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A Newsletter from the Conservatives on Main Street, Winnebago GOP

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Elections, and Having to Do With

Spring Elections, April 5, 2022-- *I Voted! I hope you did, too.*

Spring elections are long gone. How did we do? We did very well, thank you very much. Conservative voters brought their energy (and frustrations) to the polls and carried many of our new and repeat candidates across the finish line. Well done, Winnebago county.

District II Court of Appeals.

Maria S Lazar defeated Evers appointee Lori Kornblum

Winnebago Circuit Court

Branch 3

Bryan Keberlein defeated Lisa Krueger

Winnebago GOP took no position on this race.

Branch 4

Mike Gibbs defeated Evers appointee LaKeisha Haase

Branch 5

John A Jorgensen, an incumbent, was unopposed.

Neenah City Council Candidates to Consider

Kathie Boyette, incumbent, retained her seat.

Oshkosh Common Council

Matt Mugerauer, incumbent, retained his seat.

Neenah Mayor

Jane Lang defeated Brian Borchardt.

Neenah School Board

Tara Brzezinski was one of three successful candidates for Neenah School Board

Oshkosh School Board:

We recommended **Sara Dougherty Noe** and **Kelly DeWitt** for Oshkosh School Board. Both Sara and Kelly worked extremely hard during the campaign as we know they would have worked hard for our schools and children had they been elected. Up against incumbents, they were both within a handful of votes of success. We thank Sara and Kelly for their hard work and dedication to improving Oshkosh schools. Winnebago GOP hopes we will see both Sara and Kelly participating in future elections.

New London School Board:

Mandy Wilz and Holly Schweitzer won seats on the School Board.

County Supervisors (Only recommended winners are listed*)

[Find Your Elected Representatives.](#)

District	Board Member	District	Board Member
District 1	Rachel Dowling	District 5	Kay Horan
District 6	Brian Efferding	District 7	Betsy Ellenberger
District 10	Bryan Stafford	District 11	David Albrecht
District 15	E Michael Robinson	District 16	Jacob Floam
District 21	John Hinz	District 31	Ralph Harrison
District 32	Shanah Zastera**	District 34	Jeffrey Beem
District 36	Howard Miller		

*We also recommended several excellent individuals that were not able to overcome their opponents. Thank you, for your hard work, efforts, and interest: **Tyler Doemel** (2nd), **Garth Seiler** (18th), **Ed Demler** (19th), **Eric Vlatch** (20th), **Lorenz Scherer** (24th), and **Lydia Lyons** (25th). We hope to see you in future races and count on your continued involvement in our local communities.

** A recount of election day results confirmed the original count and Shanah's victory.

Legislative Action concerning Election Integrity

The election cycle and our faith in the election process itself suffered from many irregularities in 2020. COVID was used by many municipal agencies, and the Wisconsin Election Commission in particular, to authorize procedures and activities that violated established law and were not approved by the legislature as required by state law.

Since the election, many of us have impatiently demanded that the Republican controlled legislature do something about these travesties before the next election cycle. At this point, many of us are not only disappointed at the pace of fixing our election process, but also worried that the next and future elections will have the same shadow cast over them.

It is a FACT that existing laws were broken in the 2020 election. There has not been, nor will there be any cost to those who broke those laws, including the encouragement of illegal activities by WEC officials, until we have a State Attorney General that stands for law and order and does his job for the **RULE OF LAW**, which serves the people.

The following is a description of where efforts to correct our electoral procedures lie in terms of the Republican controlled legislature vs Tony Evers. While there were many other pieces of legislation that went to committee or were considered, you will find that this group of legislation addresses the areas of grave concern to those of us expecting and demanding fair elections. This listing is a testimony to two things. 1) Both houses of the Wisconsin legislature have, in fact, addressed these critical electoral issues since the 2020 election; and 2) Nothing is going to happen **UNTIL WE VOTE TONY EVERS AND HIS ATTORNEY GENERAL JOSH KAUL OUT OF OFFICE IN 2022.** Message received?

For the next election, we conservatives in Winnebago County urgently ask our elected legislators and the Republican Party of Wisconsin to step forward **BEFORE THE ELECTION** when extralegal actions are announced and before they affect the ballot count on election day. Do you hear us, **ROBIN VOS**? State Senators Dan Feyen and Roger Roth; Representatives Mike Schraa, Rachael Cabral-Guevara, and Dave Murphy? Because this is a fair elections issue, central to our democratic system, I should be able to also ask the same of Gordon Hintz and Lee Snodgrass. Alas.

Wisconsin Senate Bill 203

Effect: Absentee ballots can be returned to a collection site, but that site must be staffed by the clerk or an employee of the clerk. The site must be in a public area. The collection point can only be operated during a two-week period before the election. Absentee ballots can only be delivered by the voter himself, by immediate family, or by an appointee. A person would be limited to delivering no more than two absentee ballots.

Result: Vetoed by Governor Evers

Because: The bill would limit the assistance that could be provided to an absentee voter such as was provided during the COVID epidemic; The bill would require those returning absentee ballots to be a Wisconsin voter and would limit such individuals to delivering no more than two absentee ballots.

Editorial comment: In 2020 in Wisconsin, WEC determined it was appropriate to blanket the state with unrequested absentee ballots, and to multiply the number of drop boxes to overcome the COVID pandemic. See the link.

