Treasury secretary and the president of the United States."

Mitch McConnell: "And I will tell him [President Obama] the truth about requests by some in his party that we increase spending and raise taxes as a way of solving the debt and jobs crisis that precipitated the President's request to raise the debt limit: Not only are they counterproductive from the standpoint of an economic recovery; they're also politically impossible, since Republicans oppose tax hikes and Democrats have already shown they won't raise taxes in a down economy.

"So let's start by taking both proposals off the table and focus on what can actually pass Congress, and what will actually spur the private sector to invest in our future and create jobs.

"Those who are calling for tax hikes as a part of these debt discussions either have amnesia about the fate of similar votes just six months ago - when Democrats controlled both chambers of Congress as well as the White House - or they're acting in bad faith, since we all know that including massive, job-killing tax hikes would be a poison pill. Let's move past tax hikes, talk about what's actually possible, and let's talk about what has and hasn't worked over the past two years.

"And on this second point, this much is clear: if government spending was the answer to an economic slowdown, we'd be in a boom right now. Instead, we're facing record deficits and debt, and a seemingly endless stream of bad economic news. Despite massive spending increases by Democrats, millions have lost jobs.

"The problem here is that Washington spends too much. And that means Democrats are simply going to have to make the same kind of tough choices about Washington's budget that most other Americans have been forced to make about their own budgets over the past two years. Last week, President Obama told a group of people he was prepared to bring down the deficit by trillions of dollars, but refused to list any of the ways he was willing to do it. All he did was list the things he refused to cut. And this weekend the President proposed even more deficit-financed spending, disguised as what he called an `investment'. He can't have it both ways."

Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell: "It's not about rich versus poor. It's not about an election. It's about whether Washington will ever - ever - be held accountable for its mistakes."

Newt Gingrich: "President Obama is the most successful food stamp president in American history."

Laura Ingraham about 50% of the population who do not pay taxes: "Everyone is jumping into the wagon, and no one wants to pull."

Charles Krauthammer: "I think what was really curious about the way the president answered the questions today. On Libya was, that he did it and as he said himself, promises made, promises kept. He is talking exclusively about process. He says I promise no boots on the ground, no boots on the ground. I promised America would lead at the beginning and then withdrawal and let others lead. I kept to that promise. I would think that when you evaluating success of a war, it would be about, has it advanced American national interest in safety and security? It's not in terms of has it vindicated a president's prior words. It's a very odd standard. Obama has done it on Afghanistan as well. In the speech he gave, he said, ya know, I promised as a candidate I would turn our resources to Afghanistan. I have done that. And then, now I promised I'd start withdrawing in July of this year, I'm starting that. This is a remarkable way to evaluate a war. It's extremely self-preferential. Who cares if it fulfills a promise? Is it achieving its goal?"

Mary Walter, FoxNews contributor, on Obama possibly replacing Treasury Secretary Tim Geithner: "He needs a business person in there, and I think it would be a really wise decision to get away from the academics and to get away from the thinkers—maybe someone who is a doer—maybe someone who pays his taxes."

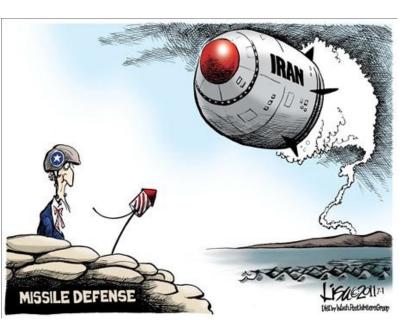
Rush Limbaugh: "Obama can brag that his pre-teenage daughters don't wait 'til the last minute to finish their homework while he hasn't even turned in last year's budget -- and he gets their ages wrong!"

Rush Limbaugh: "CBS/New York Times poll: 63% of the country believe it is headed in the wrong direction. Only 28% think it's headed in the right direction. If the election were tomorrow, this is a slam-dunk landslide of historic proportions. That's how bad it is, and in the White House, they know it."

Rush: "We do not need to raise the debt ceiling. There is no crisis. There is no Armageddon. This is stimulus and TARP all over again. This is the same lie repeated over and over again, the same attempt to make you think your country is coming to a screeching halt and is ending unless the debt ceiling is raised."

Rush: "Shortly after this press conference the media's gonna go out there and find some person whose life will effectively be over if the debt ceiling isn't raised. The endless parade of victims that the Democrats are famous for, it's already in the works, I guarantee you. This huge list of horribles."

# Joe Biden Prophecy Watch



# **Must-Watch Media**

I almost always enjoy Steven Crowder vids. This is about the "shrinking middle class":

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lc 3EXt4BY0

Charles Krauthammer on the loopholes that Obama wants to close:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TKPBzaFkA EM (Send this link to your liberal friends)

I think I already posted this, but it is great: Raising the Debt Ceiling: It Just Makes Sense.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WHfGqkrqlfU (Send it along with the Charles Krauthammer clip)

Add this to those clips—why we don't want to simply raise taxes:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ovS0Oykxq8g

And one more to add; this is an ad, but it is all Obama's words:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kiO2iwAgbFs

Mitch McConnell on talking with the president about the debt (outstanding speech);:

http://www.realclearpolitics.com/video/2011/06/27/mcconnell\_its\_time\_washington\_take\_t he\_hit\_not\_the\_taxpayers.html (video and text) http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q8l8drQ09TE (Video only)

Although I am not a big fan of Mitt Romney, this is a great 40 second ad:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-44o5Dn6V 98

Live Action investigates Indiana's Planned Parenthood:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xTNMF8mt DoQ

Stuart Varney and Laura Ingraham discuss the President's leadership in this economy:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=waXHRcwl
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Time Magazine's Mark Halperin calling Obama a "dick."

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1-7io3OBo

Monica Crowley is mad as hell:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fKIPqEK\_D9A

File this under way goofy. It is not political. This is Black Metal Chef making pad Thai (some language warning is appropriate):

http://www.metalunderground.com/news/det ails.cfm?newsid=68059

# A Little Comedy Relief

Jodi Miller: "The Democrats latest campaign plan is to accuse Republicans of sabotaging the economic recovery. To which Republicans reply, 'What economic recovery?'"

# **Short Takes**

- 1) Two weeks ago, I mentioned that there might be ties between Anthony Weiner's wife and the Muslim Brotherhood, but that I had only read one posting on this. However, I recently read another blogger, where two men, Walid Shoebat and Ben Barrack, have reported that Arab newspapers revealed that Huma Abedin's mother is a member of the Muslim Brotherhood. I have some limited knowledge of Walid Shoebat and none of Ben Barrack, but it seems like to a real reporter, this would be a fascinating story to pursue. On the other hand, the same website had some very conspiratorial postings.
- 2) As I have pointed out on many occasions, tax incentives and "investments" in the tax structure today, are the evil "tax loopholes" railed against tomorrow. I think that President Obama must have set some kind of record, by urging passage of a Stimulus Bill, with corporate jet tax loopholes, and then, 2 years later, rails against these same loopholes, as if they were the evil

design of some Republican beholden to corporate jets.

- 3) Even though I love Texas, do not get the idea that this is some sort of great conservative bastion, because it is not. For me, both George Bush and his successor, Rick Perry, were far too liberal, and the legislature has tinkered far too much with education. Furthermore, although our taxes are not the highest, our property taxes are far too high, and too much of our money goes to social services for people who do not need them. As I have mentioned on several articles, a huge number of people get section 8 housing, food stamps and social security who do not need it.
- 4) Speaking of confusion in Texas, the voters recently voted against red light cameras in Houston. However, the red light camera service, which favors these cameras, has sued our local government, which likes these cameras, and the court has decided that, despite the vote, we will have red light cameras. Now, I am in favor of these cameras, and I have received one ticket because of them. However, when the people vote as they did, it seems as though their votes just did not matter in this instance.
- 5) The rich have been castigated at length most recently for having trillions of dollars which are just "sitting on the sidelines." People become rich because they make good investments. They do not pour money into risky investments, and our economy, at this time, is a very risky investment. We have no idea what will happen with medical insurance, except that it will probably be far more expensive for business than we expect. We do not know how regulations will affect businesses, because truckloads of regulations are being written. Therefore, many people with money are sitting on the sidelines and waiting for some stability in the market before making some investments. Furthermore, there are a number of people who were burned by the stock market, and are therefore hesitant

before sinking a lot of money into the market Real estate used to be a certain again. investment; however, high real estate taxes and an uncertain market have made real estate investment no longer a sure thing. So, of course, as long as government is involved in business, in real estate, and in the medical profession, there will be a lot of money which will sit on the sidelines and not be invested in our economy. Investors like predictability, and our market lacks that. The more that government interferes with real estate, the stock market and medical insurance, the less predictable these things are (except to politicians like Nancy Pelosi, who has had a phenomenal year in investing).

- 6) I think Mark Halperin called the President a "dick" was allowed to air, simply to get MSNBC a little coverage on other networks and on the internet. I would not be shocked if this was a set-up, where Joe Scarborough knew what was coming.
- 7) What about layoff slips for all state workers, and then an offer to come back at 50% salary along with the requirement to contribute to one's own retirement and medical at 100%. This would close the budget gap in almost all states.
- 8) We are at a point where, conservatives and liberals find themselves so far apart that, there may not be any real compromise in our future. Hence, governments will shut down, like There are no longer areas of Minnesota's. overlap where liberals and so-called Republicans find areas that they can agree to. At one time, many conservatives and independents essentially ignored the government; however, the government has gotten so big that, these conservatives and independents can no longer ignore what is happening. The Obama lurch to the left was so jarring that, a lot of people woke up and asked themselves, what is happening to our government?

# By the Numbers

Over 800 days have passed since the Senate last passed a budget. There are apparently enough things built into our bureaucracies that, Congress does not have to pass a budget in order for the huge federal bureaucracies to be paid.

Obama's 3<sup>rd</sup> solo news conference this year: 10 questions over a period of 1 hour and 7 minutes, meaning that Obama gave answers that were nearly 7 minutes long, on average.

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KIDS SAFETY GREECE LIBYA GADHAFI WEEKS NOT MONTHS
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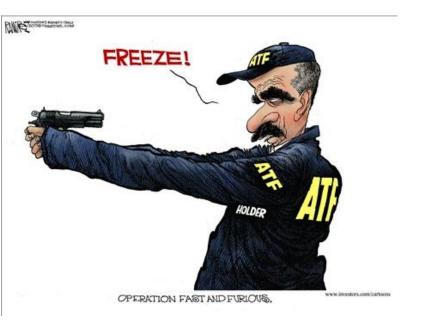
If we close the tax loophole on corporate jets, that means, in 10 years, the government would have saved \$3 billion.

Taxing the rich at 100% would net the government \$938 billion, which is not enough to cover the deficit for one year.

One out of every three White House employees makes at least \$100,000 a year. This is 141 employees.

Obama: 149 fundraisers (so far). This is possibly a record. Time spent on the budget? I don't know, 3 hours?

Over 1750 weapons went across our border to Mexico drug gangs in Operation Fast and Furious, with the blessing of the ATF.



cover Obama's debt accumulation for February of this year (all courtesy of Charles Krauthammer).

According to Planned Parenthood's own statistics, their 28 clinics in Indiana serve less than 1% of Indiana Medicaid patients, yet they do more than 50% of Indiana abortions. There are over 800 other Medicaid providers available to these women in the counties with Planned Parenthood clinics alone

# Polling by the Numbers

#### Associated Press-GfK poll

(remember, these are Obama's supporters)

41% oppose raising the debt ceiling and 38% favor it.

#### Gallup (a poll from May):

47% oppose raising the debt ceiling 19% favor rasing the debt ceiling 34% don't know enough to say.

One Wisconsin school district went from a \$400k deficit to \$1.5 million surplus because of Gov. Walker's union law.

Obama released the quarterly report on the Stimulus Bill; each job costs taxpayers \$278,000.

If we look at the savings from closing the corporate jet loophole over a period of 5000 years, that will cover 1 year of Obama's debt. The oil depreciation tax break, if considered over a period of 700 years, would not quite cover a year of Obama's debt. If you collect the income from both of these tax breaks over 100 years, this will

Americans' Feelings About Raising the Federal Debt Ceiling

From what you know or have read about the discussions of raising the debt ceiling, would you want your member of Congress to -- \_\_\_\_\_ -- or don't you know enough to say?

	All Americans	Republicans	Independents	Democrats
Vote in favor of raising debt ceiling	19%	8%	15%	33%
Vote against raising the debt ceiling	47%	70%	46%	26%
Don't know enough to say	34%	21%	40%	40%

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GALLUP'

27% of Democrats would vote against a Mormon candidate for president because of religion, compared with 20% of both Republicans and independents who said they would oppose such a

candidate.

