



The RIGHT WRITE-UP

The Republican Club of Comal County

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Our goal is to inform about current issues and conservative candidates.*

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OUR NEXT MEETING

THE REPUBLICAN CLUB OF COMAL COUNTY

will meet on Tuesday, August 23, at 6:30 p.m. (setup at 5:00, social mixer at 5:30)
at the First Protestant Church of New Braunfels, 172 W. Coll Street
(enter the parking lot by the Civic Center from Coll St.)

The refreshment theme for August is "Pot Luck."

Members and guests should bring any dish you would like to share:

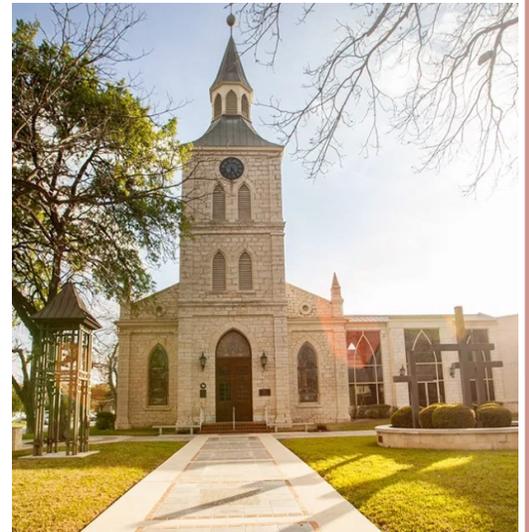
A main dish or salad, sandwiches, snack tray, or dessert.

The Club will have utensils on hand and water, tea, and coffee.

We encourage members to arrive early. This will allow time to pay dues, greet friends and guests, and partake of refreshments before the meeting starts.

Please share this meeting announcement with friends and family. As we grow in numbers, our influence grows with our elected officials, and they will respond to our calls on legislative priorities.

Questions? Call or email our President, Al Highfield, at 830-255-1367 or at Albert.Highfield@yahoo.com.



Our guest speaker will be

Grant Moody,

**a business executive in San Antonio
and a candidate for Bexar County Commissioner.**

His topic will be

"2022: A Unique Opportunity for the GOP."

Please join us for this timely and informative talk.

(See page 6 for more information about Mr. Moody.)

A Message from our Club President

Good day, PATRIOTS!! So glad we still live in the "home of the free, because of the brave!" How many of you out there remember this from typing class, (way before computers): "NOW IS THE TIME FOR ALL GOOD MEN TO COME TO THE AID OF THEIR COUNTRY." Nothing could be more relevant than this today. Only you and I, along with everyone who loves this country, can save it, with God's guidance and blessings. As we get closer and closer to November 2022 and to the 2024 elections, it is imperative to get everyone to vote, especially for our Republican candidates. The "RED WAVE" can only happen with everyone doing their part. We all must vote and be aware of issues at the polls. If you are volunteering as Judge, Clerk, or Poll Watcher, make your supervisors aware of problems or concerns.

The Newsletter and lots of other good Club information can be found at rcocc.org. Also, there are lots of photos, videos, and events posted.

Keep the faith and keep reaching for the stars.

God Bless and keep us safe during these trying times. As always, my email and phone number are listed on the front of the Newsletter and on our website, rcocc.org.

President Albert F. Highfield

“Ask me what You can do to get involved!”

OUR PATRON PROGRAM

The Republican Club of Comal County is thankful for those who have contributed to our Club through the Patron Program during 2021 and 2022.

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Patrons donate \$100 per year per person to help us finance our 2022 election strategy. Contact our Secretary, Patty Kirk-Trimble, at 830-483-1416 to become a Patron member or for more information. Patrons receive a special personalized Texas flag name tag.

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Comal County Precinct Chairs

Why do we publish the Comal County Precinct Chair List in the Republican Club Newsletter each month? Our mission as active Republicans is to support the political process. Each one of us should know what Precinct we live in and who serves as our Precinct Chair.

We should offer our assistance to our Precinct Chair for the elections. We can assist as an Election clerk or Election Judge on Election Day. We can offer to block walk to inform our neighbors of early voting. We can block walk for our chosen candidates. We can offer to take a list of Republicans to call with a reminder of the times and places to vote early. There are a number of ways an individual can help to assure a maximum Republican vote.

Studies show that when people intend to vote, but fail to vote early, a substantial percentage of that vote is lost on Election Day. There is a lot to be done. Please offer your help to your Precinct Chair.

<u>Precinct</u>	<u>Name</u>
County Chair	Sue Piner
Vice Chair	Susan Walker
Recording Secretary	Judy Walker
Treasurer	Don Johnson
101	Sharon Hall Monge
102	Kaci Sisk
103	Laura Buske
104	J.B. Williamson
105	Ernie Lee
106	Chris Byrd
107	Anita Valdez
108	Albert Highfield
109	Geri Becker
110	Joanne Martin
201	Marty Hiles
202	
203	James "Hoss" Boyd
204	Marlin Brown
205	Steve White
206	Kathy Phillips
207	John Brewer
301	Will Moravits
302	
303	Kenneth Kasper
304	Amanda Ackerman
305	Isabel Ibarra
306	Barbara Harrell
307	Timothy Davis
308	Mary Lou Erben
401	Robbie Borchers
402	Melinda Rapp
403	Carolyn Besselman
404	Teri Taylor
405	Molly Vogt
406	Joe Carroll
407	Susan Walker
408	Don Johnson

Our Mission

The mission of the Republican Club of Comal County is to promote “Faith, Family, and Freedom” by providing information and education about critical political issues, by encouraging active participation in the political process, by supporting conservative Republican nominees, and by fostering loyalty to the Republican Party and its conservative ideals.

The 2022 Principles of the Republican Party of Texas (RPT)

The following is a portion of the RPT 2022 Platform. This is an outline of what we believe our Party stands for and should be made familiar to all Texas Republicans so when we are asked, "Why are you a Republican?" you can cite one or all of these ten primary reasons.

Preamble

Affirming our belief in God, we still hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness. Throughout the world, people dare to dream of freedom and opportunity. The Republican Party of Texas unequivocally defends that dream. We strive to preserve the freedom given to us by God, implemented by our Founding Fathers, and embodied in the Constitution. We recognize that human nature is immutable. We further recognize that the traditional family is the strength of our nation. It is our solemn duty to protect innocent life and develop responsible citizens. We understand that our economic success depends upon free market principles. If we fail to maintain our sovereignty, we risk losing the freedom to live these ideals.

Principles

We, the 2022 Republican Party of Texas, believe in this platform and expect our elected leaders to uphold these truths through acknowledgment and action. We believe in:

1. "The laws of nature and nature's God," and we support the strict adherence to the original language and intent of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitutions of the United States and of Texas.
2. The sanctity of innocent human life, created in the image of God, which should be equally protected from fertilization to natural death.
3. Preserving individual, Texan, and American sovereignty and freedom.
4. Limiting government power to those items enumerated in the United States and Texas Constitutions.
5. Personal accountability and responsibility.
6. Self-sufficient families, founded on the traditional marriage of a natural man and a natural woman.
7. Having an educated population, with parents having the freedom of choice for the education of their children.
8. The inalienable right of all people to defend themselves and their property.
9. A free enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies.
10. Honoring all of those who serve and protect our freedom.