<https://uncoverdc.com/2022/03/27/cellphone-geolocation-data-7-percent-of-mail-in-ballots-were-trafficked-in-2020-election/>

Wisconsin Senate Bill 204

Effect: Absentee ballots must be requested for each election and cannot be sent out to individuals that did not request them. Voter Identification must be provided with the absentee ballot request. Clerks must post hourly updates of absentee ballot showing the numbers received, returned, and remaining to be counted. The condition of “indefinitely confined” is limited in that the individual must document this yearly.

Result: Vetoed by Governor Evers

Because: The bill requires a voter to apply for an absentee ballot for each election. Clerks will no longer be allowed to send out absentee ballots prospectively. Voter identification requirements are burdensome. It is too much work for the clerks to stay late to provide hourly updates on absentee ballot counts.

Editorial Comment: Senate Bill 203 addressed the unrestrained access (and unaccountability) of drop boxes. Senate Bill 204 goes after the blanketing of the state with unrequested absentee ballots. Note that blanket distribution of absentee ballots was one of the required criteria for a local government to obtain election assistance funds from Mark Zuckerberg

Wisconsin Senate Bill 205

Effect: Administrators of long-term care facilities must notify relatives of the times when absentee voting assistants or special voting deputies will be at the facility, thus enabling family members to be present at the time of voting. The period for voting at the long-term care facilities is moved forward one week and must conclude by the 6th working day prior to the election instead of the 1st day prior to the election. The following would now be considered as Class I felonies: (1) influencing a resident to apply for or not apply for an absentee ballot; (2) influencing a resident to cast or refrain from casting a ballot; or (3) influencing a resident’s decision for whom to cast a ballot.

Result: Vetoed by Governor Evers

Because: There is no reason stated in the bill for completing long-term care facility voting on the 6th working day before the election. This limitation shortens the currently allowed voting period. The bill changes the long-term care administrator’s duty from allowing them to contact relatives if the resident so requests, to requiring them to contact relatives to notify them of voting at the facility.

Editorial Comment: If you recall, dozens of assisted living and memory care facilities in Wisconsin had 100% voter turnout. Cemeteries in Chicago have come close to, but have never matched this handsome turnout.

Wisconsin Senate Bill 207 / Wisconsin Assembly Bill 173

Effect: Makes it illegal for government officials within Wisconsin to accept money and/or grants from outside groups to use in the administration of elections. The bill generally prohibits counties and municipalities from applying for or accepting any donation or grant of private resources for purposes of election administration. Local units of government would not be allowed to enter a contract related to election administration if the contract contains any requirement governing election administration, requires the repayment or return of any private resources used for elections, or transfers any duty or power not authorized under state law.

Result: Vetoed by Governor Evers

Because: “I am vetoing this bill because I object to restrictions on local governments potentially using supplemental funding for election administration.”

Editorial Comment: In other words, Zuckerbucks. Here is a win for YOU. At least for the 2022 election. Your outcry has something to do with this. It was – too brazen. [Zuckerberg Ends Controversial Grants to Election Offices \(theepochtimes.com\)](https://www.theepochtimes.com) PS: See [Good News, Bad News below](#)

Wisconsin Senate Bill 210

Effect: Requires that poll observers be provided unimpeded view of voting and recounts from a position not more than 3-feet from the activity. The old law allowed observers to be positioned up to 8-feet from the voting activity. The bill also eliminates the requirement to include the organization to which the observer belongs on the observer’s name tag.

Result: Vetoed by Governor Evers

Because: I am vetoing this bill because I object to the reduction of distance between election observers and tables where election activities are occurring. Under current law, election procedures specify that the distance is a minimum of three feet and a maximum of eight feet which allows observers sufficient proximity to ensure election procedures are being followed

Editorial Comment: How good are you at seeing the details from 8-feet? If I recall correctly, 8 feet between the observers and the voting in some areas of the country was wide enough that walls and curtains were inserted between the two.

Wisconsin Senate Bill 212

Effect: Curing (i.e., correcting supposed errors in a ballot to make it into a legal ballot) of a faulty absentee ballot by anyone other than the voter himself would be a misdemeanor offense. The law would also prohibit counting a faulty ballot if there is no authenticity certificate, or if it does not include voter’s name, voter’s address, voter’s municipality, voter’s signature, and witness’s municipality, signature, and printed name.

Result: Vetoed by Governor Evers

Because: I am vetoing this bill because I object to its prohibition on the current, long-standing practice of clerks in this state correcting minor errors and believe that this bill will almost certainly result in valid ballots never being counted.

Editorial Comment: The clerk in Green Bay finally tattled on the group to whom the absentee ballots and their processing was turned over because of the CONTRACT SIGNED BY THE MAYOR with the Zuckerbuck gang. Do you suppose they might have been choosing which ballots to cure and which not to cure?

Wisconsin Senate Bill 292

Effect: If a municipality broadcasts canvassing proceedings live in any election, including by live stream on the Internet, the municipality shall record the broadcast, and the municipal clerk shall retain the recording for 22 months.

Result: Vetoed by Governor Evers

Because: I am vetoing this bill because I object to creating an unnecessary and unequal burden for certain municipalities. This bill purports to be about transparency, but if that were the case, the bill would have required all municipalities to broadcast or live stream canvassing proceedings and store the recordings of such proceedings. Instead, this bill saddles communities that have, in the interest of transparency, chosen to broadcast their canvassing with the additional requirement to then store a recording of it.

Editorial Comment: Evidence of wrongdoing? What evidence of wrongdoing? You may recall that many poll locations somehow forgot to turn on their video cameras, or the videos were erased before they could be viewed by investigators.

If you are interested in running for local political office in the future, please contact campaign@winnebagogop.org call us at 920-303-9270 or stop in at 738 North Main Street for more information and to contribute to the conservative future of our country.