Story on the NBC/WSJ poll, which discovered, if you lie to the people about the debt ceiling, that can change their vote.

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#### **DBS News Poll**

- 57% believe our country will recover from its weak economy.
- 39% believe that our economy is now in permanent decline.



# **A Little Bias**

Pretty much, the Obama press corps is there to echo whatever it is the Obama is selling. That is why NBC news mentions twice that there are these tax loopholes for corporate jets...and ignores that fact that they were given in the Obama Stimulus Package.

If you watch the Obama Media Complex (AKA the alphabet media), have you heard about Media Matters tax-exempt status. The whole purpose of media matters is to bring down FoxNews.

# **Obama-Speak**

making investments in education, research, and technology that actually create jobs = government spending which reduces net jobs

investing in our future = government spending

# **Questions for Obama**

"Could you give me your answer to this question in 60 seconds or less....?"

# **Political Chess**

What a president has is, the power of the bully pulpit. He can say nearly anything and it will be reported on, and often, with great enthusiasm and support from the Obama Press Corps. However, Obama hurt himself greatly when he went all over the country and told us over and over again, things which were not true about the Stimulus Package and Obamacare. liberals still support him, and believe much of what he says, but independents, when they realize that he has simply told them things which are not true, are forming a very different opinion about Obama. This is why his speechifying on corporate jets and disaster looming from the upcoming debt ceiling limit are getting less and less traction with most people.

Here is what is going on with the debt ceiling. Obama and Democrats, knowing that Obama can decide what gets paid and what does not get paid, if the debt ceiling is not raised, believe they have the upper hand. California has done this for years. When the school year ends, they send out pink slips to a huge number of teachers, and that makes the news. They don't send out these same pink slips to bureaucrats and inspectors. So, again and again, California votes to raise taxes, driving businesses out of that state. Obama can do the same thing. He can send out notices saing, "Your military benefits and/ot your social security benefits may be held up over the next few months while we come to an agreement about raising the debt ceiling." Republicans know that this could hurt them in an election. Republicans can only hope that their common sense approach will find a media outlet in more places than just FoxNews. This is why you see so many ads being run lately about our huge debt. Conservatives know that they have to reach the American public, and that the Obama Media Complex will not cover this information.

Right now, Obama wants to get some good sounding sound bites out there, which the media will play and replay, hoping to grab the votes of the many people who are paying only a little attention to politics. Therefore, sound bites like this plays well: "But after a decade in which Washington ran up the country's credit card, we've got to find more savings to get out of the red. That means looking at every program and tax break in the budget - every single one - to find places to cut waste and save money. It means we'll have to make tough decisions and scale back worthy programs."

The Senate has not passed a budget for over 800 days because they no longer have to. The bureaucracies in Washington will be funded, budget or no budget. In this way, the Democratic Congress cannot be held responsible for voting for a budget that is on autopilot. Furthermore, there is money built into this budget for all manner of new plans and ideas, like the infamous mystery doctor shoppers or the

insane "Fast and Furious" ATF scheme.

So, how do you get taxes out of those people who pay no taxes, if you are a Democrat? You tax oil companies and you tax corporations more. These taxes filter there way down to those who use these services (poor and middle class people do drive). So, there is the emotional satisfaction on their part of "sticking it to big oil" and, at the same time, their payment at the pump pays for these tax increases and continues to fund big government. This approach works fine until one of these oil companies does the math and figures that they can do better off-shore.

Democrats and liberals have a nightmare vision of the Supreme Court's future: President Barack Obama is defeated for re-election next year and Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, at 78 the oldest

justice, soon finds her health will not allow her to continue on the bench. So, what happens in November, if Obama is defeated? Will she resign? Can Republicans block a confirmation vote in the Senate? This is probably one of the most important changes in government in the near future, and who is talking about it?

#### More Proof Obama is an Amateur

N one should have ever leaked the Obama expects to pull together \$1 billion in election contributions. That is bragging, and not smart politics.

# **News Before it Happens**

Here's what to expect as the 2012 election approaches. The Obama Media Complex (NBC, ABC, CNN, CBS, the Washington Post, the NY Times, AP) will do some negative stories on Obama and some positive stories on the Republican challengers. On those networks, expect about 60% positive stories on Obama and 20% negative (with 20% neutral). Republicans, this will be about 20-30% positive, 60% negative. Furthermore, negative stories on Republicans will be more negative than negative stories on Obama. In this way, when media bias is discussed, a liberal pundit can always say, "I saw a positive story on Michele Bachmann on NBC" or "AP just carried a negative story on Obama and his handling of the economy." FoxNews, as usual, will, in its hard news, go right down the middle, giving each candidate half the time, and being positive and critical of each candidate in equal amounts.

# **Missing Headlines**

President Scorns Tax Loopholes He Signs into Law Dream Act by President Fiat Come, let us reason together....

# The Greedy Rich

Some liberals believe that there are people in the United States who make too much, and that supports the notion that these people are greedy and heartless.

Let's look at this theologically. All people have a sin nature. All are motivated by a variety of lusts: some lust for power, some lust for money, some lust for approbation; some lust for sex. The power of the norms and standards which we individually have limits how much we are given over to the lusts that we have. However, the point I am making is, a person in government and a person in the private sector both have sin natures. People in government are not somehow more noble than those outside of government, or vice versa. President Obama is very arrogant and full of himself; but then, so is Donald Trump. If they debated, there would be a record-breaking use of the word *I*.

Personally, I am in favor of money being in hands of the greedy rich in the private sector. Why? They have less of it, for the most part. Right now, 535 + 1 has control of the spending of 3 trillion dollars or so each year. When it comes to the very richest in the private sector, there are only a few men who have control of a billion dollars or more.

In the year 2011, there are about 1210 billionaires in the world, controlling \$4.5 trillion. This is world-wide, and 34% of these (412) come from the United States. Personally, even those some of those billionaires are evil and greedy people, I rather like the idea that they each control a fortune which is far, far lower than what our government spends each year (heck, each month). This spreads it out. Besides, I know a few businessmen, and they are honorable and

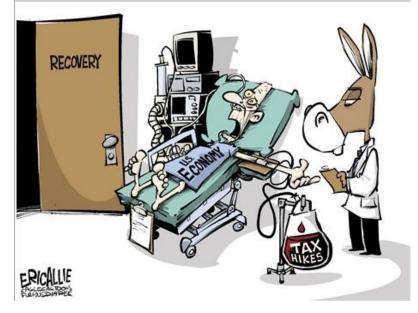
honest people, whose actions have a very favorable impact upon the United States economy (I don't know any billionaires, however).

What concerns me is when government and private industry join hands and do things together. Personally, I would like to see a wall of separation far greater than that which is supposed to be between church and state. I want there to be as little interference and influence as possible, either by government on the economy or of the rich on the government. The more walls that can be drawn between these sectors, the better.

I don't like the idea of the secondary mortgage market being controlled by 2 quasi government agencies. Not only do these agencies control the secondary mortgage market at this time (going from 50% of the market share to about 95% of the market share), but if they do anything wrong, and start to lose money, they can simply prop themselves up by taking more money from the taxpayers. Most people do not even understand the secondary mortgage market, and, therefore, have no idea why our market tanked a couple of years ago. The vast amount of assets which are held hy FNMA and FHLMC are beyond our imagination. As I have pointed out many times in the past, these organizations make ENRON look like a kid's lemonade stand by comparison.

Furthermore, the government operates on its own rules. They don't have to be honest and honorable. Twice, I have had contracts with second 8 housing, and twice, a few months later after agreeing to the contract price and the terms, came back to me and said, "We're going to pay you less money." I questioned one woman about this, and she said, "Well, I never sign the contracts, so we can do what we want." (Or words to that effect). These are practices that, if I engaged in them (say, upped the rent suddenly on some tenants and made it retroactive), I could be sued and even arrested for illegal business

practices. Government engages in illegal business practices all of the time.



So yes, I know there are greedy billionaires out there; but, I also know, that in most cases, they expanded their wealth through business dealings which have provided necessary jobs for thousands of people (if not tens of thousands). When government does that, they provide jobs that, in many instances, are not really necessary to our economy. Have you ever tried going through the permit process of adding a room onto your house in California? Do you know how many inspectors are involved? Do you know how often you face inspection and reinspection fees?

So, if anyone is going to control a lot of money, I want that person to be the one who earned it. I want him to have a stake in that money. I don't want him to simply win and election, and then spend much of his time in office repaying political debts.

You know how your investments have done over the past few years. Former Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, already a millionaire, grew her family's net worth by 62%, something almost ignored by the media. Did your investments do that well? I guess it was only a coincidence that she was Speaker of the House. She's done very well financially over the past few years. And, what a shock, ABC, CBS, CNN, MSNBC, NBC, and PBS ignored her fortuitous investments. It happens on both sides of the aisle. John Boehner also did well, but nowhere near as well as Pelosi did (nor does he have as much money as she does).

Isn't it a coincidence that legislation that these people push have financial consequences, and, what a surprise, they often end up making money as a result.

So, I don't want Pelosi and Boehner controlling so much money; I don't like the fact that they can vote for this or that, and, somehow, their personal portfolio's grow. I like the idea of spreading the wealth—away from Washington D.C.—and back into the hands of those who made that wealth in the first place. Those millionaires and billionaires at least earned their money honestly, and those which didn't, often end up in jail (like Bernie Madoff).

# **Pinch Happened**

By Jed Babbin

It's been a bad month for the New York Times. The feeding frenzy it tried to stir up over Sarah Palin's e-mails left the sharks unfed. And the "investigative" story that was supposed to prove Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas to be an unethical scoundrel fell flat because its theory was unsupported by the facts.

To top it all off, the Times is -- for the third time in as many years -- in an open feud with New York Archbishop Timothy Dolan for what the gentleman correctly labels anti-Catholic reporting.

But none of that will change the Times' behavior. The Times is preparing itself for a huge push to re-elect President Obama and will leave no story unpublished that could possibly help Obama or hurt his opponent, regardless of who it is.

How did the New York Times -- the paper of Abe Rosenthal, R.W. "Johnny" Apple and Bill Safire -- become the paper of Tom Friedman, Paul Krugman and Maureen Dowd? What changed it from the liberal paper that had been most fair to Ronald Reagan to the home of angry liberalism?

What happened? Pinch happened.

Arthur Sulzberger, Jr. -- known as "Pinch," a diminutive of his father's nickname, "Punch" -- became the paper's publisher in 1992 and has steadily transformed what was a newspaper into an ideological tool of the left. The final stage of that transformation will be completed in September, when Jill Abramson becomes the paper's executive editor.

"Pinch" Sulzberger, as he demonstrated in his May 2006 graduation speech at SUNY New Paltz, is committed to a 1960s-vintage liberal ideology. He told the students, "You weren't supposed to be graduating into an America fighting a misbegotten war in a foreign land. You weren't supposed to be graduating into a world where we are still fighting for fundamental human rights, be it the rights of immigrants to start a new life; the rights of gays to marry; or the rights of women to choose. You weren't supposed to be graduating into a world where oil still drives policy and environmentalists have to relentlessly fight for every gain. You weren't. But you are. And for that I'm sorry."

Sulzberger's dogged misrule of the Times was first characterized by his ejection of established newsmen who had built the Times brand since World War II in favor of more ideological writers. In 1999, he took former Times executive editor

Abe Rosenthal's column away, forcing him to retire. Rosenthal was a real newsman who had built a corps of reporters with a fierce desire to seek out stories. That creed conflicted with Pinch's vision of the paper's future.

In 2003, Sulzberger was embarrassed into firing executive editor Howell Raines when fabulist Jayson Blair's contrived stories were exposed. By then, as Raines later wrote in the Atlantic, the Times newsroom was so union-dominated (the Newspaper Guild's members are so work-resistant and hard to fire) that the reporters didn't want to travel to get stories: they sit at their desks and "report" by searching the Internet.

Sulzberger replaced Raines with Bill Keller, an established newsman. "Pinch" chose Keller over investigative reporter and Washington editor Jill Abramson, who had been campaigning for the job. But, as sources close to the Times told me then, Keller wasn't sufficiently liberal so Sulzberger invested Abramson (elevated to managing editor) and her close friend Maureen Dowd with the power to go around Keller's decisions.

Under Keller -- really, under Pinch -- the Times published several stories that damaged national security. The biggest was James Risen's 2006 stories on the top-secret National Security Agency terrorist surveillance program. The Times held the NSA story for almost a year while Risen wrote a book about it, then published the same day the book was offered for sale. The story and the book were published despite personal appeals from President Bush. Another, about the secret cooperation of the Belgian "SWIFT" consortium in tracing terrorist financing, was equally damaging.

