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"Some people say it is unfair that some college debt is forgiven for tuition and tax payers fit some of the bill. Taxpayers , even without a family having children in public school (and now private charter/religious school are funded like public school), all citizens fund Education through taxes. With the dumbing down of curriculum and grade inflation, at least 2yrs of college should be included in public education. So why are not you neighboring states voting for this. As near as I can figure, the conservatives feel that if they obstruct the democrats in any way by not giving them a win that they are for, is better than helping the citizens in their state. Is that true and the folks their agree with it? I don't believe it."

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"I should add that since I was a scientist I was allowed to teach at colleges but I had together waver and affidavit that I would not use any federal time, equipment or resources in the endeavor. I was granted the waiver and taught Meteorology at the U of Maryland and Howard community college for 8 years (at night). "

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"Most of everything we humans encounter has to do with the electromagnetic interactions, all chemistry like biological and non biological from the organization of electrons about atom nucleus. And all light, and heat of radiation are caused by the interaction with electromagnetic photons, I am going some where with this story.

Jan 31, 2024

'Gravity, one of the forces keeps the sun going, with the other forces like the strong force: This from the internet: "... the strong nuclear force lives up to its name by overcoming the intense repulsion between similarly charged particles that coexist in the nucleus of atoms. When the strong nuclear force that binds protons and neutrons in an atom is broken, extreme high-energy photons are released in the process."

Jan 31, 2024

"When the nuclei of atoms come together or break apart, they change their mass in the process. This gain or loss of mass corresponds to a loss or gain of energy. The strong and weak nuclear forces are what enable fission and fusion energy to create the devastating power of nuclear weapons, as well as powering the sun and stars.

Jan 31, 2024

"For example, out in space and over time, matter, stuff, like iron, and other metal and frozen water and everything else, space is mostly hydrogen, might get attracted to each other and clump together and if enough does then the gravity forces can make planets, and other bodies in space

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"When a planet mostly made of hydrogen gets enough mass to increase the forces pulling the matter together the friction will heat up and force the hydrogen into helium by heating/squeezing the protons of each single hydrogen into helium with 2 protons in the nucleus and a lot of energy.

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"The reason for explaining all this is when astronomers look at space far away, the same 4 forces are at work no matter how far away one looks or how far into the past one sees. Another thing they see is the distance between stuff like stars and galaxies is larger the futher away (or into the past) one looks.

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"When I was a student I was skeptical of many findings. For example I had no way

of knowing that light of any kind moved at the speed of light, a constant value of about 300,000,000 meters per second in the vacuum of space or 186,000 miles per second, since there are 1609.344 meters in a mile. Everyone in physics class used 3.0×10 to the eighth power, that's 3 followed by 8 zeros, to be the value. When I measured the speed of light for myself it came out a little less than the 3, more like 2.966...times ten to the 8th power. I wrote up my lab report trying to think of ways I might have been off 3, but could not find out a reason. It is because it is a little less than 3.

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"It is that value as far as astronomers can see out in the distance which is looking back into the past because the stuff we are seeing, the light and everything else in the electromagnetic spectrum, light, like yellow and green, red, ultra violet, infrared and heat, energy of any kind, moves at the same rate in space, the speed of light. Looking out into space is seeing the things that happened in the past cause it takes time for the light (photons make up light or light is made up of photons) To get here.

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"It's a reason for us to think that all the things we see happen here like gravity, hydrogen and oxygen to make water and the smile of a cat if there was one, would all work anywhere in the universe.

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"Continuing the cosmology thought.... there has been a lot of talk about aliens from another planet or from a Galaxy far far away, I have mentioned before that there is no evidence, but many people think ufo's make frequent visitors and actual aliens (not from Mexico) have visited or walked among us. ¶If so, we would have seen their ships, and we have a lot of ufo sightings, even if they are hazy looking. If there are ships about, then the system that drive the ships and the aliens would need to communicate findings or navigation.

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'The communications from the ships or the control of engines, etc would be detectable and non random sequences. For example the signal from a tv transmission like "i love Lucy" would be detected in space as a non random signal even if you did not have a TV while lightning shows up as random signal. All we find to date is random or natural information. One can listen to radio crackle and mathematically analyzing radio signals, can always tell what is random/natural and what is not.

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"This points to a rather mysterious thought, or sinister thought, Why?

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"Won't keep you in suspense... We have been listening to hear non random signals from space since 1984 with NASA SETI program, I worked at NASA until 1985 and my title was Space Scientist'. as far, they haven't heard anything so we have been searching for 40 years. if we were on a planet 40 light-years away, and were listening for other life in the universe then we would get the chance to hear about it starting today, before that nothing as nothing was transmitted from earth that could reach us that far away until forty years later since all stuff like light and tv/radio/cellphone signal go at the speed of light.

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"Of course TV, cell phones and other high frequency stuff like the signal from commercial aircraft and radar are the kind of signal that can go out into space and travel forever. When anyone on our earth listens to the frequencies that penetrate our atmosphere, we get signal that are from near, like moon and Mars and our Voyager satellite we sent to the ends of our solar system which went by

Jupiter and pluto, we hear its signal too. It will take another 18thousand years for Voyager to be 1 lightyear away from us. When we listen to space signals we also have signals that reach us from further in the past, millions and billions of years from places far away as those signals reach us. None on them are not random, only random signals have been found.

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"So far only random signals have been found but from distant past and from more recent signals. They are all from the radiative stuff that happens naturally like lightening or static electricity or from rotating stars, pulsar. Either that make Earth and us unique, we are the only ones to develop, and if there will be other yet. Far away that thinks abstractly, it has not happened yet. Or

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"We could be unique, the only ones in the universe

Feb 11, 2024

"So, it appears that, since we have been listening for signals from the near and distant universe that would indicate intelligent life on other planets, and have heard none, is evidence that we are unique, and we are also alone. That is humans on earth. We humans have been unable to have intelligent conversations with the other earth animals like chimpanzees, purposes, or cats. Rocks have not responded nor plants, Darwin played trumpet to his tulips (he noted no response. For all these only other humans have communicated with intelligence.

Feb 11, 2024

"I have tried to explain that this is based on some physics theory, for example, the speed of light is constant, radiation and electromagnetism is a component with the other forces and they are found to be the same everywhere in the near and far away universe.

Feb 11, 2024

"As far as science is concerned it meshes up with the one people one God idea of western judeochristian religion.
If we are unique it brings to mind some other mystery.

Feb 11, 2024

"When we look at the stars and now with space telescopes, the billions of galaxies we see near and very distant, we are looking further back in time the further that we look. So for the far away stars and galaxies we are seeing the things that happened very far in the past. That means that there might not have been enough time in the past for civilization and evolution to get going but it will happen maybe in the future of those far away, and distant past places.

Feb 11, 2024

"The astronomers have also found that the further we look into space the faster the stars and galaxies are receding away from the other stars and galaxies as well as from Earth. As scientists think, take this to the limit of speeds possible. The speed of light is constant and no matter, or stuff, (mass or energy) can exceed such a
speed, the speed of light. Any direction we look at is looking into the past, for example we see light or hear radio waves from the planet Jupiter 20 minutes after it actually happens, about 8 minutes for the Sun.

Feb 13, 2024

"One thing physicists do is to carry an idea out to the extreme range it applies to to see if it breaks down or makes sense. So, if we see stars and galaxies far away and they are moving away from us and each other galaxy, at larger speed, the further back in time we are observing.

Feb 13, 2024

"In fact the reason I bring it up is that is what is observed. When the space telescope looks into deep space, the galaxies that are observed are moving away from us and each other at faster speeds. We can tell this from the light we see coming from the galaxy is red shifted or the spectrum of hydrogen and other elements is shifted to lower frequency called the doppler shift. Taking that to the limit, ask the question, how far away do we need to look to find the place where galaxies are moving away from us at the speed limit of the speed of light.

Feb 13, 2024

"The largest-observed redshift, corresponding to the greatest distance and furthest back in time, is that of the cosmic microwave background radiation; the max redshift shows the state of the universe about 14 billion years ago. The galaxies out there are moving away at close to the speed of light which gives the 14 billion years old distance, measure of how big the known universe is by way of our seeing part of our universe that is observable. Stuff that is further, we can not see or know because the light will not get here for us to see.

Feb 16, 2024

"So science so far does not know if the universe is infinite or just big but we can not see into the past and far away as about 10 to 14 billion light years. When I was a student I did not believe that the speed of light was the same in all reference frames, that is, no matter how fast I or you move towards each other the speed of light is constant and the same for both of us. I had to do the experiment, to convince myself, done first about a century ago. Einstein first derived this without the experiment. He must have been an alien.

Feb 16, 2024

"In retrospect, or as a Monday morning quarterback back, the electromagnetic set of equations, called Maxwell's equations are derived and the wave equation can be solved, all physics students do it for homework and the speed of light comes out as a constant and the rest but not even Maxwell figured it out in the 1800's, and no one else until early 1900's, when Einstein figured it out. Once I had it all in front of me, the experiments, the theory, I see it, but derive it from scratch before anyone thought that it is the coordinate time that changes when our frame of reference changes, that is our velocity changes is not intuitive.

Feb 16, 2024

"So many ideas and engineering, meaning as a component of, things have come from these ideas, nuclear stuff, and electronics, for example. Years ago, I got to see the inside of the Cray super computers and found that when a time delay was needed, the circuit board zig-zaged the connection rather than straight copper connection so the speed of light electricity would be delayed the right amount if time. A delay circuit is complicated with a lot of parts usually.

Feb 16, 2024

"When I was a student working on my thesis calculations in Boulder, CO, where the Cray super computer was, I'd spend a week or two renting a room in the basement of Mrs. Peer's place at the bottom of the hill, called the Mesa, where the computing center was. I would stop at the supermarket, Kingsport, and get cookies for the computer operator, a bribe to let me run the console at night so my jobs would get in. I would go in close to 5pm and leave at daybreak. I met a number of nerds who worked for the Cray computing company, I never met Seymour Cray myself. All the folks who I met that new him told me that they thought he was an alien.

Feb 16, 2024

'The name of the super market was King Super, thank you spell check. One price of evidence that there is a God could be the fact that the speed of light is a limit on the velocity one, or any matter and energy or information can travel.

It means even if there is an alien race somewhere, they are too far away to interact with us. And they can not reach us. I spoke of this in a few earlier posts, the "I love Lucy" show representing non random signal has been traveling out there at the speed of light for 70 years. But no answer yet. If on earth we detected a non random signal from the vicinity of a star 35 light years away, we would immediately respond by sending our own signal carrying non random information that would take another 35 years to hear it out there.

Feb 20, 2024

"Non-random signals from Earth like TV cellphones, radars, NASA can now be heard or has reached 50 lightyears away. Not a long way but there are about 5000 planets and stuff in that big volume and not one has answered, so far, our signals. But they, the aliens, do not have to answer for us to know they are out there, or we are here. Non-random signals exhibit structure or regularity, which is unlikely to occur naturally. The patterns are detected through statistical analysis.

Feb 21, 2024

"So we have been listening for signs of intelligent alien life beyond say two rocks communicating, or trees. When we look into the stars we are looking into the past cause it takes time for the light and or signals to get here. Between now and past ten billion years ago across the observable universe we have found nothing, we humans are unique and the only ones trying to listen. Even if we found some intelligent life out in the universe, they are surly more than 35=50 light years away so far.

Feb 21, 2024

"This means that UFO's are not aliens from another planet but either man made or tricks. And provides an argument for the existence of God since the cap to space travel provided by the speed of light means that if aliens do exist they are too far away to interact with. We could send a message but the alien race we encounter would not see it for at least 50 years and their reply arriving 50 years later would be a hundred year cycle. What question could we ask 100 years ago that would be relevant now.

Feb 21, 2024

"The fastest rocket today, so far, from Earth can move at .0001 the speed of light which is 186000miles per second or 7 times around the earth equator in a second. So to traverse a single light year toward a alien planet, if we could find one, would take much longer than a year, so far about a thousand with the fastest rocket we have, and that speed was enhanced by flying close to planets to help accelerate.

Feb 22, 2024

'We folks, or an intelligent group of aliens face the same problems, to far apart, we can't get to each other, it takes too long to communicate even a message, plus the mystery, "why are we the only ones"

Feb 22, 2024

"That is a little concerning. It appears as we on earth are alone as no other set of signals out in the last 10 billion years has indicated an intelligence. The commercial jet and TV and cellphones, sends signals out when it Flying that will be heard 10 billion light years from now and it will be intact for anything on a planet that is listening. We only have been listening in the past and maybe it takes time to form the dinasours and then primate who need to defend from trees and write the Gettysburg address.

Feb 22, 2024

"NASA's search for extra-terrestrial intelligence, SETI, has beeping signal and listening for non random signals for 70 years, I think it is now a public nonprofit institute. So Case I: there is no intelligence life found cause it takes too long

for it to happen, like billions of years and we are early blossomers and the other intelligent beings have evolved somewhere but we look only at their past before it happened.

Feb 22, 2024

"That means that if we wait long enough and keep looking, we may find intelligent life. As likely it could be that when intelligent life matures to a certain degree, able to communicate, their reign ends, and they are no longer able to communicate. It could be a war, asteroids like those that caused the dinosaurs to die out, or other mass extinctions. Those have been known to happen. That would account for no other worlds with intelligent life that we find.

Feb 22, 2024

"All this then seems to imply that there may be a God who is interested in the big picture, like creating a universe where the species of other planets can not communicate easily with us and limit any interaction, so their could never be a war between competing races. The UFO on Earth are tricks or natural phenomena, we may be unique in the universe, another God thing since all religions and people think they are unique. The best thing to do is wait and keep watching.

Feb 26, 2024

"Recently I was reading about about a few free thinkers who wrote in the 16th century. I was not a history buff, and avoided history when i was in school. I thought and still think that a lot of old history, like the 4000 years since genesis, is often distorted. For example, the leader of Russia declared that Poland caused the start of World War II, where Germany had crossed a sovereign border with its army. Putin said Poland made Germany do it. Of course Russia made a secret non-aggression pact with Germany that was broken when Germany crossed Russia's sovereign border, the Germans thought they would take over Russia easily and said Russia made us attack them.

Feb 26, 2024

'So everyone in Russia, meaning those who have answered polling surveys, follow the governments propaganda line, for example, on the "no war here" requirement in Russia and when surveyed, almost all respondents agree with the government line. History will be different in that country from what we see.

Feb 27, 2024

"The stock market is at all time highs, folks who bought the Dow stocks or the S&P are making double digit gains, doubling their investment every less than 5-10 years, without insider information, ifone invested \$10k in an IRA in any fund /ETF they would have \$300K today, the unemployment rate is below 4%, and there is no more inflation, capitalistic free market economics hold that a few percent inflation is necessary otherwise there is deflation and economic stagnation. Real estate sales are high and we have not had a recession since the pandemic and that was a once in 100yr event, and a vaccine has solved the problem, like when we worried about polio. My life work has been about prediction (weather) and I have played around with economic prediction like the stock market. It's a great starting point for fixing up the countries problems.

Feb 29, 2024

"Before one can discuss the isreali-Hamas war there is some history. On the face of it isreali army is provoked by Hamas into attacking Gaza where by most accounts the Hamas army fled away from the isreali army and is hiding or underground and saying the attacking army is killing civilians. I am not a fan of the present isreali government actions when it comes to taken out its judiciary in the same way the GOP conservatives have stacked the supreme court. That is, it is now a political body instead of an impartial place.

Feb 29, 2024

"Isreali politics made it so their conservative political (Kahane) party in Israel could choose the court judges, and in the US, the conservatives placed biased court members on the Supreme and other court. When we were kids, at Michigan, I used to feel or say that in the US as opposed to dictatorships around the world, that in the US there was recourse to injustice even though the arc of justice is slow. I no longer feel that way. The last draw was when the conservatives substituted a far too conservative Garland offered by Democrat's for one more biased one. My thought is the US constitution is actually a liberal document and takes a bit to turn it into a conservative one.

Feb 29, 2024

'For example, the 2nd amendment has one sentence, in order to form a well ordered Militia ...we can bear arms, or exactly: "A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed." Any originalist as the conservatives call themselves, have to look at that and see that a well regulated militia is part of the right to bear arms. But the Supreme Court bias separated the two phrases so that the right is unencumbered. By the way, when Cirtus was in elementary school the class was asked to recite a bill of rights example and all serious she said the right for women to bare arms.

Mar 2, 2024 8

"I think Supreme Court messed up on the right to have guns. Of course I have a gun, well a rifle, my father's, the one I would take into the woods with friends and shoot cans. At 10 or 12 Mom's had no problem sending or allowing children to go off and play with guns. At a summer camp a weekly activity was gun shooting. The oldest was 14 . One time we were in the woods shooting and the 22 single action bolt jammed and the oldest, Gary, was making little progress in fixing it as we kids, about 4 or 5 of us, sat around in a circle shooting the breeze relaxed and bored as Gary worked trying to unjam the rifle opening and closing the bolt and clicking the un responsive trigger. You probably guessed the gun went off and there was a long learning moment for us all as the bullet went into the ground no more than a foot in front of most of us. After a long silence I think I was the one who said I think we are done with shooting today. That was the last time I shot any gun and the incident was not talked about, now 60 years ago.

Mar 2, 2024 8

"Any one can read that the founding fathers ment a connection between having a gun in conjunction with a well ordered militia but the Supreme Court decided otherwise and feel even in a big city where people live densely, and argue a lot, we can carry concealed guns without registration and make no laws against it. It is crazy but most seem to want to own and waste money on buying guns. I have a brother in law who said he would wait with his gun and shoot any intruder coming together if the country had this apocalypse (was it the coming of covid) when society and law breaks down. The whole country seem to feel this way and in the last two decades gun sales have increased to record sales. At the same time two of the gun manufacturers have gone into bankruptcy. I think there is some corruption is happening there.

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'Against what most people think, I feel the gun craze is the result of brainwashing and propaganda being delivered from the wealthy business interests underwriting the political class. I think it is systematic from the political class. I have a cousin who when I was working that her company could deliver political message or other message to US public, read advertising, to any or all selected blocks of the population. We could contract to say have the weather service "weather ready nation" (thought up by my car pool buddy) message delivered to the entire population with all forms of media from fax to cellphones via all forms

Transmissions. Her company could help create ads spots and messaging as well.

Mar 19, 2024

'More on cosmology and science: I have staked out the position, that so far, that there are no aliens visiting earth, and furthermore if there are aliens, they are too far away to interact with us humans or we with them. And if alien civilization is anything more than two alien rocks communicating intelligently, we would be able to detect the chatter of their civilization using mathematics to determine non random signal in the radio, light, IR, infrared or light spectrum or any electromagnetic spectrum which all things in the universe are based this based on laws of physics which is holding through out the observable 14 billion year old universe.
Some folks or you might say we could discover something new like surfing on dark energy to visit said aliens. But there is no (repeatable) evidence for the ideas that we can go faster than light, or travel through or dam up the jet stream. When I was a post doc at u of Miami Rosensteil school (1978), there were locals that thought the Soviet Union was going to dam up the jet stream and control the weather and America had to stop them. Back then I could say "Where does that stuff come from"? But today, when it is said that covid vaccine nanobots, chemicals from jet contrails could tell us what to do, or a special Dallas street at the right time and place will reprise the resurrection.

Mar 19, 2024

"It could be that there is something science gets wrong, or it could be me, only a b student in physics. For example, when I was teaching Meteorology 101, I would have a moment where students could ask questions about the material or anything they wanted, not that I could answer anything/everything, and I got the question about if one puts hot water and cold water to freeze under similar conditions why does the hot water freeze first? I did not know the answer but I said Water, being a polar molecule has many unexpected properties like changing ingredients its density near freezing so ice floats and other stuff that is unusual but barring that, I pointed out that the hot water after some time in this sort of race to freezing would be the same temperature as the cooler water was sometime ago and have to go through the same motions as the cooler water was already doing. Well the same temperature for water is not the same state and water is special. I said the cooler water should freeze first. Generally that is true, but what I told the class was kind of wrong. I am right if you put hot water from the tap that is not near boiling, and it competes with room temperature water. But

Mar 19, 2024

'Some how the word ingredients got in their, as in "changing ingredients its density" should be " changing its density"

Mar 20, 2024

"It turns out some chineese scientists found out that water about to boil has the water molecules sort of lined up for boiling, ready to turning the liquid water into steam, which takes energy, namely, 540 calories per gram of water. At room temperature water at 72F takes 140 calores of heat to get to 212, the boiling point and another 540 calories to change it into steam, more than 3 times the heat to raise the water to the boiling point, which is why a watched pot seems to never boil. For freezing, 80 calories per gram are needed to make the ice at 32F and it seems that the order, or lack there of, near boiling for water's configuration requiring the extra heat to boil, is similar to the state of water when it is ready to freeze so the total energy needed to be removed for freezing from hot almost ready to boil water can freeze faster. Main point is live and learn.

Mar 21, 2024

"The point is I or scientists can be wrong but when they are wrong they are not wrong about what they previously knew, but when they apply something to different or new circumstances. Builders of houses do not take into account the curvature of

a spherical earth, they plum level but if the bridge being built is 3 miles long then it's towers that are angled to local zenith, vertically upward to take into account the different angles from a round earth. The Verazono bridge in NY is so constructed and if it wasn't, it would develop cracks and fall from the stresses.

Apr 19, 2024

'Politics: in 1950's when I was a child, I asked my mother what the difference between Democrat and republican party. She said Republicans were for the wealthy and Dems were for workers. You can bet she was a Democrat, hell, you were in my house, Shrub Oak considered itself a socialist (communist) utopia unclave and the argument was if Stalin had a worthy philosophy or he was worse than hitler. The first book my mother gave me to read about then was "looking Backward by Edward Bellemly. I am amazed I can remember that.

Apr 19, 2024

"The book was about a utopia but it is clear then as now that the top 1 percent wage earners should be Republicans but the bottom 99 percent wage earners should be Democrat's if they vote their interests.

Apr 19, 2024

"The first interest would be taxes, starting with federal taxes. I pay/paid 34% for my gross income top bracket. Top 1% wage earners and corporations paid 28%. When I was in the resort residential (one) rental business, I paid 6% of my gross income. They disallowed such real estate deductions during the Bush W administration. Also, over republican controlled House and Senate during Bush W administration, capital gains and dividends taxes were lowered to 15%. During that time the Republicans also eliminated the possibility of using bankruptcy for eliminating credit card or student loan debt. Ofcourse corporate or real estate debt can be eliminated through chapter 7 or 11 bankruptcy.

Apr 19, 2024

"When I was still working before and during the pandemic my capital gains and dividend income became close to matching my salary. It used to be that the more one made in salary, the higher percentage of income that was paid. That technically remains true as the top 1% starts paying 35 and 37% for incomes of a half toward a million dollars. But they never actually pay that much because they get their money from capital gains and dividends at 15%, not from salary and corporations pay 21%. In the good old days, Eisenhower administration the rate was 91%, under Reagan it was lowered to 57%, and today it is 35% compared to your bracket, when you were working at 28%. It is complicated but the bottom 90% wage earners got snickered each time there was a republican president.

Apr 19, 2024

"It is a worse swindle since depreciation and deductions are available to top 10% wage earners that are not allowed for the bottom 90% wage earners. So, since the 1960s corporates and wealthy have paid (a lot) less on their profits than 90%, the bottom 90% wage earners, us. Republicans say this is good because corporations use the money they get from not being taxed as much to hire people, make jobs, but they did not do that, most of the dollars went into purchasing stock, which raised the stock market, causing inflation

Apr 19, 2024

"A coincidence: I saw this on taxes sent to me from a distant cousin, my cousin Judson.

Apr 29, 2024

"On Columbia U....I have been on the columbia campus some time before we first met when I worked for the city of NY Health dept once doing some air pollution from power plant study and hospital outpatient clinics when that was a new thing. I

was at Columbia to listen to seminars that docs would get on nonclinical stuff from bedside manner to alcohol and drug treatment as part of I guess you would call it internship but they paid me(!) \$75/week which was a lot of \$ for me then. I have been at Harvard and MIT visiting and I noticed a few things. The kids at these good/well known/expensive school are likely to feel very special, read arrogant and at these top schools, once you are accepted and past any probationary periods, the fix is in. I know quit a few professors at these places and they are busy as the big U pays less, figuring they can get grants and consulting \$ on the to supplement their income so there is less interest in the administration of teaching, some of it given to grad students who also have teaching requirements. The result is students are granted a pass, or an A no matter what, as testing is reduced and professors don't want to deal with students who are less than prodigies. So although there is always a Cadre of good students who learn and contribute, like me, even without grade incentives, there are those who don't study. You often find them at the protests.

Apr 29, 2024

"You might remember high school days when the Vietnam War protests were happening at colleges and in Washington DC. I remember feeling the war was wrong because I didn't think the Domino theory, that the countries of the world would fall one by one, like Vietnam, then Cambodia, then Thailand and the rest of the world. So the Domino theory made by McNamara was not correct. Well Vietnam and Cambodia did fall but that was it but Cambodia infrastructure was beaten up by US bombing and N. Vietnam troops were there as well as military supply lines. People would tell me that the commies would get the oil in the Mekong delta if US pulled out. And to top it off the US admitted that the Gul of Tonkin was fabricated. With 60,000 dead US outcome would be the same if we fought there or walked away. The war was fought to set up a western govt in Vietnam that would trade with the west but after US lost and pulled out, Vietnam has become a star in US Pacific trade.