Observations about the State Republican Convention, May 21

As many of you know, the Republican State Convention was held May 21 in Middleton, WI, almost in the heart of enemy territory. This is good for the career party guys, I suppose, but I personally prefer it to move to other venues around the state. This requires a drive through fly-over country for all those with offices and lives in Madison where there are questions about the reality of their day-to-day environment. But that is just me.

One of the hot button issues for the Winnebago GOP has been the matter of endorsements at the State Convention which precedes the primary elections every election year. As a grassroots organization, there is a lot of concern within the organization that an endorsement of a particular candidate BEFORE the grass roots voices their opinion in the primary is misplaced. The people should be telling the party who they favor rather than the other way around. The party's job is to provide as much accurate information to the grass roots as possible so the people can steer the party in the way they want to see it move.

To this end, there were some adjustments to the rules this year that did not make it impossible but made it very difficult to get the party's endorsement before the August 9th primary. To win an endorsement, a candidate needed 60% of the vote from the floor instead of just 50%. In one of the most important races this year, Rebecca Kleefisch received only 55% of the vote meaning there will be no endorsement for any gubernatorial candidates until we the people speak on August 9th. The only endorsement made by the party at the convention was for Senator Ron Johnson, who deserves every bit of support we can all give him, and who has no opposition in the primary.

<https://news.yahoo.com/wisconsin-republicans-refuse-endorse-partys-002002551.html>

As for Robin Vos;

There was an even more striking bit of news from the convention. The issue of voter integrity and FIXING the issues that have developed with Wisconsin's election processes is still at the top of so many in our group it boiled up to the surface at the convention with a point to be made. About 36% of convention delegates voted to approve a resolution calling for Vos to resign or be removed from his position as speaker. Although a majority vote would not have accomplished that goal, this is his own party sending the message that election integrity must be restored. Of course, I am papering over all the other disagreements we have about the issue both within the party and without. I will also tell you I was frustrated looking for an unbiased media reaction to this story that was not making the point that all of we Republican and conservatives are radical ne'er-do-wells and idiots. --- "The Media gonna Media." To me, it is noteworthy all the same that this comes up at all at the State Convention.

More to come



Hey, it's just a joke!



Back during the early Obama administration, the CIA and FBI one time admitted that they were not sure whether Osama bin Laden was still alive or not. Bin Laden himself felt slighted when this news story broke because he was so used to being the center of attention, yet this was proof that he was losing visibility in the world press. In reaction, Osama wrote a personal handwritten letter to Vice President (at the time) Joe Biden. Osama knew full well that the greatest intelligence service in the world would certainly be able to compare the handwriting in his note with previous samples. Biden found himself holding a piece of paper that held a single line of text: 370HSSV 0773H, which he immediately identified as secret code and asked Secretary of State Hillary Clinton for help. Baffled, Clinton sent it to the FBI. No clue. From there to the CIA, and NSA. Nada. The note circling back to Biden, he gave up, too, and threw the note in a waste basket. A Marine Guard glanced down, picked it up, and said, "Sir, you were holding the note upside down."

BOLO



In a reaction to a strong and stunning conservative turnout in the recent spring elections, the liberals are mobilizing. This perp struck at Winnebago GOP Headquarters in broad daylight. Snatching a "CRT IS RACISM" sign from the curb, the scoundrel made off lickety-split toward Democratic Headquarters in the high rent district of Oshkosh in an attempt to keep conversation about the questionable program on the down-low. GOP board members, both older than the perp, pursued the suspect, but to no avail. If you know or can identify this person, he owes us all an apology and \$5 for stealing our sign, which we would have gladly sold to him. As a reward, Winnebago GOP will split the proceeds with the tipster if information provided results in Winnebago GOP recovering the \$5.

What he/she said HUH? (. . . you can't make this stuff up)

WARNING TO READERS: Remember those signs at the beach?



Here is a warning sign I made up for this issue

of *What's News*:

—WARNING—
SOME NEW YORK TIMES NEWS BELOW

In service to America, your open the pages of the Gray Lady America has never heard of the noticed that the impeccably could find no evidence of Trump heard the name John Durham, and thinks senility is acceptable. I beg your forgiveness because I had to subscribe at \$4.95 a month for their on-line account, thereby supporting them in order to expose them. I chose to survey the NYT out of a host of available news media that all echo the same thoughts because I know a very smart liberal that reads the darn thing every day. You are welcome.

intrepid reporter has dared to figure out why 38% of Hunter Biden Laptop, never credentialed Robert Mueller – Russia collusion, have never



<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/cartoons-slideshow>

And now, an "I TOLD YOU SO" MOMENT:

Democrats, corporations and the liberal media repeatedly decried Georgia's Republican-passed Election Integrity Act as the next Jim Crow, but the Peach State is now seeing [record-breaking turnout](#) for early voting ahead of Tuesday's primary.

Last year, President Biden called the law, known as SB 202, a "blatant attack on the Constitution and good conscience," ascribed it as "Jim Crow in the 21st century" and was supportive of Major League Baseball moving the 2021 All-Star Game out of Atlanta as a response. Biden urged Congress to pass sweeping federal voting laws, including the For the People Act and the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.

Biden, along with Democrats and members of liberal media, argued that the law would deny people the right to vote, especially minority Americans, and could lurch U.S. democracy off balance.

But voting in Georgia is breaking early records despite the state's "controversial new election law," as The Washington Post put it.

"I had heard that they were going to try to deter us in any way possible because of the fact that we didn't go Republican on the last election, when Trump didn't win. To go in there and vote as easily as I did and to be treated with the respect that I knew I deserved as an American citizen — I was really thrown back," she said.