Grant Moody

Grant Moody was born and raised on his family's farm where he learned from a young age the importance of responsibility and hard work through running his own cow/calf operation as a teenager. He was active in 4-H and Boy Scouts and attained the rank of Eagle Scout. Grant graduated valedictorian of his high school class and received statewide honors as a Scholar Athlete by the College Football Hall of Fame.

Grant is a 4th generation veteran. He attended the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, where he played football for the Midshipmen and was recognized as a 2nd Team Academic All-American. Grant graduated with distinction as the top Economics major in his class and was a state finalist for the Rhodes Scholarship. He was selected for naval flight training after graduation and went on to become a Marine F-18 fighter pilot. He served his country for over a decade on active duty.

Grant completed combat tours in both Iraq and Afghanistan. In 2008, he was deployed to Iraq's Al Anbar province as a combat pilot providing air support in Ramadi, Fallujah, and Baghdad during the Iraq "surge." A few years later, Grant gave up orders to be a flight instructor in Florida, instead volunteering to deploy to Marjah, Afghanistan, as a forward air controller with 3rd Battalion/9th Marines in Helmand Province. His personal awards include an individual Air Medal with three additional strike/flight awards, three Navy Commendation Medals, and the Combat Action Ribbon.

Grant earned a master's degree in statistics and business analytics from Texas A&M University. Then, after leaving active duty, he attended the University of Pennsylvania's prestigious Wharton School, where he completed his MBA. He spent a summer consulting with McKinsey, and then joined USAA, the military financial services leader, full-time, where he was promoted to executive. In 2019, he transitioned to Valero Energy, where he currently serves as Director of Innovation, evaluating new opportunities for the largest independent refiner in the world.

Grant also served as a Legislative Assistant for Secretary of State Mike Pompeo when he served on the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. Former Congressman Pompeo also served as an honorary chair for Support and Defend PAC, a PAC Grant founded and chaired, prior to his cabinet appointment in 2016. In 2017, Grant was nominated by Governor Greg Abbott and confirmed by the Texas Senate to serve on the Texas Veterans Land Board. He was reappointed to a 2nd term in 2021. In 2019, Grant founded and chaired the San Antonio Liberty Leadership Council, a conservative organization for young professionals which continues to grow to this day. Last year, Grant was honored to be named a national fellow by the Club for Growth, the preeminent free-market political advocacy group in America.

Grant is married to the former Stephanie Smith of Ellicott City, MD. Stephanie is an elementary school teacher but has stayed at home to raise their children, Paige (12), Kaitlyn (9), and Kyle (5). Grant was promoted last year to Lt. Col. in the Marine Corps Reserves and is currently enrolled in the Joint Combined Warfare School. Grant also serves on the Advisory Council for Soldier's Angels, a San Antonio-based nonprofit, as well as Chip Roy's Veterans Advisory Group. He is currently running for Bexar County Commissioner.



Candidates supported by the Republican Club of Comal County

Here are the candidates that your dues are helping to support this year:

Commissioner of the General Land Office
Dawn Buckingham
\$250



Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3
Debra Lehrmann - Incumbent
\$200



Justice, Supreme Court, Place 5
Rebecca Huddle - Incumbent
\$200



Justice, Supreme Court, Place 9
Evan Young - Incumbent
\$200



Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 6
Jesse McClure
\$500



State Representative District 73
Carrie Isaac
\$500



Justice, 3rd Court of Appeals, Place 4
Lesli R. Fitzpatrick
\$500



District Judge, 207th Judicial District
Tracie Wright-Reneau
\$200



Justice of the Peace Precinct 4
Ashley R. Evans
\$200



Legal Fees Mount for New Braunfels Trump Train Couple Who 'Escorted' Biden Bus

By Darlene McCormick Sanchez, The Epoch News, July 14, 2022

A couple who joined the Trump Train following a Biden–Harris campaign bus on a Texas highway in 2020 has spent \$80,000 defending themselves against a lawsuit claiming voter intimidation under the Ku Klux Klan Act of 1871.

Joeylynn and Robert Mesaros of New Braunfels, Texas, told The Epoch Times they did nothing wrong.

They believe that the civil suit filed against them in 2021 by supporters of President Joe Biden was designed to punish political opposition and chill free speech.

"While their plan is ultimately to bankrupt us in this process, we know that money is replaceable," Joeylynn Mesaros wrote in an email. "We are focusing our attention on being joyful in our family, our health, and other things they cannot take from us."

Videos of Trump Train members surrounding the bus as it traveled on Interstate 35 near Austin, Texas, went viral and drew praise from then-President Donald Trump.

The FBI investigated the incident, which resulted in a collision after a Biden supporter's white vehicle appeared to cross into the lane of a truck driven by a Trump supporter. No charges were filed.

The couple's ordeal started eight months after they joined the caravan of trucks and cars decorated with Trump stickers and flags.

They were shocked to find out about the lawsuit when a friend alerted them to a CNN story that detailed the case. They weren't sure the suit was real until they were served with papers four weeks after the media reported it.

"It's been crazy, like something you never expect to happen," Robert Mesaros said. "It blew my mind. We didn't know what to do."

Multiple attorneys at the Texas Civil Rights Project, Protect Democracy Project, and the international firm of Willkie Farr and Gallagher out of Washington filed the lawsuit against Trump Train participants and a similar lawsuit against San Marcos, Texas, law enforcement for failing to offer a police escort for the bus.

The firms represent Biden campaign staffer David Gins; former Texas state Sen. Wendy Davis, a Democrat who once ran against Texas Gov. Gregg Abbott, a Republican; and bus driver Timothy Holloway. The fourth plaintiff is campaign volunteer Eric Cervini, who drove a car in front of the bus, according to the Texas Civil Rights Project.

Besides the Mesaroses, defendants named in the lawsuit include Eliazar Cisneros, Hannah Ceh, and Dolores Park. The defendants appear to have been identified by license plates. They've hired different attorneys.

The lawsuit, filed in the U.S. Western District of Texas, claims that on Oct. 30, 2020, Trump supporters "terrorized and menaced" Biden supporters and conspired to suppress their right to vote.

The complaint alleges that the Trump Train participants drove within inches of the bus and tried to force it off the road. At one point, Trump supporters swerved in front of the bus, slowing it to a crawl on a major highway, the lawsuit claims.

In an attempt to tie the case to the Jan. 6, 2021, breach of the U.S. Capitol, the complaint states that relatives of one defendant had been at the Washington protest that day. The same 150-year-old KKK law was used to sue Trump after Jan. 6, 2021.