Apr 29, 2024

"So I think there is a difference between us protesting the US fighting a useless war in Vietnam and the Columbia and other U protests. Looking at Israel retaliation for Hamas attack they have been up front announcing in advance the fighting locations giving the civil population time to flee. I understand that many get caught in bombing and families are killed because they refuse to leave fighting areas but it is urban warfare and it's not like the Hamas army has made hostages of Palestinian families, they are free to leave ... or are they?

Apr 29, 2024

"My daughter Nicole's husband thinks that Hong Kong should be free and independent from China. It is unrealistic, as unrealistic as returning the land in Manhattan to the Indians from which it was stolen from. That goes for the (Emmet) county that I have a tent in the woods at where the (Ojibwa) Indians have a suit to have their land returned. The suit failed in court and American Indians have gotten the short stick always.

May 3, 2024 9

"Here is a rant on federal taxes to keep your mind off problems.... From NYT: Higher tax rates for the wealthy kept inequality of wealth in check back in the 1950 to 1970's. In 1950's corporate and individual tax rates were over 90% of income or profit. By 1970's it is down to 57% and today it is lower than your and my tax rate.

May 4, 2024 8

"Tax rate is where the problem is. Since Ronald was president the corporate profits and wealthy have been taxed less and less while the 99 out of 100 of us, that is us, have stayed with the same rate, but fewer deductions for us. It is one of the changes over the last 60 years. Another change that never has happened

in history, beside a black president is more women are in college then men.

May 4, 2024 8

"The great conspiracy has not been contrails or nanobots in covid shots but movement of wealth from the lowest 90% wage earners to the top 1% wealthy and business interest. Go back to tax rates of the good old days of the 1950-60s or any tax rate between now and then and our debt and deficit is decreased and corporate lobbying is decreased so the corporations will not write the laws of the land or control the media brain wash as much as they control it now.

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"They are vile and pernicious,
Obsessed and deranged, they have existed for years,
But very little has changed, they are the tool of the government, and industry too,
And they are here to rule,
And regulate you,
They are the best you can get, have you guessed it yet?
It is the slime oozing out of your cell phone set.
With apologies to Zappa, how do I even remember that.

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'More on the Gaza war...
Or rather on the power of cell phone or media propaganda...
I have said that beginning on Oct 11 there were thousands of dormant media, twitter(X), Facebook, tictock accounts that became active with identical messaging. That is how one can know brain washing is in the air. The surprising part is most all believe it.
If one sees through the propaganda the confusion drowns out any discussion of an issue. That is why people did not get covid shots, the phrase "deep state" exist. I can tell you from my 41 years in the weather service, that there is no secret cabal that rules and regulates. Rather there are individuals who are mostly dedicated to following rules and doing a good job because they love the US and think dedication is its own reward. There is racism, antisemitism and suppression of women excelling in the hierarchy but that is because humans run the hierarchy and there will be some failings, what must happen is people cannot operate on those impulses, they have to stuff it way down. It happened to me when I was successful at getting grants and projects and making progress, it could start as envy, and there is more racism now that is allowed to go unchecked. So I take the news with skepticacism even PBS, for example the anchor of the news hour has moved programming to longer segments and emphasis on the plight of children and babies in the Gaza war. It is news with an agenda otherwise we would see the problems in the rest of the world.

May 4, 2024 1

"My point is that the 90% lowest wage earners, that is us, should vote our interest. As citizens what is it that we should all want or demand from our collective efforts resulting in our tax payments to America. In a representative government that is our choice and right. One think we all want is security so other nations do not cross our borders and steel our wealth and resources so we have a military and agencies to handle that at more than 20% of the total budget.

May 4, 2024 2

"If we disbanded our military, had no soldiers, then we would be open to attack like Ukraine. Locally we get utilities, clean water, and air and other benefits like free medical Medicare from age 66 or so, help if we are indigent and a system of courts and law, an education system and more, so what else

May 6, 2024 8

"I forget where i was going with the last rant, there is a lot the government does well like my branch of it in the weather service. When I joined in 1985 we had 50 Civil servants in the modeling center and a global and regional operational model and now there are 7 models run before the global model 4x/day and many after but still 50 civil servants. Even though the population and everything else is bigger.

May 6, 2024 8

"Part of the political republican push to enhance business profit by using (stealing) taxpayer money is to privatize federal government functions. Businesses have profit motivation and do not care what happens so long as they get their price of the money pie. As a result placing the nuclear industry in a profit making private industry footing caused the nuclear power companies to cut corners in US and around the world and then a good electric power generating capacity and whole industry is almost/mostly discarded and CO2 climate change occurs.

May 6, 2024 8

"NASA is similar with directors from profit making corporations placed in charge of privatizing NASA operations. The reason men could get to the moon (a political forced move but dumb in that no scientific advances could come from it) is NASA incorporated redundancy, two or more working replicas of everything was made, which made things expensive but that makes failure more remote. The same blueprints/findings for rockets and systems are used by the space companies as discovered by NASA. The only thing new I can see is the booster rockets can now land on their backs mostly because we have much better computers today.

May 13, 2024

"Thinking again on politics; What if the house, senate and presidency all go democratic including a filibuster proof senate, like when Lyndon Johnson was president. The Dems would make the top 1% or 10% wage earners pay a higher % of their income or profits (22%) then I pay on my income (23% with a top bracket of 32%) and I am a rich guy. So Dems might raise taxes on the very rich business interest. Those corporations are not paying their fair share, as they say, and as a group, like the Fortune (S&P) 500 stocks, have had increasing wealth as shown by the increasing inequality in wealth of the top 10%, or more so for top 1% or more so for the top 0.1% wage earners or corporations.

May 15, 2024

"When Lyndon Johnson was President with majorities of Democrats in both houses, the New Deal of Roosevelt was extended with some fixes to social security, created Medicare and Great Society programs, civil and voting rights law. If Dems were in power what would happen?

May 15, 2024

"Democratic party has a lot of Democratic in name only congress people so it would be difficult to get a platform or policy into law even with a majority in the house, president and filibuster proof senate. If there were a vacancy on the Supreme Court a liberal might be nominated but the last time the Democrats had a chance to pick a Supreme Court nomination, Obama picked Merrit Garland, and McConnell did not bring the nomination up. The conservative Republicans should have been happy with Garland and liberals were not in favor but what did Garland favor? Looking it up I see ...

May 15, 2024

'Garland was in favor of federal agencies deciding on the law that congress created them to oversee. For example, under republican Nixon EPA was created to lessen air pollution especially in cities, and make clean water available to all given many lakes and rivers, the water supply, was not polluted by making and enforcing standards. Congress gave the rights to the EPA to set and enforce standards. When the EPA was started, folks were warned about eating fish from the Great Lakes, they said mercury poisoning would occur if one did, save swimming in Lake Erie. Randy Newman wrote a sarcastic song, "sail away" with the words "burn on big river, burn on" cause the Cuyahoga river that goes through Cleveland was on fire from pollution (oil barge leaked). Growing up in the Bronx as a child I was forbidden from playing near or in the east river near my apartment building. Hudson River was considered polluted and flying into LA was to see brown smog most days. The EPA made rules

that cleaned up the great lakes which I now swim in the summer, people can eat the fish from there. I think it is a good thing that the rivers, lakes and water does have enforced standards and US is better for it.

May 15, 2024

'As said in a C. Land(Vox) article from 2016: "Garland's "center-right" criminal justice views are an exception to a generally moderate record – and that exception builds his credibility with conservatives – is a strange thing to read in an era when everyone from the White House on down appears to agree that the "tough on crime" era is over." The conservative Republicans opted for someone who overturned Roe v Wade instead.

May 15, 2024

"I should say something about abortion as it is the number 1 litmus test and categorizes conservatives from liberals in US. When I was a kid studying medicine I got to wear a white coat and carry a stethoscope for a summer job with the NY city Health Dept a little before we met, and there observed in the room, a few operations, one of which was a cesarean abortion. Nurses were upset and were surely right to lifers as small baby does look viable at 3 months. I sympathized as I got the story that a divorce was involved, you can make up a story, still, even wrongly the mom should control her own body, at least not an unknown law maker. For example, the law makers, government, should not have a law that allows family's to have only one child, as was/is in China. But gov't can pass laws that give incentives to folks for decisions favored by elected representing, like a tax deduction for having children.

May 16, 2024

"Dems in power would pick liberal justices, the time when they would pick impartial justices like Garland are over since conservatives have picked partial justices like Thomas, Alito, Scalea, Gorsuch, Barret and Kavavaugh. The Dems in power would let some of the corporate profit tax cuts lapse and that would be good. That is raise the tax on profits greater than millions of dollars. Right now they pay less than I do so they are not paying their fair share given that corporate profits for the big companies, like the top 500 stocks on the stock exchanges are measured in Billions=1000 millions, and trillions = 1000 billions. Try spending 1 million dollars if you had it in one year. You could buy 3 or more houses like your house, or a dozen cars.

May 16, 2024

'Dems in power would make the first 2 years of college free tuition. This is a good idea, especially since we have dumbed down the K-12 curricular, we do not require algebra (machine has a problem with letting me spell that "alzebra") or any hard stuff and there has been a lot of grade inflation. 2 years of college, like the basics for science, math, English would bring education back to where you and I learned something, at least enough for kids to try a career like enough background to study nursing. Why are conservatives against this. I feel like going to Kansas, or Missouri and standing on the town square on a soap and yelling at the people how stupid they are. Why would not the supporters of Republican conservatives not want a partially free university system or community College system so their children have a chance to pick and try a rewarding career. I taught at a community College for 7 years. Right now America charges a lot for tuition, makes students and family's take on debt, we subsidize the interest rate a little, maybe 1% and we make it so the debt is not forgivable if the student declares bankruptcy, then we forgive some of the debt after a decade (the Biden debt forgiveness in and out of courts. That is a way I suppose that benefits for profit schools and banks.

May 17, 2024

"So there would be some free college schooling under democratic control of congress

and presidency and companies would pay more tax on profits and income for yearly salaries over \$0.4Million per year. Conservatives say that would be terrible for those who went through those years of college and have already paid their tuition or paid off their college loan like I did. Too bad. When someone makes \$ in the stock market and I did not buy Nvidia (hot stock) I can not ask for dispensation. Or because I am not a veteran I could not take advantage of a discount when buying a house or college tuition. Our laws favor incentives cause our representatives, we, decide it's good to make incentives. Folks should favor subsidizing college education for all.

May 17, 2024

"I hear a lot of folks say people are getting away with (take your pick) murder or steeling (my job, from convenience stores, shoplifting without punishment. Like there is a privileged class of folks out there who can grab stuff off shelves, not pay for it, like it is a right. There is some video of such incidents that have happened. I argued back that if I went down to the local 7/11 convenience store grab a bag of chips and walked out without paying, that I would be, sooner or later, arrested. I offer to try it now. It is not happening, and when it did, it was likely staged. About a year ago this was the rage, but this issue, folks entitled to steel, does not seem to be getting the play anymore. That is how you know it is propaganda, brain wash, to get you to feel bad. What is far worse is when an investment company buys, say, a working restaurant or business, 90%, borrowed from the local bank, 10% of their own money, then fires half of the employees, shows the bank the extra profit from less salary expenditures and borrows the remaining 10%, pays themselves handsome salaries and commissions for doing the paper work, then sell off remaining assets, and goes into bankruptcy walking away from the closed business.

May 20, 2024

'From a 10 year old article in rolling stone on Bain capitol, private equity companies buy out a business with the businesses own debt and then:
" ...aggressively cutting costs wherever they can - so that the company can start paying off its new debt - by laying off workers and cutting capital costs. This process often boosts operating profit without a significant hit to the business, but only in the short term; in the long run, the austerity approach makes it difficult for companies to stay competitive, not least because money that would otherwise have been invested in expansion or product development - which might increase revenue down the line - is used to pay off the C3 company's debt."
It is legal to do and is done a lot, for example, Sears. It takes several years before the impacts of this predatory activity - reduced customer service, inferior products - become fully apparent, but by that time the private equity firm has generally resold the business at a profit and moved on.

May 20, 2024

"The folks at the private equity company receive commission's for doing the buyout which are not taxed known I think as carried interest.

May 20, 2024

"Perhaps there was a hospital which was bought out and then owned by the private equity firm, then they get rid of a number of nurses, docs and staff, Sotheby's nurses and others are working longer and harder to make up for reduced staffing and get burnt out, and soon others find such a hospital as Nota great place to be sick in. Finally, the hospital assets are sold, like equipment and building and the bank loans may be defaulted as well as the collateral was the building and equipment. The private equity firm walks away with a profit, very little is taxed, and in chapter 7 or 11 they don't have to pay back their loans or stock, bonds on 10 to 50 cents on the dollar. Meanwhile, if one has credit card or student debts, these are never force forgiveness in bankruptcy except all the parties including banks forgive the debt.

May 23, 2024

'The hospital thing is an example I made up to show what happens when there is no oversight in free market capitalism. By coincidence I received a post from a relative that said "golden gate capitol bought red lobster, sold the land to itself, then rented the land back to red lobster at a huge rate, then sold red lobster to thai union (shrimp/fish company with 50,000 employees) who sold red lobster huge amounts of shrimp at a high rate, as management, owners, forced Red Lobster to run a promotion on all you can eat shrimp at inflated wholesale price. Both companies, hedge Goldengate private equity and Thai Group made money and basically drained red lobster dry" The result is workers lost jobs and franchise owners probably lost something too.

May 27, 2024

"I looked at charts and your tornados and thunderstorms are over for a while, regular storms continue. Watch out for next Friday morning early, 3-6AM for next tornado storms. Lucky the worst of it have been passing to the south of OK along Texas-OK border. Here are some words on the El Nino Southern Oscillation: On years when the central Pacific Ocean is warmer than normal and the tropical easterly wind is drawn more than normal toward that area from Chile, causing upwelling in the South American coast bringing up cold water there, causes a high - low pattern (wave) in atmospheric pressure and temperature extending on an arc from the central Pacific across North America and creates a west to east subtropical flow or enhances the southern (jet) stream flow into the great plains bringing extra storms to your area and extra heat and moisture from Gulf of Mexico. The phenomenon, El nino enhances and brings more storms to South central states.

May 28, 2024

"I hope the town Claremore was to the south. Otherwise, I missed that forecast. I blame the model for all missed forecasts. Even though you had/having a nice day, showers/overcast are coming, but early Friday morning, thursday night, especially in every direction from you, will be another set of severe storms very close to you. The local news should pick up on this. You live in tornado alley but when I was in school I had to calculate for homework the chance of seeing a tornado in a 1 Square mile area you were watching for 1 year. The answer is you will not see one.

May 28, 2024

"For 3AM Friday, blue is thunder storms with heavy rain greater than 1 inch per hour, and severe weather.

May 29, 2024

"Political rant: Since Ronald Reagan was president, wealth has been leaving the middle class, the 90% of the lowest wage earners, and entering the top 1% highest wage earners. At the same time, the income of upper corporate management and the average profit of corporations has been increasing, while the commodities (like coffee, produce, appliances) that are made by corporate industry have been consolidating under larger and larger companies. For 40 years business interest (lobby) has been warring on the middle class, saying we are compassionate, corporate tax cuts will trickle down, and all boats will rise. This is still believed by half of the 90% lowest wage earners. Brain washing through the media has all of us confused. How did it work out for Germany in world War II, the Russians and Chinese today? We will see.

Jun 1, 2024 7

"Here is another thought on being the only and unique abstract thinking species in the universe. Remember a few facts that have been verified here and far away like 15 billion light years away: the universe is expanding, and expanding faster as we see further away, speed of light is maximum speed for matter and energy, galaxies

are moving away from each other more so the further away we look and it is the space between galaxies that is expanding to move galaxies away from each other and the speed, ever increasing reaches near the speed of light (c is 186,000 miles per second or 7 times around earth's equator in a second) at about a little under 15 billion years ago capping the distance of the observable universe. But the light we see from the deepest space view and beyond from the cosmological background radiation (CBR) thought to be from the start of the universe when it was in an extremely dense state and since moving away from every where at a faster rate the further away you look, the CBR and Galaxy light we see now started to reach us almost 15 billion years ago but took time to reach us so these galaxies are now so far away we can no longer see them as they have passed beyond the maximum distance we can see due to the expanding universe space itself (not energy or matter) expanding at a rate faster than c, making the total universe closer to 47 billion light years or 96 billion across.

Jun 1, 2024 7

'Statement from a NASA Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC, I used to work there in 1980-85) web site: "The most distant objects in the Universe are 47 billion light years away, making the size of the observable Universe 94 billion light years across. How can the observable universe be larger than the time it takes light to travel over the age of the Universe? This is because the universe has been expanding during this time. This causes very distant objects to be further away from us than their light travel time."

Jun 1, 2024 8

'The earlier post has to be the longest single (run on) sentence I have ever written and the phrase "expanding at a rate faster than c", kept being changed to "expanding at a rate faster than cats". So much for AI. Therefore, when we listen for radio waves or any part of the electromagnetic spectrum for Non-random signals indicating life on other planets, we are listening to what happened in the past the further away we look, and those places or periods of past time may not have developed thinking folks who use the electromagnetic spectrum or radio waves like we do. The idea is they will develop in our future to get to our present. We will want to know if we are alone/unique in the universe or not, but even if we find a source, we will not be interested in saying anything! Think about it, if we did find a species like our selves using radio waves for communication, a 100 years ago in 1924 what question would we have asked to a civilization that must be no further away than 50 light years, each way, for us to hear and send a question and get an answer. Not much writing has been found on earth before 1000 BC, 3000 years ago, and less than a million years to develop as a species, and the earth is 4 billion years old. With first microbes like plants 2.5 billion years ago. So it can take several billion years to develop life on another planet if it is like the development on earth. So we need to wait.

Jun 5, 2024 1

"The take away is us humans have been around and able to make and listen to electromagnetic waves for only a hundred years. Other far away Galaxy planets with aliens probably, like us, can't help but transmit nonrandom electromagnetic waves that we can detect but only for a short time in the last billions of years, but only a 100 years of alien doings that we need to hear to know they exist. As they have not been detected yet, what if after a short time of Alien doings, they cease to exist like after a few centuries, so the old civilizations' ones from long time ago are no longer transmitting when we are listening and more recent ones are not mature/sophisticated enough yet to transmit stuff we can recognize. This idea implies that smart/thinking aliens, as opposed to say our current crop of primates, the monkeys, whales, or bears (oh my) left to themselves develop humans but they are only around for a relatively short time in the billion year cosmos able to transmit nonrandom electromagnetic waves (I love Lucy show on TV will do) and then they are gone and we missed them/it. Implying that our own civilisation might also

be short lived. Either that or humans are unique to the universe.

Jun 7, 2024 6

"When I write this stuff, I write from my own experience and attempt to figure things out. The order is first, you try to figure it out yourself, if that does not work you look it up, and if that does not work then you ask somebody. These days, there is more than textbooks and scientific papers, or all or some of that stuff is lookupable on the web. Even asking somebody is possible although I find most answered or statements are wrong or wrong in their context like a guy may a computer nerd and answer a disk partition question but in the terms of windows operating system when I am look up linux answer. One has to be careful as there are folks who are out there trying to prank answers for fun. That happens more often in politics as folks can make a living trolling commercial advertisements or political stuff like this weeks statement is Biden is losing it, that is, suffering from dementia.

Jun 7, 2024 7

"I did find a few statements on aliens from other planets saying that the transmission of things like radar, tv, fm radio, satellites messages would need to be more powerfull than be are doing to react more that 1000 light years away. I think that has more to do with when transmitting electromagnetic waves to anywhere one has to send in all directions like a spherical shell, which would diminish the rays in any other direction. So there might be a limit on our possibility to hear an alien civilization far far away. I thought about this and think that the waves have discrete properties meaning the waves can act as marbles so once transmitted, if nothing is in the way, the waves will make it to earth, but the probability of us earthlings getting to see the non random alien transmission is small, so we need to look a lot.

Jun 7, 2024 9

"But looking into deep space a lot is what we have been doing. So we are back to us earthlings being unique and perhaps the only race that is sentient enough to make, understand, send and receive electromagnetic waves with information content. The distant past, billions of light years away, and equivently billion years ago may exist, but we have not found any.

Jun 8, 2024 1

"Politics and taxes, the debt and deficit:
The republican conservatives complain about an increasing US debt while pursuing policies that put paying off the debt even farther out of reach in the future. A 2 percent increase in taxes would take care of the debt which is about the same amount needed if recent tax cuts are recinded. This will happen in 2025 as the recent taxcuts of 2016 expire. Since those tax cuts only cut taxes on corporate profits and top 10% wage earners, most of us will not notice. But people who pay property tax will benefit as the deduction on federal taxes for property tax will no longer be capped lowering the cost of owning a house.

Jun 8, 2024 1

"Back when Bill Clinton was president the deficit turned positive for two years. The only time that has happened. When Bush was elected, the nation had enjoyed three consecutive years of federal budget surpluses under President Clinton. The Congressional Budget Office projected that the government was on track to amass surpluses large enough to pay off the publicly held national debt by 2008. That would make the nation debt free for the first time since the presidency of Andrew Jackson. Under Bush presidency, Greenspan argued for tax cuts in 2001 saying that projected surpluses would be too large, and allow the government to extinguish the debt and accumulate financial assets, such as stocks and bonds. So Republicans could not have a decreasing or no deficit/debt. A few years later Republicans would have Quantitatuve easing, a euphamisism for government to buy bad (bankrupt)

bonds and stocks (equities) with tax payer money. At the same time Bush admin increased defense spending and created homeland security, remember war on terror in response to 9/11. Today, Mitch McConnell said we must spend more on the military before anything else.

Jun 10, 2024

"The intention of the Republican party is to make war (meaning remove wealth) on the 90% lowest wage earners and increase profit for interested business. How come? Because they are greedy - well there is great incentive, I would work for the team and figure out how to make the company more money. That's what management gets rewarded for. In the federal govt I got rewarded for getting grants and managing research for my division. It was highly competitive. Free market capitalism produces such forces as incentives. Since Reagan the federal govt is privatizing.

Jun 14, 2024

"In England, opinion polls predict a landslide victory for the opposition Labour Party that would sweep many longstanding Conservative lawmakers from Parliament. The conservative party has been in power for years and promoted austerity, brevity and British appear to be saying they have had enough. I think it is long overdue. What will happen in the future there if labor party is in power. What will happen in US if democrats win next election with landslide?

Jun 14, 2024

"Oops, Brexit_ was changed to brevity by speller in above.

Jul 17, 2024

"Politics, on education...
The conservative citizens in the states, your state and surrounding states you would think would be in favor of college tuition caps, or low cost community college or university where kids and family's are not bankrupted to go to school. No Republicans support a cap on tuition, or any school debt forgiveness. I think all kids need and must go to college these days like a must for finishing high school. In addition to grade inflation in colleges and public school, or equivelently the dumbing down of school curriculum, two years of college is like finishing high school when we went to school.

Jul 20, 2024

"Continue ranting why folks do not vote democratic...
All kids should go to extra school to keep up with the dumbing down of public school and college curriculum and grade inflation. Students in college used to worry about courses that were meant to squeeze out students who would drop out of school. The salary lost by staying in school is made up with the schooling and certification that comes with education. So why don't people vote for this. Not one republican voted for the cap on tuition or almost free community college. Even the trump guy endorsed Trump University for those who would learn to be rich. He lost in court.

Jul 21, 2024

"Today's political rant on why US does not have the health, education and work environment of Europe: the top 0.1% wage earners, called billionaires, own Congress and the military industrial complex, so a vast amount of US tax dollars are poured into the defense budget. US Military budget is larger than that of the next ten biggest spending countries combined. If you cut the military budget in half it would still be much larger than needed to maintain strategic requirements, and then the US could afford universal healthcare, free education to college graduate level, full social security and world-leading infrastructure. But Republican conservatives in most states that surround you prefer to have homeless people in cities and unwinnable wars, because those billionaires need you to keep those arms sales going. They use partisan politics to brain wash public thinking.

Jul 22, 2024

"1st reaction to Biden succumbing to the pressure, is I voted for him in the primary but they (democratic elites) decided to override my vote so why did I or others vote in the primary. Maybe Biden is a little old but does he have some sort of alzheimers dementia, like Reagan had. No one complained about Reagan's inability to run the country and the GOP think he was the best president cause they could tell him anything and he would do it, cut welfare, kick out homeless, lower corporate taxes, reduce education spending and increase military spending. So I am not in favor of changing candidates but now who should be the new candidate and how to choose? Folks could feel like they should not bother voting and hand the election to conservatives.