According to the office of Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger, there have been nearly 800,000 ballots cast by Georgians as of Friday, a number three times that of 2018 and significantly higher than 2020, an election year when voting typically increases.

<https://www.foxnews.com/media/georgia-voting-law-media-jim-crow-accusations>

Meanwhile, over at the NYT, in the second to last paragraph of a 20-paragraph article, this is as close as it gets to an admission that the world did not end with voting rule revisions:

Georgia is growing more diverse, and that will help Democrats. The [speed of voter registration has slowed in Georgia](#), which was once a model for the ability of grass-roots organizing to overcome entrenched obstacles to voting. That slowdown could hurt Democrats in the fall, although the Abrams campaign says it has identified about 42,000 Georgians who have already voted in this year's primary but did not vote in the 2018 general election. Her team also says it has found more than 100,000 Black voters who skipped the 2018 primary but have already voted this year, as well as 40,000 additional white voters and an unspecified number of new Asian American and Latino voters. Abrams lost her first race for governor against Kemp by just under 55,000 votes, so those new voters could be significant.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2022/05/23/us/politics/georgia-abrams-kemp-perdue-warnock-walker.html>

Biden is a decent man. As a matter of course and tactic, he strikes me as not entirely built for hyperbole and hype, for beating his chest while he boasts. It's not part of his character. He is sober and straightforward. Many Americans wanted him as an antidote to Donald Trump for precisely this reason.

But America has changed its mind and its mood. It wants a show and a showman to distract from its misery. Biden is not that. And he is being punished for not being a huckster.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2022/04/17/opinion/biden-approval-midterms.html>

From the top of New York Times web page immediately after the infamous leak of internal Supreme Court Documents affecting Roe v Wade. (Do you think they might be **OBSESSED** with this subject? Maybe they knew in advance the heist was coming?)

<p>In a Post-Roe America, Abortion Pills Stand to Become the Next Battleground</p> <p>If Roe v. Wade were overturned, the legal and culture wars over abortion would increasingly be fought on a new front: abortion pills.</p> <p>Medication abortion allows patients to terminate early pregnancies at home. Some states are moving to limit it, while others are working to expand access.</p>		<p>Draft Abortion Opinion Fosters Concerns Over Supreme Court Politicization</p> <p>Even some harsh critics of Roe v. Wade see a court that reflects and amplifies the nation's political divides.</p>
<p>With Roe v. Wade under threat, President Biden has become an unlikely abortion rights champion.</p>	<p>Medication abortion now accounts for more than half of recent abortions in the U.S. Michelle Mishna-Kuntz for The New York Times</p>	<p>Once close allies, Chief Justice John Roberts and Justice Samuel Alito have taken divergent paths.</p>
<p>Women at a Texas abortion clinic described navigating the challenges of religion, culture and the law.</p>	<p>Analysis: As the Supreme Court marshal begins her investigation, theories over the leak circulate in Washington.</p>	<p>The leaked draft takes aim at Roe v. Wade's version of history, challenging decades of scholarship about abortion and the law.</p>
<p>In a divided U.S., corporations don't want to talk about abortion. They may have to.</p>		

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Senate is continuing their questioning of Supreme Court Nominee Ketanji Brown Jackson this week to make sure she meets the qualifications of the highest court in the land. As an added measure, Democrat Senators brought in a skin color chart to make sure their nominee is black enough.

"It says here in my notes that you're a woman of color, but we need to make sure," said Senator Whitehouse solemnly. "Now—we can't verify you're a woman because no one knows what a woman is anymore, but we would be remiss if we didn't at least verify your blackness."



<https://babylonbee.com/news/senate-pulls-out-skin-color-chart-to-make-sure-ketanji-brown-is-black/>

NOTE: This article was fact checked by Elizabeth Warren, noted Cherokee activist. It turns out the Babylon Bee was exaggerating and that pictures CAN lie. Call the Disinformation Bureau, STAT.

The Wisconsin Supreme Court in February reinstated [an order from a Waukesha County judge](#) that banned ballot drop boxes and stated that voters can only return their own ballot to the polling place or elections office.

But the League of Wisconsin Municipalities said in a letter to local election managers that [the] ruling isn't binding for everyone.

Woodall-Vogg suggested there would be fewer questions about who is returning ballots if Wisconsin election managers could use ballot drop boxes. **(HA! Did you get that? --- Interjection by the editor)**

"So many people relied on absentee ballot drop boxes in previous elections," Woodall-Vogg said.

Milwaukee Election Commission Executive Director Claire Woodall-Vogg [told a Milwaukee TV station](#) that she doesn't really ask questions of voters who return extra ballots.

https://justthenews.com/nation/states/center-square/some-wisconsin-election-managers-ignoring-wisconsin-supreme-court?fbclid=IwAR31oBM6-F5WW9GGjBLVhG_oQQ9ViMa54TDUqcl9ypxYpXi_vnMkMDxQZiM

Editor's Note: This is why judgeship elections are so critically important.

In the long term, the medicine of lockdowns and quarantines probably proved more calamitous than the disease, and this crisis mode made doable what had once been unimaginable. State governors such as Gavin Newsom, Gretchen Whitmer, and Andrew Cuomo did not let the pandemic crisis go to waste. It was a rare occasion to leverage agendas that otherwise had no public support in ordinary times.