Joeylynn Mesaros thought conservatives would come to their defense. But after calling some 50 different groups and law firms, they realized they were on their own. It left them with little choice but to empty their retirement accounts and their child's college fund for their defense.



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"We're a single-income family," Joeylynn Mesaros said, noting that her husband works as a plumber and that she's a stay-at-home mom. "It feels like they're just having fun. It's abusive."

The plaintiffs demanded every Facebook post and email concerning politics they made from 2019 forward as part of discovery. That means her husband sometimes stays up to 3 a.m. to help her with documentation, she said.

To make matters worse, Joeylynn Mesaros said the Texas Civil Rights Project in Austin used graphics of a hooded KKK figure standing next to an armed man carrying a Trump flag in their portrayal of the case online.

With little money, the Mesaroses decided to try fundraising to pay their legal costs. They created the Free Speech Defender website that raised \$170,000 of the estimated \$500,000 needed to defend themselves and possibly launch a countersuit.

They hope there's enough money after the lawsuit to reimburse their retirement and college funds. The couple decided to keep the site going even after their lawsuit to help others faced with litigation over political speech.

"We want to hang in the game and believe God called us to do this for a victory for free speech," she said.

The couple's Houston attorney, Jerad Najvar, told The Epoch Times that the case is moving forward after Judge Robert Pitman, an Obama appointee, denied a motion to dismiss this spring.

The same judge granted the plaintiffs' motion for a protective order that prevents disclosing much of the information they receive during discovery, said Najvar, who specializes in political law.

So while the plaintiffs could get their side out to the public for months and use it for fundraising, the defendants' couldn't entirely tell their side, Najvar said.

"It's very unusual—not only unusual, but completely inappropriate," Najvar said of the protective order. "Wild accusations" in the lawsuit have defamed his clients for exercising their First Amendment rights, he said. Najvar intends to pursue sanctions against plaintiff attorneys for what he characterized as deliberately misleading statements in the lawsuit.

In a June letter to the plaintiffs' attorneys, he called the allegation that the Mesaroses dangerously cut off the bus a "fabrication contradicted by the plaintiffs' own video."

"The video showed the bus pulled up behind his clients, who stopped on the shoulder and honked incessantly. Robert Mesaros slowly and safely reentered the right lane and pulled away," Najvar said.

Lackland Bloom Jr., a Southern Methodist University law professor and expert in constitutional law, told The Epoch Times in an email that he believes the case will eventually be dismissed.

To prevail, the plaintiffs in a lawsuit brought under the KKK Act must allege that the state was involved in the denial of constitutional rights, he said. Simply alleging that the state failed to provide protection would be insufficient.

Najvar said his clients will win. He believes the lawsuit stemmed from embarrassment at the show of support Trump generated in Texas, especially near the border. "Ultimately, we're going to be fine because the facts and law are on our side," he said.

Representatives for the Texas Civil Rights Project, Protect Democracy Project, and Willkie Farr and Gallagher didn't return calls seeking comment.

The MAGA Movement is Still Being Mischaracterized

The Patriot Post, Laura Hollis, August 4, 2022

I don't know how many times this needs to be said before the politterati will get it:
Trump didn't create the "red wave," he rode it.

Trump's endorsements won big in last night's primary elections in Arizona, Missouri, Kansas and Michigan! He is the most powerful kingmaker in politics today!

Or, depending on what/who you read: Trump failed to carry the day in all the races in which he endorsed a candidate! His star is on the wane!

Celebrations, recriminations, admonitions. De facto First Daughter of Arizona Meghan McCain bemoaned conservative candidate Kari Lake's victory in the Republican gubernatorial primary. McCain tweeted, "Congratulations to my home state for full making the transition to full blown MAGA/conspiracy theory/fraudster. The voters have spoken — be careful what you wish for ..."

That anyone would use the term "conspiracy theory" without a sense of irony at this point is high camp. Remember these jewels?

- ◆ The FBI spied on Trump.
- ◆ Hillary Clinton's campaign funded "opposition research" that was completely fabricated.
- ◆ Trump never "colluded" with Russia and the FBI knew it.
- ◆ The FBI lied to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court to get a warrant.
- ◆ COVID-19 originated in a lab.
- ◆ The U.S. government was funding "gain-of-function" research.
- ◆ mRNA vaccines don't prevent infection or transmission of the COVID-19 virus.
- ◆ A laptop belonging to Hunter Biden contained emails suggesting that his family has long been engaged in "pay-to-play" political scandals, as well as photos and videos of Biden taking drugs and engaged in sexual activities with prostitutes.

All of the above were proclaimed to be "conspiracy theories" (or the less inflammatory version, "misinformation"). All were subsequently proven to be true.

And as for the November 2020 election? The last chapter of that particular story has yet to be written. Even as its defenders continue to insist that it was "the most secure election in history," evidence continues to be unearthed demonstrating that there was misconduct that affected the outcome across multiple battleground states, including massive private contributions to public election offices in Democrat strongholds, illegal ballot harvesting and illegal drop boxes. It is even more damning that Democrats oppose every effort to ensure election integrity, including and especially voter identification and ballot verification. There is no reason to oppose those safeguards except for the ease of cheating without them.

If the last five years have proved anything, it's that "conspiracy theory" is a label the establishment slaps onto anything they don't want the public to know the truth about. If McCain can't connect those dots, she's disconnected from reality.

And speaking of labels, conservative radio host and author Mark Levin invited Rep. Liz Cheney (R-WY) to be a guest on his radio show. Cheney, like McCain, is aghast at the rise of the "America First" movement. Unlike McCain, Cheney is an elected official whose opposition to all things Trump now puts her at odds with her constituents. Cheney's political fortunes are in the toilet; her support among Republicans in Wyoming (including the state leaders of her own party) has cratered; she is now courting Democrat voters to salvage her congressional seat. Levin is popular; he has millions of listeners every night and seven of his books have been No. 1 on the New York Times bestseller list.

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Cheney nevertheless declined Levin's invitation, telling Levin that she'd reconsider when he "return(s) to be a principled conservative."

Apparently, for the RINO wing of the Grand Old Party, "principled" means capitulating to House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) by participating in sham congressional hearings without evidentiary rules, procedural protections or defense representation for the accused, or cross-examination of key witnesses, but with preprinted "testimony" and a predetermined conclusion that Trump is guilty of something — anything — related to the Jan. 6, 2021, riots at the Capitol.

What McCain and Cheney do have in common, they also share with millions of politicians and pundits around the country who see Americans rising up against statism, socialism, and globalism and want to blame Trump for it.

I don't know how many times this needs to be said before the politterati will get it: Trump didn't create the "red wave," he rode it. There are plenty of reasons why Democrat voters are fleeing the party their families belonged to for generations, and why Republican voters are tossing out candidates who run to the right but abandon the promises they made once they get to Washington, D.C.