This was pure Pinch: eagerly publishing top-secret information not out of traitorous intent, but in willful blindness to the effects on national security just to damage George W. Bush.

Risen, who should be rotting in jail until he discloses his sources for the NSA story, is now being subpoenaed to testify in the trial of alleged leaker James Sterling. In a sworn affidavit filed last week in support of a motion to quash the subpoena, Risen testifies that his reporting of the NSA stories drew personal praise from Sulzberger.

Paragraph 8 of the affidavit says that in 2007 Risen received a personal letter from Sulzberger. It said, "Your investigative reporting has been an extraordinary asset to the paper since the day you joined us.But it has now become a central reason that our Washington report is admired by our readers -- not to mention leaders around the nation and the world." High praise for reporting that damaged national security and falsely accused the Bush administration of acting illegally.

Sulzberger wanted to take no chances in 2012. He has pushed Keller aside in favor of the even more liberal Abramson.

Abramson is as committed to liberal dogma as is Sulzberger. In 1999, she co-wrote a front page story buying into Hillary Clinton's "vast right wing conspiracy" theory with "proofs" of a "small secret clique of lawyers in their 30s who share a deep antipathy toward the President." She and her long-time friend Jane Mayer wrote the book Strange Justice about Clarence Thomas. That book became famous twice: once for its assault on Thomas, and later for the sheer number of factual errors and apparent fabrications in it. (Her record of faith to the liberal media culture is too long to recount here, but the Media Research Center's Clay Waters reported a few of her "greatest hits" here.)

Abramson is a fan of the über-liberal Huffington Post. According to the Nation, feminism "has always been an explicit part of Abramson's career." That accounts for both the book about

Thomas and the recent failed ethics attack on the sitting justice. Feminism is part of Abramson's persona as well as that of her close friend and Times columnist Maureen Dowd (who, as she proved redundantly in her Sunday column, is evidently the leader of the Times' anti-Catholic binge).

Before Dowd, the Times' anti-Catholic crusader was Anna Quindlen. And there will be others. Pinch finds Catholic women who are anti-Catholic and promotes them.

Abramson's elevation and closeness to Dowd will complete Pinch's transformation of the Times. It will be a tool of the Obama campaign and its most reliable attack dog throughout the 2012 race.

And it will be Obama's tool regardless of the commercial consequences. Pinch has not only destroyed the Times' credibility by imposing his ideological brand: he's run the value of the company down. Last Friday, NYT shares closed at \$8.10, down from a 2002 high of \$53.80. It's almost as great a failure as Air America was, and for the same reasons.

Republicans should celebrate Abramson's promotion because if they look closely at it -- and at the growing effectiveness of conservative media -- they will see two freight trains running toward each other that will collide spectacularly next year right in front of the eyes of American voters.

The two first collided in a 2004 fender-bender that cost Dan Rather his job when conservative bloggers exposed the phony documents he used to attack George Bush's service in the Texas Air National Guard. The media learned from Rather's mistake and four years later reasserted themselves in the role of the gatekeepers of voters' knowledge. Throughout the Obama campaign stories which real reporters would have

dug into deeply -- such as Obama's record in the Illinois legislature, his association with shady characters such as Tony Rezko, and his two decades of listening to radical preacher Jeremiah Wright -- were stories the gatekeeper media chose not to report. (The Times, of course, held the story on John McCain's alleged affair with a lobbyist until he had secured the nomination. The story was debunked before the ink dried on the Times' front page.)

The lavish coverage and daily praise the media poured on Obama pushed critical examination of him out of voters' consciousness. The pro-Obama narrative isn't the result of some dark conspiracy: it's the product of the media's culture. The media culture is so powerful and so common that reporters, editors and television news executives can no more resist it than Canada geese can resist the instinct to fly south in winter.

All of this is good news for Republicans because conservative media are more brash, more agile and more willing to report real news than the dinosaurs of the gatekeeper media. Talk radio has a larger and more politically-active audience than all the liberal newspapers, lib talkers and liberal TV programs combined. When they collide head-on with the New York Times and the rest of the gatekeeper media, the result will be a fire on which Republicans can roast every Democratic candidate from Obama on down.

Republicans should mount an anti-media campaign and their weapon of choice should be humor. They can tell the media that their secret is out: Americans know, they should say, that you're just a dysfunctional liberal family the likes of which isn't usually seen outside Hollywood.

A steady stream of RNC-sponsored television commercials poking fun at the NBC/MSNBC ranters, at the New York Times' and Washington Post's selective reporting and such would do two things. First, the commercials would make the

media an issue that the Democrats will try to defend and can't. The targets of the campaign will spin themselves into a frenzy of defense, taking time away from their pro-Obama activities.

Second, they will win a lot of votes from the independent voters who trust the media even less than they trust Congress. Those commercials could be worth tens of thousands of independent votes because Americans are ready to revolt against the hyperliberal media.

Make Sulzberger, Soros, and the "suits" -- such as Phil Griffin -- who run MSNBC the issue, and it could be the seed from which a new Media Tea Party Movement will sprout. These guys are so ripe a target, only Republicans' timidity can protect them.

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# Where the Tax Money Is

Obama targets the middle class while pretending to tax only the rich.

From the WSJ

A dominant theme of President Obama's budget speech last Wednesday was that our fiscal problems would vanish if only the wealthiest Americans were asked "to pay a little more." Since he's asking, imagine that instead of proposing to raise the top income tax rate well north of 40%, the President decided to go all the way to 100%.

Let's stipulate that this is a thought experiment, because Democrats don't need any more ideas. But it's still a useful experiment because it exposes the fiscal futility of raising rates on the top 2%, or even the top 5% or 10%, of taxpayers to close the deficit. The mathematical reality is

that in the absence of entitlement reform on the Paul Ryan model, Washington will need to soak the middle class-because that's where the big money is.

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Consider the Internal Revenue Service's income tax statistics for 2008, the latest year for which data are available. The top 1% of taxpayers-those with salaries, dividends and capital gains roughly above about \$380,000-paid 38% of taxes. But assume that tax policy confiscated all the taxable income of all the "millionaires and billionaires" Mr. Obama singled out. That yields merely about \$938 billion, which is sand on the beach amid the \$4 trillion White House budget, a \$1.65 trillion deficit, and spending at 25% as a share of the economy, a post-World War II record.

Say we take it up to the top 10%, or everyone with income over \$114,000, including joint filers. That's five times Mr. Obama's 2% promise. The IRS data are broken down at \$100,000, yet taxing all income above that level throws up only \$3.4 trillion. And remember, the top 10% already pay 69% of all total income taxes, while the top 5% pay more than all of the other 95%.

We recognize that 2008 was a bad year for the economy and thus for tax receipts, as payments by the rich fell along with their income. So let's perform the same exercise in 2005, a boom year and among the best ever for federal revenue. (Ahem, 2005 comes after the Bush tax cuts that Mr. Obama holds responsible for all the world's problems.)

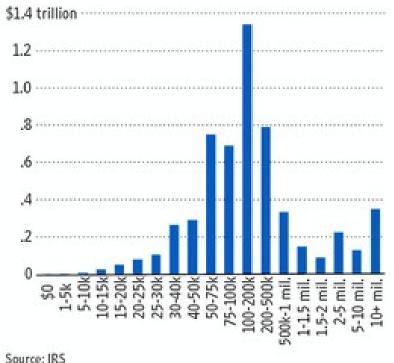
In 2005 the top 5% earned over \$145,000. If you took all the income of people over \$200,000, it would yield about \$1.89 trillion, enough revenue to cover the 2012 bill for Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security-but not the same bill in 2016, as the costs of those entitlements are expected to grow rapidly. The rich, in short, aren't nearly rich enough to finance Mr. Obama's entitlement state

ambitions-even before his health-care plan kicks in.

So who else is there to tax? Well, in 2008, there was about \$5.65 trillion in total taxable income from all individual taxpayers, and most of that came from middle income earners. The nearby chart shows the distribution, and the big hump in the center is where Democrats are inevitably headed for the same reason that Willie Sutton robbed banks.

# The Middle Class Tax Target

The amount of total taxable income (left scale) for all filers by adjusted gross income level for 2008



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This is politically risky, however, so Mr. Obama's game has always been to pretend not to increase taxes for middle class voters while looking for sneaky ways to do it. His first budget in 2009 included a "climate revenues" section from the

indirect carbon tax of cap and trade, which of course would be passed down to all consumers. Such Democratic luminaries as Nancy Pelosi have often chattered about a European-style value-added tax, or VAT, which from a liberal perspective has the virtue of applying to every level of production or service and therefore is largely hidden from the people who pay it.

Now that those two ideas have failed politically, Mr. Obama is turning as he did last week to limiting tax deductions and other "loopholes," such as for mortgage interest payments. We support doing away with these distortions too, and so does Mr. Ryan, but in return for lower tax rates. Mr. Obama just wants the extra money, which he says will reduce the deficit but in practice will merely enable more spending.

Keep in mind that the most expensive tax deductions, in terms of lost tax revenue, go mainly to the middle class. These include the deductions for state and local tax payments (especially property taxes), mortgage interest, employer-sponsored health insurance, 401(k) contributions and charitable donations. The irony is that even as Mr. Obama says he merely wants the rich to pay a little bit more, his proposals would make the tax code less progressive than it is today.

Mr. Ryan isn't proposing controversial entitlement reforms because he likes pointless political risk, or because he likes being berated to his face from a front row seat, as he was on Wednesday. Medicare and Medicaid spending are consistently growing two to three times faster than the rest of the economy, while Medicare's cash-in-cash-out financing model means that seniors collect far more in benefits than they paid in taxes over their working lifetime. The entitlement state was designed for another era.

Mr. Obama's speech was disgraceful for its demagoguery but also because it contained nothing remotely commensurate to the scale of the problem. If the President had come out for a large tax on the middle class, like a VAT, then at least the country could have debated the choice of paying for the government we have or modernizing it a la Mr. Ryan so it is affordable.

Instead the President will continue targeting the middle class for tax increases to pay for an entitlement state on autopilot, while claiming he only wants to tax the rich. Oh, and we almost forgot: Happy Tax Day.

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# Is Democracy Viable?

By Thomas Sowell

The media have recently been so preoccupied with a Congressman's photograph of himself in his underwear that there has been scant attention paid to the fact that Iran continues advancing toward creating a nuclear bomb, and nobody is doing anything that is likely to stop them.

Nuclear weapons in the hands of the world's leading sponsor of international terrorism might seem to be something that would sober up even the most giddy members of the chattering class. But that chilling prospect cannot seem to compete for attention with cheap behavior by an immature Congressman, infatuated with himself.

A society that cannot or will not focus on matters of life and death is a society whose survival as a free nation is at least questionable. Hard as it may be to conceive how the kind of world that one has been used to, and taken for granted, can

come to an end, it can happen in the lifetime of today's generation.

Those who founded the United States of America were keenly aware that they were making a radical departure in the kinds of governments under which human beings had lived over the centuries - and that its success was by no means guaranteed. Monarchies in Europe had lasted for centuries and the Chinese dynasties for thousands of years. But a democratic republic was something else.

While the convention that was writing the Constitution of the United States was still in session, a lady asked Benjamin Franklin what the delegation was creating. "A republic, madam," he said, "if you can keep it."

In the middle of the next century, Abraham Lincoln still posed it as a question whether "government of the people, by the people and for the people shall not perish from the earth." Years earlier, Lincoln had warned of the dangers to a free society from its own designing power-seekers - and how only the vigilance, wisdom and dedication of the public could preserve their freedom.

But, today, few people seem to see such dangers, either internally or internationally.

A recent poll showed that nearly half the American public believes that the government should redistribute wealth. That so many people are so willing to blithely put such an enormous and dangerous arbitrary power in the hands of politicians - risking their own freedom, in hopes of getting what someone else has - is a painful sign of how far many citizens and voters fall short of what is needed to preserve a democratic republic.

The ease with which people with wealth can ship it overseas electronically, or put it in tax shelters

at home, means that raising the tax rate on wealthy people is not going to bring in the kind of tax revenue that would enable wealth redistribution to provide the bonanza that some people are expecting.

In other words, people who are willing to give government more arbitrary power can give up their birthright of freedom without even getting the mess of pottage. Worse yet, they can give up their children's and their grandchildren's birthright of freedom.

Free and democratic societies have existed for a relatively short time, as history is measured - and their staying power has always been open to question. So much depends on the wisdom of the voters that the franchise was always limited, in one way or another, so that voting would be confined to those with a stake in the viability and progress of the country, and the knowledge to cast their vote intelligently.

In our own times, however, voting has been seen as just one of the many "rights" to which everyone is supposed to be entitled. The emphasis has been on the voter, rather than on the momentous consequences of elections for the nation today and for generations yet unborn.