In the chaos of 2020, both laws and customs were altered or scrapped—changing the very way we vote. Over 102 million ballots were either mailed in or cast during so-called "early voting"—strangely resulting in far lower rejection

rates in most states than in past “normal” years of predominantly in-person voting on Election Day. Indeed, in just one year, Election Day went from an American institution to an afterthought. --Victor Davis Hanson

[The Nihilism of the Left - VDH's Blade of Perseus \(victorhanson.com\)](https://victorhanson.com)

This is very important, although not timely at the time of distribution:

Whoever, with the intent of interfering with, obstructing, or impeding the administration of justice, or with the intent of influencing any judge, juror, witness, or court officer, in the discharge of his duty, pickets or parades in or near a building housing a court of the United States, or in or near a building or residence occupied or used by such judge, juror, witness, or court officer, or with such intent uses any sound-truck or similar device or resorts to any other demonstration in or near any such building or residence, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than one year, or both.

Nothing in this section shall interfere with or prevent the exercise by any court of the United States of its power to punish for contempt.

<https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/18/1507>

Translation: It is already against the law to do what they are encouraging people to do. See next.

White House press secretary Jen Psaki on Tuesday defended protests outside the suburban homes of conservative Supreme Court justices as “peaceful to date” — despite the fact that more of the potentially illegal rallies are planned Wednesday to pressure the judges to abandon a draft anti-abortion rights ruling.

“The president’s longstanding view has been that violent threats and intimidation of any kind have no place in political discourse. And we believe of course in peaceful protests,” Psaki said at her daily press briefing.

“So I know that there’s an outrage right now, I guess, about protests that have been peaceful to date,” Psaki later added. “And we certainly continue to encourage that outside of judges’ homes and that’s the president’s position.”

<https://nypost.com/2022/05/10/psaki-defends-peaceful-abortion-rallies-at-justices-homes/> See next

JEN PSAKI: “Oh, sure. Yes, I’ve had threats. People coming to my house, people... Not coming to my house, but people threatening to come to my house. Letters, texts. And I don’t . . . I’m not saying I’m the first. This is common. And that is what should be alarming to people. But it is a real part of this. And it is a sign of the venom that we see out there in society.”

<https://www.mediaite.com/news/psaki-tells-reporters-shes-gotten-death-threats-people-threatening-to-come-to-my-house/>

“We can’t be an institution that can be bullied into giving you just the outcomes you want. The events from earlier this week are a symptom of that,” he [Clarence Thomas] added.

Speaking at the 11th Circuit Judicial Conference, a gathering of lawyers and judges, Thomas referred several times to the “unfortunate events” of the past week, bemoaning declining respect for institutions and the rule of law.

“It bodes ill for a free society,” he said, according to The Washington Post. It can’t be that institutions “give you only the outcome you want or can be bullied” into submission.

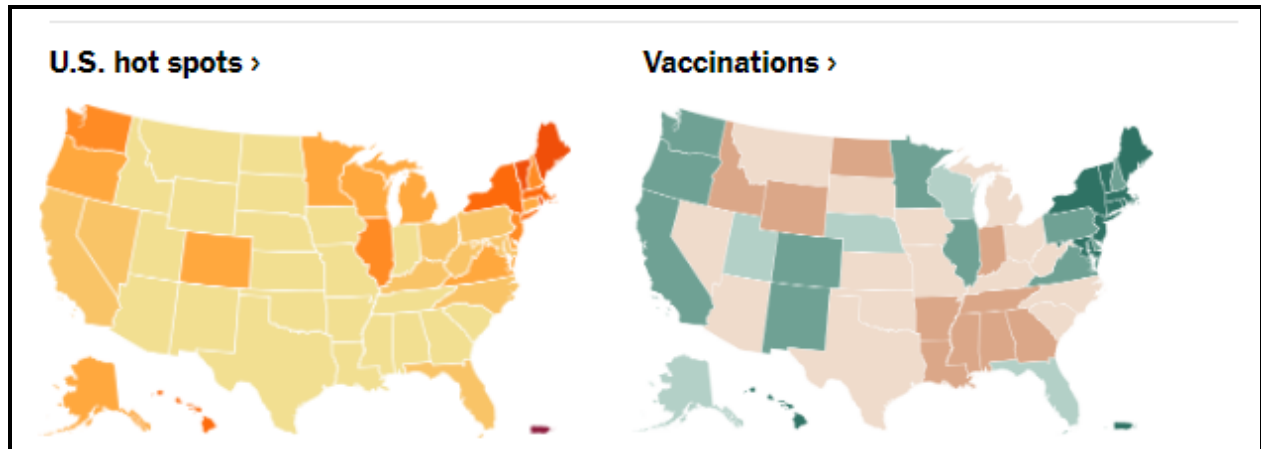
Thomas also expressed concern about a “different attitude of the young” towards respect for institutions and the law, suggesting this is on the decline relative to past generations, as cited by the outlet

https://www.theepochtimes.com/courts-cant-be-bullied-into-delivering-outcomes-people-demand-clarence-thomas_4451822.html?utm_source=News&utm_campaign=breaking-2022-05-07-2&utm_medium=email&est=M052h3qfvRtFrQE C9sLUBihJ0RMK6F%2FKorugmoo9rq5NTkiHURbaNrUGc9k2LNeQNQCyJvI%3D

The vaccines from Moderna and Pfizer-BioNTech [continue to strongly protect most people](#) from hospitalization and death caused by Covid-19. But their potency against infection wanes quickly. Federal officials recently [authorized](#)

[additional shots](#) for people 50 and older, citing concerns about waning protection against severe disease in vulnerable populations.