Americans are tired of being lied to. They are tired of a government that puts them last. They are fed up with high taxes and bailouts of multinational corporations while family businesses struggle. They are gobsmacked by a government that sends hundreds of billions of taxpayer dollars abroad, while crippling our own energy production. They are furious at skyrocketing gas prices created by this administration's policies and the resulting inflation that is sending the prices of household needs through the roof. They are angry that millions of illegal immigrants are permitted to enter the country in violation of our laws and then bused or flown all over the country under cover of night. They are sick of the theft and violence created by lax attitudes toward crime and criminals. They do not want pornographic materials or curricula about gender identity in their children's grade schools.

More than anything else, Americans have no intention of being governed by a shadow cabal of globalists whose pie-in-the-sky ideologies promise utopia while they destroy our standard of living, our liberty and our national sovereignty, while making those few (and their minions) staggeringly wealthy.

It's not that Americans listen to Trump; it's that he listens to them. The elites in this country (and elsewhere) may be venal and condescending, but they're not stupid; they already know this. They just don't want to admit it because mischaracterizing the MAGA movement means never having to admit that they're wrong about everything else.

Fake Civics Bill Will Open the Floodgates of Racial Propaganda, Must Be Stopped

By Kathy Barnette, Human Events, July 27, 2022

When we made the decision eight years ago to homeschool our children, it was based on one simple fact: the public school system was operating above their pay grade. Like most parents, we were under the false impression that public schools were still teaching reading, writing, arithmetic and real U.S. history and civics — not Wokeism 101. My husband and I certainly weren't sending our two wide-eyed little ones into a setting that would teach them to despise the color of their skin and push with great gusto a social and political worldview that was directly opposed to the values we were instilling in our children at home. Eight years ago, I felt like a lone reed blowing in the wind. Today, the issue of left-wing indoctrination in education has moved to the forefront of public debates as parents and political candidates alike have made education a central part of their campaigns for the first time in decades.

But today, the parents' rights movement faces a grave new threat from the so-called "Civics Secures Democracy Act" (CSDA). Supporters of the CSDA would have Americans believe that the bill would simply boost student understanding of U.S. history and civics. In reality, the bill is a \$6 billion slush fund which Biden and the education bureaucracy would use to promote Critical Race Theory and so-called "action civics" (the leftist term for encouraging participation in protests for class credit, which just happen to always be for left-wing causes). Worst of all, some Senate Republicans are lining up to help pass it.

As the Biden administration has shown over the past two years, it will waste no opportunity to push wokeism in America's schools – look no further than Biden's day one Executive Order instructing every federal agency to infuse "equity principles" into everything they do, or the Biden DOJ's targeting of parents, labeling them as domestic terrorists for speaking out at school board meetings, or the slew of left-wing education activists who fill the ranks of the Biden Department of Education.

Just last year, Biden's Secretary of Education, Miguel Cardona, introduced a new rule governing the distribution of history and civics education grants, which explicitly held up the New York Times' widely discredited 1619 Project and leading CRT advocate Ibram X. Kendi as positive examples of "culturally responsive teaching."

In response to that move, Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell penned a letter to Secretary Cardona decrying the Department's effort "to reorient the bipartisan American History and Civics Education programs... away from their intended purposes toward a politicized and divisive agenda," further declaring that if the Biden administration had attempted to pass such "reforms" to history and civics education via legislation, "that legislation would not pass Congress."

The CSDA is that legislation. Yet thus far, neither McConnell nor any Republican has risen to vocally oppose it. Incredibly, three Republican Senators – John Cornyn of Texas, Bill Cassidy of Louisiana, and Jim Inhofe of Oklahoma – have all signed on as co-sponsors. Do these Republicans truly believe that the Biden administration and the left have simply abandoned their goal of using the education system to further their political interests?

The CSDA also raises a whole host of other concerns beyond simply empowering activist-minded bureaucrats. The bill would also enrich left-wing education groups through taxpayer grant money and execute an end-run around state and local authority over education by promising a pile of federal dollars to states if they adopt Biden DOE-approved/sanctioned materials, in effect creating a national curriculum – something which is illegal under federal law and a revival of the disastrous Obama-era Common Core.

Proponents of this bill – including some Republicans – accuse people like me of wanting to "whitewash history" and prop up "systemic racism" by opposing it. Newsflash: I'm black. In fact, I'm a black woman, married to a black man, raising two black babies. Unlike most of these white progressives who are pushing this disastrous bill, I actually have a vested interest in making sure our nation will welcome me and my family into every arena of life. However, this bill threatens to erase history and irreparably harm the development of all of our children.

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As a black mother in America, I know the full history of this country – the good, the bad, and the truly horrific – and it is extremely important to me that my children know it too. If you come to my house, you will see black history everywhere. My children can tell you who fought in the Civil War, who Frederick Douglass was, and name the most prominent leaders of the Civil Rights Movement – all things which I'd wager many students learning the "woke" version of American history and culture know almost nothing about.

My children also know my history – growing up dirt poor on a pig farm in the deep South, with none of the "privileges" that the pro-CRT crowd would have my children believe they need to succeed. But I did succeed, because nobody told me I was a victim, and because this is the greatest country in the world where people have the ability to rise above their circumstances through hard work and determination.

If the Civics Secures Democracy Act passes, it will mean that more minority children will be bombarded with dishonest and crippling propaganda about their supposed victim status, while more white children will be shamed for crimes they did not commit. Nothing could be more devastating for the emotional and psychological development of an entire generation of Americans.

That's why concerned citizens should call their Senators and Representatives and tell them to oppose the Civics Secures Democracy Act. At the state level, legislators should work quickly to prevent state education bureaucracies and local districts from accepting federal funding without the approval of the legislature. And in Congress, every Republican should immediately begin working to block passage of this bill. Every American student deserves access to an education that inspires self-confidence and pride in their country, and that empowers them to live out their American Dream.

Supreme Court Rightly Restored Limits on Executive Agencies

H. Sterling Burnett, The Epoch Times, July 9, 2022

During the final weeks of the U.S. Supreme Court's 2022 term, the justices issued some truly historic rulings. In doing so, the court went a long way toward reestablishing itself as a coequal branch of government designed to uphold individual rights guaranteed by the Constitution against illegal government restrictions, while defending the separation of powers, laid out in the Constitution, among the three branches of the federal government and between the federal government and the states.

The cases decided by the court included the president's power to set immigration policy, state and local governments' discrimination against expressions of religious faith, limits on gun rights, and the federal guarantee of access to abortions, among numerous other issues.

As important as the rulings in this wide range of cases are, the decision in *West Virginia v. EPA* is arguably the most consequential and far-reaching from an economic standpoint, and in regard to the Constitution's separation and delegation of powers.

The 6–3 decision, written by Chief Justice John Roberts, says the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) attempt to use an obscure provision of the Clean Air Act to usurp states' longstanding authority to manage their electric power grids doesn't pass constitutional muster. In its 2015 Clean Power Plan, the EPA tried to force states to close their coal plants, limit the use of natural gas, and expand wind and solar generation in order to "decarbonize" America's power supply.