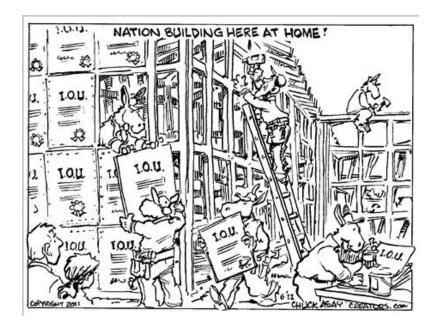
To those who see voting as more or less just a matter of self-expression, almost a recreational activity, there is no need to inform themselves on both sides of the issues before voting, much less sit down and think beyond the rhetoric to the realities that the rhetoric conceals.

Careless voters may be easily swayed by charisma and rhetoric, oblivious to the monumental disasters created around the world by 20th century leaders with charisma and rhetoric, such as Hitler.

Voters like this represent a danger of terminal frivolity for freedom and democracy.

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# July 4th

By Thomas Sowell

The Fourth of July may be just a holiday for fireworks to some people. But it was a momentous day for the history of this country and the history of the world.

Not only did July 4, 1776 mark American independence from England, it marked a radically different kind of government from the governments that prevailed around the world at the time -- and the kinds of governments that had prevailed for thousands of years before.

The American Revolution was not simply a rebellion against the King of England, it was a rebellion against being ruled by kings in general. That is why the opening salvo of the American Revolution was called "the shot heard round the world."

00Autocratic rulers and their subjects heard that shot -- and things that had not been questioned for millennia were now open to challenge. As the generations went by, more and more autocratic governments around the world proved unable to meet that challenge.

Some clever people today ask whether the United States has really been "exceptional." You couldn't be more exceptional in the 18th century than to create your fundamental document -- the Constitution of the United States -- by opening with the momentous words, "We the people..."

Those three words were a slap in the face to those who thought themselves entitled to rule, and who regarded the people as if they were simply human livestock, destined to be herded and shepherded by their betters. Indeed, to this very day, elites who think that way -- and that includes many among the intelligentsia, as well as political messiahs -- find the Constitution of the United States a real pain because it stands in the way of their imposing their will and their presumptions on the rest of us.

More than a hundred years ago, so-called "Progressives" began a campaign to undermine the Constitution's strict limitations on government, which stood in the way of self-anointed political crusaders imposing their grand schemes on all the rest of us. That effort to discredit the Constitution continues to this day, and the arguments haven't really changed much in a hundred years.

The cover story in the July 4th issue of Time magazine is a classic example of this arrogance. It asks of the Constitution: "Does it still matter?"

A long and rambling essay by Time magazine's managing editor, Richard Stengel, manages to create a toxic blend of the irrelevant and the erroneous.

The irrelevant comes first, pointing out in big letters that those who wrote the Constitution "did not know about" all sorts of things in the world today, including airplanes, television, computers and DNA.



This may seem like a clever new gambit but, like many clever new gambits, it is a rehash of arguments made long ago. Back in 1908, Woodrow Wilson said, "When the Constitution was framed there were no railways, there was no telegraph, there was no telephone,"

In Mr. Stengel's rehash of this argument, he declares: "People on the right and left constantly ask what the framers would say about some event that is happening today."

Maybe that kind of talk goes on where he hangs out. But most people have enough common sense to know that a constitution does not exist to micro-manage particular "events" or express opinions about the passing scene.

A constitution exists to create a framework for government -- and the Constitution of the United States tries to keep the government inside that framework.

From the irrelevant to the erroneous is a short step for Mr. Stengel. He says, "If the Constitution was intended to limit the federal government, it certainly doesn't say so."

Apparently Mr. Stengel has not read the Tenth Amendment: "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people."

Perhaps Richard Stengel should follow the advice of another Stengel -- Casey Stengel, who said on a number of occasions, "You could look it up."

Does the Constitution matter? If it doesn't, then your Freedom doesn't matter.

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# **The Rush Section**

### We CAN Cut Our Way to Prosperity

RUSH: It breaks my heart, folks, I can't tell you. Thirty-nine percent of the American people believe the US economy has now entered permanent decline according to a new poll from the CBS/New York Times, and 63% of the country believe it's headed in the wrong direction. I don't know how to voice my frustration and sorrow over this. Real people are affected, and there's no empathy from this White House. I don't mean sympathy. There's no connection here. These people are just a bunch of robots. To the liberals this is just one giant social experiment. People's lives here are being gutted, and these are people that are, in large part, playing by the rules, trying as hard as they can, and every time they make a

move, there's a new obstacle in their way, or the threat of a new obstacle in their way.

It's important to point out, polling data, even back in the Great Depression, nobody believed the situation was permanent, my friends. This is striking. Thirty-nine percent of Americans believe the economy has now entered a permanent decline, meaning they don't think it's ever going to reverse. Nobody thought that during the Depression. Nobody believed the situation was permanent. People still believed that prosperity was just around the corner.

By the way, that corporate jet thing, I need to clarify one thing. It's even worse than I said. That \$3 billion that would be generated by getting rid of the accelerated depreciation tax break for corporate jets, that's over ten years! Over ten years. That's how insignificant an amount of money we're talking about in terms of the corporate tax break. It would raise \$3 billion over ten years, yet this year alone we're going to spend \$42 billion on student assistance. And whatever assistance we're giving them, it isn't working because they aren't learning anything

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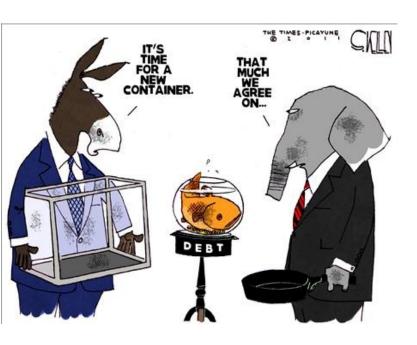
that is valuable to them. There are still reasons people should be optimistic, and that's one of the reasons we are here at the EIB Network, is to try to maintain, instill, promote optimism, 'cause we're gonna come through this and we're gonna triumph over this. And we're going to do it on Election Day in November, 2012. We actually started last November with that election.

I want to take you to Wisconsin. We can cut our way to prosperity. The president of the United States says that we cannot cut our way to prosperity. We can. Scott Walker is the governor of Wisconsin. A little story here from the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel: "Cost savings from worker contributions to health care and retirement, taking effect today as part of the new collective bargaining laws, will swing the Kaukauna School District from a \$400,000 budget deficit to an estimated \$1.5 million surplus, the Post-Crescent in Appleton reports. The district tells the Post-Crescent that it plans to hire teachers and reduce class size."

What does this mean? Remember all the fights, protests, bickering, caterwauling and complaining from these public employees in Wisconsin about taking their collective bargaining rights away and mandating that finally, for the first time, they start contributing a little bit to their own pensions and their own health care benefits? That law goes into effect and immediately turns a \$400,000 budget deficit into one-and-a-half-million-dollar surplus in one school district. It's a win-win. Public sector employees are paid by the taxpayers. It is not too much to ask public sector workers to contribute a little bit to their own pensions and to their own health care. They're not having to pay for all of it. They're now having to pay a little. But that little that they are contributing themselves, which is now not having to be paid for by the taxpayers, has resulted in a flip from a \$400,000 budget deficit t o a n estimated

one-and-a-half-million-dollar surplus in one school district in Wisconsin.

We talked yesterday about how Republican governors, conservative Republican governors, are showing the way. How this can be done, how this can be fixed. And, by the way, these public sector employees who are now contributing a little to their pensions and a little to their health care, they're still getting up every day. They're still able to turn on the TV and watch whatever channel they want. They're able to eat breakfast. They're able to get in their cars, go to the gas station, put gasoline in the tank and head to work. After work, they're able to go home, go to a movie, whatever they want to do. Their lives have not been destroyed. They've not been turned into paupers. They simply have been asked to contribute a little bit to their own retirement rather than their taxpayer neighbors paying all of it, and, voila, we're running a surplus of one and a half million dollars in one school district in the state of Wisconsin.



Cutting spending is what this is. State spending in Wisconsin has been cut because individuals are

now forced to assume a small bit of responsibility for their own wherewithal. As an added bonus, we've cut into the Democrat public sector union money laundering scheme at the same time. Not fully, not totally. But here's an example of conservatism works every time it's tried. Scott Walker's budget helps the children. A school district has a one and a half million-dollar surplus, and here we have with our own president yesterday, corporate jets versus children; Republicans hate the kids; Republicans hate the elderly; Republicans want everybody to die; the oil companies want their customers to get poisoned. Walmart wants their customers to die somehow if you listen to these people on the left. In the meantime, a Republican governor stood firm, stood tall during all of that and ends up cutting spending, ending the money laundering scheme and helping the children and producing a budget surplus in just one school district in the state of Wisconsin.

Meanwhile, the jobs picture remains ugly as weekly claims are still high. This is from a flummoxed Reuters, flummoxed CNBC. They just don't get it. And Obama owns this ugly jobs picture. In fact, he painted it. "The number of Americans seeking unemployment benefits was mostly unchanged last week, evidence that the weak economy is struggling to generate jobs. Applications have topped 400,000 for 12 straight weeks. Applications had fallen in February to 375,000, a level that signals sustainable job growth," but it didn't stay there.

Now, how embarrassingly adolescent was it for Obama to lecture Congress for being lazy? He's golfing, he's vacationing his way to irrelevancy. He's lashing out because Greek columns and godlike echoes in speeches no longer work, folks. He's mired in the quicksand of his own decisions.

RUSH: I got an e-mail. "Dear Rush: It does not break my heart that so many people see a permanent decline." It's about the New York Times/CBS poll: 39% the American people think the economy is in a permanent decline. "I'm glad so many think we're in decline. That's good news! We need people to realize what's happening and that it's the direct result of Obamanomics. Not Bush, not the GOP. It's all the result of the Democrats, liberalism. Bam! It looks bad, but we can fix it. We just need where you remember election. All is not lost." Oh, I'm not saying all is lost. I just... This is the greatest nation in the history of the world with unparalleled prosperity and opportunity for everybody in the world generated by this country, and for residents here -- 39% -- to think that we are in permanent decline? Whoa! That is such a great illustration of the damage done by Barack Obama. Now, if you want to look at that as good news in the sense that people realize what's happened? Well, if there is an accompanying "We gotta vote Republican" or conservative as a result of the opinion, fine and dandy. Still bothers me that people in this country have that attitude about it.



# Making Complex Understandable: Adam Smith's "Wealth of Nations"

CALLER: Great to be here, Rush. I'll tell you, I've been listening to you for a long time, and I'm really shocked how few people call to take you on

task of your truth -- or what you call the truth. Last week you mentioned, uh, something about the socialists don't create wealth; and today you say that Obama is wrong saying that cutting spending will not deal with prosperity. I mean, there's all kinds of example of that in the private -- in the private industries. I mean, GE cut spending, jobs, and businesses in the nineties; and they have destroyed \$200 billion in market value. It's hard -- it's hard-pressed to find any nation on earth that is wealthy that does not have a socialist economy.

RUSH: I have totally lost the ability to keep up with you here.

CALLER: Okay.

RUSH: What did you...? What did I say that...? I said socialism doesn't create wealth?

CALLER: Yeah. You said socialism --

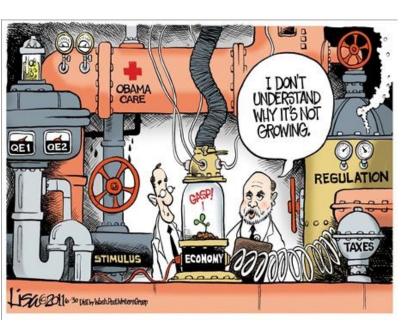
RUSH: It doesn't. Socialism does not create wealth. It redistributes wealth. Socialism doesn't create diddly-squat. Socialism is a parasite.

CALLER: How do you explain Canada? How do you explain Japan, Germany, Switzerland? How do you explain the wealth of these nations?

RUSH: They aren't wealthy. If you looked at 'em? Canada, by the way, is being run by a bunch of conservatives right now and has been for a long time. These Western European socialist democracies are about broke and turning around their socialism. Look at Greece. That's what you get. You got 14% permanent unemployment in the UK, in France. There's no wealth; they can't defend themselves, the Republicans. What are you talking about?

CALLER: A good book called The Wealth of Nations by Adam Smith -- very powerful -- I recommend all your listeners read it. Very powerful in, uh, understanding what the "invisible hand" really is. I mean, Adam Smith spelled it out. Capitalism does not work.