<https://www.nytimes.com/live/2022/04/19/world/covid-19-mandates-cases-vaccine>



<https://www.nytimes.com/live/2022/05/05/world/covid-19-mandates-vaccine-cases>

NOTE: Funny how infection hot spots are among the most vaccinated – WA, OR, CO, MN, IL, NY, ME. Is something wrong with our counting procedure?

In this conversation, McElwee and Shenker-Osorio help me understand where Democrats stand with the electorate and what, if anything, they can do to improve their chances in 2022. **We discuss why Biden’s approval rating is so low, given the popularity of his policies (Note: emphasis mine, but the words are theirs)**

<https://www.nytimes.com/2022/04/19/opinion/ezra-klein-podcast-anat-shenker-osorio-sean-mcelwee.html>

After Biden ends Title 42, the Trump-era migration mitigation measure, his administration is [expecting](#) as many as 18,000 illegal migrants to come to the southern border every day. Currently, between 7,000 and 8,000 migrants come to the border every day, and Morgan said America is "already in the crisis" from this. The former commissioner said one 26-year veteran Border Patrol agent recently realized he was "actually part of the largest federal smuggling organization in the world" and he's "no longer" proud of his work at the agency.

https://justthenews.com/nation/states/former-border-commissioner-we-literally-handed-over-operational-control-cartels?fbclid=IwAR35sUwMvi_SHJXhAn6znov14nidPRkZf03ru6TKXs7YocXowQIQHGO6s9Q

Witness to the variance in coverage on the same topic, same day:

The clash between Mr. DeSantis and Disney started on March 9, when the company — under [acute pressure from its employees](#) — spoke out against the Parents Rights in Education legislation, or what opponents called the “Don’t Say Gay” bill.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2022/04/21/business/disney-florida-special-tax-status.html>

Jose Castillo, a current Walt Disney Company employee who is running for Congress in Florida as a Republican, told Fox News Digital that the “silent majority” of Disney employees support the parental rights law HB 1557, despite the loud minority leading Disney to take a stance against the law, which critics have branded the “Don’t Say Gay” law. “There is immense pressure to toe the company line,” Castillo told Fox News Digital. “However, the reality is that those drawing attention to this issue are in the minority. The Disney cast members who support the parental rights defended by HB 1557 far outnumber those who are protesting against it.”

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/silent-majority-of-disney-employees-support-florida-law-disney-employee-running-for-congress-says>

In reference to the Hunter Biden Laptop and Biden's (lack of) knowledge of Hunter's business dealing, this article appeared April 23, 2022, on Foxnews.com:

Eric Schwerin, President of the Rosemont Seneca firm, met with Biden while Biden was serving as vice president under former President Barack Obama, the New York Post reports. Schwerin is linked to a variety of Hunter Biden's foreign business dealings, past and present. Hunter's finances have come under intense scrutiny as evidence mounts showing his father was used as leverage in negotiations.

The meeting with Joe Biden was one of 19 visits Schwerin paid to the White House, where he also met with a variety of aides to the vice president, according to archived visitor logs from the Obama White House.

The president has repeatedly denied discussing Hunter's business ventures with his son. Earlier this month, White House press secretary Jenn Psaki was asked to confirm if Biden's statement that he has not discussed with his son his overseas business dealings still stands.

"Yes," Psaki Replied.

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/biden-met-hunter-biden-business-partner-white-house-2010>

NOTE: As of May 7, I was not able to find a reference to this story in the New York Times digital publication.

Today, almost three of five California high schoolers are not prepared for either college or a career; the percentages are far higher for Latinos, African Americans, and the economically disadvantaged.

These students are often unprepared for college. At California State University—where ethnic studies programs are now mandated—the need for remedial courses for 40 percent of freshmen demonstrates a low level of preparedness in such basic skills as reading comprehension, writing, and mathematics. Some educators have decided to eliminate this problem by eliminating remedial classes.

https://www.theepochtimes.com/californias-vanished-dream-by-the-numbers_4410532.html?utm_source=News&utm_campaign=breaking-2022-04-24-2&utm_medium=email&est=gBDtys3e7yfa4dWaQs8hQbbBdmnE2dRQ0niKJfdNFYnN%2Bfz5pjz0E7x5tSmCwy%2BNicMVh2Q%3D

NOTE: Problem solved

SPECIAL INSERTION: "People Don't Change . . . Much," section (Karlin's Law #6)

For deeply sourced, relentlessly reported coverage in the public interest," the citation from the Pulitzer Prize board begins, "that dramatically furthered the nation's understanding of Russian interference in the [2016 presidential election](#) and its connections to the Trump campaign, the president-elect's transition team and his eventual administration."

Except the journalism that the Pulitzers honored — a 2018 National Reporting prize shared by the Washington Post and the New York Times for reporting on Russiagate — did no such thing.

It led to a dramatic *misunderstanding*, suggesting that Donald Trump colluded with Vladimir Putin to help sway the 2016 election — a grand conspiracy that we now know never existed.

<https://nypost.com/2022/02/20/the-absurd-russiagate-pulitzer-of-the-ny-times-and-washington-post/>

Here is a bit of info on another Pulitzer Price won by the New York Times, back in the 1930's:

A Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist for *The New York Times*, Walter Duranty, covered up one of the worst genocides in modern history. The atrocity I'm referring to is the Ukrainian famine of 1932-33 that was orchestrated by Soviet dictator Joseph Stalin. It killed an estimated 7 to 10 million people.

British-born Duranty had been *The New York Times's* man in Moscow from 1922 to 1936, during which he interviewed Stalin twice. For a series of reports he wrote about the Soviet Union in 1931, he was even awarded a Pulitzer Prize. Walter Duranty was given the award in 1932, the year the famine began.