Aug 2, 2024 2

"I was in favor of Biden continuing and thought that if he won the presidency, Harris would take over and be a good president when he was too old. I think she would be better than Obama as he was too cautious, trying not to mess up being the 1st black, but Harris would not be afraid of that, but she is conservative as well. In fact, on Harris, this week, I have heard the media say that she is not black so the blacks shouldn't vote for her, that she is difficult to work for as she send her underlings packing, and she is a women, like Hilary who women will not vote for and she got to her high post by sleeping with people who gave her support. I heard the Dems say, before Biden stepped down, that Harris should come off the ticket because she could not get elected cause she is black and should not run with Biden. The Conservatives say she slept with people to get to advance politically degrading anything she did on merit. Not treating her employees well has to come from Trump who is the worst ever employer. I read John Boltons book and he has nothing good to say about his white house experience, the hard nose Generals who got into the Whitehouse by being Trump supporters have said in public press that he is a fucking moron and worst person ever and so did 3 out of 4 of all the people who worked in the Trump Whitehouse.

Aug 5, 2024 6

"Why do folks you know want to vote for republican conservatives? Consider federal taxes. I pay 32% of my gross income on my salary, called earned income, when I had a salary before retiring. But on my stocks and bonds, when I get dividend or make money by selling real estate or stocks, I pay 15%. federal tax on any income. Thats half the tax on money made from stocks/bonds called equity. And if I am in the business of selling or taking over companies, I get a commission called carried interest which is not taxed at all. Carried interest is criticized as a loophole that allows private equity managers to secure a reduced tax rate. Taxing carried interest as long-term capital gains allows the richest Americans to unfairly defer and lower taxes on the bulk of their income.

Aug 5, 2024 7

"Every year, the bill to stop the carried interest comes up from the democrats and Republicans vote it down. Why do people continue to vote for Republicans? Republican conservatives have not in general voted for social security or Medicare and have tried to end the programs. Why do people continue to vote for Republicans?

Aug 7, 2024 9

"Why would any salaried person vote for Republicans? I understand those who make their money from selling real estate, stocks or bonds who pay 1/2 the taxes of salaried employees. Take payday loans: you pay \$56.25 to borrow \$375. For a two week loan. That is an interest rate of 391% APR, the annualized rate. If you pay \$20 per \$100 borrowed, you pay a finance charge of \$75 is an interest rate of 521% APR. Some states have passed laws to cap top interest rates for payday loans but only one republican voted with democrats to make a national cap on Payday loans the

rest of Republicans, practically all of them, in congress voted against a cap. This interest cap is as high as top credit card rates for those who do not pay off balances, at 36%.

Aug 9, 2024 9

"Credit card interest rates: it used to be that credit card interest rates were capped but during bush W admin they would not pass law that would limit the interest rate on credit cards. See

https://www.nytimes.com/1991/11/19/business/congress-gets-cold-feet-on-cap-for-credit-cards.html?unlocked_article_code=1.Bk4.uwIk.mWntohUAWF_P&smid=url-share

Aug 9, 2024 9

"Mostly Republicans driven by banking lobby wanted to stop any cap on credit card interest rates but a few or one republican did promote the cap. Bush in a campaign speech said he favored a cap but when the senate passed a bill capping cards at 16% he said he would veto it and it died. It's all in the 1990's article in the link. Some/many democrats voted down the cap as well but mostly Republicans voted against it.

Aug 9, 2024 1

'The Bush W credit card debt bill was mostly done by Republicans:
"Voting for the bill were 229 Republicans and 73 Democrats. Opposing it were 125 Democrats and one independent, Vermont's Bernard Sanders. "
After this, why would anyone vote republican except the few owner/investor of banking companies?
If the bank or any company or business goes out of business because of mismanagement or good management, with debts to individuals or others, the business gets to have the debts forgiven.
An example I know of is Opuseast, the company that built my weather service building after 20 years in temporary quarters, went bankrupt in 2008, the owners shorted plumbers and electricians \$5M each and bank of America \$40M, after paying themselves lavish salaries, had the debt forgiven and then sued the government - they lost.

Aug 9, 2024 1

"They, OpusEast development get their debt forgiven in bankruptcy, but a person who goes into bankruptcy still has to pay back credit card debt. Also student loan debt. The program to forgive some student loan debt after a period of good payments and when the college/university was a sham, is separate and students still have to pay back the debt even if bankrupt.
College tuition should be affordable since we want to have all students the option of going to school so they will be educated to do better work for themselves and the country. Why would we not want or children to have such opportunity? Why do Republicans vote against tuition cost control whenever it comes up?

Aug 11, 2024

'From an article in yougov:
"Republicans (76%) view debt cancellation as unfair to those who have already settled their student loans, a sentiment shared by only 31% of Democrats."
Republicans feel that since they paid back their loans in the past, for education and training, all others should also pay back such loans.
I think that the main reason for including at least 2 years of college/university/community college in our system of K-12 education funding because states have dumbed down the curriculum either by emphasis on gender rights or woke books, so say Republicans, or by banning/ changing text books so say democrats, but both agree education is not complete as it used to be. And that there is grade inflation where, for example, no one fails, all get A's, and college admission offices complain they can not tell which students are qualified to go to their school.

Aug 12, 2024

"Except for a few exceptions, the charter school has dumb down education standards. Charter schools have allowed religious schools to get funded by public tax dollars. Clearly a violation of the idea of separation of churches and state. Islamic schools and Christian private schools have their students memorizing the Koran or Bible, passages, or whole parts, while the students learn nothing about history, civics, math, science. While teaching meteorology at community college (for 7 years) I had a student who was a neighbor who wrote to me in an assignment that he did not need to learn anything because God would provide and he gave the example that needing it not to rain on a day, he prayed to God to not have it rain and when it did not rain he is assured that God will always provide for his needs. That's what he learned in public school. Even if there is substance to religious belief, God's answer to praying is at best not consistent or reliable. There are some excellent charter religious schools where a student can get a good education, for example, the Waldorf charter school in California where there is 5 teachers for each student. Compare that with class size when I was in NYC schools, 36 students per teacher. The point is sending one's children to college should have costs that all can pay, just like K-12 public school. Why won't Republicans agree with that Andale of them vote against it.

Aug 14, 2024

"There is nothing like re-purposing one old thing for another thing and then it works. It is, in fact, what I can do sometimes. Others would say buy a new one and junk the old. In many cases they are right, old stuff is usually not as good as new stuff even if sometimes folks say they made stuff better in the past. New things especially digital tech related things benefit from new software, better programming like cars last longer way over 100,000 miles compared to cars of the 1980-1990s.

Aug 23, 2024

"Looks like it did get through... lately, I have been busy building some pull-out shelves in a closet. Some 40 years ago, I built the closet doors out of pine tongue and groove board that was wall board, an early wood project, I know next to nothing about carpentry. We bought the metal runners and draws over the internet, and over a year ago, but the draws were a little too long for the closet, and the doors would no longer close. I could make \$ if I had a podcast camera hat showing the whole thing. Since the wooden draws and runners were sitting around, I was not going to send them back for the correct size, they were less than an inch too long. The solution is to increase the closet depth by an inch....

Aug 23, 2024

"The idea of the internet moving shelves was their ease of installation, even 10 minutes with a fitting that screwed into an existing set of stationary shelves. I didn't have any of that and puzzled over the 7 pages of instructions which took more than ten minutes to read. A trip to the hardware store for some wood to replicate the trim pieces so the doors and closet would be a little less than an inch deeper in depth. To do that requires that new closet door hinge space has to be chiseled out and when it is done and the hinges and doors are screwed in they should close and stay closed properly by themselves.

Aug 23, 2024

"No luck there, but by working on the hinges for a while (a day) I got them to stay closed when closed. Now to the shelf draws themselves. A problem with the closet arrangement is the edge could get in the way of the pullout shelves so the whole set of draws has to be set off from the wall otherwise the moving shelves would not open, banging against the closet opening. That I figured that out was impressive and using some 2x4 studs that I had, the closet movable shelf/draws would be 4 feet high. This brings me to the circular saw used to cut the 2x4 stud to size....

Aug 24, 2024

"I know very little about building. To get someone in to do the work, whatever it is is difficult as i am a distance away, rural area and i think i should do it myself. Like when i was a teenager in the Bronx my friends would take apart car engines but i would not get my hands dirty. Later, when i was driving, i would try to fix them, with no practice. It did not go well often. Thus, the camera hat for podcasts would be entertaining. ¶ The saw is not cutting correctly even though I have made wood cuts with it successfully in the past. It's an old saw.

Oct 8, 2024 9

"In politics, my prediction that Democrat's will win Congress and presidency could be right even though I made prediction when Biden was still running. It will be better for all of us if there is control of everything by the Dems like when Lyndon Johnson was president and there was the idea of a great experiment and great society. The Dems will be able to make medicare for all, they could lower the age to get health care from 66 or 65 one year every year until all people are covered. And mitigate the cost for drugs. I know when someone needs a drug, like when they are overdosed and epipen goes for \$5000.00 it was wrong and gouging. They only way to combat it would be to invest in the hedge fund that owned the Rx company and make money on the investment. The guy who ran the company that raised the price from thirty bucks went to jail for unrelated offenses but all the Rx companies were gouging. My sea sick scopalamin patch went from \$7 to \$70 in a week. For a while I reduced my cost by buying from a pharmacy in New Zealand until they emailed that they were threatened with law suits from Rx companies and would no longer sell to me. At the same time there appeared news stories in the states saying that overseas purchased drugs could be tainted in some way, and Americans should buy American. ¶ I think a lot of the inflation and price increases were caused by companies raising prices to up profits which has and is lifting stock market. With corporate tax cuts made by Reagan administration, from 57% corporate tax to 38% under Bush W administration, to Trump's at 22%, which is now lower than my federal tax at 32%. The Dems will most likely roll back the Trump tax cuts which raised my taxes. The war on the middle class, you and me, continues as the top 1% of businesses and wealthy conspire to move money from us to them.

Oct 12, 2024

'I imagine your friends, or Kristen and Allison and family's are Republicans but what would the world be like if the democrats win control of both houses in Congress and presidency? ¶ There would be legalized abortions in all states but beside a small part of the population, teenage girls, the rest of us are not directly involved, most women and family's have access/resources and ok outcomes regardless. What I mean is abortion is relatively rare and does not affect us mostly. Same goes for the possibility of any one encountering a sports team ringer in high school or professionally. I don't know anyone directly and don't think you do who has the potential to be a voyeur in a bathroom. I have seen bathrooms labeled for both sexes at once and an old gizer like me was uncomfortable but the chance that same sex bathrooms have crime potential is about the same as adding aliens to the "mens/women" plaque as you enter. And I don't mean undocumented but the alien from Mars or other planet. It is not going to be of any consequence and unlikely to be encountered or important. One would not think that given the political adds and media attention. In fact, when there is a difference between the rational thought and media presentation is when you know it is propaganda.

Oct 12, 2024

"Continuing with what the world would be like if the Dems win everything,,, ¶ A big difference would be the tax cuts enacted during Trump's 4 years expire in 2025, so my taxes and perhaps you and your children's family's taxes would decrease. Corporate profits and those (individuals) with income wealth would decrease since they would pay more taxes. The extra profit from the last corporate tax cut went mostly into stock buying, so says Federal Reserve and wall street journal. This

would decrease deficit spending something Republicans are always complaining about when they are not doing the spending. So you and I and our families would have more dollars due to less taxes on the bottom 90% wage earners, us. A lot of this would come from the ability to deduct property tax from income tax. It will not change much for you as you no longer own a house but this stuff filters through after a while for rents.

Oct 26, 2024

"For the last 5 thousand years common people, meaning most people, the not extremely wealthy and poorer, were slaves and later feudal arrangements, either directly or in the military, controlled by masters was the way all lived. Egyptian slaves, Greek and Roman with little say in policy. In more modern times, we invented democracy, unions so the work force has some say in making policy. I think federal tax law is the root of the evil that is going on in America today. I usually point out how the inequality in wealth has been increasing since the wealthy class have lobbied to skew tax law and tax cuts to benefit themselves.

Oct 26, 2024

'The war of business and wealthy class on the middle and lower class has been going on since Reagan administration and since then the inequality in wealth has been increasing at a faster pace. The middle and lower classes are unaware of this war and their loss of wealth because of the propaganda that is distributed by republican party and its coalition with the religious and evangelists as well as those who are racists. There have been many democratic in name only, "Dinos" politicians, for example, which is the Democrat in "Dodd-Frank"? (neither)

Oct 26, 2024

'I see nothing wrong with social security. It has been a long-running program that has kept folks from poverty, yet Republicans do not vote for it and often have voted to end it. Bush republican administration tried to turn Social Security into a stock investment program. My mother in law of 101 years and whose most paranoid fear is being a financial burden was ok with this. When the stock market fell I pointed out that she would have lost half her yearly income she said she didn't think she deserved it anyway, and when I pointed out her children would make up the difference (I am mostly the wage earner) she was quiet. Why would the average person support or vote republican and continue to "donate" what little wealth they have to business and wealthy class?

Oct 26, 2024

"In Russia, the average wealth has decreased with their war expending resources and trade sanctions. Yet people there cote/support/say they agree with their government 80%. Of course, one cannot say there is a war or have an alternate opinion without being put in jail or poisoned, and after thousands fled the country to avoid conscription into military, the rest of the population seems enthusiastic to comply.

Oct 26, 2024

"I should mention that my ancestors left that part of the world on both sides of the family to avoid conscription in the military in 1898-1904. I am glad they got out. I told my daughter who is married to a Hong Kong citizen who thinks there will one day be an independent HK nation to have an exit plan. The people of China are ecstatic about their leader who stacked the judiciary and political operatives to change their national constitution to make him ruler for life and dissenters are exiled, imprisoned or murdered or have their credit score decreased. I know you think I am kidding when I say credit score but job, housing, health care, are dependent on it, and personal action, in addition to financial behavior like in US, in China, anything from J-walking to reading western literature or news will decrease a citizen's credit score standing.

Oct 26, 2024

"The world trend to use credit cards and credit scores to surveillence our behavior including official cameras in public places and at street intersections is worrisome. I have been trying to use cash when ever I can especially in resturants.

Oct 29, 2024

"I spent yesterday fixing my electric dryer, which started a loud rumble. Having worked on this electric clothes dryer replacing belts, motors, heating elements and about 10 years ago, the plastic fan, I knew what went wrong. My children had been after me to replace the dryer for a new one but I keep repairing it. The last time the fan needed replacing I got the part which is a fan that goes over a steel shift shaped like a half moon and should fit the shaft of the fan but a decade ago I was sent a fan that had a round shift so it slipped on the steel making noise and not moving the heated dryer air so I got another one but kept the old one. Now that the plastic fan has broke, I found the old replacement and it being Sunday or until i could get the part over the internet. I could not figure out how to rehashing the fan shaft 10 years ago but I inserted a clip from wire connections that filled in the half moon part of the plastic fan shaft so the fan spins right. It's working through two wash-drys so far. It must save some dollars to do this but repurposing using an old stored part are two feel good mitzvas in the nerd universe to say nothing of fixing a broken appliance.

Nov 4, 2024 7

'Proof about what has and is happening in the US, the problem in America, is the continuing inequality in wealth. You and I, our friends and families suffer in terms of our wealth and well being, from the war on the middle class and working people that are going on since Reagan administration. Since then all Republicans have been the chumps of American business oligarchs. The business interest oligarchs have arranged to suck wealth by not paying taxes, and other laws that they wrote themselves for themselves to lower there burden while increasing ours. Proof that this has happened is in the number of US millionaires, billionaires and now Trillionaires. At the same time the Republicans say "we are not doing that" and everyone believes them.

Nov 4, 2024 7

'Compare US tax burden with the past or against other countries. I pay 32% of my income to federal taxes, but if I change "Me" to a corporation that sells stock and bonds for my salary, then I pay 15% federal tax.
If "Me" is a business then I can depreciate my assets as my assets depreaciate I deduct them from my income so I pay less taxes than 15%. I used to do this for rental property back in the 1980s and paid 6% of my income infederal taxes instead of 32% today since during Bush administration the deductions were disallowed except for large developers and real estate companies. Then I say to all the chumps out there that it is not happening and the chumps believe that story and can not wait to elect more business representatives to political office.

Nov 4, 2024 8

"All my life since the 1950s I have seen the business clas and those made wealthy get away with sucking the wealth away from those who make money with salary. I have wondered what it is that keeps the 9 out of 10 of the lowest wage earners inviting that kind of treatment and cheering on the Republican conservative politics who are the corporates and wealthy ruling and regulating you. The world seems to be like this too with Oligarchs running the countries. The Russian and Chinees citizens each had constitutions that limited their leaders from leading for more than a few terms as leader but this was circumvented by Putin by trading prime minister positions with Meddedev, a yes man, while Putin changed the Constitution to make himself leader for life. The same in China for Xi and both places remove from society (or kill) anyone who disagrees. And behold, no one

disagrees. Poles conducted in those two countries show 80% of their citizens support their leaders. In the US the Oligarchs have their power through lobbying defined as bribing republican conservatives to write the laws they want and then denying that it is going on.

Nov 4, 2024 5

"As more proof of the republican conservative oligarch rule sucking up the wealth of the Middle class and the lowest 90% wage earners: The wealthiest Americans have never owned so much of the stock market, with the top 10% wage/wealthy now hold a record 93% of US equities, stocks and bonds. It has been growing since republican administration of Reagan. The stock market is a great place to make money as on average your money doubles every 7-10 years since 1930. I kept half my \$ in the S&P stock and before I retired after 40 years I was making over half my salary in capital gains growth and income. Every one should investigate they can and as well in real estate, for most of us, in our house that we live in and if possible own others for income and building equity.

Nov 4, 2024 5

"There are a lot of ways to make money, but I am satisfied with what I have, and unless I want to change my lifestyle, I will be fine and not burden my children. So if you need some \$ let me know. All the money talk is to rant in the obvious swindle that I see going on in the economics of the Republicans making chumps out of the lowest 90% wage earners, us. And the chumps not only are unaware of this but they are out there cheering the oligarchs on. That is the part I do not get, why do the folks in US celebrate their being taken for chumps, they work hard their entire life, I worked more than 8 hours a day and you did also, I know the sacrifice you made. All of us have a right to go to school if we want, get health care when we need and get the advantage of new medical technology. No one should lack these things and it is our right as citizens to have these things as it is or was us citizens that made the agreement with the oligarchs when we wrote the law of the land to start this country, not in the hands of the oligarchs who were King George in the beginning.

Nov 4, 2024 5

'After all is said for example in the play "Hamilton" or in elementary school American history, King George is depicted as an ogre devoid of compassion, putting the finger on the colonists by increasing taxes. He was an oligarch among oligarchs who were greedy to obtain wealth on their investments in the New world and put pressure on the then English monarchy to pay off so the next European war could be prepared for.

Nov 6, 2024 7

"I think that the people who are not living near a coastline are feeling good with this election. The immigrant problem will be fixed, there will be a reduction in crime especially rape, murder, corruption and mugging, the economics in America, the stock market should improve, and we and are friends and family will be wealthier except all these things already happened over the last 4 years. If the stock market gets any higher or the unemployment any lower interest rates will be raised to head off the next round of inflation.

Nov 6, 2024 7

"Sour grapes for me. when many incited an insurrection against the government certifying the election in 2020 just think about how the nation would take Harris not certifying the election next Jan 6. If she did that to keep Trump from becoming president the race would be thrown into the house. Republicans own the house majority so they would elect Trump anyway but it would irk the MAGA supporters who have suggested this senerio in a speech by vice Pres Vance last week.

Nov 7, 2024 3

"I hope you are entertained by these msgs on politics. One of the differences between successful nations and unsuccessful nations is the amount of corruption. Once VP Agnew was touring S. America and in a well-known nation, say Paraguay or Argentina under military dictatorship, known for corruption, he has a conversation with an autocrat and explained to the autocrat how he built infrastructure that was popular, say the Bay Bridge in Maryland and skimmed 10% for himself. He did not know that a decade later, he would be convicted and serve prison time for bribery. The autocrat agreed what a great idea and that he would try it. A few years later, they meet again, and the autocrat tells Agnew that he took his bridge advice and it work out extremely well, but that he kept all the money,
but he did not build the bridge.
Such is the way in the two different countries on what is allowable and normal when it comes to corruption. It turns out that the Bay Bridge was not the one hit by a freighter and collapsed but the important road to the Easton shore often filled to grid lock with commerce and tourists, and no Bridge in Paraguay.
I think the Republican National Commetee (RNC) is more corrupt than the Dems. ...

Nov 8, 2024 3

"I think the Republican National Commetee (RNC) is the more complicit and corrupt. We have heard the telephone call trying to get Zelensky, PM of Ukraine to get political dirt on, Biden's son and remember VP Dick Cheney playing dirty trick on McCain when running in presidential primary making robo calls that McCain fathered a black child in Carolina. I thought getting at a political opponent this way was mean but the normal now. The right phrase and thought can be believed by any one. So all of the states excepting the US coast line where there are big cities and history are brainwashed with the propaganda. How long will it take before the good old boys know they have been had. Perhaps never, world still thinks they are not Jewish and a small group of jews think they are.

Nov 9, 2024 8

"While magaheads have prevailed, and Republicans have won the election, I heard the reason for this and complaining on TV, is that Dems did not speak to the Magaheads out there who feel they have not kept up with the good fortunes of our gangbuster economy and the magaheads resent the good fortune of college grad elites. The US economy continues doing great with low unemployment, moderately high dollar worth, record high stock market (Trump's main measure of the economy), high GDP, Fed reducing interest rates, 2% inflation and all values beating the pants off of all European and Asian economies even getting close to China's GDP increases. David Brooks, a PBS editorialist, Republican free market apologist, and NYT opinion writer feels that the Dems failure to connect with magaheads was because the college elites have made it, are successful to enjoy the benefits of our post pandemic economy while Mr. Magahead suffers unemployment and an exploded American dream, frustrated at not being treated to the same rewards as their college elite counterparts, so in their frustration and anger, they vote for the populist who speaks their language. This view goes to a yet unheard of over the top Trolling of Troll mimes. ...

Nov 9, 2024 9

"... the reason that college elites have been doing so well is that by definition, they studied. As Republicans point out, in a free market, those who offer business interests a greater profit by virtue of their knowledge because they took the time to learn something are more valuable to employers and are entitled to American dream success. You worked hard to get your nursing degree and were valuable to hospital employers who found value in your knowledge. You are an elite as you trained past LPN to get the higher status. Today you would go to school to become a physicist assistant, a PA, who now, in the state of Maryland can write prescriptions without the (up to now) necessary sign-off of a MD, making nurses doctors. Further, it is the magaheads own fault that they have supported

maga/Republican policy reducing (especially state) K-12 and college subsidies for education, even in Democratic Maryland the Republican elected Governor and his recent failed senate bid, tried to reduce the state maintenance of effort to public schools and fund other projects with education earmark dollars. Across the nation the Republicans have insisted on public funds for private religious (charter) schools dumbing down curricula and burning books. The Magaheads voted for their own hell.

Nov 9, 2024 8

'It was mentioned in the news today that most islamics, especially in Michigan voted for Repblicans and Trump to teach Dems a lesson for not giving enough time and attention to this small constituency. No matter that Trump threatened to deport them all if re-elected and when he was president did place embargo on Islamic refugees. This from Amnesty intl In 2017: "President Trump signed an executive order banning people from six Muslim-majority countries from entering the USA, and slamming the door on refugees. After being temporarily stopped multiple times, the US Supreme Court overturned a block on the devastating ban in June. "The order demonises the vulnerable – those who have fled torturers, warlords and dictators – and those who simply want to be with their families. It is essentially a licence to discriminate, disguised as a 'national security measure'." "So this consistency felt it was better to go with the guys that discriminate against them rather than vote for the person (Harris) that visited their location (Hamtramck near Detroit) and was criticized for taking too much of the Hamas/Gaza side by jews in America. The brainwash was effective and complete even for a small group that could not be enough to turn the election.

Nov 9, 2024 8

'I meant to include one more thing that happened during the campaign in response to the Democrat's efforts to placate the Michigan Muslims complaints. The Trump campaign had Trump host a Hallal meal (like kosher) like reported by Politico 2018; "After skipping it last year, President Donald Trump on Wednesday hosted an iftar dinner to honor the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, declaring it "a great month." "How does that earn the votes of this constituency when it is clearly not in their interest? Why didn't they go with the one who was criticized by jews in US and Israel for supporting Muslims? The words and deeds framed by the Fox News and other contributors in the media where phrases that resonated with this constituency to brainwash them into voting against their best interest. How do they know whT today and what phrases to use? They use Research, for example senator Ted Cruze has referred to this somewhat kept secret of how to control the electorate. The theory has evolved since the Rand corporation honed it in the late 1960's.

Nov 12, 2024

"Why do I feel that the Republican conservative business interests in US is the problem, that as a group, they have engineered the largest transfer of wealth to themselves and taken it away from folks who depend on wages like all of us (bottom 90% wage earners). Probably because my mother told me so when I was little. But I can see how the equality of wealth has changed over the years and the respective plight of people. As the dollars flow to the top 1% upper management it makes the bottom 90% wage earners lose some wealth, have a harder time of it, like take on more debt and worry. "For 2-4 thousand years people were ruled by monarchy/clergy with Oligarchs, such as they were, playing a role. One can argue the idea of the improvement of most people's lives from slavery giving way to serfdom or feudalism. It's been slow going but the idea of representatives government is a relatively new one. Especially after WWII post industrialization and new deal economics led to improvements and a strong middle wealth class. That has given way to rule by oligarchs.