The court's majority held that Congress never gave the EPA the far-reaching authority necessary to ban fossil fuel use for electricity to limit carbon dioxide emissions.

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The Constitution delegates to Congress alone the power to regulate interstate commerce. Unelected bureaucrats may not usurp that power by addressing major questions, meaning policies that are politically and economically significant, without clear direction from Congress. Carbon dioxide is ubiquitous, and sharply limiting it by restructuring the nation's power grid is a major undertaking that would impose trillions of dollars in costs, affect millions of jobs, and disrupt every sector of the economy. Redesigning the nation's power grid, as the EPA attempted to do, is a major policy undertaking that Congress didn't delegate to the agency.

"Capping carbon dioxide emissions at a level that will force a nationwide transition away from the use of coal to generate electricity may be a sensible 'solution to the crisis of the day,'" Roberts wrote (pdf). "But it is not plausible that Congress gave EPA the authority to adopt on its own such a regulatory scheme. ... A decision of such magnitude and consequence rests with Congress itself, or an agency acting pursuant to a clear delegation from that representative body."

Not only did the court's majority find Congress never explicitly granted the EPA the kind of power it claimed, but Congress had also taken up proposals to limit carbon dioxide emissions on several occasions and chose not to enact them, Roberts noted.

"At bottom, the Clean Power Plan essentially adopted a cap-and-trade scheme, or set of state cap-and-trade schemes, for carbon," he wrote. "Congress, however, has consistently rejected proposals to amend the Clean Air Act to create such a program. ... It has also declined to enact similar measures, such as a carbon tax."

Justice Neil Gorsuch's concurring opinion expanded on Roberts's line of reasoning. Congress's choice not to act on an issue a particular presidential administration may think is important isn't a grant to executive agencies to undertake action on their own.

According to Gorsuch: "When Congress seems slow to solve problems, it may be only natural that those in the Executive Branch might seek to take matters into their own hands. But the Constitution does not authorize agencies to use pen-and-phone regulations as substitutes for laws passed by the people's representatives. In our Republic, '[i]t is the peculiar province of the legislature to prescribe general rules for the government of society.'"

Commenting on the ruling, S.T. Karnick, a senior fellow at The Heartland Institute, said: "The Supreme Court rightly stayed in its lane in this case, as the Trump Court has increasingly been doing, restoring the separation of powers that is necessary to avert tyranny while leaving policy questions to Congress. ... Regardless of one's opinion of the policy the rule was meant to establish, the EPA had no authority to impose it."

The court's ruling in *West Virginia v. EPA* has implications far beyond the EPA's desire to regulate greenhouse gas emissions. The court's reasoning also limits the ability of Cabinet departments, such as the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Department of Transportation, as well as executive branch agencies such as the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to regulate greenhouse gas emissions. If the EPA, which is charged with protecting the environment, can't restructure the economy to limit greenhouse gas emissions, neither can other departments or agencies for which protecting the environment is at best tangential to their areas of authority.

The court's ruling also goes beyond the issue of climate change. With this decision, the court has effectively informed federal agencies that the separation of powers doctrine is alive and well, and Congress alone makes law. Going forward, Cabinet departments and executive agencies will have to exercise appropriate restraint and humility when regulating, strictly adhering to their mission and the letter of the laws passed by Congress. If executive agencies enact policies that involve major questions, courts will no longer necessarily defer to their judgments about whether a particular rule or policy is justified or sanctioned by Congress.

There remains much to do to halt dangerous efforts to end fossil fuel use and restructure the economy to far-left elitists' liking. However, the Supreme Court's decision in *West Virginia v. EPA* is a good start in limiting the vast overreach that executive agencies have wrought in recent decades.

Law-Abiding Gun Owners Will Not Harm You. But Criminals Will.

by Armstrong Williams, The Patriot Post, August 4, 2022

A balance must be struck between laws that screen out criminals and laws that make it difficult for law-abiding people to acquire and possess firearms.

There have been innumerable debates on gun ownership. These discussions generally address two critical factors: gun violence in inner cities and mass shootings. As a result, some Americans have called for the removal of certain weapons, such as the AR-15, from civilian ownership, and the limitation of magazines to 10 rounds as a means to combat these two problems. While I understand the desire to act quickly, we should not act in a way that makes villains of law-abiding gun owners who only wish to protect themselves and their families while simultaneously giving criminals the upper hand in their pursuit of destruction.

Can good, responsible citizens with firearms actually make a difference in life-threatening situations? A recent incident in Indianapolis demonstrates that, with training, a responsible gun owner can respond swiftly, safely and responsibly to save lives. A 22-year-old saved a significant number of lives when he eliminated a shooter who murdered three people and injured three more in an Indiana mall; the situation likely would have been much worse. Since 2021, there have been a total of 22 confirmed incidents of concealed carry permit holders employing deadly force to stop criminals in life-threatening situations. This number sounds insignificant in a vacuum; however, it is critical to consider that most shootings do not occur in places where firearm carry is permitted — for obvious reasons — thus there is generally no armed person available to stop a shooter.

As a gun owner with a license to carry a concealed handgun, I am fully aware that the use of force is an action of last resort. Firearm carriers are trained to avoid risky situations and make every attempt to deescalate whenever feasible. Nonetheless, taking a life is only appropriate if your own life is in imminent danger. I hope that I will never be in such a life-or-death scenario, but it is comforting to know that I can safeguard my life and the lives of others if necessary. After all, no sane individual goes about his or her day craving blood; rather, people carry to secure their own safety. Responsible individuals can use a weapon to prevent mass shootings and other types of deadly violence.

However, the villainization of law-abiding gun owners has prompted many Americans to distrust firearms and gun owners in general. This has occurred at the hands of government actors and gun control lobbyists who twist the facts to make people believe that guns are both dangerous and unnecessary in life-threatening situations. They make gun owners out to seem like fringe conspiracy theorists who have a deep distrust for authority.

Unsurprisingly, this could not be further from the truth. Gun owners are your neighbors, your friends and your family members. The firearms community is comprised of people you care about, and they are neither monsters nor evil; they are ordinary citizens concerned with their safety and the use of the fundamental right to defend themselves. No one should be at danger of having their rights and liberty infringed upon by criminals intent on causing bodily harm. Restrictive gun laws merely place criminals who flout the law in control.

When I recall growing up in rural South Carolina during a very difficult period in our nation's history, I recognize that it was firearms that enabled Black people in the South to fend off the Ku Klux Klan. I consider today's single moms and women who, in most cases, would be powerless against an assailant but could have the ability to protect themselves with a firearm. It goes without saying that members of the LGBTQ community have the right to keep and bear arms, and they most certainly ought to have the right to defend themselves if they find themselves a potential victim of a transphobic or homophobic attack. I consider the hatred of Asian people and atrocities committed against our Jewish brothers and sisters; they absolutely deserve to use deadly force against assailants who seek to harm them for their immutable characteristics. This privilege is available to all law-abiding Americans, regardless of color, religion, orientation or any other classification.