Known to the Ukrainians as the *Holodomor*, “murder by famine,” it is one of the least known genocides in modern history, but it is one now recognized by 24 countries, including Australia and Canada. The famine was used as a weapon of war by Stalin to wipe out Ukrainian peasants who opposed his goals of collectivization.

<https://www.nspirement.com/2017/06/25/new-york-times-journalist-walter-duranty-covered-up-genocide.html>

Translation: NYT Provided Cover for the Soviets

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QUOTE OF THE DAY:

“We must reject the idea that every time a law's broken, society is guilty rather than the lawbreaker. It is time to restore the American precept that each individual is accountable for his actions.”



Ronald Reagan, 1911-2004

[Cite your source here.]

For more quotes from Ronald Reagan go to

https://www.goodreads.com/author/quotes/3543.Ronald_Reagan

such as, “Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this wall.”
spoken in West Berlin, 6/12/87.

Note to the youngsters: we build walls to keep people OUT.
Socialists build walls to keep people IN.

To learn more about Ronald Reagan go to

<https://www.britannica.com/biography/Ronald-Reagan>

or anywhere the truth might still be told

Good news, Bad news

First, the **good news**. Reference the slush fund that paid for the privilege of running local elections for friendly Democratic counties in swing states: (see [Wisconsin Senate Bill 207 / Wisconsin Assembly Bill 173](#) above)

Facebook founder [Mark Zuckerberg](#), who in the 2020 election cycle flooded election offices across the United States with hundreds of millions of dollars in grants, won't be participating in such grantmaking this year, according to a spokesman.

Zuckerberg and his wife, Priscilla Chan, made \$419.5 million in donations to nonprofits—“Zuckerbucks” or “Zuckbucks,” as some have called the money—\$350 million of which went to the “Safe Elections” Project of the left-wing Center for Technology and Civic Life (CTCL). The other \$69.5 million went to the Center for Election Innovation and Research. The CTCL reportedly distributed grants to upward of 2,500 election offices.

Zuckerberg spokesman Ben LaBolt, who was previously spokesman for Barack Obama's 2008 presidential campaign, said the donations were a one-time deal.

https://www.theepochtimes.com/zuckerberg-ends-controversial-grants-to-election-offices_4402674.html?utm_source=Morningbrief&utm_campaign=mb-2022-04-15&utm_medium=email&est=e17aAn7CtWeAkIm42gASPDKMKVvGxRenv7vKDXmhjz0Psv%2B28aD5l8A6sL2Sjy7kaDCT90%3D

Are you happy now, you raging, conservative lunatic? If you want to stay that way, don't read the bad news:

At the TED 2022 conference today, the Center for Tech and Civic Life announced it is launching a new program, the nonpartisan [U.S. Alliance for Election Excellence](https://www.techandcivicle.org/us-alliance-for-election-excellence-launch/), that is open to every election department in the nation. The Alliance is bringing together bipartisan election officials to rally around a set of common values and standards, support each other, and keep their skills fresh.

<https://www.techandcivicle.org/us-alliance-for-election-excellence-launch/>

The announcement continues:

In 2020, CTCL distributed [nearly \\$350 million in grants](#) to local election departments to administer safe elections. During that program, it became clear that U.S. local election departments remain woefully unsupported. One small jurisdiction reported not being able to replace [century-old tabulators](#) until receiving a CTCL grant. Many also still struggled to maintain modern websites with easy-to-find information for voters. The Alliance is a response to feedback from local election officials and their needs after the 2020 program.

Meanwhile, THIS is over at the US Alliance for Election Excellence website,

The centers will be selected based on their:

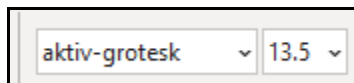
- Excitement and willingness to participate in the program
- Commitment to improve upon practices and procedures aimed at enhancing the voter, poll worker, and staff experiences
- Commitment to being part of a learning cohort, sharing materials among cohort members, and providing input into the future of the program.

All U.S. local election departments are invited
To be a U.S. Center for Election Excellence.
The deadline to let us know if you are
Interested is Monday, May 16th at 7pm central

There are other ways to get involved with the alliance, too.
Let us know how you want to work together.

<https://www.electionexcellence.org/>

NOTE: Sorry, my computer will not match the font they use on that site. I screen clipped this out of my word document because I knew you would not believe it:



MORE GOOD NEWS!!! This just in:

“The National School Board Association, which apologized last year for a letter asking the Justice Department to investigate protesting parents as ‘domestic terrorism,’ has concluded a review of the debacle and promised that it will not happen again.

“The letter directly contradicts our core commitments to parent engagement, local control, and nonpartisanship,” NSBA executive director & CEO John Heim said in a statement announcing the conclusions. “The sentiments shared in the letter do not represent the views or position of the NSBA. The NSBA does not seek or advocate for federal law enforcement intervention at local school board meetings.”

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/nsba-biden-justice-parents-domestic-terrorists>

Editor’s note: well, THAT conclusion took you awhile. Give us at least as much time to determine if we believe you.

Before you go a few thoughts

Once upon a time, there was a married couple in a foreign land that wanted the best for their children. In that simpler time, the head of that family did what some law-abiding citizens did when they wanted to make things better for their family. They saw a “shining City on a Hill” (that is a line from the bible used by Ronald Reagan, by the way). They followed the rules, they filled out paperwork, and got in the line of people that wanted better lives for their children than they had had themselves. Then, to hedge their bets, they continued to work in their foreign land while they dared to hope that good things could come of such a trivial act as filling out the necessary paperwork, getting in line, and obeying the law.