Nov 13, 2024

"That folks can be brainwashed is clear, and it is why i think happened to or created magaheads. Many say Dems did not see what magaheads were experiencing, like higher prices of consumer goods. Prices are going up because demand outstripped supply and producers raised prices because they could because magaheads paid the higher prices with their saved credit card and pocket cash from the pandemic. I blame the greed of corporations and magaheads and Dems for paying higher prices instead of walking (not buying). That means if I went to a restaurant and paid \$50./meal increased from \$25/meal, I had to stop going to restaurants, but I didn't, I paid. To know if this is what happened we can look over the time period after the pandemic and see who made money, you know the answer. Largest corporation and most wealthiest had record increases in profits and increased income and without having to pay as much taxes due to Trump tax cuts the record after tax income dwarfs the incomes when even republicans voted for a windfall profits tax. Now, not a peep from Republicans and they gave some of their Largest to magahead campaign and the rest to stock market. The campaign got \$1B a giant leap ahead past elections and the inequality of wealth jumped higher by larger leap and bound. ;However, magaheads, now the majority, blame the Dems for higher prices and will not support those who think taxing the windfall profits and excess bonuses of wealthy is unreasonable as shown by their voting.;;How about the magaheads experiencing rising financing costs on their homes and cars. Or when Dems insisted there was no migration crisis at the southern border. Or when Dems averred that Biden was sharp as a tack and that anyone who suggested otherwise was a jerk. (From a magahead opinion in NYT);I'll take up Brett Stephen's complaints in next posts....;

Nov 19, 2024

"So the Dems were callous of the voters experiencing rising financing costs on their homes and cars, and inflation reduced ther wealth, which angered those voters to become magaheads (those who voted for Trump and Republican). After the pandemic, there was extra demand for new housing cause after a few years of sequestering, people wanted to move out and buy and rent residential real estate. Real estate developers were not building since when folks are sequestered, by definition, they do not move (therefore do not buy) and the excess housing from the previous housing crash, 10 years earlier, was bought up by hedgefunds at low prices turned into flipped or rentals at higher prices keeping the housing market tight against the post pandemic demand. Proof that this is what happened can be found in the increased profits of real estate hedge funds during this period and the number of real estate hedge fund start ups and the tv and media ads wanting to buy your house for cash, especially the advertisement where wide eyed parents and two young children say not to worry about your house condition or closing cost. Thus, housing prices remain high from the demand competition for housing and rentals. Who's fault is this, and why is there not more housing for folks? Now it is profitable to make more housing because prices are higher. When oil prices were down to \$40./barrel the amount of oil pumped decreased and shortages developed increasing the price. They said there is plenty of \$60/barrel oil in the ground. ...

Nov 19, 2024

"That's economics, capitalist free market. I get called a commie but i am in favor of free market capitalism as is all the Dems that I know. Here is the but:;When the port workers got covid and port traffic was reduced there were oil tankers lining up to offload their cargo but the end of the pandemic coincided with demand from folks working, going out, etc so the demand exceeded supply with ports backed up and supplies not available. Everyone had money in their pocket from not spending on anything and many getting government help, and when prices rose people paid and demanded more stuff as there were so many of us, needing gas, appliances, food, etc. Producers saw dwindling inventory thus, raised prices and found folks would pay the higher price and then they raised prices more finding out people were willing and able to pay more and the cycle continued. The proof of this is the higher inflation and its subsequent inflation decrease following when

the surplus money runs out and there is a fall back in inflation and maybe smaller price rises or decrease in price. Take eggs for example going from \$2-3. To \$6. and back to \$3-4. Producers took advantage, the oil tankers waiting in the harbors were bought at \$60./barrel but the same oil was purchased at \$100./barrel with gas prices going to \$6/gal up from \$3-4/gal. All producers could see these market events. Rx prescriptions went up 100%, a doubling and higher, especially for medicare drugs since there is no free market for them. The government must pay what is asked by Rx companies. When producers take advantage or such a situation we call it gauging the public.

Nov 21, 2024

"So there should be some regulation on gauging or windfall profits. For example, when epinephrine went to \$3000. per shot or my sea sick medicine, scopolamine, went from \$7 to \$70 per patch in a week. The Rx company sent me the same stuff off the shelf but collected ten fold the price and profits rose. I know cause upper management salary rose to records as well as corporate income and profits rose to record amounts and tax rates for the upper bracket went down to 22% from 38% and my tax rate moved up to 34%. Profits rose so much that companies bought back their own and other companies stock and made more profits on their investments than selling their widgets. In addition tax write-offs have increased profits and caused more rise in stock market. Personally I have not lost much even though I pay more taxes but it is wrong.

Nov 21, 2024

"Money flows out of the hands of most of us... I do not know, say, as a friend, anyone in the top 1% income bracket. You once told me you knew Lovelace but she does not make it to the 1% top wage bracket. In fact she was treated terribly by Hollywood porn companies and by her husband's, died in 2002. All this to say that making laws and policies that remove wealth from the 90% lowest wage earners, you and me, to enrich the top 1% income earners is wrong. They do it with media propaganda and brainwash most of the 90% into thinking it's a good idea and blame Dems

Nov 23, 2024

"In 1978 I graduated school and took my first job \$14,5K at U of Miami and went to a Meteorology conference in Silver Springs near Washington DC, and while there I met my old professor who became department chairman near by at U of Maryland and paid me a consulting fee to put some computer code on his university's computer while I was in town. I did it with a student of his from India who would be the keeper of the code, and thought how great it was to be making so much money on the side for a few hours work. By the way, that student would also later work for the weather service for 30 years, and this week is in hospice with cancer. After I first joined the weather service, as a civil servant, I was at a conference in San Diego, CA, and they gave me an honorarium \$ for speaking at Scripps institute near by, but I had to turn it over to the US government because civil servants can not take any \$. Also civil servants can not run for political office or work on campaigns. Only executive branch of government, gets both privileges. This keeps corruption from getting too high in the Civil service but not in the president's cabinet or their upper management. The staff of the Whitehouse, state governors are the ones that are in the news for paying too much for sex or taking bribes.

Nov 25, 2024

"I saw this in NYT: "MAGA voters are angry. They are angry with America and their place in it. They see themselves as disadvantaged and disrespected. Disadvantaged because their material situation has lost ground compared with those they believe claim to be their betters. Disrespected because they believe that their traditional values are considered inferior by those same people. MAGA voters were turned off by Harris's joyful message, telling

her in effect: "You sing of joy when we are hurting and angry," and "We want revenge." In short, MAGA voters wanted an arsonist. Someone who will burn the establishment house down. Dislodge its inhabitants. Make it impossible for them to move back in. And that's what they got."

Nov 25, 2024

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Nov 30, 2024

"On the climate change issue: I think there is some warming of the atmosphere, only magaots or magaheads (conservative radio hosts would tease, for example ditohheads) think it is a hoax and that global warming and weather changes are from natural causes. Some are as the earth returns from a past ice age. Also, there may be some critical points of positive feedback like warming is melting tundra ice, releasing methane and co2 that has been trapped in the ice for eons which would accelerate warming and melting more tundra, around and around. I think the good news is in about 10 years we will have controlled fusion which will give us electricity for free without greenhouse gases...

Nov 30, 2024

"The ability to control a hot plasma of protons, like in the Sun, which we squeeze or change from hydrogen into Helium is closer to reality. This year a French company had sustained fusion for 5 seconds where more energy was given off than required to sustain the reaction. Beside the heat that fusion makes that could run turbines the protons circulation generates electricity and at such high temperatures water separates hydrogen from oxygen to make fuel from water. Half of today's electricity cost is delivery which would still be with us with fusion but the electricity cost would be close to \$0. As the fuel could be sea water and no polluting gases.

Dec 11, 2024

"Some physics: There are 4 states of matter, solid liquid, gas and plasma. Plasma is a state of matter, where a gas is so heated that electrons are stripped away from the element atoms, called ionization, creating a soup of positively charged ions, essentially an ionized gas that can conduct electricity and respond to magnetic fields. One can track our ability to control a plasma at increasing temperature for longer and longer times. Since the 1950s we have been on a straight line to reach the critical high temperatures needed to sustain and control the plasma of protons from hydrogen atoms from water. If one projected the line to reach fusion temperatures in 1970 when I calculated it, or now in 2024, one is on the same straight line which reaches its fusion goal of sustained reactions in 2035. One way to delay fusion is reducing the financing of fusion research which I believe the petroleum lobby does.

Dec 13, 2024

'The reason I was talking about fusion was that property of water recently found is that when it is heated to very high temperatures like in a fusion plasma the hydrogen and oxygen "fall" away from their chemical bonds. Normally it takes a lot of energy to break water, hydrogen and oxygen bonds. Then if the fusion plasma is circulated as it is kept under control magnetically, the separated hydrogen and oxygen can be harvested. Cars can run on hydrogen which burns to water. So fusion will make electricity free and supply no pollution fuel. There will still be a delivery fee. In 1969 I predicted (physics homework problem) that we would achieve fusion in 2035 and it is still on track to get there. We need to stay alive to see it.

Dec 13, 2024

'Excerpt from top headline article in today's NYT: "The process of taking an established drug or vaccine off the market after it passed all trials and checks/verification can be lengthy. The F.D.A. would need to outline a new safety concern in writing and give the vaccine's maker a chance to respond. The F.D.A. would then hold a hearing and render a decision. If the company did not agree with the outcome, it could sue." I think a reasonable approach in free market capitalism. The article headline and content could be hysteria in reporting. It said "Robert F. Kennedy's Jr.'s lawyer (Siri) has petitioned the (FDA) government to revoke its approval of the polio vaccine" And 13 other vaccines, including tetanus, diphtheria, polio and hepatitis A. To check on the usual fake news from Republicans I downloaded the FDA pdf file 914eob90-full (I can send it) which says that the vaccine is to be revoked only for "children" under 18 so false alarm there. Every one of the 18 million, the ones I know including you, who took vaccine did not die from it, of course, if they did die from it as infants I would not know them. FDA says 1 in 2 million died from it but that includes deaths as much as 2 weeks after. Besides, if Kennedy is made head of FDA and all Republicans are voting for him, and he revokes 13 vaccines, I and others can always get them from my New Zealand pharmacy, which allows me to check the box that says I have a prescription (even if I don't) so I can get it and inject myself. They are also half price.

Dec 14, 2024

"The Republican oligarchs have managed to misinform half of US voters and have succeeded in cutting taxes on the top 1% income earners and raising them on everyone else, the Republican conservatives have made it harder to form labor unions, and allowed the creation of vast monopolies. At the same time, the monied interests, the fortune 500 and companies that meet up the S&P index have prevented workers from getting better wages and more secure jobs. Since Reagan years the wealth of the Middle class, you and I and most of all we know, have seen a new record concentration of wealth and power at the top – enough to corrupt our system of self-government. and so on. The Republicans have disparaged immigrants, migrants, Democrats, socialists and successfully blamed me and others like me as being a deep state cabal, and, or socialist communist or have me poisoning the air and vaccines with contrails and nanobots. You and I have been harmed by the giant upward shift in the distribution of income and wealth; in the power that has accompanied that shift; and in the injuries to the pride, status, and self-esteem of those who have been left behind. The corporations and hugely rich individuals have abused their power and wealth to corrupt our democracy, take over much of our media, give executives stratospheric pay packages while firing workers, and pad their nests with special tax breaks and corporate welfare.

Dec 14, 2024

"All these items that have caused most of the US to lose their status and wealth loss are true, the disparagement of soldiers, federal workers like me as losers and deep state participants, and declaring that the government is the problem when the opposite is true. There is no deep state and there have been complete success in government, Think of the military, US is declared the best military, the weather service and NASA to the moon before 2016 Trump and other agencies like the federal reserve with unemployment down to record numbers and US ahead of every nation with few and short recessions and a vaccine for covid. If you didn't take the vaccine and ended up in ICU it's stupid as stupid does. But I digress....

Dec 16, 2024

"Elon Musk as a soonly appointed govt official has asked/told the highway safety institute, whose budget mostly comes from government, to stop collecting data on tesla car crashes under his new government agency on efficiency because Musk claims the US government has excessive data collection. This after 1500 tesla car crashes in the last year when they are in self driving mode. In India, drivers who are

involved in accidents with pedestrians run away because the crowd will kill them literally. My Xanon web site reported that when a lawyer caused a crash of multiple cars in a tunnel and it was found that the wreckage was caused by a tesla in self driving mode that slammed on its breaks causing the accident, a crowd of victims chased after the lawyer with a baseball bat.

Dec 16, 2024

"The oligarchs do not realize that democrats also have guns. Even I have a gun. It was my father's. When I was 10-12 years old, my mother, you know my parents, had no problem allowing my friends and me out in the woods behind my house to shoot cans with a 22. There was a broad large number of media posts supporting the murder of the United health CEO since UH had been stingy on paying out health care claims (maybe). But common people believe UH and other Medical organizations have shortchanged them. Their response of top organizations was to beef up security for CEOs.

Dec 18, 2024

"On this assassination of the health care plan, United health, CEO, there was a lot of support for the murderer in the media with many saying it was deserving because UH rejected so many health claims like this procedure is too experimental, which is what they said about my proton therapy in 2016. I had other options like adding a second hmo, Medicare part b and switching plans from Atnea. The rest of the US seem to be angry with their health plan interactions a little pre French Revolution. Turns out the kid shot the wrong CEO. It is the company Evicore that made the decision on my prior authorization for proton therapy in 2016 when I was with United Health. I have their docs letter that said it was too experimental. And it was evicore who canceled Claire's appointment for her scan for kidney stone last week until they reviewed it.

Dec 20, 2024

"I understand that the health care companies want to minimize their costs and give less \$ for the claims that are made. They pay evicore under a contract that is a lot of \$ and if evicore can return savings by not authorizing payment on claims, that is, people's medical needs, then evicore make money and the hmo also shares in the savings by not granting prior authorization for the medical procedure. In my case, it was United Health that denied my radiation treatment with proton therapy so I was able by virtue of working for the federal government, and it was switching season to switch to Atnea who would pay half of the costs and joined part B medicare. Folks not in the deep state can not do this and would have to mortgage their house to pay for it. So, we have a system that adds cost with no benefit.

Dec 20, 2024

"There are some good things or improvements in the world. One is the end of the Assad regime in Syria. In the news and media is a story about the Syrian government, specifically Assads brother running drug operations to produce captagon, Fenethylline a codrug with amphetamine and theophylline, that has become the addictive drug of choice throughout the Middle east. They claim the drug wakes one up, makes one more alert, feel good rush, and removes empathy and compassion for soldiers at war. In October, Lebanese authorities seized two tons of Captagon pills at the Beirut airport from a Saudi prince about to board a private jet home. For decades the US has been trying to topple the Assad regime with sanctions and now with hamas, Hezbollah and Ukraine wars, it has happened.

Dec 31, 2024

"By the end of WWII Roosevelt new deal policies had been enacted to fix the problems of overcrowded cities, poor working conditions, great economic disparity, and the political dominance of big business caused by industrial revolution creating a large middle class. During those years, the earnings of the typical American worker doubled, just as the size of the American economy doubled. The

last time the US economy doubled in size, the earnings of a typical worker did not double but remained the same. Following WWII, high tax rates on the wealthy and strong labor unions contributed to a narrowing of the wealth gap.

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"In Economics 101, it is taught that people (called agents or economic units by economists) will act in their self-interest. That is, folks will behave in their own self-interest most, if not all of the time, and respond to incentives, I guess, like a sale. Thinking about this basic idea that economic theory is based seems to be obviously wrong. People's emotions get in the way, like when they buy for personal feelings, well that could be from marketing, perceived pride or fantasy due to public relations, or advertising. Before the Industrial Revolution, there was no science of economics beyond slavery, feudalism, and peasants versus the royalty class and involved the royalty class accumulating wealth by owning gold and silver and land. Today, economics is the science of politics and finance and the ability to improve production of stuff (goods and services).

Jan 7, 2025 9

"I do not mention Trump much but find fault with the republican party policies like policy that causes inequality in wealth, like the war of the wealthy taking wealth from the middle class and the low 90% wage earners. However This week the Trump has sued the judge who presided over his felony conviction in a civil court suit. That case outcome will be appealed to higher state (NY) court and then Supreme Court to stop the sentence being handed down from Trump's felony conviction by a jury. I admit it is clever of Trump, I never thought about it. When I got my speeding ticket, the one where when I went to traffic court (court appearance was required) for speeding and the clerk read out my offense, the other speeders behind me let out an audible gasp. Or another time the guy ahead of me claimed he had no prior tickets so the judge reduced the fine and let him off easy and he walked out, but then the judge's computer reported he had violations so the judge said he lied and to the clerk to get that guy and bring him back but he was gone so he said I am not going to be lenient anymore. I got up, walked out, and paid the fine. Little did I know that I could have brought a civil suit on the judge which would have stopped the sentencing and appealed the ruling to a higher court and the time for all that would make my speeding ticket moot and I could win at any step if the judge that I placed on the bench would look favorably on my appeal cases.

Jan 12, 2025

'The policy of privatizing federal government agencies and functions so private business can do the work is wrong. It has been going on since President Reagan's administration in the 1980s. Then, the groundwork was laid, saying federal workers do worse work than private industry counterparts and are not cost effective. None of this was or is true. I have found that federal workers were conscientious and patriotic, and for those reasons, salaried workers would work overtime (without pay) to get things done. Yet the public is brainwashed into thinking that federal workers don't work hard or are corrupt or lazy. It is a measure of how the media of TV, cell phone news, and chatter has made federal workers the blame for all problems and vast conspiracies within easy like the "deep state". I know this because I was a deep state member, that is a federal worker for 40 years. Over that time we went from 50 Civil service workers to 200 as the US population increased and our responsibilities increased. But 150 of the 200 hundred employees were private sector employees. The Civil service complement stayed the same at 50 and private industry did the work without union requirements or rules. Formally, Officially, the private industry workers are hired at the discretion of the private industry, not the Civil servant, and no dickering about salary and benefits is allowed between Civil servant project investigator and the private industry manager, hired to lead all the contract employees. ...

Jan 12, 2025

"... so my shop, within the national weather service, under NOAA, part of the dept of Commerce, had the mission to save life and property, I would add commerce to that, a microcosm in the federal government. I was one of 50 civil servants in the modeling and prediction area originally called Development Division, the name changed to Environmental Modeling Center to reflect the additional modeling tasks of sun weather and ocean and lakes modeling and land surface models and aerosol and pollution modeling and climate modeling. We did it with computers, math and physics and it was quite rewarding. When I lived in Florida in 1978 before working in government, there was an 18hour predictability for the hurricane track forecast and when I retired the weather model had over a 5day or 10 day prediction quality as you know. My code is still in that model. ...

Jan 12, 2025

"To privatize the federal government to bring more tax payer dollars to private industry's like Elon Musks company, IBM, Unisys, and others that you never heard of like IMSG, MACOM-Delta, GSC, each would get contracts from the federal government to supply workers, equipment, and services in return for dollars a lot of dollars. Meanwhile, requirements for federal agencies increased, the number of new federal positions was capped, for my center-division, this was 50 federal worker civil servants. So more of my agencies budget went to private industry who hired the workers. Each worker hired by the private industry got the government to pay an extra years salary of the worker to the private company for hiring the worker. All benefits like health care are paid by the federal government. It ends up costing US tax payer twice as much to hire the contract employee compared to a federal civil service worker for the same job. The argument that federal government cost more compared to the private sector is wrong and fabricated by industry together money for business interests from taxpayers.

Jan 12, 2025

"The Republicans have been corrupting the federal government since the Reagan administration in the 1980s. There are consequences for the privatization of the federal government. The company involved has an incentive to maximize profit by short changing the workers' benefits and salaries which they do. For example, private companies get new immigrants on H1 Visas to come to the states so they can pay them less than US citizens as US workers will not work for the lower salaries. That is why you hear about guys like Musk and Gates complaining about not enough skilled Americans to fill their positions, what is true is private industry cannot get enough American citizens to work as cheaply as the importated workers from other countries who will keep quit interviewing faseof abuse by the private industry. The contract workers do not get to join a union even if the company has a union and if they try to start one or make any noise, they are sent back to their country, fired without cause. It is worse, typically the workload on the contractors is increased and I have seen family's broken up, and a life of extra stress for contract help. I can tell you first hand that speaking out on such cases can make one unpopular with upper management and there is retribution.

Jan 12, 2025

"I am arguing that privatization of Federal government has proven to cost more than keeping services in the government is better than handing them off to private sector companies. For the nuclear regulation commission, the 3 mile Island incident in 1979, has most discussion about how minor it was but it did cause no new plants to be built for 10years and a modern plant on Long Island was dismantled before use after being built due to local complaints. If the nuclear plant at 3 mile Island was run by the government instead of the private sector would the accident has happened. Would weather prediction be better if a private company sold the forecasts instead of the weather service.

Jan 13, 2025

"The privatization of NASA started happening when Republicans took over congress

during Reagans administration. Instead of taxpayers paying the salaries of workers who work at going to the moon or into orbit the money goes into private companies who need to do the same thing but also to pay stock dividends, pay extra salary for upper management and ceo's, and advertising, buy other companies to make a profit. To do that, make money in addition to space stuff (research and development) getting the job done, like sending up satellites and systems, with all the overhead it cannot be cheaper to have corporates run things. They are the 1st to say the federal government is more expensive or inefficient and that the private sector wants to be NASA or own the weather service. They want a way to tap into taxpayer money.

Jan 17, 2025

"There are some projects or industry that should belong in the federal workforce and some things should be in private industry. For example, building and running nuclear plants is something that should be controlled by government because if something goes wrong and a nuclear electricity power plant has a problem, then it is 5000 years plus, before anyone can get near it as the nuclear fuel has a half life of 5000 years and the radiation is a burning fire to humans. The operation of such projects needs redundancy and contingency because if corners are cut then irreparable damage is done. This goes for weather service ! I've been talking about this for years. Ofcourse, I was a civil servant federal worker for 40 years I know there is no deep state.

Jan 21, 2025

"Weather service is also something that should not be privatized, but the money-making part of the weather service is already privatized. That is the satellites, the lightning network. The airline data (the small screens in the seatbacks that gives the altitude and temperature), the radar data the computing maintenance are all paid to private companies who build and maintain the stuff at a profit. The amount of profit is decided by the private industry given the proposal bid for the project. Things that are left are the math and physics dynamics or pencil and paper work. In private industry hands the costs can be reduced and corners cut and civil servants pressured or payed off by promotion or fear of job loss or status loss.

Jan 21, 2025

"It's like the television news conferences: in the past the news casters from fox, CNN and the NYT would yell at the Secretary's or president shouting encriminating and or gotcha questions... is it true Mr secretary that 3 prostitutes urinated on your predecessors hotel bed in your Moscow hotel room (Xanon). Suddenly, the trolling yelling has ceased, disappeared, only soft ball questions allowed.

Jan 21, 2025

"I remember when the business interest would say: we should not be taxed twice, once when we make a profit and then again when share holders get taxed on their dividends from those profits. Thus, we have the capital gain (and dividends) tax at less than half of average tax rates that I or middle class pays.

Jan 23, 2025

'It comes down to avoiding Fox News, Newsmax, X, Facebook and Instagram for news. I do not have accounts with x or Instagram anyway and I do watch the above channels sometimes but with the understanding that there is a bias and agenda trying ... " to rule and regulate you". For example when was the last time a Democrat point of view was aired on fox? I think it was Combs on the Hannity and Combs show where Combs acted a scripted part of a democrat in name only. One can watch PBS news, the problem there is they equate the attention to republican view as much as progressive views thinking that is being fair. Maybe msnbc is OK but there are few progressive or democratic outlets for info compared to republican underwriten news outlets.

Jan 23, 2025

"And why notthat there are more republican outlets then democratic party outlets for propaganda brainwashing or influencers and influencing. Last Fall the fortune 500 stock companies CEO's met with Republicans and pledged large sums of money to republican campaign. Even past democratic business owners like newspaper owners contributed to republican campaign as ordered. I would not have done it. Money interests directly and through lobbying have agenda to maintain lower taxes for themselves and decrease money going to anywhere but themselves.

Jan 24, 2025

"A NYT article today claims affirmative action at the U of Michigan was bad because blacks & Latinos ruined it because it did not help academics or get-togetherness, that is, didn't bring valuable perspectives and benefits to society.e This is wrong. Since DEI (the new acronym for affirmative action or woke) is now used to reinstitute racism, part of the republican agenda in the present and in the past. The KluKlux clan, proud boys, etc, are not and never were democrats. Recall that the reason for affirmative action is
anti-discrimination statutes alone were not enough to break longstanding patterns of discrimination. Courts and executive order were made to compensate for historical wrongs and ongoing discrimination to minorities including women in employment. Thus, it is a punishment for past wrongs for violating the Constitution and the remedy or punishment of the citizens/people for purpetrating the violation is federal employment preferences (some points in HR minimum requirements). Admissions in schools like the U of Michigan is independent officially, but the school thought it could do better by selecting a spectrum of students. It included me as I did not have the grades, but while working at NSF in 1972, I wrote a letter to the chairman of the Meteorology dept outlining my ideas for stochastic dynamic prediction so I got accepted. Normally only a Asian students would fill the entire university although U of M did not accept my sons application to grad school from U of Maryland, their main competition and he has a A+ average and i am alumni. There is both sides of the story.