Criminals and those seeking to commit mass violence do not care if you are armed or not; they will find other ways to harm you. This has been the case since the beginning of human history. However, the question is how to strike a balance between protecting the rights of law-abiding citizens and keeping us safe from criminals. Maintaining access to weapons for law-abiding citizens is essential, and a balance must be struck between laws that screen out criminals and laws that make it difficult for law-abiding people to acquire and possess firearms.

You may not like firearms, and you may not want to possess one, but if you ever find yourself in a situation similar to the victims in that Indianapolis mall, you will wish there was a good Samaritan with a gun who could mean the difference between survival or death.

Leftists for Discrimination in College

Emmy Griffin, The Patriot Post, August 4, 2022

Woke Democrats and the ACLU file amicus briefs in favor of keeping race as a central factor in college admissions.

Segregation and discrimination based on race should be a sad relic of our past, and yet in 2022, bitter clingers hang around like a bad smell refusing to be washed clean.

Affirmative action was brought about in the 1960s to help end segregation and discrimination against people of color, specifically blacks. Proponents sought to close the gap in work and educational opportunities. However, the laws and executive orders that come under the umbrella of affirmative action have fostered a sort of reverse racism, particularly in college admissions. Students who are white or Asian American are being passed over in favor of blacks. Black students are accepted over whites or Asian Americans regardless of merit.

Students are finally seeking to make the college admissions process fair again. Two lawsuits are coming before the Supreme Court: Students for Fair Admissions v. President and Fellows of Harvard College and Students for Fair Admissions v. University of North Carolina. Plaintiffs in these suits rightly argue that race should not be a factor in the admissions process.

Unfortunately, these suits cut against the popular woke narrative that states America and its institutions are systemically racist and require government interventions like affirmative action to level the playing field. Organizations like the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) and Democrats in Congress — 65 of them — have each filed amicus briefings declaring their support for colleges to continue their racial discrimination in the admissions process.

ACLU senior staff attorney Sarah Hinger publicly argued: "Ending the consideration of race in college admissions would ignore the country's ongoing challenge of racial inequality and threaten diversity and inclusion on campuses everywhere. Race-conscious admissions practices help create a diverse student body and enrich the educational experiences of all students. The Supreme Court's holdings have recognized this for decades, and we urge the court to protect universities' ability to consider race in the admissions process."

The ACLU even went so far as to proclaim, "All students deserve equitable access to higher education." Asian American students aren't diverse? So much for civil liberties for all.

Representative Bobby Scott (VA), chairman the House Education and Labor Committee and instigator of the Democrat amicus brief, was more nuanced in his statements: "Narrowly tailored admissions policies that recognize race as one criterion — out of many criteria for evaluating prospective students — are a key tool to realize diverse learning environments and address continued educational inequity. Moreover, research has confirmed that diverse campuses not only support underserved students, but also provide all students with a quality, well-rounded education."

Congressman Scott tries to spin race as only one of many factors (students who filed the lawsuit have found that race is the most important criteria). He also tries to say that underserved students will suddenly become well-rounded by being admitted to Ivy League schools. Ironically, this non sequitur actually hints at the real underlying issue.

The American Enterprise Institute observes that "despite decades of affirmative-action programs, wealth-redistribution schemes and other well-intentioned government efforts, racial gaps in educational achievement, employment, income, family formation and crime persist." In other words, affirmative action has not solved the problems that the black community is trying to overcome; it has instead mired them deeper in the bog.

Using race as a qualification as opposed to merit also hurts black student graduates. Famously, Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas affixed a fifteen-cent sticker on his Yale Law diploma after having a hard time getting a job after graduation. In his book *My Grandfather's Son*, he writes: "I learned the hard way that a law degree from Yale meant one thing for white graduates and another for blacks, no matter how much any one denied it. I'd graduated from one of America's top law schools, but racial preference had robbed my achievement of its true value."

The fight between the Left and the Right in the culture wars is how we define and go about achieving rights. As we have previously noted, the Right believes that rights are inalienable and natural for you to enjoy free from government interference, whereas the Left tends to believe that rights are something that must be provided for you at the expense of someone else under coercion of government power.

Equality and freedom cannot thrive when a government is using coercion and taking rights away from others to "even the score." It is a lesson writ plain all across our American experiment, and yet the battle goes on.

Sorry, Progressives, but America Isn't Intersectional

Michael Barone, The Patriot Post, July 29, 2022

It turns out a diverse society is sometimes and in some respects just too diverse.

America isn't intersectional. That's something the left-wingers who call themselves progressives have been learning, painfully, over the past 18 months.

You may well ask, what is intersectionality? It's a label that hasn't caught on with the general public that stands for a set of ideas, concocted by people convinced they know how to eliminate injustice. Here's the summary by the Center for Intersectional Justice : "We believe that all forms of injustices are interconnected and that they should be addressed simultaneously. Social justice can only be achieved if protective laws and policies are truly inclusive and reach everyone. We promote inter- and intra-community solidarity and reject any form of divisive politics."

Of course they're engaged in "divisive politics" with the many people who don't share their views — and, to an uncomfortable extent, with each other. It turns out that some groups that consider themselves victims have goals that conflict with other such groups.

It turns out a diverse society — and America, from its colonial beginnings, has always been a diverse society — is sometimes and in some respects just too diverse. And when you try to advance all good things at once, you run into problems.

Consider the big economic plans of the incoming Biden administration just 18 months ago. First on the congressional plate was the multitrillion-dollar stimulus bill, built on top of the somewhat smaller bill signed by the outgoing President Donald Trump in December.

The bill funneled money to victims of COVID restrictions, locked out of their jobs, and to those who weren't, on the theory that government transfers in a nation with a progressive income tax system always help those with lower incomes.

Unfortunately (and unexpectedly), this huge transfer, from lenders and the future taxpayers who will presumably pay them back to citizens, generally seems to have sparked the worst inflation since the late 1970s. That, in turn, undermined support for the Biden administration's Build Back Better plan (the name, like a 1987 Biden presidential campaign speech, was plagiarized), and it could never muster 50 Democratic votes in the Senate.

BBB was intentionally intersectional, laced with provisions "that would have moved the United States closer to a European-style social safety net," according to a sympathetic Washington Post columnist. But the world is not intersectional. Substantial sections of the bill, as well as inflation, made it unpassable in a very closely divided Congress.

Similarly, high gasoline prices increase the opposition to policies designed to shut down the fossil fuel industries. And with violent crime increasing, suddenly, even the supposed beneficiaries turn against proposals to defund the police.

Democratic cities that defunded the police — New York, San Francisco, Chicago, Minneapolis — are scampering back to funding them again, just as intersectional-minded progressives are noticing sharp declines in Democratic support from Hispanic and Asian people, whom they have delighted in characterizing as part of a BIPOC (Black, indigenous, people of color) ascending toward an intersectional national majority.