Lo and behold, this family’s number came up! They received an invitation from the country of the Shining City on the Hill, and they packed what they could, and went to the new country. There, the working age people of that family went to work because there was opportunity in this new country. It is possible that the mother stayed home to raise the kids to be good citizens, but it is also possible that both parents had to work because nothing is free in this world, and they just assumed that they would get out of their new life what they put into it.

Time went on. The members of this family applied for citizenship in the new country because, you see, there was an atmosphere in the family’s adopted new country that encouraged work and aspirations to citizenship to solidify their rights and the family’s place in the life of which the immigrant family had always dreamed.

Many years passed. Some years were good, and some years were harder for this family, but it was a funny thing because these one-time foreigners looked for and found work that they took on to make their dreams come true.

This is where the fairy tale gets interesting. One day in this new land that offered so much to this new family if they worked hard, saved for a rainy day, and kept their eyes on their goals and the horizon, Big Trouble came. About ½ the people in their new homeland were so afraid (whether rightfully or because the people were told they needed to be afraid, I will let you make that call), that it was decided that as many people as possible would be told they could no longer work, and that the middle class values of this fairy tale family no longer applied, and that if the people just sat on their duff long enough, the Big Trouble would pass and no one would ever die or get sick again. This sounded a little fishy to the successful fairy tale family, but they had no choice except to comply with the new rules established by the Good and Noble Leaders of their adopted country.

HOWEVER, all was not totally well in the fairy tale land under the new rules. First off, the family business was ruined because customers were not allowed to come to the family business in sufficient numbers to keep the family business afloat. And THEN, some of the family members that worked in other businesses to reach their dream were told they had to stay home, but not to worry because the Good and Noble Leaders of the country would pay them well and handsomely for doing the right thing, the right thing being to sit on their duff, and live off the fat of the land and some newly printed loans from their one-day grandchildren-to-be.

Trying now to comply to the NEW rules established by the Good and Noble Leaders, our make-believe family applied for Small Business Administration assistance specifically designed to help poor impoverished little business owners to weather the Big Trouble that ravaged the fairy tale land (the one with the Shining City on the Hill). But the bureaucrats that worked for the Good and Noble Leaders in Washington (and of course multiple regional offices) did not come through with the dough that had been promised, and the business steadily sank under the weight of the lack of customers.

On top of that, a couple trillion (newly printed and inflating) dollars were handed out to other Good and Noble Leaders at a more LOCAL level of government to pay extra Big Trouble Benefits that were added to extended unemployment benefits that were intended to get everyone through the Big Trouble.

To get to the happier ending more quickly, I will not spend much time mentioning that all this money was not MADE, EARNED or in any way REAL. It was just a loan from future generations, and who cares about them today? It had to make up for the fact that the number of people allowed to dig things out of the dirt and MAKE something of value was purposefully kept to a minimum until the cluster that was the shutdown was able on its own to disrupt the delivery of goods to the point that unemployment was more and more able to sustain itself without as much help from the Good and Noble Leaders. I'm sorry that I drifted, but I was trying to get to the point where I could explain that the incompetent leaders of the more LOCAL level of government sat on the money while hoping to spend it where the law did not allow it to be spent. The upshot is, the workers in the immigrant family had a tough time of it.

But in fairy tales, even hard times like this can have a happy ending. One of the guys that was elected to the government that administered the Small Business Administration kicked a little tail and got the now failing business the help that it had been promised. And another guy that was elected to the LOCAL level of government kicked a little tail and straightened out the unemployment benefits that had been paid for but held up LOCALLY in the hopes the money could be squandered on things NOT allowed by the laws as they had been written. The alternative to this idea that bad motives were afoot at the local level is that it could have been just sheer incompetence and disinterest at the LOCALGOVERNMENT LEVEL that kept the money from going to the people that were forcefully unemployed for over a year. This is a small point, so I will let you decide which version you think belongs in the story.

And that, my friends, brings us to the end of the fairy tale, which we hope will have a happy ending in the longer run. The fairy tale's final lessons are:

1. To demonstrate to you how easy it is for the PRESS (that I guess includes this writer) to lie to its readers. BECAUSE this is not a fairy tale. It is a true story.
2. The country with the Shining City on the Hill is the United States of America
3. This story was told to me at Winnebago County GOP headquarters by a guy that came to the United States from Costa Rica over 20 years ago as a child with his parents and has been an American citizen for almost 20 years. This guy was holding back his tears and could hardly talk for the last 15 minutes of our conversation. He had had a hard go of it recently taking care of his family (pesky middle-class values again). That is how I came to know a little of his story.
4. He had come to GOP headquarters to find out how he could help the people in the upcoming elections after they had helped him so much to survive the Big Trouble.
 - a. Of course, you have figured out by now that the Big Trouble was COVID and/or our political reaction to it (again, you decide).
5. The more local level of government that sat on the jobless claims of about 1/2 million people was Democrat Tony Evers' State government and its Department of Labor.
6. The people that helped the immigrant citizen make it through were:
 - a. Republican **Glenn Grothman**, 6th district Congressman in Washington DC; and
 - b. Republican **Dan Feyen**, Wisconsin State Senate District 18;
7. In a separate category we must mention another, VERY MINOR player that this American citizen from Costa Rica also asked for help. That is Democratic State Representative **Gordon Hintz** from Oshkosh, Wisconsin (54th district, in which the story's hero resides). Neither Gordon nor anyone from his office ever got back to the citizen that needed some help.
8. So much for the party that is all for the little guy.
9. The end.

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