Jan 30, 2025

'Back to some politics and there is plenty starting with the Republican to be the head of health dept, Kennedy, who said Covid pandemic was " ... engineered to spare Jewish people of the disease. So people in NIH, Fauchi, had the Covid pandemic created and many people would die but the created Covid virus was made so Jews would not get it. That is the kind of talk that came out of Germany in 1930's.

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"Another day and another atrocity in America. During my terure of federal service, what Republicans call the deep state, there were a few buyouts, meaning folks could get a reward if they retired early and some folks said they were ready to retire but they would wait a while in the hope of getting a buyout bonus. The bonus could be as much as \$20k in 1980s as the federal government had a hiring freeze on for years, and no new positions were allowed to accrue. Even up to 2021, after 35 years, my center started with 50 civil servants, and that is the number of civil servants when I le¹AaaQ¹ft in 2022. However, we went from 0 to 200 private company contractors over the same period. Last week, federal workers received offers for 8 months' salary if they resigned by the end of next week.
If this buyout offer were true and I was still working, ready to retire, I would have gotten \$80k extra, but it is not a real offer. B nm\llm\l\l???mm?] dono get anything. The letter also contained a warning that if one does not resign, they will be furloughed without pay or fired.

Feb 7, 2025 4

'X-anon website says California's governor Newsom made a deal with Republicans

to continue federal help/aid for fire damage by not criticizing conservatives in media. Xanon says fbi disruption is all about allowing media from Russia on X to have greater reach in return for not exposing sensitive material that could cause scandal. Xanon says social scientists testing world laboratory for grand experiments to see if unsaid absence will have any effect, if without fbi the crime statistics will show differences, or a lack of Cia agency will alter world order. 19 scientist working on this said they have a rare opportunity for a natural experiment to test what happens when an agency is removed or becomes ineffective. This also goes for NOAA, where computers were taken and set to the task of searching databases for finding employees involed in diversity or climate science. According to the New York Times "NOAA's website displaying climate data became unavailable". Also from the NYT "A conservative nonprofit has posted the names and information including photos of federal workers on a "watch (eminies) list" related to woke asking to fire them. The Musk/Republican conservative have named the watch list to be fired as the bureaucrat "watch list" any one who is black or supported diversity, criticized Mr. Trump or was shown on social media or made donations to Democrats. Many of the targets are Black workers at health agencies. The nonprofit called them "woke D.E.I. devotees in the federal government who need to be fired." The publication of the list was the latest sign of the far-reaching backlash against diversity programs since Mr. Trump took office. Mr. Trump and his allies have sought to do far more than eliminate federal diversity offices, which the president mandated in an executive order. They also are seeking to make the idea of pro-diversity programs toxic and taboo, in the private sector and in federal workers' private lives. When the American Accountability Foundation started, its mission was " the goal was and is making it as difficult as possible for the Biden administration and their allies on the Hill to implement their agenda," Mr. Jones told Fox News in an interview.

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"I have not understood the problem maga crazy and a lot of every day citizens have with the democrats over the last decades. Democrats fixed up the recession, supported the covid science fixed up the unemployment problem, its 4% a value the Republicans said was unattainable without inflation and the stock market is at record highs under Biden admin. Even Biden made the bill for 3 strikes and your out putting people/kids away for smoking pot with felonies and jail time, even though Biden finally said it was a bad idea that he did when he was younger, he admitted he was wrong, Republicans never say they are wrong or admit to any wrong doing; ever. There has not ever been a sincere apology form any republican that I can remember. People must think maga republican can do no wrong.

Feb 11, 2025

'It did not matter much to the NOAA immigrants that became naturalized citizens (a requirement) and then civil servants that they could not run for a political office or get paid for talks or books. They mostly kept to themselves and did not understand the american culture. They thought that "the nail sticking up gets hammered down. Now with official notices giving them a "fork in the road" they may take a buy out or hang in there and get fired. You can imagine how upset and frightening they are. You could be an air traffic controller or a programmer but now realize you are without work, how you going to pay your debts, they think, I thought I had job security. The word is already out to relatives and friends. If I amright there will be a downward glitch in consumer purchases and a tic down in consumer spending from the local panic.

Feb 12, 2025

"What has been a wonder to me over the years is that more than once in Russia and China, the central government has killed or deported their intelligent people. There has been more than one purge in Russia for anyone who read a book. Of course book burnings in WWII and exiles to Siberia during 1960's. In China there was the

great leap forward which ended up causing inferior production and famine, and the Culrural revolution. I have mentioned it before, my office cubicle neighbor, older than I, who was about to retire after 30 years of working on the radiation code of the model told me how he knew how to skin a squirrel (and I am sure he ate them having been sent to places where there was nothing, no tools and everyone fended for themselves.
In all cases a generation later, 30 years, and stuff seems to be getting done.

Feb 12, 2025

"So in this country as we scare off our civil servants, like me before retirement, we will recover.

Feb 12, 2025

"But why waste the good works of folks who serve well and create things like the internet, moon flight, vaccines, weather prediction etc.

Feb 15, 2025

"In higher education when university professors or others get federal grants, the university administration sets a tax for doing business at that specific university. They call it cost sharing or indirect costs when the school takes a percentage of the grant money. At Michigan back in 1973 when we were there, it was half the dollars Fortran salaries went to the university instead of salaries or equipment.
 Harvard, Yale, Johns Hopkins, the University of Iowa, and the University of Florida respectively receive 69%, 67.5%, 63.7%, 55.5%, and 52.5% which would be called over 100% cost sharing meaning more than half of the grant dollars went to the university administration to take care of physical plant and maintenance.
Today NIH ordered no more than 30% cost sharing meaning no more than 15% can be taken from federal grants.

Feb 17, 2025

'How would anyone feel having Little Marko, Marko Rubio be the only negotiator for your country. Such is the case going on now in Saudi Arabia between Russia and US to determine the fate and future of Ukraine and its war started by Russia. Back in 1930's the world, Europe/US negotiated the capitulation of countries like Czeckeslovockia, Austria and other nations to an aggressive power claiming "peace in our time" supported by America First party a cover for Nazi party back then but now Republican MAGA the party of industry, oligarchs and banking. How did it work out for Euroupe and the US in 1930's? The Republican Conservatives defined appeasement as "satisfying the legitimate demands of aggrieved nations to turn them into satisfied members of the comity of nations." So said the "American Conservative" publication today. Vice President JD Vance said at Europe's conference that he would negotiate with Russia/Putin without Europe or Ukraine at the table and said Ukraine would never be part of NATO, giving away a key negotiating point before the negotiations started. Way to go sport.
That is also what happened before Biden administration in Afghanistan where Trump envoy told Taliban US was pulling troops out before negotiating leaving Biden holding the bag, but Republicans have done it before negotiating with Iran to hold hostages until Ragan was in office.

Feb 17, 2025

'I usually do not say bad stuff about Trump. I believe it is the Republican Republicans and MAGA party that is bad, and I will speak out whenever I hear someone saying a false thing like Trump beat Biden in 2020 election. Of course AL Gore did win his presidential election as the Florida secretary of state impounded and later destroyed ballots from Florida cities that had black citizens and Republicans paid and bused protesters to harass poll vote counters checking hanging Chad's in ballots. So that election was stolen for Bush W. and republicans. If I hear terrible stuff in the news, I will comment as you and your friends and families should know the con being perpetrated on them and how they are being

played for chumps and lied to. I think i should go to your town and speak to your family and others, retelling everything I wrote politically here for their ears. They might shoot me, or they might agree. Anyone you know having any remorse for voting for Republicans, conservatives or for MAGA in last election. I think they are remorseful but do not want to admit it. Like a niece of mine just married in Cincenatti, who was fired this week from Fish and Wild Life for no reason. Are they coming for my pension next. I ran into the past head of the Weather Service last Monday, and he said, "Aren't you glad you are not working for the government any more".

Feb 19, 2025

"Why fire mostly young people on probation from federal service? I think the Republican conservative MAGAheads are good with that until it's their son or daughter that is fired from their job as my niece was fired from Fish and Wildlife service last week. It makes sense cause it makes news. Now conservative republican magaheads can say the savings are good enough to keep the 22% corporate tax permanent while I have to pay 34%. Plus a big corporation can live off stock/bond investments which profits are taxed at 15%. And the wealthy developers, and businesses interests get to take depreciation and carried interest so their burden is even less. They are making chumps out of the public who voted to lose money, lose their wealth, dumb down their education with charter schools.

Feb 19, 2025

'Education across the country has been dumb down in many ways. You have probably heard that there has been grade inflation. An "A" in school now is what a "B" was when you were in school. It's worse than that. With charter schools it is anything goes. The Muslim folks open their school with taxpayer dollars and the children get to memorize the Koran, Christian kids get to read the bible and think all they need in life is prayer. Or those that have put together home school charters who think there is something wrong with public schools. Like the one you and I attended. Arithmetic shows that each tax dollar that goes to a private charter school is taken away from public school and they then are degraded. Also each child in private charter school if the act out meaning do something bad they can be kicked out of the private charter school and sent to the public school who can not kick out disruptive students. So the public schools are full of the bad charter students so what family would want to send their children to public schools which lowers the student population of public schools making them underfunded and now those are the poor schools, the prophecy is self fulfilled.

Feb 22, 2025

"Where do you think I differ with free market capitalists republican conservative MAGAheads? Oversight/regulations and limits are a requirement whenever people are concerned or involved. This is especially necessary in a world where corporate entities exist as they are composed of people. A system of checks and balance is the idea and I am not the first to think about it. I learned about its importance in 3rd grade and so did you. The lack of checks and balances and oversight leads to corruption if people are involved. Don't let Fox News convince you that regulations are bad or hold up business profit making. The way to tell if there is insufficient oversight, not enough regulation, or check and balances is to check the inequality of wealth measure which should be constant.

Feb 22, 2025

"The inequality of wealth has been increasing since the 1980s. Wealth or money has been going out of the Middle class to the upper class level of wealth by all and any measure.

Feb 22, 2025

"The wealth decrease to the Middle class can not go on for ever. At some point life for people becomes intolerable in addition to being wrong. In a place like

China or Russia if folks get angry because there is not enough work, paid salary, enough food, or too much war, there is appeal to nationalism and propaganda which usually works, like in China they say all boats rise and satisfaction with government policy has been high (as far as I can tell) but the best paying hourly wage in China from Foxconn, where iphones are assembled is now up to \$2.00/hour and workers have 10-12 hour days including Saturdays. If propaganda and nationalism do not work then there is always repression. People in Russia who claimed there was a war in Ukraine were jailed as it was against the law to say so. When protesters held up blank signs they were also jailed. In history at some point repression gives way to revolution.

Feb 27, 2025

"I feel sorry for Ukraine. Beside some of my ancestors who came from there over a century ago, I have no connection beside lost relatives. It is clearly wrong to stop supporting/arming Ukraine, especially after entering a treaty in 1980s for them to give up their nuclear weapons in return for security guarantees villain. And Russia is definitely the villain. Government workers, Federal civil service workers like I was for 40 years have had to take on more work over the last 40 years. The pressure from Republican conservatives has been going on since Reagan administration. Republican conservatives have been saying government workers are inferior, or they are absent from their jobs or causing fraud. None of that is true. The federal civil service is the least corrupt group of agencies ever and everyone in my career was a hard worker and strive to do their jobs.

Feb 28, 2025

'I can say that when I was in the weather service, there was no waste, fraud, or abuse. To say there is or was any is a lie and that there have been propaganda lies perpetrated on American citizens is a truth. In the federal civil service
"Probationary employees are the lifeblood of government. They come in at a low salary level and work their way up. That's how we renew ourselves," ... so said judge Alsup.
Everyone should understand the Republican Conservative Magaheads lie with these employees because they have not been in the federal service long enough to have committed a crime. My probationary service lasted only one year. No federal civil service employee can take a gift of more than \$24.00, a hearty lunch per year, or an honorarium for speaking. For example, at the famous SCRIPPS Institute for Oceanography, a lab in California gave me \$ for a talk, but I had to turn the money over to the government and could not take it off my taxes. I now know of a colleague at my old weather service agency, who wrote for the regional model who was fired under the probationary firings. The guy got his first job after studying for 8-10 years of college and time as a private industry contractor. Like me, this guy's life is dedicated to solving complex scientific problems. I am glad my own son did not choose to serve in the federal civil service where his career would be wasted by republican conservative Magaheads who are racist, didn't study in school, or read a book and do not have social grace.

Mar 3, 2025 9

"It's getting wacky in politics with reversal in Ukraine support policy, exclusion of press from white house, firing good folks from their jobs like mu neice and colleagues, raising my taxes, cutting back on education and more. Do you know anyone who has lost a job due to government cuts that deserve to lose their job.
Let's talk about something else... like physics but I came across this reading a statement from a physicist on Ukraine:
Nazi Germany's semi-official and fiercely antisemitic newspaper Der Stürmer warned of a Jewish program for world domination in this 1934 issue. The article-titled "Who is the Enemy?"-blamed Jews for destroying social order and claimed that Jews wanted war, while the rest of the world wanted peace. Der Stürmer, July 1934.

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"The Jews did not have very much power in 1930s Germany as proved by the holocaust and war that followed killing them in all the countries in Europe. Jews back then were not a threat to the fascist regime back then, as far as I can determine since, for example, the wealthiest Jews were the Rothschild's who got their wealth back in 1300 and were a Olagarch for centuries, who did banking and support of Germany for most of WWII. They were allowed to flee to England but not take all their money. I refuse to believe that Latinos are the problem, or blacks are the problem.

Mar 6, 2025 1

"This week finds the newer office building where I worked for the weather service on the for sale block. When I had my job interview for the weather service position in 1985 I was told that, that part of the weather service offices were going to move from their temporary and rented facility to a new building closer to where I lived in 5 years. So, I took the position even though it was a longer commute than NASA. They did build a new building at the University of Maryland campus, but not for 27 more years in 2012, so the government overpaid for that time on its rental. It was Republicans in Congress with a Maryland developer (not Turmp) to have the GSA continue the lease at above average rates. If they do sell all this federal real estate with the current commercial office rental existing low vacancy rate would cause a commercial real estate crash or panic so at best the government sales would need to be done over decades or never. But the small panic is happening to any office landlord.

Mar 7, 2025 7

"The old building could not get a buy or lessor as it was built poorly, so it was torn down. The new building called NOAA National Centers for Environmental Prediction had the misfortune of having both the word Climate and Environmental in its name. It has a modern looking waterfall and grass on the roof, the environmentally friendly part. It is made of mostly glass hardened structure meant to be safe against a terrorist bomb and I had a nice office. The weather service Operations were their staffed with 24/7 civil servants who predicted weather and coordinated with FEMA any emergencies which were mostly flood and tornado or fire. I have a paper on fire weather prediction in the top weather journal from 1987. Also have a paper in Nature, a top scientific journal on the Ozone hole at Antarctica. Could have got to go there if I stayed with NASA one more year instead of moving to the weather service. The civil service has terminated a number of scientists their now, especially one I know that had a grade promotion, tough to get, but if you are awarded the coveted spot, you go on probation for a year and so he is fired. He got the job from the contractor pool working at NCEP/EMC by handling the high resolution regional FV3 model used in severe weather prediction. The last idea I was working on was the effect of gravity waves in the atmosphere on the onset of severe weather prediction. The problem is the tornado storms get a too early start.

Mar 16, 2025

"In Florida setting up my mother in laws place, one of 50 units, this time from hurricane which Sent about an inch of water into the place so furniture returned from storage. It is an improvement from bare walls but everything is now working. I think I can fix anything and I may be right. All the dishes and such had been saved but had been placed in a pile on the porch or as they are called down here, the lanai. A years worth of dusk but the dish washer was not working, the only appliance not working.

Mar 16, 2025

'The dishwasher a modern (maytag) replaced after first flood, so something happened with 2nd hurricane smaller flood and error f8-e4 that translates as "overflow tray full" which is a long plastic tray to catch water under the dishwasher with a float and interlock switch to sense if water is leaking out of the washer. But I find the tray dry with float moving up and down ok. All internet videos and text

say suds or water leak caused the f8-e4 error and it did with the small flood water a year ago. Taking apart float and switch I find switch is permanently open regardless of position, so tiny switch is bad. I cut the two wires and shorted/closed the circuit, error is gone and washer is working again. The flood mitigation guy said get a new one but I can fix you anything from a camshaft to a spade, I take my tools and wrap them in a pair of oily gloves, you always find me working where you find the big machines.

Mar 18, 2025

'These guys will say anything... head line from today's NYT: "Elon Musk Shared, Then Removed a Post Absolving Dictators for Genocide." The post falsely claimed that Joseph Stalin, Adolf Hitler and Mao Zedong were not responsible for the murders of millions of people, but rather public sector workers were." I assure you that I was not involved in murders. Why do Republican/conservatives say stuff like that? Especially about low level civil service workers like me. Are people in Kansas saying Hitler didn't lead Germany to kill the Jews, rather his underlings in government service designated the land, hired and paid salaries integrated trains to carry them. Germany was a top down dictatorship close to the present one this year. It is wrong.

Mar 20, 2025

"I remember Jimmy Carter's tax on windfall profits for oil companies 1980-1988 when Reagan 1st official act was to repeal it. The oil companies had profits that were so large, I say gouging, no company ever came close to such large profits, except oil companies under Biden's admin. Republicans always voted as a block against windfall profits tax and but only Carter's admin got them past. As a voting block Republicans have been successful in lowering corporate taxes on business from 91% in Eisenhower admin to present 22% on profits greater than 1/4 of a million dollars compared to tax on income less than \$250,000 at 34%, the 90% lowest wage earners, that's you and me and every one I have ever known. I can not think of someone I know who is in the top 10% income save the 1% top income earners or top 0.1%. They do not associate with us less wealthy folk.

Mar 20, 2025

"I should add that business interest get to take deductions on depreciation of many kinds and usually inflate the worth of company owned real estate and stuff like cars and plant for losses and increase the value when borrowing, lowering their tax liability and maximizing the amount of money they can borrow. For business can borrow so much on their project like building an office building that the bank has landed more than the office building is worth while owners pay themselves lavish salary. Usually the loans are covered by larger loans and inflation aids in paying off the loans or assets are sold off and the bank is left with a property that is close to worthless and the banks take a loss, raising fees or getting a bailout from taxpayers.

Mar 20, 2025

"I have mentioned that when I bought my shack in Northern Michigan I was working too hard to use it so I would rent it out under a separate sole proprietorship company with tax no., all above board, and because of that and the tax laws back in 1980s the main thing was one could lose more money or losses than one made in rents. For example, I could say it was worth double what I paid for it (because of my good works as owner), then depreciate that cost reducing my taxable income. I would pay 6% of my income then compared to now, 34%, because I get income now from pension 401k, ira type funds that I must take as income. Corporates get to take that income as capital gains which is 15%. I have written about this before, and how the income tax has become more unfair with each republican administration since Ronald Reagan. Mostly because of the unfair tax code less dollars are available for the lowest 90% wage earners and more goes to the top income earners. This makes life for you and me and people we know harder and less happy or good while the top

income earners get more resources to manipulate lobbies and the press and media propaganda to get their point of view the reality. For example, everybody voted republican to have lower prices on eggs and everything else but that did not happen like a past republican promise to be compassionate conservative. The propaganda did convince people to vote republican but their lives were worse and they felt less well off. US is now 24th in how it's citizens feel about the nation compared to those in Scandinavia the top nations who people feel good about their nation.

Mar 26, 2025

'Here is some science logic. 1st we can agree on jargon that a moving object, Δ A car or anything moving goes a distance or length in some amount of time. At 60mph, we would travel the length of 1 mile in 1 minute. Δ The equation in physics for that is distance or length of 1 mile, call it "l" equals 60 mph (miles per hour) times 60 seconds or the equation Δ $l = \text{speed } v$, multiplied by time or Δ $l = v t$. Δ Say we are at a train station and perform an thought experiment where we turn on a floor light in a stationary see through glass train car with a mirror on the ceiling. The light bulb starts from the station floor, hits the ceiling, and returns to the starting place. The speed of the light we will call "c" so this part of the experiment shows $l = c t$. The length from the earth to the ceiling of our spot at the station which we make it just like the height of our glass train car. You can guess that we will try the same thing to compare this "event" with the light bulb at the station with that of a fast moving train.

Mar 26, 2025

"That is a fast moving train...f is near v

Mar 26, 2025

'I found this picture showing the light ray begin and end its trip within the stationary train car with the total length of the trip for the light ray Δ $l = ct$ Δ Since it is a light ray it travels at the speed of light. The train and platform is so far not moving so it's speed, v, is 0. Δ If we know the length accurately and can time the trip we can calculate the speed of light from $l = ct$ by solving (divide both sides of the equal sign by the time, t) for c and get $c = l/t$. We don't need to know the speed of light value for our "event" experiment but I made that calculation, it's done with rotating mirrors and a fast geared up motor, when I was at Stony Brook a little before we met. The great physicist of early 1900 claimed he figured out from first principals (derived) that the speed of light was the same, what ever the value whether we are standing on the train station or flying in a rocket ship. I needed to do the experiment to believe it, and I did do the experiment carefully and it is true.

Mar 27, 2025

'As mentioned previous, keep in mind that the events that happen around us like gravity and objects falling or moving would also happen if the same event occurs if we were moving with the same gravity, like on another earth like similar planet or rocket ship moving with the same gravity as on earth. For example if we were in a ship in space accelerating with the same force as earth's gravity and had no windows to look out, we could not tell the difference between being on earth or in the ship. Physicists say "The fundamental laws remain unchanged no matter where you are going or where you are." Δ The next "event" is we will observe the same thought experiment but this time on a moving train as it goes by our original experiment event. The light ray turns on, hits the mirrored ceiling and comes back to its starting point, but this time the train car containing the light ray is moving. Δ We follow and trace what we see, we follow the light ray.

Mar 27, 2025

"When the light ray hits the ceiling of the moving train, it has moved straight along its path and from our standpoint the ray of light makes a diagonal line from the train car bottom to top, and since the train continues on its course, the ray

is reflected by the mirror and we would see a diagonal path of the light ray from the top back to the bottom of the car. Drawing a line from the start to the finish of the event completes a triangle. Because the light now has traversed a distance in addition to its reflection we get a triangle shape for its trajectory instead of only up and down over the same path. The light ray in the moving train has traveled a longer distance. The light beam traveled at the speed of light in both cases. If I am in the train moving at a constant rate all the laws of physics must be the same as on the station platform we only have length of light trip as I see it in the moving train is the same as you would see the event at the station platform, not moving, the speed of light the same if I measure it on the moving train as you would measure it at the stationary station and time, now two of which, length of the light ray measured on the train event. ¶Next is a diagram of the moving train event:

Mar 27, 2025

"The trajectory as seen by you standing still on the station platform watching the event on the moving train. The first diagram showing the light ray moving up to the ceiling and over itself down to the source as I see it on the moving train as well as what you saw on the stationary platform.

Mar 28, 2025

"Looking at the diagram in the moving train light ray event and comparing it with the station platform event, the first diagram, which is also what the in the moving train observer would see. We call the length of either side of the triangle trajectory of the light ray t' , the time of the moving train light ray times the speed of light c divided by 2, cause it is half the event time, $1/2$ up, $1/2$ down or triangle side length, $l = ct'/2$. The distance traveled by the light ray is $ct'/2$ and the distance traveled by the train when the light ray reaches the mirror is $vt'/2$. The train is moving at speed v , whatever that speed is. Looking at the moving train diagram, ¶these two distances along with the perpendicular distance between the mirror and the light source, l , form a perfect right-triangle, compelling us to apply the Pythagorean theorem...

Mar 29, 2025

"There is a good chance that you do not remember the Pythagorean theorem $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$, and as you may not have studied some half century ago, I direct your attention at the right triangle diagram, the equation can be set up as: ¶Drum roll...

Mar 29, 2025

"The 3 sides of the triangle squared are equated, the prime t' , is the time in the moving frame and t is the time in the stationary frame where we observe the moving frame. I will guess that it has been some time since you used any algebra but us nerds play around with sensuously massaging the terms above. Solving for the t' , the time in the moving frame of reference in terms of our time t . We know that $l = ct$ where t is the time taken for the light ray to travel to the mirror and back, and since here we're operating under the scenario of the light ray traveling to the mirror which is only half of its total journey, we will instead use the relation $l = ct/2$. substituting that we get: ... don't forget to zoom in on the equation images...