The BIPOC category is pure intersectionalism, based on the theory that white Americans always have and always will treat those classified as people of color the same way. But this theory quickly runs up against nonintersectional facts.

The historical experiences of Black Americans, many Black history scholars and Black voters will tell you accurately, have been unique. That's one — perhaps the only — thing the New York Times' 1619 Project got right.

The Census bureaucrats who created the Hispanic and Asian categories half a century ago may have imagined that white people would subject them to the same kind of enforced discrimination and disenfranchisement that white Southerners subjected Black people to a century ago.

But that simply hasn't happened. Frequent intermarriage, upward social mobility and, to almost everyone's surprise, Republican-ward political movement among Hispanic people in the Trump era have made mincemeat of the theory that Hispanic people would share the views of Black people. So has the opposition to racial quotas and preferences and progressive policing and prosecution politics among voters classified as Asian.

BIPOC Americans aren't acting as a single bloc dedicated to intersectionality. How many voters think of themselves as BIPOC?

Eleven score and 14 years ago, James Madison, in Federalist 10, argued that in a large and culturally diverse nation, political factions, even with temporary majorities, would have difficulty imposing measures regarded as tyrannical or unwise. It turns out that today's America, like Madison's, isn't intersectional.

What Harvard Means by 'Diversity'

The Patriot Post, Jeff Jacoby, July 22, 2022

Harvard wants its people to be "diverse" only when measured by the yardsticks that matter least: race, gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation.

The left-wing takeover of American elite universities is a very old story. In 1951, a young William F. Buckley Jr. created a sensation with *God and Man at Yale*, his first book, which documented the largely socialist and atheist worldview that even then prevailed in the classrooms of the Ivy League institution from which he had just graduated.

In much of American academia today, that worldview no longer merely prevails. It overpowers. It is pervasive, aggressive, and deeply intolerant. Half a century after Buckley's debut, an even younger conservative graduating from another prominent university — Ben Shapiro of the University of California Los Angeles — published his first book, *Brainwashed*, which picked up where Buckley had left off. "I have seen firsthand the leftist brainwashing occurring on campus on a daily basis," wrote Shapiro. "Under higher education's facade of objectivity lies a grave and overpowering bias."

That was in 2004. The imbalance Shapiro described then is even more pronounced now. It seems almost superfluous to document the phenomenon, but documentation continues to be compiled. In surveys of college faculty members by the Higher Education Research Institute over several decades, liberals have always outnumbered moderates and conservatives. That is especially the case in New England, as Sarah Lawrence College political scientist Samuel Abrams noted in a 2016 *New York Times* column:

In 1989, the number of liberals compared with conservatives on college campuses was about 2 to 1 nationwide; that figure was almost 5 to 1 for New England schools. By 2014, the national figure was 6 to 1; for those teaching in New England, the figure was 28 to 1... . If you are looking for an ideologically balanced education, don't put New England at the top of your list.

And definitely don't put Harvard on your list.

The Harvard *Crimson* reported last week that 82 percent of Harvard's faculty of arts and sciences characterize their political leanings as "liberal" or "very liberal." By contrast, "only 1 percent of respondents stated they are 'conservative,' and no respondents identified as 'very conservative.'" Compared to the rest of the country, New England's 28-to-1 lopsided liberal faculty dominance may appear wildly out of whack. But it is a model of evenhandedness compared to the 82-to-1 slant among the Harvard professoriate.

Moreover, reports the *Crimson*, that's the way most Harvard instructors like it. "When asked whether they would support increasing ideological diversity among faculty by hiring more conservative-leaning professors, only a quarter of respondents were in support," the paper reported.

From time to time in the world of higher education, proposals are floated to actively increase the share of faculty members whose outlook is more conservative. A few years ago, an Iowa lawmaker drafted legislation to require public colleges in his state to ensure that liberal and conservative faculty members be hired in equal numbers. The University of Colorado at Boulder has an endowed visiting professorship in Conservative Thought and Policy. The conservative activist David Horowitz for several years promoted an "Academic Bill of Rights," lobbying state legislatures to pass measures barring universities from (among other things) hiring, promoting, or terminating professors based on their political beliefs.

I am skeptical of such efforts. The steady leftward march of academia's most prestigious institutions is a genuine problem, but it isn't one that can be solved by tokenism or litmus tests, or by involving the government in hiring decisions. Frankly, I doubt that it can be solved at all other than perhaps by building up new institutions of higher education — a worthy process, but one that, even in the best of circumstances, will take many years to succeed.

Harvard's 82-to-1 faculty ratio of liberals to conservatives makes a mockery of the university's avowed commitment to diversity. A handsome page on its website declares that "Harvard's commitment to diversity in all forms" — my italics — "is rooted in our fundamental belief that engaging with unfamiliar ideas, perspectives, cultures, and people creates the conditions for dramatic and meaningful growth."

Those fine words aren't true, of course. Everyone knows that Harvard has no desire to uphold "diversity in all forms." Like other institutions that go out of their way to trumpet their embrace of diversity — the media, Hollywood, major-league sports — Harvard wants its people to be "diverse" only when measured by the yardsticks that matter least: race, gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation. But the clash of ideas? A robust competition among worldviews? The exposure of students to compelling arguments that challenge liberal and progressive shibboleths? That's not what Harvard is interested in. It hasn't been for decades.

10 Biggest Adjustments Fleeing Californians Have To Make In Their New States

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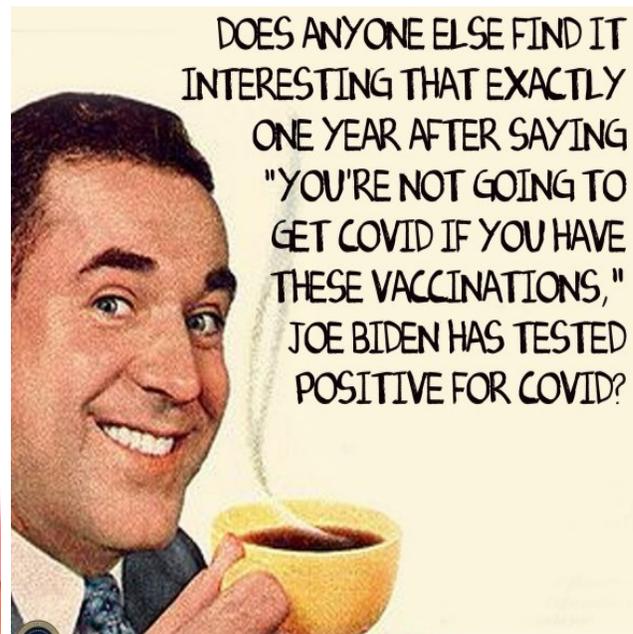
Hundreds of thousands of people are fleeing California for states like Texas and Florida, but it's not always easy to adjust to life in an American state.