RUSH: Okay. I want you to walk me through it. The countries that are now socialist are still living off of their former capitalism. There's no startup socialist country that you can show me that's wealthy. Cuba? Even the ChiComs have had to go capitalist in order to feed their people! Thank you. I love that call.



RUSH: This guy, I don't think, has read The Wealth of Nations by Adam Smith. Let me summarize. You know, one of the great things about me... (laughing) Did I actually say that? (laughing) I make the complex understandable. You want to know? You don't have to read The Wealth of Nations. I'm just gonna tell you about it. Adam Smith's point is by looking out for yourself -- your own selfish self-interests -- the general good is accomplished. It is, frankly, where I learned the difference between "selfishness" and "self-interest," and the two are often combined (mistakenly so). Self-interest is not selfishness. A man seeking to improve his lot in

life so that his family benefits is acting in his own self-interests. If he, in his own self-interest, improves himself and his family, then the general good is accomplished. This pretty much is a summarization of The Wealth of Nations. The invisible hand, self-interest, looking out for yourself, not depending on somebody else. That's often confused. In fact, not "often." The Democrats and liberals today -- every chance they get -- try to call that selfishness, and it isn't. You know, the guy wants to respond to the call is Marty, Fort Pierce, Florida. Great to have you on the program, sir. Hi.

CALLER: Hi there. Yes. Well, you just said that I was gonna say (chuckling) which I don't know where this guy got what he's talking about. The invisible hand is the essence of capitalism.

RUSH: Yes!

CALLER: It's pure capitalism.

RUSH: Yes.

CALLER: If I go about doing the best I can for my family, my self-interest, I could... Even... Well, I guess "greed" would kind of nix that out, but if I just go about it and do the best I can and improve.

RUSH: Well, even "greed" sometimes is misdefined in this context.

CALLER: Yes, it is. But if I go about it and to the height of my ambition do the best I can, the way our country is set up -- the way it's gonna work out, the way capitalism works -- it's just amazing. He couldn't even define it. He just said, "It's the invisible hand!"

RUSH: He doesn't know what he was talking about; that's why I couldn't follow him. You know, my brain and socialism, it's tough to follow. Let me quote Adam Smith. You'll

recognize this 'cause you've read the book. This is another just very succinct explanation, illustration. "It is not from the benevolence of the butcher, the brewer, or the baker, that we expect our dinner, but from their regard to their own self-interest." In other words, the butcher is not working in his shop so that you can eat; he's doing it so that he can. But by virtue of him being there, doing what he does, you're able to. He's looking out for his own self-interests. The general good is elevated.

Liberals despise that.

They despise that way of thinking.

"The purpose of a corporation is to provide health care. The purpose of a corporation is to provide jobs. That's it. The purpose of a corporation is to provide benefits." Well, nothing could be further from the truth. That's not the purpose of a corporation or a business, large or small. The invisible hand is everybody looking out for themselves. It's the essence of capitalism! Like you, Marty, I had no clue what the guy was talking about.

RUSH: Here is Harlan, Garland, Texas, great to have you on the EIB Network, sir. Hi.

CALLER: Thank you, sir. Hi. You know, Obama's really waging classic Marxist warfare, and he uses words to do it.

RUSH: Yeah.

CALLER: And it doesn't matter to him whether every word that comes out of his mouth is a flat-out lie, whether he knows it or anybody else knows it, he doesn't care, 'cause what's he's trying to do is misinform, discourage, undermine, and mislead. I remember listening to Ronald Reagan, one that you played, where he announces his candidacy. And Reagan was

always encouraging. I remember hearing him on TV, and I --

RUSH: Harlan, let me ask you a question. You sit there and you say that Obama is trying to misinform and discourage and undermine, mislead. Why? Why would he want to do that to people?

CALLER: Because I think he wants to undermine any kind of encouragement. He wants to discourage, because discouragement feeds this --

RUSH: Why? How does he benefit from that?

CALLER: Because it gives him power. It's a classic Marxist --

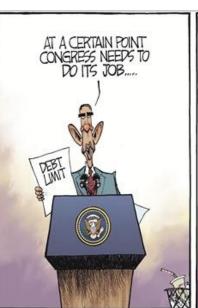
RUSH: Exactly right. The more discouraged you are, the more defeated you are, the more hopeless you feel, you'll turn to Obama for your solution. Harlan is exactly right. Exactly right.

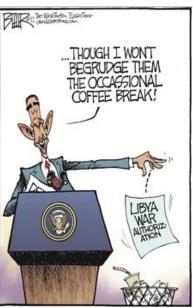
#### How You Respond to a Serial Liar

RUSH: How do you respond to a serial liar? That is a question that we have all faced. You know, everybody asks me, "What should the Republicans do?" By the way, nobody's been laid off in Wisconsin, either, thanks to Scott Walker and the Republicans, it is an important point. Nobody's been laid off in the process of the budget cuts that produced a one-and-a-half-million-dollar surplus in that school district, not one person has been fired or laid off. So none of the horror that was predicted has come to pass. In fact, just the exact opposite of the horror has come to pass.

I had people ask me, "What should the Republicans do?" or, "Why don't the Republicans say this?" Well, how do you respond to a serial liar? Do you take every sentence of a speech or a press conference line by line and do you say this isn't so, and that isn't so. Do you try to explain

why you don't hate the elderly or why you don't hate the poor, or why you don't hate children or why you don't hate cats and dogs, why you don't hate rainbows? The Republicans, led by conservative Republicans, have put forth plans to cap spending, taxes, and regulations. They have a means to deal with the debt ceiling increase, which is simple. It's basically spending cuts for every dollar over the limit. This is good. Every day Republicans ought to propose new cuts in spending. That's the elixir here.





Let Jay Carney make the excuses. Every day propose the elimination of some more red tape. Do it with specificity and let Jay Carney stand up there at the White House briefing looking stupid. Every day explain how tax cuts increase revenues. You want a statistic? Try this one. This is from the Wall Street Journal. After the Bush investment tax cuts of 2003, the now famous Bush tax cuts that were extended last December in the lame duck session, after the Bush tax cuts of 2003, tax revenues were \$786 billion higher in 2007 than they were in 2003. The biggest four-year increase in American history. In 2003, tax revenues were \$1.7 trillion, after the Bush tax

cuts. Four years later, the revenue generated was \$2.5 trillion. We went from \$1.7 to \$2.5 trillion, after the Bush tax cuts. Tax cuts generated revenue.

Now, the dirty little secret here is, the Democrats don't care about the revenue. They care about the so-called fairness. They care about the so-called percentages. But if you're concerned about debt, if you're concerned about raising revenue, if you're concerned about generating economic growth, if you want jobs, the blueprint is there. And the opposite of that blueprint has been used since Obama assumed office. I would like for some reporter to throw those numbers at Jay Carney at the White House press briefing and say, "Do you care to comment, Mr. Shipman?" Well, I know it will never happen, but we can sit here and fantasize. But let the president and his mouthpiece respond to some proposals. But most of all let him respond to the economic numbers produced by the economy he owns as they roll in.

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# GOP Governors Lead the Way

RUSH: There's a story here, ladies and gentlemen, along the lines of this whole theme that we've had today of Obama hellbent on raising taxes, dealing with the debt limit, so forth and so on. It's by somebody named Conor Dougherty. "Higher Taxes Lift State Collections." Now, stick with me on this, because there's a concerted effort underway here. "State and local tax collections rose in the first quarter as an expanding economy and tax increases passed during the recession eased city and state budget woes. State and local

tax revenue grew 4.7% to \$321.6 billion in the first three months of 2011 compared with the same period a year earlier, the Census Bureau said Tuesday. State revenue grew 9.3% in the quarter, a far better showing than that of local governments, where revenue fell 0.64% in the second consecutive quarter of declines."

That's because the states have cut spending, have cut taxes, and that increases revenue overall. The cities are lagging behind in that model. Now, here's what's going on. The story here is trying to imply that the economy is recovering and that one reason the states are better is that they raised taxes, and that is not the case. I've got this companion story by Bob McDonnell, who is the governor of Virginia. Now, this article by Conor Dougherty takes all states as a whole, and the results of the Republican-led states are kind of messing with the results here, because it's the Republican states that are leading the way. The only way you can say states nationwide are doing better is because the Republican states are included in this.

Democrat-run states are not raising revenue; they're not improving their circumstances. They're not bettering themselves. I mean Texas' results alone could account for this story, but there's no way that New York and California, Michigan, and Illinois are seeing this kind of growth that this guy in this story reports. So there's a full-fledged effort here, folks, to mislead everybody as to why certain states are doing well and say it's because of them raising taxes. When you factor in the Republican states doing well, they're covering for the poor-performing Democrat states. Bob McDonnell, governor of Virginia, Wall Street Journal today: "Democrats say otherwise, but Republican governors and their records will be a major asset to the GOP in 2012."

In New Jersey, "As Gov. Christie said Friday, underfunded pension and health-care obligations

are 'the core problems of government spending in the country.' This is the kind of leadership Americans want right now: straight talk about the fiscal mess we're in and a plan to solve it. The good news is Gov. Christie is not alone among Republican governors. When I became governor of Virginia in January 2010 we faced two historic budget shortfalls totaling \$6 billion. The proposals to close these shortfalls spanned the philosophical spectrum. Shortly before leaving office, my predecessor, outgoing Democratic Gov. Tim ["The Eye"] Kaine, put forward a massive \$1.8 billion income-tax hike as one of his solutions.

"I knew," writes Governor McDonnell, "that in an economy struggling to recover, raising taxes was a nonstarter. So we set forth on a different path. We balanced Virginia's books by reducing state spending to 2006 levels, putting in place a hiring freeze in state government, making conservative revenue estimates and incentivizing state employees to save taxpayer dollars. The result was a budget surplus just a few months later," without a tax increase -- and this is happening in every state-run by a Republican. Rick Perry, for example, in Texas, this is happening out there, and so this guy in this previous story I read talking about all these states doing well raising taxes is a bunch of bohunk, because the states that are raising taxes are harming their states.

It's the high-performing Republican states that are lifting the whole national average up (when you look at how the states are doing). "Since February 2010, 67,400 new jobs have been created in Virginia and our unemployment rate has fallen to 6% from 7.2%. Virginia's unemployment rate is more than a full three points below the national average and the third-lowest east of the Mississippi. It's not surprising that a majority of Virginians surveyed now believe the state is headed in the right direction, compared to 31% who think the nation is moving in the right direction. These results can and will be duplicated in other states. This year,

18 new Republican governors took office, and many confronted budget deficits similar to or worse than what we faced in Virginia last year. ...

"In Ohio, Gov. John Kasich is on the verge of passing his Jobs Budget, which would close an \$8 billion budget deficit while preserving an income tax cut for all Ohioans. ... In Wisconsin, Gov. Scott Walker plans to sign a budget this weekend that will turn a \$3.6 billion deficit into a projected \$300 million surplus ... In Florida, Gov. Rick Scott vetoed a record \$615 million from the state budget, enacted a corporate income tax cut and added millions to the state's rainy-day fund. ... In politics, it's not where you are that matters, it's where you're headed. My experience in Virginia, along with the similar experiences of leaders like Indiana Gov. Mitch Daniels and former Michigan Gov. John Engler, suggest that the hard choices Republican governors have made this year will pay off at the polls.

"Look no further than growing and diverse Texas, a state Democrats targeted in 2010, where data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics reveal that under Gov. Rick Perry's leadership the state has created more jobs over the last decade than the rest of the states combined" and they don't even have an income tax! "Next year President Obama will have to campaign on his record -trillion-dollar deficits, skyrocketing debt and massive tax increases that have failed to adequately rein in unemployment. Meanwhile, Republican governors will have delivered balanced budgets without raising taxes and the entitlement reforms they made will have actually saved jobs. That's a record of job creation the Obama administration can only dream about.

"The low popularity of Democratic governors facing re-election in 2012 tells us quite a bit about how the public regards the policies and work done by the president's party in the state capitals. The president and the Democratic National Committee have cause for concern. Washington

Gov. Christine Gregoire announced last week that she would not seek re-election, after being dogged by dismal approval ratings. North Carolina Gov. Bev Perdue's approval rating is bogged down around 30% -- not a good sign for the Democratic ticket in a state the Obama campaign has declared a top priority. There's a reason that no Republican governor seeking re-election has lost a general election since 2007, while three Democrat governors have fallen in that same period."

It's what I said earlier, folks. You get a conservative Republican president in the White House and a conservative Republican Congress, and we can start reversing this debacle overnight. It can happen. It will not happen if we stay status quo, if we stay glued to the same failed policies of the socialists Obama and his fellow Democrats who are purposely engaged in policies that will end up in one thing: Larger and larger government with more and more power for them. The states are increasing revenue because they're cutting spending as well as lowering taxes. How many states have raised taxes? Illinois? Look at them.