Mar 29, 2025

"we rearrange the last equation we have in terms of a ratio between t' and t

Mar 29, 2025

"We have a conclusion.... the two times t , our platform stationary to us, and t' , t prime, the time in the moving train, ¶the ratio of t' over t . The ratio equal one if $v=0$ meaning the train is not moving, stationary at the platform. You should notice that $t' = t$ times the Greek letter gamma if we make gamma equal to 1

divided by the square root of 1 minus the ratio of the two velocities, the speed of the train v , over that of the speed of light, c , both squared. Let say that the speed of the train is $1/2$ the speed of the light. Then the ratio of v -squared over c -squared is $0.5 \times 0.5 = 0.25/1 = 0.25$ and 1 minus that is $1 - 0.25 = 0.75$. And the Square root of 0.75 is 0.866 and $1/0.866$ is 1.15. If the train is seen moving at half the speed of light, for each second that goes by our clock, that moving train clock seconds each take 1.15 times longer, we see life slow down in the Moving train.

Mar 31, 2025

' There are a number of cosmological issues as in the way the world works from this thought experiment. One thing is if the place or ship you are in does not change its speed you can not know that you are in the moving train or at the stationary station. It means that the laws of physics are the same everywhere. The speed of light is constant regardless of the relative speed of the observer. This doesn't match what we observe intuitively. And the clock on the moving train is moving, that is the length of a second or a minute as viewed from our "stationary" frame of reference, is slower. The person on the moving train is not aging as fast as those on the platform but they on the moving ship don't know it. By how much? Put the train in space and speed it up to $1/2$ the speed of light: follow the formula for the "time dilation" derived earlier; The ratio if v squared over c squared is 0.5 squared for $0.5 \times 0.5 = 0.25$ subtracted from $1 = 3/4$ and the Square root of the results is $1/2$ times the square root of 3 all divided into 1 gives 1.15. So an hour is 15 minutes longer and 10 year trip at $.5c$, $.5$ the speed of light, the traveller would have aged 8 and $1/2$ years instead of 10.

Apr 1, 2025 6

"I will come back to what goes on in the universe, but I need to jump back to politics; I heard that my niece was reinstated at her job at Fish and Wild Life Service. She said she is applying elsewhere, so she loses time on her career, and the civil service loses a good employee. I have not heard from scientists at the weather service where I used to work. The word is out that even regular civil service federal workers can lose their jobs with a statement from partisan republican conservative magats lying that some employee was doing a bad job. I know it would have made me feel terrible after the sacrifices I made to learn how to solve nonlinear systems way before AI existed. So much so that I neglected the girl I loved and let her go to California so I could get my degree. Think of all the heartbreak and disruption for folks with integrity and work ethic. After 40 yrs in government, I can say there is no deep state or swamp, and there is not fraud, waste or abuse. Americans have been lied to the way the Russian, Chinese and N. Koreans have lied to their citizens to gain power and wealth. The Republican conservative magats have been complicit in the lies to preserve their own careers. Remember what happened to John McCain and Liz Channey as well as a number of federal prosecutors and their companies.

Apr 10, 2025

'Here is a quote from the 2025 republican manifesto decrying NOAA, weather service; "NOAA's is a colossal operation that has become one of the main drivers of the climate change alarm industry and, as such, is harmful to future U.S. prosperity. This industry's mission emphasis on prediction and management seems designed around the fatal conceit of planning for the unplannable. That is not to say NOAA is useless, but its current organization corrupts its useful functions." My application of physics, science and being clever, having given a lot of my life to better life in America is cheapened by the magat republican efforts to end the weather service. They show a lack of understanding, and arrogant child like understanding. I understand that Republicans represent big corporates and they do not want to pay for the cost of messing up the climate by paying a carbon tax, but business are the ones doing the damage and the costs should be part of the business model and factored into profits. To call my work

that improved model skill a conceit of planning the unplanable shows how conceded the magats are as for example we predict hurricanes a week in advance compared to a day back in 1978. My mother in law's condo in Naples has been flooded twice in last 3 years, when there was not ever a flood over the last 100 years and no records before that, so climate change is real. Anyone who voted republican is a chump and should feel remorseful.

Apr 10, 2025

"... in fact remorseful and apologies are in order for those who thought and wrongly believed the Republicans would raise everyone salary, rid America of Latinos and blacks (and jews). Yes. They are racists. Woke means hiding history that shows the mistreatment of blacks from slavery (slavery was wrong) through a 100 years of segregation including the murders of whole neighborhoods in more than one town. These were programs just like the ones for jews in Russia and Europe. The great program of WWII, the holocaust was the largest and how did that work out for Germany. America is now where Germany was in 1930's with its first concentration camp in El Salvador and Quantanimo. The magats are proud of the El Salvadore pictures of men in underwater being pushed around by guards and crowded behind Kristi Noem, Homeland Security Secretary. I am embarrassed by her action and the fact that she has been given this high position to a childlike mind. I think k she should be slapped and sent to bed with out dinner for her actions. Most of the people in that prison are not criminals and one is a citizen here in US legally and none of them have been given a lawyer or a trial to see if they committed a crime. Now we will never know if they deserve to be in a prison concentration camp.

Apr 10, 2025

"Sorry, the speller changes pogrom to program probably because I typed pogram. Here is the definition which is definitely woke: A pogrom is a violent riot incited with the aim of massacring or expelling an ethnic or religious group, particularly Jews.

Apr 10, 2025

"A word on the tarrifs: let's say they, Republican conservative magats, are entirely successful and all countries reduce their import/export tarrifs on US goods and manufacturing potentially returns to US. I think that would be called an even playing field. That was the situation before the rust belt started, US companies moved Northern factories to the south of the US to avoid unions because unions successfully raised salary and living standards for common, previously poor workers in manufacturing. Without union representation and glad to get any job, the business flight from the northern cities to the south and the realization that Central America and Asia would further decrease corporate salary costs. Thus the rust belt of the north and jobs in the south are lost to Mexico and Asia. The labor cost of a worker could be \$40/hr compared to the best paid workers in Asia were \$1/hr. Even today, the highest hourly wage in Asia is \$2/hr at Foxconn, the place where Apple I-phones are assembled. Such employees get room and board which should add to their income but it is not like working for Apple in California. In Asia the working day is closer to 12 hours and Saturday with no overtime pay. To bring back manufacturing to the US after the tariff war, one would need to import Asians willing to work at much lower pay than Americans but we already have that in our Latino undocumented workers that we are trying to deport. To be competitive with Asia and continue the standard of living we are accustomed to, the new manufacturing companies would not be profitable and either require subsidies from taxpayers (like the chips act) or a new caste of poor Americans as even our current federal minimum wage at \$7.45 is way too much over wages in Asia.

Apr 15, 2025

'From the earlier post about that physical laws are the same everywhere, and that the acceleration applied to someone is the same as the force from a mass, like the

earth if the force is the same, we say relativity and speed of light is a constant in different moviof reference, reference, then we can say "The universe has no single center – everywhere is both the center and the periphery, relative to all possible observers".

Apr 21, 2025

'One (me) may be way out there in the universe to be thinking about how large the universe is (infinite), how much we on earth can ever see of it (about 14billion lightyears away) or how far away 1 light year is, 6 trillion miles.
So, do you believe that on a planet, thousands of lightyears away we detected some molecules that are the byproduct of "living" mold slime? Luckily if we send a message of commerce or greeting to it now, anticipating that it will be or is intelligent enough to decode, understand, and send back an answer it will be thousands of years in the future before we receive it. Thousand out going greeting, thousands incoming reply. It would be longer time for 1 round of a message than if some one sent a message from thousands of years before Christ and expected us to figure it out or have reason to be interested in it. That actually happened if you consider the old testament.

Apr 21, 2025

"Can not help feeling like a rant as magats got their wish to get rid of NOAA and weather service. They have started with notice to reduce the force by 1500 civil service employees. I still have friends most like me who recently retired but some are young. They were good and dedicated scientists or nerds like me, only concentrating on doing something for the greater good. Now they are getting their resume together and looking for a new job. We lose cause the country does not get their expertise and they lose because their career is stunted or set back. The magats have done a very bad thing.

Apr 30, 2025

"Republican magats have removed federal grants and classified/secret clearances from about a dozen law firms that represented or participated in the Muller investigation, Hilary Clinton's or Biden's campaign or any court cases against Trump. About half of the law firms made agreements to pay the republican national committee with millions of dollars worth of pro bono work. Not that these law firms did a lot of pro bono work compared to the income from regular work, such charity would now be done at the control and behest of the republican national committee instead of say , to a veteran who suing for PTSD care, that he cannot get at veterans administration and can not afford a lawyer. For example one of the dozen law firms is called Milbank. Milbank's pro bono committee requequires 25 hours per year of pro bono work from it's lawyers. The firm has a least 100 lawyers and averaged 44 hours of pro bono work per lawyer last year which is about 1 week per lawyer per year of free work. Now 1/2 dozen law firms will take there free work from poor peoples charity to the whimof the RNC whose chair/leader is Trumps daughter, Laura. What happens is law firms spend 1/50 of their time doing political work for one Republican party, what ever happened to equal time in politics. At \$500/hour the 44,000 hours of pro bono lawyering worth \$20 million. The other 1/2 dozen law firms won lawsuits saying us govt cannot interfere for Freedom of speech and due process constitutional law. Maybe the awful tv depictions are closer to the truth at least for the law firms that gave away their pro bono work to hurt the people they were supposed to serve and worse the magat party demanding the constitutional violations of law.

May 1, 2025 7

"In a post earlier this year, I ranted about Homeland security sending out masked police? to quell black lives matter riots in Oregon and Seattle by kidnapping leaders for a while and keeping them incommunicado for several hours in vans. I said that HS was practicing, but I did not know for what. Now, there is a government program called HSI, Homeland security investigations, which is the group

that breaks into homes and cease stuff and arrest aliens, except they make news when they do it to citizens. Sounds like gistaipo or brown shirts to me. I think I mentioned I went to a musk- tesla protest about a month ago. I am getting too old for that kind of thing. But closing perfectly good government agencies and firing hard-working and dedicated people is wrong. The Musk people have no idea of the identity and importance of the people they who career they mess up. This is plain evil.

May 9, 2025 1

"Here is a gripe I have on Republican party; For years under Obama and Biden the Republicans complained about Democrat's, the government, overreaching info local or personal affairs and homes. What could be more of a reach then telling us is we have too much, too much Toys, we own too many cars, so if we can not afford to buy stuff, then that's OK, republicans say we should not have stuff anyhow.
I have relatives in rural MI and they are seeing empty shelves for hallmark greeting cards. The hallmark located in Kansas make wrapping, paper ribbons while the cards are made in Asian countries.

May 9, 2025 7

"I may have mentioned before, i have been working with clay and learned to throw/make a pot. More like a sizable bowl. I think there is a kind of recreation and has in common with sailing or playing rock and roll that I am immersed and do not think of anything else. Like writing computer code, there is nothing else going on, taking ones full attention.

May 9, 2025 8

"True, I have not been able to solve/fix some computer programs but I have hD a few successes. I have managed to get my animation/rendering program to work and can read/display my old model files but can not seem to make new ones correctly, getting what is called segmentation fault which means the program has tried to get some memory from from outside its universe. It will be neat if I can solve it. This and the above mention also have in common that you are alone. Noone can help, there are no books or references to check out, it is up to me.

May 9, 2025 8

"Beside firing young (probationary) and regular civil service workers who do all the work, feel patriotic, and dedicated to whatever they studied in school,
Republicans have claimed that those fired are responsible for as they sY waste, fraud and abuse.
There is no such thing as the deep state planning government take over or other curruption. The talking heads on fox news and others like Mark Livine could be refreshing to the upper management like extended family members of Trump who have been given cushy jobs, called nepotism, and well paying jobs in executive service or others who became officials in crypto exchange or crypto coin, who for the moment are legal ponzi schemes, or real estate deals, or the administration cabinet and its staff as well as t G e CEO's who met with the cabinet and donated money to the inauguration and other causes, or the law firms never known for their over abundance of pro-bono work, that said they would give millions in free layering to what ever the administration wanted.

May 10, 2025

"The POTUS, no matter who gets to hire the cabinet secretaries and everyone else. For example he nominates the name for Dept of Commerce (DOC) and the senate confirms his pick, and then the Secretary of Commerce names the administrator of NOAA, and when the senate confirms him, he nominates a name for the national weather service (NWS) director, (who was my car pool buddy for a decade). The boss of NOAA nominates the NWS director, and the DOC director selects the head of the weather service and so on down the chain of command. The NWS director nominates a candidate for director over NCEP (national centers like hurricane, severe storms in OK, aviation or modeling (my) centers, and his boss the NOAA admin selects or hires

and so on to EMC, my center where I was acting director and deputy director for a time, and then my division branch which was Global Modeling. It is at this level where a lot of firings took place. Scientists like me have been let go because they said they were not performing. These firings are from the 50 federal civil servants that make up the EMC, modeling center. There are almost 200 contractors working on projects overseen by the 50 civil servants. In 1985, there were 50 federal workers with no increase through today, but in 1985, there were zero contractors. The contractors work for corporations that get an extra 1 year salary finders fee, doubling the contractors' cost to the government project and overhead if the contractor works at the corporation office instead of our federal building. Republicans ordained this system as privatization. The law they made is exclusive, even though I proposed in competition with others and got awarded a million dollar grant I am not allowed to hire outside the designated corporate company granted the contract to hire for my project, I have to hire what the corporation presents or reject giving grounds and start the lengthy process over again, a problem when there are deadlines, and timeliness to finish the project when funding ends. The privatization has caused costs to increase for the federal government creating welfare for corporations to enrich stockholders like saying federal government is less efficient than the private sector. Not true.

May 14, 2025

"Scientists I know have lost their jobs or worry they will soon be next. Latest is partner of a cousin of mine for 20 years. Had been working at NASA on hellos or Sun study like solar wind, magnetic fields, and cosmic rays. This guy is the expert on this stuff and I heard from family that he thinks each day could be his last. We have become specialized in science and in other ways. The US is throwing away its intelligentsia the way Russia sent its thinking folks to the gulag and China as well destroyed its smart folks with the cultural reduction. In those countries one is not allowed to mention either event on pain of imprisonment or death. I have mentioned a colleague of mine who started out as a school teacher and was sent to rural China farm with out a building, or any food after 30years of working together I mentioned when I was a child I watched my neighbors grandfather skin a squirrel and he chimed in that he knew how to do that learned out of necessity when he was ordered to the farm cause he was a teacher. Mao Tse Tung was drunk with power.

May 15, 2025

'Checking on it, my income in federal government and others like me who went into a field like what they studied in their advanced degree field, federal pay and benefits is less than private sector work. I know this is true since I was offered a Job at CDC where Semore Cray worked, (well I don't expect you to know Cray but any computer nerd would know) and they would pay my moving expense, give me free real estate help for a house, that is they would pay the 6% real estate fees in house closing, and more. The federal government would pay 1/2 my moving expense and 2/3 of what CDC offered. I chose to start at NASA as a "Space Scientist" (not kidding) and thought I would be studying what I was interested in, and at the time, no private sector corporation though it was profitable enough to own a fast computer. Also, my father in law, a chemist with Park Davis (He maintained capsule making machines) was facing layoff after a long career 1 year before he would get his full pension when the new corporation Warner Lambert took over and moved the corporation to Kentucky. He must have been close to his 60's when the company made his life miserable in order to save \$ and not pay his due pension job left him behind without his entitled full pension. Congress later on made it illegal to do that to workers pensions. Republicans resisted this and thought it was fine to fire workers just before they get their pensions. At the same time my oldest sister Sue at IBM was forced out just before her defined pension came through. This was the reason I turned down the CDC job. For me it was never job security in federal jobs as I left (resigned) my fed civil service job in 1972 with NSF to go back to school at Michigan resigning and taking back the \$ of my fed pension. The

secretaries thought I was nuts to give up the pension together phd.

May 19, 2025

"Republicans want to cut Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security, and any welfare program, to reduce deficits that Republicans and Dems caused by voting for many other expenditures for example, for corporations that build bridges (like the Alaskan bridge to nowhere), and others like a contribution to the Key bridge, and military equipment like aircraft carriers and jets. Since the Reagan administration, and before, Republicans have voted against Medicare, Social Security, Headstart, foodstamps, and ACA. For decades, the Republicans have voted in bills and laws to spend on business and industry while cutting corporate tax rates to purposely increase the deficit and total debt but at the same time increase profits for corporations. The easiest way to reduce the federal debt is to end the Trump tax cut that benefit the wealthy and corporations and raise taxes on corporations and the top 10% income earners. Under President Eisenhower, the highest marginal tax rate was 91 percent. This rate was reduced by Reagan to 57%, and then by Bush W to 42% and by Trump administration to 22%. My rate is 32% largely because I have no deductions that the corporations have, like depreciation of assets like their building, transportation, tax and investment losses, etc compared to individuals like us who can not have losses that exceed gains unlike corporations that can lose money and sell the losses to others. Shows the strength of the business lobby compare to individuals.

May 19, 2025

"The Republicans say that their tax cut bill, called big beautiful bill, and previous and new tax cuts for businesses should be maintained and the house voted so last night. However the tax cut was not and is not a cut for most individuals (like me). Corporations do get a large reduction in their tax rate so corporations are taxed less and also get more opportunities to lower their taxable profits by having depreciated assets, like the building they own or the art on their wall and the jet/cars/travel they or the chauffeur drives as well as advertising. These depreciation can cut into or exceed all their profits so the corporations can lose more money than they make, and sell the losses to other companies that can use the tax deduction, or bank the loss for next years taxes. While the tax bill/budget passed out of the house today says it is a tax cut, for anyone who has other taxes to pay, and no depreciations, it is not a cut. ¶ This is because the tax cut bill of 2015 including the house bill passed today, the present says, you can not deduct other taxes and costs as only businesses can do this. BUT...¶ I can be a business too! Meet JD (not vance but Jordan) Fund company where I take in money from my pension and other contribution (which is taxed) and interest and my job or the company purpose is to watch the interest grow and keep it secure. Once I start this company and get a sole proprietorship federal tax ID number I can have the company buy a car for me to drive around in and deduct my travel and deduct art that I buy to decorate my office, and have an office, the cost of which is deductible from my income as long as I keep watching my interest grow and keep it secure. You can visit me in the brand new prison Republicans are building on the island of Alcatraz.

May 27, 2025

"Perception is what we make of the stuff around us. When you think about it, all our (meaning everybody and their) thinking that goes on, our thoughts result from the stimulus of our senses present and past memory. It is complicated, but for example, the light we see, a small part of the electromagnetic spectrum, with some other information channels like our focus on objects for distance, and depth perception from having two eyes, shadows etc, help us perceive stuff. Our brain receives nerve pulse and is also sensitive to the number per second and the change in the number of nerve pulses per second. There are many information sources and millions of optic nerves. From chatGBT excerpt: The cornea, lens, and iris work together to bend and focus light rays onto the retina, which then sends signals to

the brain for interpretation. #Here's a more detailed explanation:#Focusing of Light in the Eye#1. The Cornea: This clear, outermost layer of the eye bends light as it enters, helping to focus it onto the retina. #2. The Lens: Located behind the iris, the lens further refines the focus of light, ensuring it lands on the retina. The lens can change shape (a process called accommodation) to focus on objects at different distances. #Focusing of Light in the Eye#3. The Iris and Pupil: The iris, the colored part of the eye, controls the amount of light entering the pupil, the opening in the center of the iris. This helps to regulate the amount of light reaching the retina. #4. The Retina: The light-sensitive layer at the back of the eye, where light is converted into electrical signals that travel through the optic nerve to the brain. #5. The Brain: The visual cortex in the brain processes these signals, interpreting them to create the images we see. #Focusing of Light in the Eye#In essence, the eye acts like a camera, with the cornea and lens acting as the lens system, the iris as the aperture, the retina as the film, and the brain as the processing unit. #--#It is the perception part that is interesting....#

May 27, 2025

"... I can use ChatGBT, the encyclopedia of the cell phone, but that sort of thing is what I want to show you. Enough to say that the physiology of our body conveys information and our brain stores it as well as organizes the info and makes comparison with other past storage, that is, memory(s), and projects old (hey, that's a tree) and new perhaps dynamic info (the tree is walking toward me), and senerio invention, (I must be on Mars) like an explanation of a prank, I am watching a movie, or there are tree people, Ents, I believe they are called. Well there may be folks that think there are ents. An important question is how did we do that, and can the GBT's, computers, do it too.

May 27, 2025

'Why study this? In addition to the perception idea that computers can be programmed to be human, there are other important issues, from a website on advertisers;#;"The overall goal of advertisers is to provide consumers with appropriate sensations that will cause them to perceive the products in a manner that the advertisers desire. By structuring the stimuli that reach the senses, advertisers can build a foundation for perceptions of products, making them seem durable, sensuous, refreshing, or otherwise desirable. By using the results of numerous research studies pertaining to perception, subtle yet effective manipulation of the consumer is achieved."#The above holds if we change the word "advertisers" to "political issue" and we have large scale manipulation of whole populations. It's not too bad when it is used to enrich a corporate giant like most of us are manipulated to favor drink products like wine, or coke or Pepsi versus a plethora of other product brands that are the same. It is another thing to be manipulated to politically disregard your own interests in favor of others who want to rule and regulate you. Few notice or care the manipulation of advertisers on us and even less care about being manipulated to feel about many important issues in their life.

May 28, 2025

"So it can be that all our thoughts are from memory in our brains in the form of stimulus of our senses that are pulses along nerve cells and a bunch of pulses per second. There is also feedback. The network brings up past bunches of these measurements (pulses per second) and then projects by some logic an object or a model of what is needed. Those results could be what we imagine and predictions. #How do we know that what we think, or our perception, is what is actually out there?#An immediate way is that when you see an object like a tree, we all see a tree. When we draw it, we would, for most, recognize a tree. The whole world agrees on most things when it comes to perception. In addition we can do science where we make a set of procedures for repeatable experiments, test what is universal, so all agree in what stuff is, and modeling how stuff happens. That is

how to well out truth.

May 28, 2025

"Like advertising, getting folks to buy your product, is what keeps our economy going at the rate that it grows. Without ads that we respond the amount we buy would be much less. For me, I think I am? Not too affected as the rest of the population but like perception, I can be swayed and not know it. That means the whole world can be swayed and not know it. There are always some who are not. Most times it is not important that we are induced to some preference. For example, we all drink coke and pepsi, well I stopped drinking them, but as a nation the population does. The power of ads is seen in that we do not drink the third party cold, even when some of the third party products are the actual stuff, pepsi or coke, as the company's license and sell the products to smaller beverage companies and it is the same stuff. If you do a blind test of pepsi and coke, you will like the one that you try first. The world is easily fooled. The same goes for political ideas.

May 31, 2025

" Religion in the context of politics and advertising: If there is a God, like the all-encompassing, life, the universe, and everything, and perhaps omnipotent, then there is a logic problem in that all (a New York all means most) the many religions think they have the corner on the one true way and true God or God's. Each negating the possibility that their particular deity is in any way subordinate to any other. I can't think of a non hierarchical religion where the God is a democracy except in a democracy which by itself has religious believers. I guess I am one of those although some say that science is a religion that its followers believe in. Science is not a religion though because it has no belief requirement. One can repeat the experiments of science that confirm the equations. The earth is flat for short distances so when building a house one can use a plumb and the house will be level but for a short or long as the Verizano bridge (3 miles) one has to take into account the curvature of the earth so the two suspension towers have different angles to be perfectly perpendicular so the stresses will not Crack the pavement and ultimately bring down the bridge. Science requires that it's laws be tested in repeatable experiment. The models derived for prediction are all approximations to the truth but get closer with time and remain correct for the time and space scales that are set.

Jun 6, 2025 8

'I have not mentioned it a lot but for a few years starting when I was cancer diagnosed I started playing with the "old goats" or just goats, for rock and roll cover songs. These were a neighbors of mine's relatives, a cousin, brother in law, of guys who went to high school together and played together in a rock band 1960-70. Now on the verge of retirement they have kept up and allowed me, a keyboard player to practice with them. The Goats would play benefit jobs or a few sets per year. I remind you because even though the goats no longer play 10 years later, I had a dream about them that I remember. You can see my first gig with them on the internet if you type in the search for smithsonian folk life festival and old goats. That was the day after my chemo treatment and it was hot. I did ok but after seeking the place where they were giving out lunch I nearly fainted. The Goats grew old and retires to far off places faster than their ranks could be filled. I practiced a lot and learned a lot with them, I heard from my neighbor who moved to the Eastern shore and left me lawn mowers, ladder and wheel barrow, that a few of the goats are playing country somewhere, so this is where the dream comes in....

Jun 6, 2025 9

"The Goats who are playing country now did not need a keyboard player and are playing country exclusively, not my thing but I did learn a number of country and country rock songs. Learning a song meant that I could play accurately, meaning no

mistakes, along with the goats which were a very tight band, we sounded good. DJ was our drummer and he had done studio work in Nashville and knew some of the old greats. I once played with the Chapin Brothers when we were in college at Plattsburg.

Jun 7, 2025 8

"The dream was I had met or new Eric Clapton. Well, if you are going to dream, dream big. In the dream the goats, playing together since high school were there and we were ready for a benefit. Once I was at a party at a wealthy person's house, actually a Lionel train magnate, there are such things, who was a close friend of Neil Young, who I met attending there. Some people had a record album for him to autograph but I am shy sometimes and only met and greeted. Later there was a band playing and I sat in on a song so I played for Neil Young. In the dream, which was out of nowhere as the Neil Young party was 25 years ago, and the last time the goats played a benefit was before the pandemic...