Let's look at the 10 biggest adjustments fleeing Californians have to make in their new states:

1. Strange wet stuff falls from the sky once in a while. Try not to drive your car into a pole when this happens. Take a deep breath. You will get through it.
2. People don't say "The" in front of highway names. If you're driving on I-10 in Texas, you'll feel the urge to say "The 10," but don't do it. It's wrong.
3. You can't wear flip-flops to church. Not even your "nice" Vans flip-flops. Put on shoes like an adult.
4. There's no need to call the police if you see someone with a gun strapped to their hip. It's OK. The guns can't jump out and hurt you, no matter what Newsom told you back in California.
5. "Bless your heart" doesn't mean "bless your heart." Well, it might mean "bless your heart," but it's a safer bet that it means "that person's weird," or "you're an idiot," or "I don't like you." Or, it's a simple ending to a statement you've made about someone that you don't want to feel bad about.
6. No one cares about your preferred pronouns. Go ahead and tell an old farmer in Oklahoma that you go by "they" pronouns. The look on his face will be worth it.
7. Man-buns are unacceptable in a professional setting. Or any setting.
8. You have to go into buildings without any kind of official warning that something inside there might cause cancer. You will just have to take the chance. Be strong.
9. The weather cycles from hot to cold and back again on an annual basis. Do not be alarmed. These are called "seasons."
10. You might have to make your own choices and take responsibility for your actions without the government taking care of you. This is the most difficult adjustment for Californians to make when they move to America, but with time, prayer (also acceptable in red states), and willpower, you can do it!

Those are just a few of the many adjustments ex-Californians will have to make. If you've thought of any others, please leave them in the comments below to help these poor communists to enjoy capitalism away from their homeland.

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More than one million voters switch registration to GOP as suburbs break from Biden

by Anders Hagstrom, Fox News

Dems are trying to shift the conversation toward abortion

More than one million U.S. voters have switched their party affiliation to the GOP over the past 12 months, painting a grim picture for Democrats in the 2022 midterms.

The GOP is benefiting most in the suburbs of large and medium cities, where voters who supported President Joe Biden in 2020 are struggling with inflation and growing increasingly critical of Democratic social issues, according to an analysis from The Associated Press.

Roughly 1.7 million Americans have changed their party affiliation over the past 12 months. Two-thirds of those have gone to the GOP, while just 630,000 have switched to the Democratic Party, according to the report.

While not the final nail in the coffin for Democrats, the voter trend is yet another indicator that Republicans stand to make large gains in Congress and state governments across the country in November.

Republican National Committee Chair Ronna McDaniel attributed the big gains for her party to "Biden's gas hike, the open border crisis, baby formula shortage and rising crime."

"Biden and Democrats are woefully out of touch with the American people, and that's why voters are flocking to the Republican Party in droves," McDaniel told Fox News Digital in a statement. "American suburbs will trend red for cycles to come."

Biden's administration has scrambled to address skyrocketing gas prices, as well as inflation that sits at a 40-year high and shows no signs of slowing down.

Members of Biden's own party have criticized the White House response to the economic crises, saying he is being too passive.

"I support the president's efforts, but we need a bolder vision and faster action," Rep. Ro Khanna, D-Calif., wrote in an op-ed for the New York Times earlier in June.

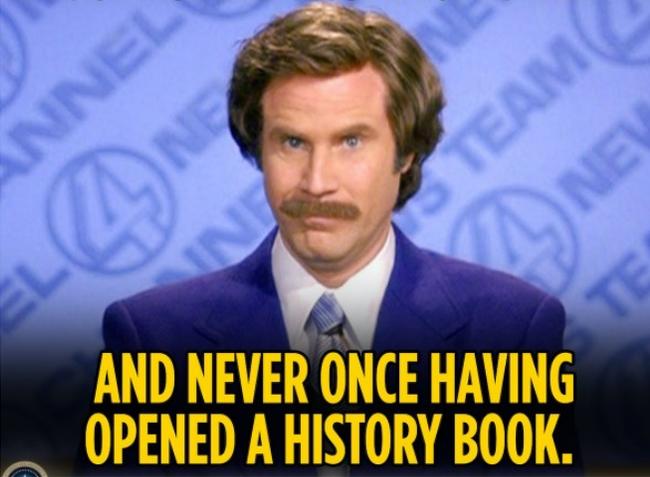
"To meet the moment, Mr. Biden should convene an emergency task force empowered to lower prices and address shortages. We need an all-out mobilization, not just a few ad hoc initiatives reacting to headlines," he added.



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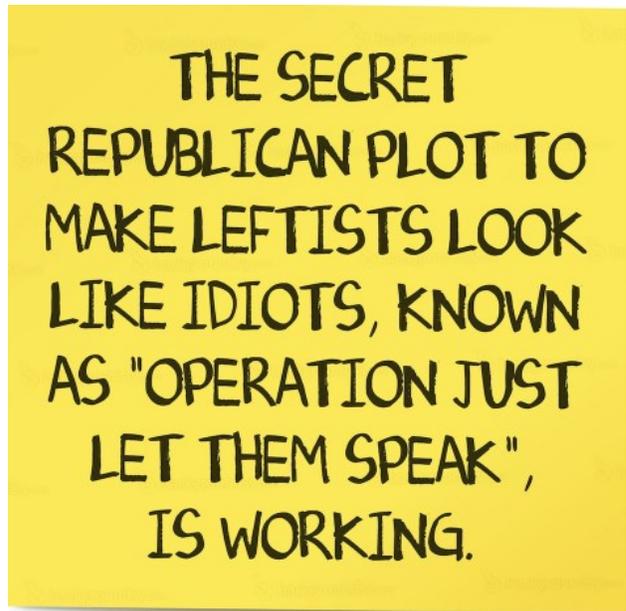
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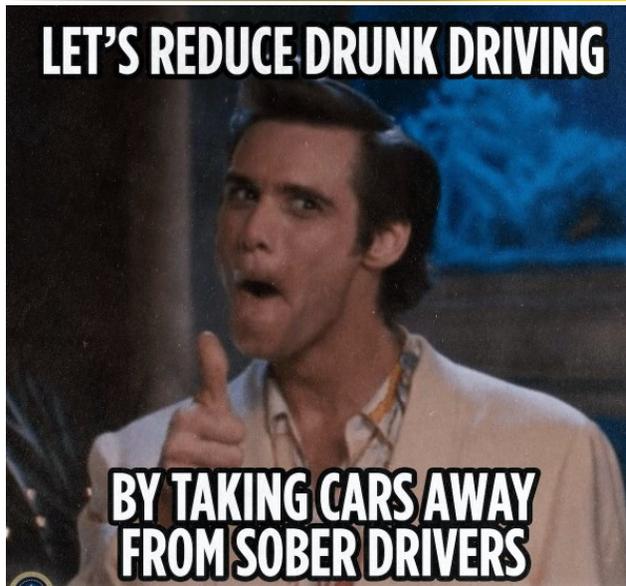


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