California desperately wants to, but they're having trouble resisting themselves. It's kind of like the movie Dr. Strangelove. Dr. Strangelove himself just desperately trying to salute Hitler. Democrats in California just want to raise taxes so bad, but something's stopping them -- and look, Governor Cuomo in New York! You throw out the gay marriage business (it's a whole 'nother topic), and Governor Cuomo's fiscal policies in New York are like a Republican! He's not raising taxes. He's afraid of people running away from the state with continued high taxation. He's got a 57% approval rating among Republicans, Governor Cuomo does -- and that's because of fiscal policies.

The answer is there, the alternative is clear as a bell, and anybody can see it who wants to look at it. Look, there's no question Governor Cuomo wants to run for president, and because he wants to run for president he is not gonna raise taxes. They talk about who it is gonna be next after Obama. Hillary, Shmillary, it's gonna be Andrew Cuomo. Andrew Cuomo is gonna be in there. He's gonna be the Cuomo to reach the White House (in the dream) so, as such, he's not gonna sit there and raise taxes. Damn straight. In order to run for president, he needs conservative fiscal policies to revive that state of New York. How else are you going to run?

Do you think somebody presiding over a failed, just in horrible shape New York is ever gonna get elected president? Ain't gonna happen. How does any Democrat in trouble get to the solution? They go conservative. They just do. You know, I'm an eternal optimist, my friends, about the American spirit, the American dream. You know that I am. Otherwise, I'd be gone. I would be gone somewhere. I'd be out there. You know, I'd chuck it all. I'd go out there and I would be investing in every vice I've got. (laughing) I would! I'd be saying, "To hell with conventions. I've paid my dues; I've done my work in the eyes of the Lord. I've achieved it, bammo! I'm out of here."

But I, ladies and gentlemen, am an eternal optimist about the American spirit, the American dream, and I suffer through this press conference today with Obama, and I hear how this president can single-handedly wreck the American dream -- has wrecked the American dream -- and is on a path to continue to do so. (sigh) What a conservative Congress could do, along with the right president in office is erase this mess created by Obama. If you want to preserve the American dream, you have to speak up, you have to inform yourself, you have to be enthusiastic with our friends and neighbors about what's right, and you gotta be unafraid to talk about it.

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# **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.

Uncover age, sometimes a sensational right wing blog site:

http://www.uncoverage.net/

The Bare Knuckled Pundit, a right-wing blog site with in-depth articles.

http://www.bareknuckledpundit.com/

Front Page Mag; in-depth right-leaning stories: <a href="http://frontpagemag.com/">http://frontpagemag.com/</a>

Framing the Dialogue (mostly individually produced blog postings and interesting articles): <a href="http://www.framingthedialogue.com/">http://www.framingthedialogue.com/</a>

Obamacare 411 (stories about what to expect from Obamacare):

http://obamacare411.wordpress.com/

Heritage.Org "Saving the Dream" plan: <a href="http://www.savingthedream.org/about-the-plan/plan-details/">http://www.savingthedream.org/about-the-plan/plan-details/</a> The U.S. misery index, determined month-bymonth:

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TEA Party . Org (conservative news and views): http://www.teaparty.org/

Seems to be a middle-of-the-road news organization; iwatch news: http://www.iwatchnews.org/

Front Page magazine, which is conservative with Jewish emphasis:

http://frontpagemag.com/

The fake Obama Facebook page:

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Our Dirty Spending Secrets:

http://www.dirtyspendingsecrets.com/

The Right Perspective (blog):

http://rightperspective.wordpress.com/

Conservative byte (conservative blog; news):

http://conservativebyte.com/

The Government is not God, a political action committee:

http://www.gingpac.org/

Obama's autopen twitter account:

http://twitter.com/#!/ObamasAutopen

The Minority Report (conservative blogging and

http://www.theminorityreportblog.com/

Shadow Government Statistic; excellent economics site (some information is free, but this is a subscription site):

http://www.shadowstats.com/

A George Soros funded site to go after specific Fox anchors through their advertisers (is there any parallel to this on the right?):

http://dropfox.com/

Cato Institute's Downsizing Government http://www.downsizinggovernment.org/

Cool blog with a lot of excellent articles: http://jammiewearingfool.blogspot.com/

Slimeball comics:

http://slimeball-comics.blogspot.com/

Anti-Fox, anti-conservative "news and opinion" site:

http://www.newscorpse.com/

Lots of current vids:

http://www.therightscoop.com/

Men with Foil Hats (occasionally borders on conspiratorial without being completely nuts; mostly a repository of news stories from elsewhere):

http://www.menwithfoilhats.com/

iwatch news is a repository of interesting news items; there might be a slight left slant? It is hard to tell.

http://www.iwatchnews.org/

Calculated Risk Blog:

http://cr4re.com/charts/charts.html Calculated Risk Charts and Graphs: http://cr4re.com/charts/charts.html

This website, asks the eternal question... <a href="http://www.isglennbeckright.com/">http://www.isglennbeckright.com/</a>

Renew America:

http://www.renewamerica.com/

The Party of 1776:

http://www.partyof1776.net/

Climate Realists:

http://climaterealists.com/index.php



In case I did not list it before, Iowa Hawk (insightful economic blogging): http://iowahawk.typepad.com/

American Legislative Exchange Council (Limited government, free markets and federalism): <a href="http://www.alec.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Home">http://www.alec.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Home</a>

Right Wing News Watch <a href="http://www.rightwingnewswatch.com/">http://www.rightwingnewswatch.com/</a>

It is mostly libs who post here, but this way, you get their weird perspective on things political: <a href="http://www.politico.com/arena/">http://www.politico.com/arena/</a>

The Right Scoop:

http://www.therightscoop.com/

Pro-Life Unity:

http://www.prolifeunity.com/

Christian Healthcare Ministries (an alternative to health insurance)

http://chministries.org/

Daniel Mitchell's blog:

http://danieljmitchell.wordpress.com/

Capitalism Magazine

http://www.capitalismmagazine.com/

The truth wins (mostly commentary on economics).

http://thetruthwins.com/

Conservative 21 (blog)

http://www.conservative21.com/index.cfm

Translating Jihad. What is broadcast in the Arabic is one thing; and how it is said in English is something entirely different:

http://translating-jihad.blogspot.com/

Here is a chart you MUST see (it is about political party donors):

http://www.opensecrets.org/orgs/list.php

The Center for Responsive Politics:

http://www.opensecrets.org/

What if George Bush did that?

http://whatifgeorgebushdidthat.wordpress.com/

The Lonely Conservative (news and conservative opinion):

http://lonelyconservative.com/

The right weather underground (blog, with some emphasis upon the phony green agenda).

http://www.wunderground.com/blog/sebastianjer/

An article on the federal reserve:

http://www.apfn.org/apfn/fed\_reserve.htm

The Economic Collapse Blog:

http://theeconomiccollapseblog.com/

Albert Mohler's blog, which is Christian and conservative:

http://www.albertmohler.com/

Readers begin a discussion, and other join in: http://ricochet.com/

The Other Half of History (the history which is ignored in the modern classroom): http://historyhalf.com/columns/

American History:

http://wallbuilders.com/

Citizen Tom (news and conservative commentary):

http://citizentom.com/

Pronk Palisades (recent news and editorial videos and links):

http://raymondpronk.wordpress.com/

The Right brothers (sort of newsy and commentary):

http://therightbrothers.posterous.com/

Freedom Fighter's Journal (news and opinion articles):

http://ronbosoldier.blogspot.com/

Liberty's Army (mostly economic and middle eastern revolutionary news right now): http://www.libertysarmy.com/

News and opinion articles:

http://iusbvision.wordpress.com/

STORM's official Revolutionary document:

http://www.leftspot.com/blog/files/docs/STOR MSummation.pdf

Climate Depot's 321-page 'Consensus Buster' Report:

http://www.climatedepot.com/a/9035/SPECIA L-REPORT-More-Than-1000-International-Scient ists-Dissent-Over-ManMade-Global-Warming-Cl aims--Challenge-UN-IPCC--Gore

The Iowahawk, which is a blog, at times, heavy with stats, and at other times, it is hard to tell: http://iowahawk.typepad.com/iowahawk/

Liberal collector of links and liberal <a href="news:">news:</a> <a href="http://onegoodmove.org/1gm/">http://onegoodmove.org/1gm/</a>

Good conservative news blog: http://a12iggymom.wordpress.com/

The radio patriot; a news repository and rightwing blog:

http://radiopatriot.wordpress.com/

Glenn Beck's news page; almost everything is a video:

http://www.theblaze.com/

Conservative Girls are Hot: <a href="http://girlontheright.com/">http://girlontheright.com/</a>

The Food Liberation Army (I am still unsure whether this is a put-on or not): http://www.freeronald.org/en/fla/

Good news site—Buck's Right: <a href="http://www.bucksright.com/">http://www.bucksright.com/</a>

In case you want to refer others to this; statistical comparison between gays and straights: http://www.frc.org/get.cfm?i=IS04C02

Palestinian Media Watch: <a href="http://palwatch.org/">http://palwatch.org/</a>

Right Bias:

http://rightbias.com/

Red, White and Blue news:

http://redwhitebluenews.com/

The Right Scoop (lots of videos):

http://www.therightscoop.com/

Excellent news source:

http://home.myway.com/

Union refund? Really?

http://www.unionrefund.org/

The Right Reasons (news and opinion):

http://www.therightreasons.net/index.php



Meadia Research Center where the bias of mainstream news is exposed again and again. http://www.mrc.org

Pundit and Pundette:

http://www.punditandpundette.com/

News directly from people in Egypt (called Broadcasting from Tahrir Square):

http://eltahrir.org/

Stand with Us:

http://www.standwithus.com/

A George Soros funded site:

http://thinkprogress.org/

Progressive media matters action network:

http://politicalcorrection.org/

The Jawa Report (there is some moderate emphasis upon Islam):

http://mypetjawa.mu.nu/

Kids Aren't Cars:

http://www.kidsarentcars.com/blog/

Stuff you probably did not know about greenhouse gases (this is a good link for friends): <a href="http://www.geocraft.com/WVFossils/greenhouse">http://www.geocraft.com/WVFossils/greenhouse</a> data.html

The Top 100 Effects of Global Warming (I am fairly certain that this is serious; but it is really hard to tell). It is saying goodbye to French Wines, glaciers, guacamole, mixed nuts, French fries, baseball and Christmas trees and saying hello to cannibalistic polar bears, jellyfish attacks, giant squid attacks, more stray kittens, suffocating lemmings, burning cow poop and acidic oceans.

http://www.americanprogress.org/issues/2007/09/climate 100.html

Comprehensive List of Tax Hikes in Obamacare (this includes individual health insurance costing as much as \$695/month by 2016—which is *not* the only cost):

http://www.atr.org/comprehensive-list-tax-hike s-obamacare-a5758#

Tammy Bruce

http://tammybruce.com/

[California's] Public Speakers blog: http://pubsecrets.wordpress.com/

Flashpoint—California's most significant political news:

http://www.flashreport.org/

The Publius Forum (more of a newscast than a blog; located in Chicago, I believe): http://www.publiusforum.com/



Political Chips:

http://www.politicalchips.org/

Brits at their best:

http://www.britsattheirbest.com/

Political Affairs, which used to be called the Communist (in case you are interested in what the Democratic Par, I mean, the communist party is up to.

http://politicalaffairs.net/

Headlines, short news stories: http://www.thehotjoints.com/

Christmas is evil (Muslim website):

http://xmasisevil.com/index2.php

Conservative blogger:

http://reaganiterepublicanresistance.blogspot.com/

Verum Serum

http://www.verumserum.com/

The Tax Professor Blog

http://taxprof.typepad.com/taxprof\_blog/

Moonbattery:

http://www.moonbattery.com/

**Arbitrary Vote:** 

http://arbitraryvote.com/home

The Party of Know:

http://thepartyofknow.com/

Slap Blog

http://slapblog.com/

The latest news from Prison Planet:

http://prisonplanet.tv/

http://prisonplanet.tv/latest-news.html

Right Wing News:

http://rightwingnews.com/

The Frugal Café:

http://www.frugal-cafe.com/public\_html/frugal
-blog/frugal-cafe-blogzone/

The Left Coast Rebel:

http://www.leftcoastrebel.com/

The Freedomist:

http://freedomist.com/

Greg Gutfeld's website:

http://freedomist.com/

This is one of my favorite lists; this is a list of things which global warming causes (right now, it causes over 800 things—most of these are linked):

http://www.numberwatch.co.uk/warmlist.htm

The U.K.'s number watch:

http://www.numberwatch.co.uk/number%20watch.htm

100 things we can say goodbye to (or, hello to) because of Global Warming (all of these are linked). They are very serious about these things, by the way:

http://www.americanprogress.org/issues/2007/09/climate 100.html

If you are busy, and just want to read about the Top Ten things:

http://planetsave.com/2009/06/07/global-war ming-effects-and-causes-a-top-10-list/