Jun 8, 2025 8

'The dream was after meeting and talking with Eric Clapton, I have been working to arrange his songs "Layla" and "Tulsa Time", he must have been on my mind. I am with the goats and we are ready for some gig when everyone is surprised by a visit from Eric and we all get to play with him but my Hammond organ is missing so I can not be a part of it. Perhaps a disappointment. In real life, I have learned to split the electronic keyboard I use into two halves. One half for the Hammond/Leslie and the other piano. I think I am getting good at it.

Jun 9, 2025 1

"Political rant: Things that authoritarian governments do like Putin did to gain power in Russia and Xi in China: Declaring an emergency on the basis of a rebellion, insurrection, or invasion, or emergency; Using the emergency to justify bringing in federal or national guard like ICE, DHS, FBI, DEA, against civilians protesting inside the nation; Allowing military to make dragnet abductions and warrantless arrests and detaining people without due process; Creating additional prison space and detention camps for those detained; When the situation escalates, declaring martial law. Yesterday I went to a local protest in the small town of Petosky, Michigan, about the firing of Civil Service and NOAA workers and cutting or removing science grants for NIH, NSF, and NOAA as well as a list of other atrocities. There were about 100 people with signs, I borrowed an extra sign from an older lady and her weather Winnie son. I also attended an anti Tesla/Musk protest, in Ft Myers Florida a few months ago, I think I have mentioned, on eliminating federal agencies and the careers of civil servants. But I am too old for that kind of thing standing and walking in the heat for hours. Republicans have this once in a lifetime control of government and political processes that they want to make the most of, and not give up power.

Jun 10, 2025

'It should be clear to all, Dems and Republican conservatives that cutting the IRS budget for tax compliance of corporations and wealthy is a bad idea and causes big problems for all who are not in the top 1% income earners. That's 99 out of every 100 people should not vote for the party that passed that law. Corporates hire smart people like you and me in their working years, and we apply ourselves willingly to the companies we work for and find ways to get that corporation to make more profit. America was created in response to the feudal monarchy or rule by hereditary elites who like kings and warlords or overlords ran the economic and political system for their own benefit. Think about the European wars, 7 years war, 30 years war, 100 year war, I and II, never a serf or slave advised a ruler, "...let's; This system has been going on for some time now in the US and the checks and balances of excess wealth and power. It is like Animal Farm, little by little the rules that help wealth and political power in check are erode.

Jun 11, 2025

'Today I figured out why the secretary of health, Kennedy has been telling last week, not to give covid vaccinations to children. This week Republicans fired the committee of scientists that decides on advice given to docs to tell patients what vaccination to get. I think the Rx lobby wants covid and other vaccines to no longer be free but to have folks pay for them instead of Rx companies paying the bill. The Pharma companies want to make more money on vaccines. The costs for making the vaccines, shipping, storing, and administering was covered by federal govt during pandemic and as well the development cost for Rx companies.
From the internet:"... federal program that helped people get COVID-19 vaccines at no cost has ended. That means uninsured people may be asked to pay as much as \$200 for the potentially life-saving shot." And this "... If a person has to pay out of pocket for a Covid booster, the price tag is steep, especially for young children. The pharmacy chain CVS charges \$198.99 per dose. 2 or 3 doses are needed for those getting their first. Finally Rx companies will begin to make \$ on vaccines. Time to by their stock.

Jun 14, 2025

"More than a year after Isreal entered Gaza, the war continues. While there is a lot of propaganda from the Hamas military, there is not a lot of rebuttal from Israel. The world seems convinced by Hamas media that there are thousands of civilians including children that have been killed. The numbers killed and pictures of the wounded are likely inflated, but civilians are killed. There is a war on there. Hamas, and the rest of Islamic militaristic factions goal is Israeli elimination but I am unsure that the Hamas war, the war against Hezbola and the war against Iran to destroy nuclear bomb making sites is disturbing. Retaliatliation for Oct 7th attack, where 1200 civilians were killed or taken hostage was part of a long string of civilian incidents where civilians? strapped dynamite to themselves and blew up cafés, before that commercial jets were hijacked or blown up. The secret is the Christian government in Lebanon is happy with the diminishing of Hezbolla and so is Europe, and as well as ending Hamas rule in Gaza. The US ambassador to Israel was gushing with praise for attacking Iran but saying US had nothing to do with it. Lying with a straight face has become professional in this administration.

Jun 14, 2025

"I have previously mentioned that the news shows a wounded person or child being rushed to the hospital in a stretcher, but there are 5 people running alongside taking cell phone pictures. It is wrong to target civilians in war but has become war's definition. In Syria, Iraq, Ukraine, and Gaza civilian structures are the targets. Occasionally, Ukraine targets in Russia and Israeli strikes of Iran nuclear facility were military targets, and even there, a number of residential apartments were targeted for Iran military leaders. The Russians have a long history of raiding the Ukraine and steeling the grain and as well the constant threat on Israel with an asymmetric war from Hamas, intifada, Iran, Hezbolla, Syria, Egypt and Jordan. Seems both countries are entitled to strike back. There is great injustice that was done to Palestinians, like that done to American Indians, or in Austrailia native population or Canada. I think I am giving a pass to Israel here and against letting Putin off the hook for Ukraine against Republican conservative support for Russia by stopping arms trade to Ukraine in order for Trump to get Nobel prize with a forced peace treaty. He tried it in the Middle East as well, but neither plan worked. I think he will declare the end of the wars and claim he received the prize anyway and a committee will award him a prize anyway.

Jun 15, 2025

"I will March in a small town in northern Michigan today protesting for No Kings Day. The Republicans have outdone themselves with anti-American actions in the name of big business. A corporate tax rate of 22% against 34% for me. A reduced

tax on unearned income that benefits the wealthiest and more assorted deductions for real estate developers and business depreciation. A complex array of tricks and law to make it happen. And that is only the injustice in tax laws, there is not enough room for the injustice, stupidity, and mean, evil actions like firing young people and the recently promoted scientists, engineers, or medical personal from the civil service. Republicans have made most of us less wealthy, that is the bottom 90% income earners. Anyone whose income is based on dividends and capitol gains, the top 10% or 1% or 0.1% income earners have gained wealth. And the scales have tilted in favor more and more each administration since Reagan's and with the amount of the gain larger and larger. The source of the money has been the deficit and shows up as increasing national debt every year. The wealthy and business interests have been making war on the Middle and poor since Reagan's administration and we do not acknowledge it, thanks to Fox News propaganda. It's so bad that half the voting public thinks there is a deep state Cabal of civil servants making space lasers or contrails injecting nanobots to make their lives miserable. I was there for 40 years, there is no deep state. There are lobbyists ruling and stealing the infrastructure from Americans. The things that make common people rich, good health care, good and affordable education for all, good jobs for reasonable pay, housing that is good and affordable for all and equal opportunity for all.

Jun 15, 2025

"Good health care, good and affordable education for all, good jobs for reasonable pay and benefits, housing that is good and affordable for all and equal opportunity for all. That is the platform of Democratic Party. The Republicans officially have no platform since 2016, and no wonder. They have convinced half the voting public that Biden was a crime lord with his son, that Hillary Clinton committed crimes against federal email, and Pelosi caused a magat to hit her husband on the head with a hammer, or Harris let out of jail convicted murderers and rapist who are in the country illegally, or Hillary kept trafficked women sex slaves in the basement of a pizza place in Virginia. Fox News, newsy, oneness and clear channel talking heads and truth social have convinced people of the nuttiness stuff and made folks magats, meaning they have convinced them of the many lies to divorce people from logical rational thoughts. It's a religion that keeps people down. Magats say military members are losers, and folks cheered.

Jun 17, 2025

"Seems Israel is operating on 3 fronts. The Hamas was in Gaza, the attack on Lebanon's Hezbollah, and now attacking Iran nuclear infrastructure. Israel has wanted to act on these attacks for some time and took advantage of Ukraine and, Hamas wars as those two armies likely drew down their resources, by sending arms, millions, drones to Russia. Talking to Lebanese Christians, 1/2 the government they seem privately happy with regaining full political power and you can bet the US is happy that the Iran nuclear threat is decreased.

Jun 18, 2025

"The war of the wealthy against the middle class and poor got going when the wealthy got enough \$ to purchase elections and lobby (purchase) laws like tax law. The overlords and landowners, royalty, of the past centuries have always tried successfully to control populations at first by religion, feudal clans and nation states and in this century by propaganda, especially media propaganda. The wealthy today got their extra money from tax cuts and increased federal expenditures for infrastructure and developments, which they got by making laws that favor goals like corporate tax cuts, and water down regulations. The record national deficit shows the truth of this. Franklin D. Roosevelt instituted a high marginal income tax on the wealthy – those making more than \$5 (inflation corrected) million a year were taxed up to 75 percent (91% under Eisenhower) – and regulated finance with the FDIC/SEC, consumer protection, so banks could not run off with peoples savings accounts. Labor unions don't just give workers more bargaining leverage to get higher wages and benefits. They also used to be a political

counterweight to the power of large corporations and Wall Street. Now the wealthy have friends in high places, the courts, so business can project money to politicals without fear of any citizens catching on and have cemented their control with citizens united scouts decision insuring secret and unlimited dollars to political campaigns.

Jun 25, 2025

"I went on the no kings protest in the small town about 1/2 hour away from here in northern michigan. Between 500 and 1500 folks showed up, more than predicted. ! Republican conservative self proclaimed leader said Trump didn't mean to arrest/deport Latinos in the way that happened as the people who work for him did those things.

Jun 26, 2025

" The Republican Conservatives are a coordinated, authoritarian machine with the Supreme Court, the House, the Senate, and the executive all under its control. If the erosion of the judiciary, the press, and our rights are not stopped, we will not make it to the end of the 4 year term. There should be an independent, civilian powered investigative coalition of experts, Veterans, Whistleblowers, Journalists, and Watchdog organization built by the resistance. They should build a real-time archive of the corruption, overreach, and executive abuse and make it public with public hearings to hold the republican operatives accountable.
And when that day comes, we'll need every name, every signature, every illegal order, every act of silence documented.
The need is to preserve the truth and prepare evidence for prosecution.

Jun 26, 2025

"I can question my advocacy for anti-republican conservative actions and issues. Let's start with the charter school system now large in most states. Republicans want these private schools to be supported by taxpayer money. They are mostly religious or evangeles. They control what students may attend turning away non-white students and making it harder for public schools. America is founded on separation of church and the state. When we put religion into government in the past, or around the world, bad things happen. The inquisition, or Shreya law and advocating that women should stay in the kitchen and have more babies. All ready the republican conservatives and religious right are trying to end abortion in all states, make America a Christian Nation, a far cry from sticking God into the pledge of allegiance.
This is wrong on the basis of fundamental tenets of America and magats should go live in a Middle East country if they want to treat women that way. I think the pastors and followers of evangelist church do this to get more contributing followers who want more sex with a captive audience. This is terribly wrong and these crazies are calling for the removal of the vote for women and ability for them to own property.

Jun 26, 2025

"A private religious (charter) school is not wrong but tax payers taxes shouldn't pay for it. The republican conservative cry that they do not want to be forced to pay taxes for public schools they do not use or failing public schools (because of charters siphoning off public funding) is hollow given how I might say I do not want my taxmoney going for military orpolice spending that I do not like. Very unamerican.

Jun 28, 2025

"I was not following the NYC Mayor's race where Cuomo lost to a younger progressive guy. One friend thinks the new guy supports Hamas/Gazans but I have not heard that from the candidate. So what about the poor Gazans who now find themselves in a leveled city without food, water or infrastructure suffering at the hands of their enemy and as well the Iranians, losing/wasting 20 years of nuclear resource funding with nothing to show for it, or the Lebanese Hezbolla that was set back by

Israel. What should America do about these 3 war fronts or problems if it has power, ... we certainly have the power to blow stuff up. And add Ukraine to the list. Isolation is not an option since US has a military base in almost every country for half a century and a military expenditure that matches the entire worlds, but Republican conservatives have wanted to be anti communist, even when the world does not have any communists so they changed their abhorrence to call the fiction socialism, well the words do rhyme. They have been hoodwinked half the voters for decades.

Jun 28, 2025

"A word on calling for horrible consequences if democrats win, especially the primary winner in NY. I dont know how to spell his name, well, Mamdani. Republicans said they want ICE to deport him, calling him an Arab and socialist. A great way to keep people ignorant is with taxpayer tax dollars financing private religious schools. It is true that some are good schools like the Waldorf charter school, there is (only) one in California that follows the religion of Rudolph Steiner, a spiritual movement based on the idea that there is a spiritual world accessible through heightened consciousness or spiritual insight. The school thinks that there should be a teacher student ratio of 7 teachers to one student. The tuition back in the 1970's was \$20k now it is greater than Stanfords. They may have a lottery program, one student, the rest, only the wealthy can afford and get subsidized by tax payer dollars. On the other end of the spectrum are a plethora of evangelistic churches, each with a charter school getting tax dollars to offset their kids private school tuition, having kids memorizing the Bible. For example moslum schools where they memorize the Koran or Christian/Catholic/evangelical private schools where the kids are taught that you can petition the lord with prayer, ofcourse orthodox jews get to memorize (and sing) the Torah. Ok there are some (yeshiva) that teach rigorous academics. In my county there are 150 elementary public schools, in one of 24 counties in my small state. The (mostly for profit) Charter schools are everywhere now and raising their tuition as the parents file for charter attendance and each one causes the public school system to become worse by reducing funding of public schools and forcing the poorest and kicked out students into the public schools. Parents think the charters are better, well they went to poor schools and didn't study. Easily duped into thinking that the big deal is a book that has a story about sex or gay stuff. I should stand on the town square and inform the conservative voters that Satan has gained control of the soul and children through the republican party.

Jun 30, 2025

"One can ask across American voters, if there should be Healthcare including facilities for all folks in rural places that is like the access in populated areas, so there is access as well as affordability. Medicare part A, and B, for hospital, and doctor visits for the old. Everyone in US should have this with small cost and small co-pays. Those over 65(6) have that and the rest of the population should have that level of health care. That is were taxes should go and who is out there thinking it is a bad idea, we'll, 1/3 of the voting public and more than 50% of congress. The budget tax bill looks like it will pass giving a \$5T increase to US debt for reduced corporate taxes and wealthy with increased civilian military share which are another increase to private business income/profit. Why would anyone vote/support this unless you were in the top 1% income earners and that is one out of every hundred people.

Jul 1, 2025 8

"Trade and tariffs have been in the news with a lot of propaganda by Republican conservatives and business interests lobby with the stated goal or lie of bringing back manufacturing jobs to America. Consider steel or an auto conduit harness wiring, a harness is electrical cables that plug together in the car. This stuff is made outside America because the companies that made them found it more profitable to move product making to a cheap labor place. First it was from

Northern states to Southern states where people would work for less hourly pay and salary as southern states had less favorable conditions for unions. Unions got workers more pay. As manufacturing moved south, we created the rust belt of closed factories that made the steel and harnesses and everything else. Business would follow free marketing for more profit by paying less labor costs in Mexico, Central and South America which the industry did and soon, as well to even lower labor costs in Asia. In US dollars the hourly pay is for Asia: \$3.60; \$1.80. Hourly wages in Asia tend to be lower compared to developed countries like the US. For example, the average hourly wage in China was \$3.60 USD in 2022 and hand labor wages ranging from \$0.77 per hour in China to \$1.16 in Malaysia. In Central America While specific data for Central America is a wage of \$1.80 per hour in Mexico for hand labor. The federal required minimum wage today is \$7.25 set in 2009 and is in force for most central southern states. Who in this country would work for \$7.25/hour....beside hard working nurses (aids) save for a salary at an American manufacturing plant in Asia where a harness or sneaker maker can pay \$1.00/hour and save more than \$6.00 over costs in Tennessee and \$20.00/hr over Detroit per worker per hour.

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"It's a no Brainerd to move the plant for lower labor costs and in America the only worker that would work a job for Mexican or Asia pay is a Mexican who's back is still wet from swimming across the Rio Grande. The Llama AI chat box says that workers in the US can have (be exploited) as low as \$5.00/hr wages still more than double Mexico and Asia. No wonder why immigrants come to the US. The result has been a workforce for the US and the world that is cheap labor. To compete with such low wages, business interest in US would either automate with robots to replace laborers in the US which is what has happened. Consider that there are no longer toll takers on highways, supermarket checkout, and furniture now requires assembly by the customer and immigrant labor provides cheap labor for custodial, farm, construction, domestic and hotel jobs, etc. We need to import the Asians and Mexicans to work for less if we want to be competitive, otherwise prices for the goods and services increase a lot and tariffs on the product are needed to raise the imported good to the increased price of the American product. The tariffs allow higher labor cost in US if the tariffs levied are enough to make the US product less expensive than the import. Kicking out the cheap labor workers makes it more difficult for manufacturing to succeed and what happened when people want something that is not available by law? We smuggle it.

Jul 5, 2025 8

'With the tax bill passed, the wealthy, meaning the top 1% income earners, and business interests have unraveled the new deal. The social security/welfare/medical costs of the federal budget are decreased compared to military expenditures (including Homeland security and ICE). Since the Reagan administration pressure to cut the federal budget when it comes to welfare, pension (social security), and medical care are now accomplished. These cuts of taxpayer money is not enough to offset this year's deficit of the federal government which will be near \$40T, about \$5T more than it is now. Most of it is military spending which goes to business/ industry profits for arms and logistics. Dividing the \$40T debt by the population of America, 350M people (or 0.3B or .0003T) we get that each person in America owes \$133,333.33, thus (each) a family of 4 owes a half million (M) dollars to federal treasury bondholders plus interest. If we do not pay off the debt now but refinance it every year by taking on new debt in the amount of interest on paying it back, that is no need spending and no further tax cuts or other revenue changes, then we could go on infinity into the future. We would pay off the debt with new debt, as we have done since the US had debt. Take this to its logical end, when the debt increase becomes as big as the budget itself, meaning the dollars received by the US government from all taxes and income. Does anything happen? That depends on what is meant by "happen".

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"The logical end of this economics (debt) is all US citizens owe a lot of money to the holders of US treasury bonds, mostly wealthy people and corporate business interests that they own and the wealth they obtain from inheritance, which is no longer taxed. We, the citizens will pay back the government spending. They, which is We, will pay it in higher costs for goods and services, like housing, appliances, gas and produce. Higher cost for borrowing and higher education costs. The federal tax burden on the bottom 90% wage earners remains high, for example, I pay 32% of total income, and for those younger than 65 years old, they pay an extra 15% of income for social security. About half of voters in US believe that cutting corporate taxes will increase profits of business interests (which is true) and cause there to be more and better jobs (not true) and be better off for it (not true). Average voter will pay for some of the debt in federal income with higher prices, on the things they need, like housing and education. There will be less wealth for these folks as their wealth flows to the top 1% income earners. For those without employment, get less health care insurance (ACA). Maybe voters who cheer on their wealth loss and rejected a more favorable economy and no longer want a break on education costs (by reducing education loan debt). Are voters satisfied with a federal minimum wage of \$7.25, they say they are but in the same sentence think others walk out of a store with stolen goods and do not get arrested even though there is the largest incarceration rate in US compared with other nations, even Russia and China. It does not make sense to me and when my brother in law claimed that immigrants and blacks are not paying for items and not arrested but allowed to walk away and keep stolen or shoplifted goods, I informed him that it was fake news.

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"Deficits for individuals matter. Credit card debt will usually be paid in some way. Sometimes debts are forgiven but the system continues with courts and debt collection. Credit card debt like education loans can not be removed by bankruptcy, but can only be forgiven or mitigated by the lender/bank. Even for a nation, there is comeuppance. In Europe there was austerity with national spending reduced to pay off debt and in some nations, overnight, the currency was changed in the peso bank, 1000 pesos became one peso called the mil peso in Argentina. In US we do this with inflation. Not since the depression in 1930s have banks closed and not paid off principle or returned 10 cents on the dollar. The US has Republicans complaining about SEC, Treasury, and about debt since Carter's presidency who had a debt of \$0.5B = \$0.0005T (trillion) debt. Today the debt is \$35T rising to \$40T in next few years. The republican conservatives still complain about the federal debt while increasing it.

Jul 11, 2025

'Does debt matter for the US? As I mentioned previously the republican conservatives have complained about the national debt since the Carter administration and when in following decades there was a year or two of positive deficit, reducing the total debt by a smidgen, the Republicans howled, loudest was Greenspan, and Bush W administration. He suggested that "tax cuts were a necessary means of disposing of budget surpluses to avoid the "peril of zero debt". Looking back, it is obvious the Republicans used this as an excuse to cut corporate taxes and increase the US debt and yearly deficit and then claim the budget should be balanced by cutting federal programs, medicare, welfare and agencies like the EPA, Education, NOAA and privatizing NASA. The debt was \$100-200 billion = \$0.1T back then when Bush W administration started, and now it is \$35T, and 40T, including an additional \$5T adding to the deficit from the recent budget bill. As federal taxes are decreased the debt and deficits continue to rise. Corporate profits increase because the tax on profits is reduced. The nation sells T-bills to finance its programs and reduces programs to spend less money to mitigate the increased deficit. Taking this to its logical conclusion, corporations and the wealthy who

buy financial instruments as compensation hold/own most assets and the wealth in the US. Thus, we should see a flow of dollars from middle class to wealthy, and that is exactly what we see since Reagan administration and increasing each year. Federal programs and agencies that deal with the public good have been reduced each year since the Reagan administration claiming waste fraud and abuse. For example, in Texas, the guy whose job it was to communicate between the weather service and FEMA disaster warning was fired after 30 years of service in February for poor performance, no children drowned in that river on his watch. He found work in the private sector..... and this from NYT article: "The Weather Service employee ...

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"... whose job it was to make sure warnings got traction – Paul Yura, the long-serving meteorologist in charge of “warning coordination” – had recently taken an unplanned early retirement amid cuts pushed by the so-called Department of Government Efficiency. He was not replaced." Thinking about this, I find half the nation is making war against their own interests and their own children and against the good works of America. I originally thought that my son moving to take a science job in Europe could be a problem in terms of a glass ceiling for Americans in Europe. My own experience was to face a discrimination in advancement and hiring, in my case, in England, but it was the European weather service, ECMWF. I kept this to myself. Now he recently, last week, submitted a proposal to the European space agency from Switzerland on satellites using micro or nano optics. In the US NASA is not taking any proposals but folks are fired for poor performance. This is the result of a propaganda lie that there is a deep state in government causing the problems in every day life. The real evil is the owners of America wealth greedily stealing from ordinary folks by twisting the truth.

Jul 15, 2025

"NOAA and the Weather Service are back in the news today with details of the forecast of Texas flooding and communications with FEMA disaster mitigation as previously mentioned. The new wrinkle is Dept of Commerce head, and his second has ties to companies that want to be the private companies that do weather services for the US and handle satellite images. A private company, Accuweather, has been trying to take over weather service functions since senator Rick Santorum sponsored a bill in the senate. Back then, not one senator would second the motion. We have changed since then and now Republicans have ok'ed the end of the dept of education by firing all the teachers. The Republicans think if we dumb down schools and learning then the voters will not be smart enough to know when they are getting scamed or lose wealth and services. As for NOAA, private corporations like accuweather will take over weather service functions like forecast modeling by firing enough employees until the agency can no longer do the job and then declare the private sector can do better. The difference now is without employees working the federal government will do a poorer job than the private sector and now it will be true while in the past under Reagan, Bush they spoke that lie to make tax cuts.

Jul 16, 2025

"The Democrats gave us the Affordable Care Act, Medicare and Medicaid, Social Security, Spending on basic research, and infrastructure as well as protection from disease with NIH and protecting workers from death and injury on the job with OSHA, protecting the environment and free or subsidized vaccines from polio, to Covid. Republican conservative policies rolled out subsidies to Big Oil, reducing costs for drilling, Republicans make racist attacks by eliminating diversity, equity, and inclusion. The Big Ugly Bill that will take \$1 trillion out of Medicaid, cause over 11 million Americans to lose their health coverage, and increase the national debt by more than \$5 trillion, to cut the taxes of the ultra-wealthy and the corporations. Republicans are against reducing student college debt, subsidizing tuition for universities but support tax payer dollars for religious schools, and support secret shadow contributions to political parties without any limit.

Jul 17, 2025

"An unaccountable elite are doing evil things in secret. That is the statement of many Republicans especially talk radio and podcasts, or on Facebook or other media. In fact it is the current administration that is acting this way. All statements that accuse coming from the administration about others are about them. There was never a deep state of civil servants plotting a government take over, but there is one now, a group of wealthy folks like Steve Miller, Bannon, and the cabinet and the Supreme Court and republicans in congress and their staffs who are working toward that end. The Supreme Court is making law in secret shadow rulings and no one gets to hear the law or reasoning behind it. So the current administration gets to break the law by firing civil servants, closing the dept of education, closing USAid, withdrawing science grants, and harnessing anyone who squawks about it and acts like the nail that is standing up. You do not want to be noticed by this administration as suddenly you get harassed with threats on social media, unordered merchandise delivered to your door, followed around by ununiformed vigilantes (thugs) acting like police and tax audits from IRS. When I was a child, my mother told me, listen to what the republican licans say, and think the opposite, you know her, she was right.