Observations of a blue state conservative:

http://lonelyconservative.com/

Thomas "Soul man" Sewell's column archive: <a href="http://www.jewishworldreview.com/cols/sowel">http://www.jewishworldreview.com/cols/sowel</a> l1.asp

Walter E. Williams column archive:

http://townhall.com/columnists/WalterEWilliams/

Israpundit:

http://www.israpundit.com/

The Prairie Pundit:

http://prairiepundit.blogspot.com/

Conservative Art:

http://secularstupidest.com/

Conservative Club of Houston:

http://www.cclub.org/welcome

Conservative blog, but with an eye to the culture and pop culture (there is a lot of stuff here): http://hallofrecord.blogspot.com/

Conservative and pop culture blog (last I looked, there were some Beatles' performances here): <a href="http://thinkinboutstuff.com/thinkinboutstuff/nf">http://thinkinboutstuff.com/thinkinboutstuff/nf</a> blog/

Raging Elephants:

http://www.ragingelephants.org/

Gulag bound:

http://gulagbound.com/

Hyscience:

http://www.hyscience.com/

Politi Fi

http://politifi.com/

**TEA Party Patriots:** 

http://teapartypatriots.org/

South Montgomery County Liberty Group: http://sites.google.com/site/smclibertygroup/

Hole in the Hull:

http://www.holeinthehull.com/

National Council for Policy Analysis (ideas changing the world): http://www.ncpa.org/

Ordering their pamphlets:

http://www.policypatriots.org/

Cartoon (Senator Meddler):

http://www.senatormedler.com/

Bear Witness:

http://bearwitness.info/default.aspx

 $\underline{\text{http://bearwitness.info/BEARWITNESSMAIN.aspx}}$ 

(there are a million vids on this second page)

Right Change (facts presented in an entertaining manner):

http://www.rightchange.com/

Bias alert from the Media Research Center: http://www.mrc.org/biasalert/archive.aspx

Excellent conservative blogger: http://mikesamerica.blogspot.com/

Send this link to the young people you know (try the debt quiz; I only got 6 out of 10 right):

http://ourtab.org/

Center for Responsive Politics: http://www.opensecrets.org/

The Chamber Post (pro-business blog): http://www.chamberpost.com/

Labor Pains (a pro-business, anti-union blog): <a href="http://laborpains.org/">http://laborpains.org/</a>

These people are after our children and after church goers as well: http://www.storyofstuff.com/

Their opposition:

http://resistingthegreendragon.com/

The Doug Ross Journal (lots of pictures and cartoons):

http://directorblue.blogspot.com/

The WSJ Guide to Financial Reform http://online.wsj.com/article/SB100014 2405274870331540457525038236331 9878.html

The WSJ Guide to Obamacare: http://online.wsj.com/article/SB100014 2405274870447150457444119321154 2788.html

The WSJ Guide to Climate Change

http://online.wsj.com/article/SB100014240527 48704007804574574101605007432.html

Video-heavy news source: http://www.mediaite.com/

Political News:

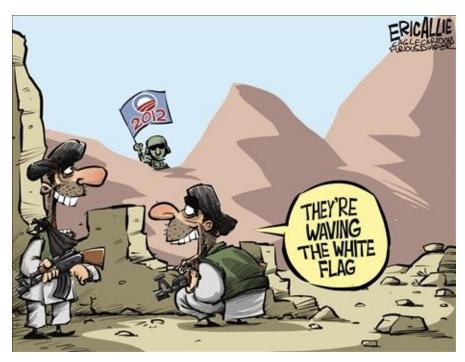
http://www.politicsdaily.com/

Planet Gore; blogs about the environment: http://www.nationalreview.com/planet-gore

The Patriot Post: <a href="http://patriotpost.us/">http://patriotpost.us/</a>

PA Pundits, whose motto is, "the relentless pursuit of common sense" (I used many of the quotations which they gathered) http://papundits.wordpress.com/

Index of (business) freedom, world rankings:



http://www.heritage.org/index/pdf/2010/Index 2010\_ExecutiveHighlights.pdf

U.S. State economic freedom:

http://www.pacificresearch.org/docLib/200809 09 Economic Freedom Index 2008.pdf

The All-American Blogger:

http://www.allamericanblogger.com/

The Right Scoop (with lots of vids): http://www.therightscoop.com/

In case you have not seen it yet, Obsession: <a href="http://www.therightscoop.com/saturday-cinem">http://www.therightscoop.com/saturday-cinem</a> a-obsession-radical-islams-war-against-the-west

Inside Islam; what a billion Muslims think: http://vimeo.com/14121737

World Net Daily (News): http://www.wnd.com/

Excellent blog with lots of cool vids: http://benhoweblog.wordpress.com/

Black and Right:

http://www.black-and-right.com/

The Right Network:
<a href="http://rightnetwork.com/">http://rightnetwork.com/</a>
Video on the Right Network:

http://rightnetwork.com/videos/860061517

The newly designed Democrat website:

http://www.democrats.org/

Composition of Congress 1855-2010:

http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0774721.htm

Anti-American and pro-socialist, pro-Arabic:

http://www.zeropartypolitics.com/

The anti-Jihad resistence (which appears to be a set of links to similar websites):

http://www.antijihadresistance.com/

Seems to be fair and balanced with an international news approach:

http://ibnlive.in.com/ http://www.rawstory.com/

Black and Right dot com:

http://www.black-and-right.com/ (the future liberal of the day is quite humorous)

Mostly a liberal blogger, who says vicious things about most conservatives; and yet, says something sensible, e.g. posting many of the things which the healthcare bill does to us.

http://www.osborneink.com/

Conservative news site (many of the stories include videos):

http://www.theblaze.com/ http://nakedemperornews.com/ http://pajamasmedia.com/

Muslim hope:

http://www.muslimhope.com/index.html

Anti-Obama sites:

http://howobamagotelected.com/

http://www.impeachobamacampaign.com/

http://www.exposeobama.com/

International news, mostly about Israel and the Middle East:

http://www.haaretz.com/ http://www.jpost.com/

News headlines sites (with links):

http://drudgereport.com/

http://www.thedeadpelican.com/

Business blog and news: http://www.bizzyblog.com/

And I have begun to sort out these links:

# NEWS AND

**Conservative News/Opinion Sites** 

The Daily Caller

http://dailycaller.com/

Sweetness and Light

http://sweetness-light.com/

Flopping Aces:

http://www.floppingaces.net/

News busters:

http://newsbusters.org/

Right wing news:

http://rightwingnews.com/

**CNS News:** 

http://www.cnsnews.com/

Pajamas Media:

http://pajamasmedia.com/

Right Wing News:

http://rightwingnews.com/

Scared Monkeys (somewhat of a conservative

newsy site):

http://scaredmonkeys.com/

Conservative News Source:

http://www.newsrealblog.com/

David' Horowitz's NewsReal:

http://www.newsrealblog.com/

Pamela Geller's conservative website:

http://atlasshrugs2000.typepad.com/

The news sites and the alternative news media:

http://drudgereport.com/

http://www.hallindsey.com/ http://reason.com/

Andrew Breithbart's websites:

http://biggovernment.breitbart.com/

Conservative Websites:

http://www.theodoresworld.net/

http://conservalinked.com/

http://www.moonbattery.com/

http://www.rockiesghostriders.com/

www.coalitionoftheswilling.net

http://shortforordinary.com/

A conservative worldview:

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

http://www.theamericanright.com/forums/ind

ex.php

http://politipage.com/

**Liberal News Sites** 

Democrat/Liberal news site:

http://intoxination.net/

News

CNS News:

http://www.cnsnews.com/home

News Organization (I mention them because I have seen 2 honest stories on their website,

which shocked and surprised me):

http://www.ocregister.com/

**Business News/Economy News** 

Investors Business Daily:

http://www.investors.com/

IBD editorials:

http://www.investors.com/NewsAndAnalysis/I

BDEditorials.aspx

Great business and political news:

# www.wsj.com www.businessinsider.com



### **Quick News**

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

# Republican

Back to the basics for the Republican party: http://www.republicanbasics.com/

Republican Stop Obamacare site: http://www.nrcc.org/codered/main.php

North Suburban Republican Forum: http://www.northsuburbanrepublicanforum.org/

#### **Politics**

You Decide Politics (it appears conservative to me):

http://www.youdecidepolitics.com/

#### The Left

From the left:

http://www.loonwatch.com/

Far left websites:

www.dailykos.com

Weatherman Underground 1969 "You don't need a weatherman to know which way the wind blows."

http://www.archive.org/details/YouDontNeedA WeathermanToKnowWhichWayTheWindBlows 925 (PDF, Kindle and other formats)

http://www.antiauthoritarian.net/sds\_wuo/we
ather/weatherman\_document.txt (Simple online
text)

Insane, leftist blogs:

http://teabaggersrcoming.blogspot.com/ http://poorsquinky.com/politics/all.html

#### Media

Media Research Center <a href="http://www.mrc.org/public/default.aspx">http://www.mrc.org/public/default.aspx</a>

#### **Conservative Blogs**

Mike's America

http://mikesamerica.blogspot.com/

Dick Morris:

http://www.dickmorris.com/blog/

David Limbaugh (great columns this week) http://davidlimbaugh.com/

Texas Fred (blog and news):

http://texasfred.net/

Conservative Blogs:

http://atimetochoose.wordpress.com/

http://americanelephant.com/

http://www.freerepublic.com/tag/\*/index

The top 100 conservative sites:

http://deathby1000papercuts.com/dbkpreport/2010/02/the-conservative-100-most-popular-conservative-sites-feb-14-2010/

Sensible blogger Burt Folsom:

http://www.burtfolsom.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/

Conservative news/opinion site:

http://www.humanevents.com/

The Left Coast Rebel:

http://www.leftcoastrebel.com/

Good conservative blogs:

http://tammybruce.com/

http://therealbarackobama.wordpress.com/

http://faultlineusa.blogspot.com/

http://makenolaw.org/ (the Free Speech blog)

http://www.baltimorereporter.com/ http://www.fireandreamitchell.com/

www.rightofanation.com

The Romantic Poet's Webblog:

http://romanticpoet.wordpress.com/

Brain Shavings (common sense from the Buckeye

http://brainshavings.com/

Green Hell blog:

http://greenhellblog.com/

Daniel Hannan's blog:

http://blogs.telegraph.co.uk/news/author/dani

elhannan/

Conservative blog:

http://wyblog.us/blog/

Richard O'Leary's websites:

www.letfreedomwork.com www.freedomtaskforce.com

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

Freedom Works:

http://www.freedomworks.org/

Yankee Phil's Blogspot:

http://yankeephil.blogspot.com/

Excellent list of Blogs on the bottom, right-hand

side of this page:

http://gatewaypundit.firstthings.com/

**Babes** 

And simply because I like cute, intelligent babes:

http://alisonrosen.com/

Liberty Chick:

http://libertychick.com/

Dee Dee's political blog:

http://somosrepublicans.com/author/deedee/

The Latina Freedom Fighter:

http://www.youtube.com/user/LatinaFreedom

**Fighter** 

Ann Althouse ("Crusty conservative coating,

creamy hippie love chick center.")

http://althouse.blogspot.com/

Judith Miller is one of the moderate and fairly

level-headed voices for FoxNews:

http://www.judithmiller.com/

http://ifbushhaddonethat.com/

A mixed bag of blogs and news sites

Left and right opinions with an international flair:

http://gatesofvienna.blogspot.com/

This is an odd blog; conservativism, bikinis and whatever else posted by either a P.I. or the brother of a P.I.:

http://pibillwarner.wordpress.com/

# More *out-there* blogs and sites

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

http://angrywhitedude.com/

Mofo Politics (a very anti-Obama site):

http://www.mofopolitics.com/

Info Wars, because there is a war on for your mind (this site may be a little crazy??):

http://www.infowars.com/

The Magic Negro Watch (this is peppered with obscenities and angry conservative rhetoric): http://magicnegrowatch.blogspot.com/

Okay, maybe this guy is racist: http://angrywhitedude.com/

#### Media

Glenn Beck's shows online:

http://www.watchglennbeck.com/

News busted all shows:

http://www.eyeblast.tv/public/search.aspx?q=n
ewsbusted&t=videos

Joe Dan Media (great vids and music):

http://www.youtube.com/user/JoeDanMedia

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

http://patriotsnetwork.com/

PolitiZoid on YouTube:

http://www.youtube.com/user/politizoid

Reason TV

http://reason.tv/

This guy posts some excellent vids:

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

HipHop Republicans:

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

# TOPICS

# (ALPHABETICAL ORDER)

#### **Bailouts**

**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/

#### Border

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/

Secure the Border:

http://securetheborder.org/

### Capitalism

Liberty Works (conservative, economic site):

http://libertyworks.com/

Capitalism Magazine:

http://www.capitalismmagazine.com/

#### Communism

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

http://www.rense.com/general32/americ.htm

How this correlates to the goals of the ACLU: http://dianedew.com/aclu.htm

# Congress

No matter what your political stripe, you will like this; evaluate your Congressman or Senator on the issues:

http://www.ontheissues.org/default.htm http://www.cagw.org/government-affairs/ratin gs/2008/ratings-database.html http://www.cagw.org/reports/pig-book/2009/

pork-database.html

# Corrupt Media

# The Economy/Economics

Bush "Tax Cut" myths and fallacies: http://libertyworks.com/category/obamanomic

s/bush-tax-cut-myths-fallacies/

A debt clock and a lot of articles on the debt: <a href="http://defeatthedebt.com/">http://defeatthedebt.com/</a>

Recovery (dot) gov (where our money is being spent):

http://www.recovery.gov/Pages/home.aspx

A collection of articles by Michelle Malkin about Obama's war against jobs:

http://michellemalkin.com/category/politics/obama-jobs-death-toll/

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/

AC/DC economics (start with the oldest lessons first; economics in 60 second bites): http://www.youtube.com/user/ACDCLeadershi

Economist and talk show host Walter E. Williams: http://economics.gmu.edu/wew/

The conservative plan to get us out of this financial mess:

www.Americanroadmap.org

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

http://www.freedomproject.org/

Bankrupting America, with great videos and maps:

http://www.bankruptingamerica.org/

This appears to be a daily pork report, apparently as pork in Washington bills is discovered, it gets posted at Tom Coburg's website:

http://coburn.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?p=
WashingtonWaste

Weekly poll, asking you to identify what we ought to cut in governmental spending: http://republicanwhip.house.gov/YouCut/

# **Global Warming/Climate Change**

This is an interesting site; it seems to be devoted to the debate of climate change:

http://www.climatedebatedaily.com/

Global Warming headlines: http://www.dericalorraine.com/

Dr. Roy Spencer on climate change: <a href="http://www.drroyspencer.com/">http://www.drroyspencer.com/</a>

Not Evil, Just Wrong video on Global Warming

http://noteviljustwrong.com/

http://www.letfreedomwork.com/

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

Global Warming Hoax:

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

**Global Warming Site:** 

http://www.climatedepot.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

 $Wall\,Street\,Journal's\,articles\,on\,Climate\,Change:$ 

http://online.wsj.com/article/SB100014240527

48704007804574574101605007432.html

Michael Crichton on global warming as a religion:

http://www.michaelcrichton.net/speech-enviro

nmentalismaseligion.html

This man questions global warming:

http://themigrantmind.blogspot.com/

#### Healthcare

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/SB100014240527 48704471504574441193211542788.html

Republican healthcare plan:

http://www.gop.gov/solutions/healthcare

Health Care:

http://fixhealthcarepolicy.com/

Betsy McCaughey's Health Care Site:

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

Obamacare Watch:

http://www.obamacarewatch.org/

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

http://joinpatientsfirst.com/

Obamacare class action suit (as of today, joining in on the suit costs you whatever you want to donate, if I understand the form correctly):

 $\underline{\text{http://www.van4congress.org/contact/obamac}}$ 

are-class-action/

#### Islam

Islam:

www.thereligionofpeace.com

Jihad Watch

http://www.jihadwatch.org/

Answering Muslims (a Christian site):

http://www.answeringmuslims.com/

Muslim demographics:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EaZT73MrY

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Muslim Demographics (this is outstanding):

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

Muslim deception:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SNZQ5D8Iwfl

A Muslim apologetic site (they will write out letters to express *your feelings*, and all you have to do is sign them, and they will send them on):

http://www.faithfulamerica.org/

Celebrity Jihad (no, really).

http://www.celebjihad.com/

Legal

The Alliance Defense Fund:

# http://www.alliancedefensefund.org/

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

www.lc.org

#### **ACLU** founders:

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



"LET'S REPUCE OIL PRICES WITH THE STRATEGIC PETROL RESERVE SO I CAN WIN A SECOND TERM TO RAISE ENERGY PRICES TO FIGHT GLOBAL WARMING!"

### Military

Here is an interesting military site: <a href="http://www.militaryphotos.net/forums/">http://www.militaryphotos.net/forums/</a>

This is the link which caught my eye from there: <a href="http://www.militaryphotos.net/forums/showthread.php?t=169400">http://www.militaryphotos.net/forums/showthread.php?t=169400</a>

The real story of the surge: <a href="http://www.understandingthesurge.org/">http://www.understandingthesurge.org/</a>

# **National Security**

Keep America Safe: http://www.keepamericasafe.com/

#### Race Relations

A little history of Republicans and African-Americans:

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

# Oil Spill

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

http://directorblue.blogspot.com/2010/05/oba mas-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

# **Cool Sites**

Weasel Zippers scours the internet for great stuff: http://weaselzippers.us/

The 100 most hated conservatives:

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

### **Still to Classify**

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

http://defendmichael.wordpress.com/

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

http://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-and-releases

If you want to see 1984 style-rhetoric and tactics, see:

http://www.freepress.net/

Project World Awareness:

http://projectworldawareness.com/

Bookworm room

http://www.bookwormroom.com/

This is quite helpful; it is a list of all leftist groups, with links to background information on each of these groups (when I checked, 879 groups were listed). This is a fantastic resource.

http://www.discoverthenetworks.org/summary .asp?object=Organization&category=

Commentary Magazine:

http://www.commentarymagazine.com/

Family Security Matters (families and national security):

http://www.familysecuritymatters.org/

America's Right

http://americasright.com/

Emerging Corruption (founded by an ACORN whistle blower:

http://emergingcorruption.com/

In case you need to reference this, here are the photos of all those on the JournoList:

http://iowntheworld.com/blog/?p=29858

A place where you may find news no one else is carrying:

http://www.lookingattheleft.com/

News Website to get the Headlines and very brief coverage:

http://www.newser.com/

National Institute for Labor Relations Research http://www.nilrr.org/ Independent American:

http://www.independentamerican.org/

If you want to be scared or depressed:

http://theeconomiccollapseblog.com/

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/

Whizbang (news and views):

http://wizbangblog.com/

John T. Reed comments on current events:

http://johntreed.com/headline.html

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/

Their homepage:

http://www.discoverthenetworks.org/default.asp

Wall Builders:

http://www.wallbuilders.com/default.asp

One of the more radical people from the right, calling for the impeachment of Obama:

http://www.ldlad.com/

The Center for Freedom and Prosperity, a free enterprise site (there are several videos on the flat tax):

http://www.freedomandprosperity.org/

The Tax Foundation:

http://taxfoundation.org/

Compare your state with other states with regards to state taxes:

http://taxfoundation.org/files/f&f\_booklet\_201 00326.pdf

Political news and commentary from the Louisiana Political News Wire:

http://www.lanewslink.com/

This is a pretty radical site which alleges that Obama is a Marxist hell-bent in taking over our country:

http://commieblaster.com/

1982 interview with Larry Grathwohl on Ayers' plan for American re-education camps and the need to kill millions

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HWMIwziGrAQ

Another babebolicious conservative (Kim Priestap):

http://politics.upnorthmommy.com/

Stop Spending our Future:

http://stopspendingourfuture.org/

DeeDee also blogs at:

http://somosrepublicans.com/author/deedee/

Somos Republicans:

http://somosrepublicans.com/

This is actually a whole list of stories about the side-effects of Obamacare (e.g., Obamacare may be fatal to your health savings account; Medical devices tax will cost jobs; young will pay higher

insurance rates, etc.): Send one-a-day of each story to your favorite liberal friends:

http://blog.heritage.org/tag/side-effects/

In case you want to see how other conservatives are thinking,

Zomblog:

http://www.zombietime.com/zomblog/

Conservative news site:

http://www.liberalwhoppers.com/ http://conservativeamericannews.com/

Your daily cartoon:

http://daybydaycartoon.com/

Here's an interesting new site (new to me): http://www.overcomingbias.com/

Here is an interesting blog, but, it is not all conservative stuff:

http://afrocityblog.wordpress.com/

These are some very good comics:

http://hopenchangecartoons.blogspot.com/

Helps for liberals to call conservative talk shows:

http://radio.barackobama.com/

Sarah Palin's facebook notes:

http://www.facebook.com/notes.php?id=2471 8773587

Media Research Center:

http://www.mrc.org/public/default.aspx

Must read articles of the day:

http://lucianne.com/

The Big Picture:

http://www.bigpicweblog.com/exp/index.php

Talk of Liberty

http://talkofliberty.com

**Lux Libertas** 

http://www.luxlibertas.com/

Conservative website:

http://www.unitedliberty.org/
http://gatewaypundit.firstthings.com/

Excellent articles on economics:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UU-evdGu1
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I have glanced through their website and it seems to be quite professional and reasonable. They have apparently been around since 1942.

An online journal of opinions:

http://caffeinatedthough
ts.com/

American Civic Literacy:

http://www.americanciv
icliteracy.org/

The Dallas TEA Party Organization (with some pretty good vids): www.dallasteaparty.org

America people's healthcare summit online: http://healthtransformation.net/

This is fantastic; Florida (the Sunshine State) is now putting its state budget online:

http://transparencyflorid a.gov



http://www.cato-at-liberty.org/ http://www.downsizinggovernment.org/ (Excellent video on the Department of Agriculture posted)

This is a news site which I just discovered; they gave 3 minute coverage to Obama's healthcare summit and seemed to give a pretty decent overall view of it, without slanting one way or the other:

http://www1.voanews.com/english/news/

(The segment was:

New conservative website:

http://www.theconservativelion.com

Conservative website:

http://www.unitedliberty.org/

Suzanne Somers s supposed to be older than Bill O'Reilly? He interviewed her this week, and she looked, well, hot. She is big into vitamins and human growth hormones.

http://www.suzannesomers.com/Default.aspx

The latest Climate news:

http://www.climatedepot.com/

Obama cartoons:

http://obamacartoon.blogspot.com/

**Education link:** 

http://sirkenrobinson.com/ http://sirkenrobinson.com/skr/

News from 2100:

http://thepeoplescube.com/

How you can get your piece of the stimulus pie: http://www.economicstimuluspackageinfo.com/

Always excellent articles:

http://www.dickmorris.com/blog/

The National Journal, which is a political journal (which, at first glance, seems to be pretty evenhanded):

http://www.nationaljournal.com/njonline/

Conservative blog: Dan Cleary, political insomniac:

http://dancleary.typepad.com/dan cleary/

Stand by Liberty:

http://standbyliberty.org/

And I am hoping that most people see this as non-partisan: Citizens Against Government Waste:

http://www.cagw.org/

Lower taxes, smaller government, more freedom:

Citizens Against Government Waste:

http://www.cagw.org/

Conservative website featuring stories of the day:

http://www.lonelyconservative.com/

http://www.sodahead.com/

Christian Blog:

http://wisdomknowledge.wordpress.com/

News feed/blog:

http://gatesofvienna.blogspot.com/

News site:

http://lucianne.com/

Note sure yet about this one:

http://looneyleft.com/

Conservative news and opinion:

http://bijenkorf.wordpress.com/

Conservative versus liberal viewpoints:

http://www.studentnewsdaily.com/other/cons

ervative-vs-liberal-beliefs/

The Best Graph page (for those of us who love

graphs):

http://midknightgraphs.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/

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/

The current Obama czar roster:

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

Blue Dog Democrats:

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

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/

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/

The psychology of homosexuality:

http://www.narth.com/

International News:

http://chinaconfidential.blogspot.com/

The Patriot Post:

http://patriotpost.us/



Obama timeline:

http://exemployee.wordpress.com/2008/05/31/a-timeline-of-barack-obamas-political-career/

Tax professor's blog:

http://taxprof.typepad.com/

I hate the media...

http://www.ihatethemedia.com/

Palin TV (see her interviews unedited):

http://www.palintv.com

Liberal filter for FoxNews: News Hounds (motto:

We watch FOX so you don't have to). Be clear on this; they do not want you to watch FoxNews.

http://www.newshounds.us/

Asharq Alawsat Mid-eastern news site: http://www.aawsat.com/english/default.asp