Jul 25, 2025

"What is the problem with immigration. My sister and especially her husband, you remember them, are anti-vaccination, and believe that blacks and immigrants are granted immunity from shoplifting crimes and scheming to take their manual jobs. It is the opposite of the executive branch where there is immunity from crimes as stated by the Supreme Court. It is wrong but why do people believe that poor people, are the ones doing the swindle and not the wealthy. My brother in law pounds the table and vehemently declares how awful the minorities are for taking things without paying for it, or taking his roofing job by undercutting, he has not done a roofing job in 3 decades. It is obvious that immigrants do roofing and other jobs for less but it is the managers, the bosses that hire the roofers, hiring them at lower wages, taking advantage of immigrants who do not speak english and making increased profit at the immigrants expense. Most immigrants came to US during 2000s, Bush admin if one takes the time to check on it. Republican propaganda is responsible for folks thinking it is an issue now. There are now a lot of people in US who feel like the way Jews felt in 1930s.

Jul 25, 2025

"The media can not be trusted. All outlets seem to be capitulating to Republican whims. NYT host conservatives on its editorial page, Washington Post does not endorse Harris at behest of owner Bezos on orders from Trump, and gets a reward of standing near Trump at inauguration and privilege of paying 5 million to trump bank account. Even Saudis pay Trump family \$2B in spite of the objection of the Saudi finance sovereign wealth fund minister. Fortune 500 company CEOs line up at Trump meeting to pay between 1 and 10 million dollars to Trump campaign before and after election. The republican conspiracy proclamations are more likely to be a ballot box stuffing on the republican side as they won the election and surprised themselves. It is like Saddam Hussian saying he was surprised that Bush-one left him running the country and his armies intact. Or how Hitler felt when he was given control of Germany. A free jet is not free, the favors will get returned but that was not what he was elected for.

Jul 25, 2025

"Sherry Redstone and Ellison will go down in history with Betsy Devoss, the Pillow man, Allisen and wife, the casino owner, as some of the villains of this decade. Trump and his cabinet will be thought of as the man with the reverse midas touch and incapable of making a fair deal and mismanaging the US and US economy. Contrary to the media, the good works of the democrats: union support, tuition loan forgiveness, affirmative action, regulation of workplaces, no child labor, low unemployment, support of science and education grants, support of the civil service

and weather service, low interest rates and except for a pandemic spike, low inflation, low deficits and US debt reduction and a solid dollar. Just like when the Bush W administration came into office following Bill Clinton's positive US deficit and debt improvement, he and Greenspan ran up record deficits and started an Iraq war for benefit of the Vice President's company, private corporation, Blackwater. The Republicans gave us the housing crash where many lost their jobs and their house which amounts to their wealth. Republicans have given the loss of wealth from all to a few at the top. The more your income is the more you are likely to have stock and bonds, pay less of your income in taxes, and have your overseas company branch protected by US military and support from federal agencies. Republicans stopped abortions, planned parenthood contraception, support charter and Christian schools, imprisoned undocumented and documented workers in concentration camps, made Smoot-Hawley tariffs... how did that work out? It caused the great depression of the 1930s.

Jul 29, 2025

"A word on the Epstein craziness. There is a photo going around, with Epstein, his partner, now in jail for sex and trafficking minors and Trump, 60 years old at the time, holding (too) close a teenager around 17 years old. The photo was taken on Epstein's Island, where a lot of celebrities have been photographed like Bill Clinton (I have heard), Howard Stern, I saw in a photo, and others, (the now) King of England for example. I did not see that Obama was on Epstein's island but there are fake photoshopped photos of them. This indicates a willingness of our celebrities and politicians to exploit girls using an organized cabal. I guess we call that a brothel.

Jul 30, 2025

'On Tariffs: It is a fact that Trump imposed tariffs on Mexico and Canada in violation of the existing treaty, United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement, which he, Trump, engineered, which itself violated the existing North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). I quote from the first lines of the USMCA bill Trump signed: "The United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA) entered into force on July 1, 2020. The USMCA, which substituted the North America Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), is a mutually beneficial win for North American workers, farmers, ranchers, and businesses. The Agreement creates more balanced, reciprocal trade supporting high-paying jobs for Americans and the North American economy." The items in his USMCA treaty were praised by Trump as the best thing that could happen to American jobs and manufacturing, and no one remembers. Now, he has repeated the same lines to negate his, that's Trump's own treaty agreement in favor of import tariffs on Canada and Mexico. I think I mentioned that I bought some bathroom tile with pictures from a Canadian company that cost about \$300 but had to pay \$41 extra to customs to pick them up because of the new tariffs. The Smoot-Hawley tariffs passed in the Harding administration caused the great depression in the 1930s. Those tariffs were not much higher than today's new ones. Every one may lose on this. We are neck deep in the big muddy but the big fool says to push on.

Jul 31, 2025

"More on the Epstein issue: Powerful men (such as Trump) sexually harassed, abused, and raped women. Some of the abused are teenage children. This happens a lot but it is wrong and needs to be treated case by case. When I was in the weather service, a chief level guy in the Ocean Service which was on the same floor as my office on the other side of our building. He was having an affair with his secretary who was married. One day the husband comes looking for him but he was not in however there was an altercation in the parking lot and our interloper ended up with a black eye. The problem is double; it is wrong for the boss with the power to date the powerless younger girl and also the Ocean service chief gets a promotion to leave to somewhere else but the secretary gets fired. I have also seen a professor date a student, in two separate cases I know both marry and the

students, both who I know have a great relationship for 50 years. Back at Michigan i had a friend who when teaching a class bartered grades for sex, wrong on many levels. The one with the power, boss, professor, etc must take the responsibility if the relationship goes bad, or not to play at all. It seems to me that in the last decade CEOs (some) rake in record profits and compensation while giving workers meager wages and firing them for unionizing. Billionaires make large campaign donations – that are legalized bribes – so lawmakers will cut their taxes and repeal environmental and safety regulations. Each abuse of power encourages other abuses. Each undermines norms of civility. Every one worries more and is on edge;

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'There is no cabal of federal workers or immigrants hurting American values, or a "Marxist takeover." I was there and so were you when we were at Michigan, guys like me practicing graphs of science stuff. It amazed me that a nation, 1/2 of America could be duped in such a way. Republicans use racism to get folks to follow them like using the word woke. The woke word is coded language for racism and the weaponized bureaucracy is a made up term. Federal workers have no weapons. Look back on the power of federal workers when air traffic controllers were fired for going on strike and military personal took over the routing of planes. They all lost there jobs. It does not seem like those workers had any power. I spend summers in Northern Michigan by the great lake now for 40 years and of course I follow the weather. The amount of snow in winter has decreased, the temperature of the lake is warmer so I swim earlier in the year in summer and the leaves turn color later in the Fall. The climate has changed! Decisions are not made on the basis of climate change as the climate continues to change. There could be a question of if it is man made but consider for hundreds of years like from the end of the ice age, 50 thousand years ago we had a range of climate that if anything was colder during the 14-18 hundreds from volcanos but the big change in the atmosphere correlates with the industrial revolution when people are burning fuel because of technology and increasing population. In addition the math weather/climate models of the atmosphere predict the warming when run in the past. The extremism against climate change, like firing rhe scientists and on the basis of woke militancy where you're effectively trying to divide the country into oppressors and the oppressed. Trump said in a video last year. "The departments and agencies that have been weaponized will be completely overhauled so that faceless bureaucrats will never again be able to target and persecute conservatives, Christians, or the left's political enemies." There he goes again, lying. He is wrongly amusing me and like minded folks dedicated to helping America. Trump said in a video last year. "The departments and agencies that have been weaponized will be completely overhauled so that faceless bureaucrats will never again be able to target and persecute conservatives, Christians, or the left's political enemies. He also said bureaucrats and experts wield far too much power. Look around at who is fired, the dedicated kids trying to start a career. Who has the real power.

Aug 5, 2025 1

"There are a lot of self-described Republicans in "red" states who detest what's happening to the nation and to the world under Trump (as well as under Kim, Xi and Putin). Opinion polls show the majority don't want ICE agents disappearing their neighbors off the streets and into detention camps. Remember that America apologized to the Japanese American citizens who were placed in concentration camps during WWII. The immigration detail here is that folks who get a bond hearing or have a relation ship with courts like seeking asylum, have constitutional standing and rights to be heard in court (due process), compared to immigrants who came illegally. Republicans do not like it but immigrants can petition in court for asylum and get heard and a baby born in US is a US citizen as stated in constitution. Many Republicans think it's wrong for Trump and friends to pocket billions from crypto and other pay-to-play schemes. They don't like him

or his lackeys attacking federal judges, or silencing critics and firing their people from their jobs. Polls say over 80 percent believe the minimum wage should be raised, that no full-time worker should be in poverty, that corporations should share their profits with their employees, that working people should get paid family leave, and that child care and elder care should be affordable along with college tuition. Trump has been awful in a lot of ways and his people, sycophants, enable him by excessive fawning, obedience and attentiveness (they call that behavior obsequious).

Aug 8, 2025 7

'In a media platform (quora), the question:
"why did you vote for Trump and why do you still support him?"
Is answered by hundreds, and a typical example is given by someone named Pat Mason. She said:
"I couldn't ever support any politician who claimed that humans can change their sex, that we'd all be safer if we just defunded the police, that we should open up our borders and allow anyone who wants to, to come on in, that my daughters and granddaughters should be made to compete in their sporting events with biological males"
Not sure if this and other answers are a chat robot from Republican national committee, but is concerned about sex change in others which there is no basis as only 0.1 or 0.2% of the population engage in sex change meaning she is unlikely to directly encounter less than 1 in 200 people who have a sex change. The media channels, TV, like Fox, facebook, and radio blogs, talk about this as if every Democrat had a sex change and all the men are practicing young girls sport swimming or track. The statistic is even less than 0.2% as many hide such changes. Additionally there are folks who at birth are intersex born, we use to call this hermaphrodite, where both sexes present at birth and to some degree hormonal imbalances as well and degree about 1/3 of the time so in such cases there is reason to change ones sex. Finally it is not the business of magats to interfere in someone personal medical problems or sexual preferences,
Next she gives a crack on defending police which is not happening. The reference is to a movement following many killings by police in domestic argument cases where it is common sense to get a experienced non police person to de-escolate domestic violence cases. The movement never advocated doing away with police. We are up to two magat lies. The next item is the claim that politicians, I guess democrats and villans are opening the borders which is not true. I have been at the border with Mexico and we do not let anyone in and the border is not open to everyone

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".... From the US to Mexico on any given day a 3 lane highway does not slow down as the cars and trucks speed by the entry to Mexico at 50 plus mph while the return trip utilizes a road like a large grid lock parking lot crawls along with dozens of Mexicans selling food, water and chatkas to waiting cars for their turn at the US border. In addition, a long line (a mile) of Mecicans wait in single file to show their credentials. If you do not have the paperwork, you do not get into the US. Eight million Mexicns came to the US during 2000-2010, during the Bush W administration and Republicans double that since then because of democrats open border policy. This is another lie as like the Bush W administration the following one's were faced with constitutional law which states that anyone on US soil can claim asylum and then has certain rights to be heard in a court to present their case. Also, the constitution says all who are born on US soil are US citizens. The current administration has chosen to ignore, called violate, both provisions which should be impeachable events were it not for republican enablers in congress and courts.
The statement by the person Pat Mason, with no identification or description smacks of being fictions and the tightly worded response, indicates a AI written statement all done to rule and regulate you with propaganda.

Aug 20, 2025

'The last 2 weeks I have been without a cell phone as it was in the shop. I keep breaking the glass and then apps wont start or act funny and bars show across the

screen. It's fixed now so I can start ranting again, for now- some doings last few weeks. I wrote you about sailing when I got sick because of an antibiotic my dentist gave me that was to help with my gums but also would make you sick if you had any alcohol. I do some sailing in a small sail boat called a "Force 5," a boat I bought (second hand) in 1980. A few years ago, my cousin Danny gave me a 16' Prindle catamaran which he had for ten years but never sailed, so he gave it to me. I have sailed it in lake Michigan a few times but it takes two people to move it out to the beach so I have not sailed it for two years. I set it up and had it out on the lake for a shake out cruise to see if there were any leaks or stuff that needs to be replaced. Back on land, I noticed the fitting that attaches one of the 3 guide wires called a stay like forstay, was missing the ring that holds the shaft in place. The mast would have come down if this screw got loose. It's fix now.

Aug 21, 2025

'Public school rant continues, there they go again: I was told by my brother in Law that in OK if a teacher comes from a blue state, like NY or CA they are given a litmus test, asking if they will support Trump, or think slavery in the pre Civil War was a good thing. The state refuses to release the questions. Meanwhile, the current state republican education operatives are pushing to have 10 commandments in all classrooms or require new testament bible study. It is like a Muslim school where students memorize the Koran or religious schools where students memorize chapters and verse and not learn how to think. Republican leaders say public schools are bad, and folks believe it. After parents take their children out of public school and place them in private charter schools with no union, so teachers are paid less than public school teachers, and no curriculum or standardized testing requirements except to play down slavery and any US history that conflicts with republican racism, and lying. I should come down to OK and open a storefront, my nonprofit business, that says, "don't let your children become ignorant in charter/private schools, where they go in dumb and come out dumb too. Come to "study hall" where they can study, can ask any questions, and get answers from a PhD teacher, me.

Aug 26, 2025

'Republican administration continues along nazi path by silencing dissent and using racism to keep their constituency intact. Republicans have enabled Trump. They won't impeach or remove him in spite of ample grounds for it, confirmed his unqualified cabinet and do whatever they are told, when they're supposed to be a co-equal independent branches and a check on the President when he exceeds his powers as he has been. Trump has enabled Bannon, Miller and other friends/supporters who are racist and authoritarian. For example, Bannon started a school in Northern Italy that teaches/produces dictators and by "coincidence" Bannon was present at the Brazil insurrection as well as the Jan. 6 capitol insurrection. The changes in America, the racism, like federal civil service workers and non-corporate farmers losing their jobs and farms will cause hardship for those families and they end up disgruntled. The rest of us will lose the services we pay for with our taxes. Like the amount of health care service payments people get or their ability to get health insurance, good weather forecasts (my view) and returns on the payments we put in during our life for social security. Jobs that pay less and make people feel depressed is the result of the movement of wealth to the top 1% income earners.

Aug 27, 2025

"Not what I was taught in school about 3 govt branches and checks and balances. The republicans owned by Trump, takeover of all the institutions of government and, increasingly, the private sector, by a dictator who thinks he can do no wrong with supporters who have made him immune from prosecution. He thinks he has changed the course of hurricane with his sharpie pen like the OK state legislators who passed a law declaring that the excessive number of small earth quakes in OK were not caused

by fracking. (4000 and they were). It was done as defense of law suits that folks were readying of house and plaster damage. Same in FL when hurricanes hit emdemifying insurance companies. I digress here as my mother in law condominium was flooded and the condominium association had federal flood insurance while her home does not. Years ago I inquired to find that one must go through a private company/agent to get federal flood insurance and the private insurance is not liable, and other policy for fire/theft etc there is a page describing what is covered and 50 pages about how flooding is not covered. Yet, when the flood comes the private did not give 1 dollar, federal govt mitigated 1/2 the cost, and Dorothy paid the other half, about \$50k. Then the private insurance company tripled her payments for the same policy still with 50 pages of how no flooding is covered. The republican government of FL passed a law making it more difficult to sue insurance companies. The republican propaganda is how awful that insurance companies received such losses. ...

Aug 27, 2025

".... Justice should be a thing we all strive for, the original reason people think religion was created by the ancients. Of course, the real reason it was created was to have rules of engagement to promote business and other transactions. For example, one trades camels for grain and after the trade one kills the other and takes both the grain and camels. If the two traders were of the same religion that forbade killing and steeling then civilization can start. Many people I talk with say there is not necessarily justice or life is not fair. The purpose of human life after passing on genes is to move civilization in the direction of justice, fairness and a better life through technology and science. Unfortunately that is not the goal of Republicans, Trump, or his supporters.

Aug 30, 2025

" Regulation and tax policy are central to curbing the excesses of capitalism. The Government at Trump's behest is occupying Democratic cities with the Army, National Guard, and ICE, a dress rehearsal for the 2026 midterms. Ununiformed grey shirts from Homeland security illegally detained protest leaders in Oregon and Seattle as practice for the above. Republican states are re-gerrymandering in order to squeeze out more Republican seats in Congress to help retain Republican control of the House for midterm elections and forever. Trump silences the criticism from universities, museums, law firms, and the media. Trump targets critics for prosecution, such as Adam Schiff and John Bolton. Bolton a republican conservative to the max. I read his book where he pulls punches on Trump criticisms. But that's hardly all of it. Trump is taking personal control of the U.S. economy, trying to control the Federal Reserve Board, threatening Jerome Powell with unflattering stories about his expenditures on the Fed's building and Fed governor Lisa Cook with stories about her home loan. He's imposing his will on key industries, from semi-conductors to steel and given the chip giants to Nvidia and Advanced Micro Devices export licenses to sell their semiconductors to China on condition that they pay the U.S. government 15 percent of what they make on those sales. (Not incidentally, Trump has reported substantial personal holdings in Nvidia.) He's converting \$11 billion of grants that the government had given Intel (part of the Biden administration's CHIPS and Science Act) into a 10 percent stake in the company, worth \$8.9 billion, held by the government. This lets Trump decide on its CEO. His White House has even created a scorecard that rates American corporations on how loyal they are to Trump. Corporations with "strong" ratings (among them, Uber, DoorDash, United, Delta, AT&T, and Cisco) are to be rewarded with tax and regulatory benefits, while "low" rated corporations could face retribution from Justice Department and regulatory lawsuits.

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'Trump said when asked in answer to: "You have so much to do (as president). You don't have time to get even. You only have time to get right." Trump's response

was to smirk. "Well, revenge does take time. I will say that," he said. "And sometimes revenge can be justified. I have to be honest. You know, sometimes it can." I am no fan of John Bolton, Trump's third first-term national-security adviser. The Justice Department tried unsuccessfully to stop publication of Boltons book mentioned in my last rant, which I read, is an account of the discord and dysfunction that marked Trump's foreign policy during his initial White House. Bolton, a conservative republican and originally Trump supporter, said Trump was a "threat to democracy" and a textbook "fascist" who "prefers the dictator approach to government." hardly a name calling or big deal and the truth. Even after Trump took away Boltons security guards (and that of any others if they were Biden picks, a black women, or a woman without blonde hair or Democrat), Bolton was targeted by Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps with a murder-for-hire plot targeting Bolton. U.S. authorities believe this plot was planned in retaliation for the killing of Iranian general Qassem Soleimani. It's illegal to do this and other actions by this republican administration, but congress and the courts are not checking or balancing the executive power.

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'Trump wrote recently on his Truth Social "The Museums throughout Washington, but all over the Country are, essentially, the last remaining segment of 'WOKE,' " Meaning he thinks they are supporting non-white history. For example Trump hates showing that in the south in the last 100 years the blacks were segregated, exploited and often murdered. Trump and republicans would like to forget that it ever happened and return to when non-white people were slaves and could be depended upon for no or low wage work.

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"Even though he has done a good turn for a family member, Let's rant on Donald Trump today, The Republican conservative MAGAs say: He's not ignorant enough. He's too pro gun control. He's not obese enough. He has too much respect for women, minorities and the rule of law. His hair is far too realistic. He knows too much about the issues. He speaks too honestly. He is too critical of oppressive regimes and dictators. He spends too much time at work when he should be golfing. He doesn't know enough porn stars. He hasn't committed enough bait and switch fraud. He is too quick in paying his creditors. Doesn't tweet enough. He doesn't play to the evangelicals enough. He is too modest and reasonable. He really should be more supportive of white supremacist organisations. He underestimated the crowd at his inauguration. He does too many interviews with critical media sources and none with Fox. Too good a husband and father. Much too critical of Putin. Doesn't grab enough pussy. Doesn't talk enough about how much of a genius he is. Prays too much. Needs to deny climate change more. Speaks with too much clarity, honesty, consistency and eloquence. Doesn't ramble on like a drunk uncle enough. Too classy. Too faithful and virtuous. His Kids are too nice. Not easy enough for far right conservatives to manipulate. Not enough hookers in his past or teenagers that he has raped. Today PBS declared that over a thousand teenagers were used at Epstein's island.

Sep 6, 2025 1

'I have mentioned how bad the people now running America are, all appointed by Trump to irk anyone thinking of justice, competence, or egalitarian folks. There is Kennedy, head of the Health & Human Services, a federal agency. Beside removing good and dedicated scientists, stopping research grants for cancer and other research, he claims the agency, the American Medical Association, doctors, are corrupt because they want to give people vaccines to stop disease, especially the synthetic vaccines, Pfizer and Moderna vaccines. The folks Kennedy and Trump listen to are Calley and Casey Means who say healthy people do not die from

covid and vaccines cause autism. People like my sister are under such delusion and probably does not get covid vaccine. Lucky for her she lives in a rural area and does not get near a lot of people. Republican canceling of medical health and Moderna reverse synthetic molecule manufacturing research and vaccine. The reverse protein molecule technology is an improvement over using dead virus to get the dead virus molecules to the bodies immune system. The reverse RNA (Moderna) synthetic molecule can not give a person the disease because there are no virus particles present like when some live virus is mistakenly included as happened with polio in a few cases. The reverse complex mRNA protein technology is used to make the reverse PSA prominent in prostate cancer. So far a "light" marker is attached to the reverse PSA Protein molecule to light up in a catscan which I had so I didn't need to drink radiation sugar. The Republicans are supporting Kennedy one of many criminal failings.

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"I can imagine the ignorance of half the voting public to allow this (past posts) to happen to the country. I think the Magats are still believers that they are not chumps for the republican scams from bit coin (\$TRUMP* to free jets from Saudis in return for international policy favors (using our troops/fighter jets overseas, NVIDIA chips for Xi's China and their stock for Trump, or siding with Putin's Russia to control Crimea and Ukraine so he can get peace prize. For Magat voters and everyone else, the movement of wealth from middle class to top 1% income wealthy continues at an ever faster rate since the Reagan administration. After folks own their cars, houses, cell phones/media subscriptions, etc, it might take a million dollars of income over some period to sustain the life style, and that's fine and attainable for those who can work, save and invest. How many houses can one live in. The wealthy and corporations take their gains from the middle class and after travel, housing, ownership of property and Financials. The excess is invested in equities which is why the markets are at record highs, including residential real estate. That is proof of the scam.

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'... continuing from last post: In the second quarter of 2025, the median annual income (amount for a comfortable life) for a full-time U.S. worker is an estimated \$62,192 and in 2023 it was \$40k. In 2 years, double digit inflation on average salary, a double digit increase, but the buying power also was reduced by the same amount. We call this running in place. From Gemini AI:
"Income growth: This represents a modest 4.6% increase from the previous year, but many analysts suggest this is effectively "running in place" when accounting for inflation and the rising cost of living."

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Sep 13, 2025

"Trump is teaching the importance of things we once took for granted: democracy, the rule of law, due process, federalism, checks and balances. As well as the value of several programs we took for granted, such as Medicaid, food assistance, and child vaccines, that were federally funded, free, almost free or subsidized. Then there are science projects like the ones started in the 1940-50's, the first was the Manhattan project that made nuclear bombs, but federal science projects included stipends for guys like Einstein, Oppenheimer, Goldsmith, Dirac the great physicists who taught, mostly at Princeton. I knew Dirac when I and he were at Stony Brook. From conferences to chairs at Universities, the federal government has been subsidizing science. Science people (nerds), like me, their students, findings in scientific journals, have a federal agency sponsor like NASA, NOAA, NSF. The branch at NSF, where I worked about the time we first met, placed federal grants for the first CAT scan, first MRI (federal grant to MIT), first Proton therapy, and more. All the granting federal agencies have stopped funding. For example, no fusion work is being done in US, oil companies have seen to it that they have less competition against renewable energy resources by Republicans removing subsidies for solar and wind. New federal lands for drilling (Anwar), reduced cost for

drilling leases especially on government land, suppressing financing of fusion plants in US and abroad, like in France to delay the onset of fusion reactors for free electricity, ... still need to pay for delivery, the electric grid, their corporate control rules and regulates you.

Sep 16, 2025

"To listen to Dems and Republicans tell it, the American problem is that people are unhappy because the American dream is gone, no longer are children or next generation better off than their parents were. Both political sides agree that there is far more misery than a rich, successful economy should provide. Yet the people in charge won't acknowledge our past successes in science and technology which has lifted all when it comes to the things we buy. Affordable cell phones, big screen TV, auto gas and/or electric, t-shirts. By attacking science, education and, immigration and trying to force us back to obsolete coal plants for energy sources that pollute, or slowing the acceptance of solar and wind alternatives by limiting subsidies for alternative methods, or limiting fusion investments, they corporates are doing their best to undermine the pillars of that success. ;