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## LCRC Executive Board



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## President's Message: "Courage Is Contagious" Pass it on.



### Offensive Political Correctness

Our great nation has gone over the edge with this "political correctness" stuff. Are we so thin skinned that we need to be protected from being "offended?" It takes very little to offend some people, apparently. What happened to, "Don't wear your feelings on your sleeve?" Instead, some people look for things they can claim are offensive. Which amendment gives us the right to not be offended? Don't remember seeing that one in the Constitution!

Some of the efforts to protect others from being offended actually violate rights that are guaranteed by our Bill of Rights. Such actions as forcing a school to remove a picture of Jesus, or to force the removal of a cross placed in memory of fallen heroes, actually deny religious expression and freedom of speech to the people who placed those items in the first place. Hanging a picture or mounting a cross is not establishment of religion, but is expression of religion and freedom of speech. The First Amendment says, "Congress shall make no law respecting the establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." If a picture or a cross is offensive to a person, they should not look at it! I wear a lot of t-shirts with flags on them – I happen to like them. If they offend you, stop looking at me! If the Pledge of Allegiance offends you, I suggest that you have the right to not recite it, and the right to go to whatever country does not offend you.

Now there is a movement to require the police to be more politically correct in their descriptions of suspects. For instance, if an elderly white female wearing a green sweater holds up a convenience store clerk, the police would issue an alert to their officers to be on the lookout for an elderly white female wearing a green sweater. Duh! If this movement has its way, the alert would sound more like "Be on the lookout for a person wearing a green sweater." Very descriptive, don't you think? They'll catch a lot of bad guys that way. Of course police officers need to be able to describe a suspect using the descriptors of race, sex, age, and what the person was wearing when last seen. That way, the officers will not waste their time questioning a black male wearing a green sweater when they should be looking for the elderly white female! I hope our law enforcement officers don't start looking for terrorists at a Baptist church picnic instead of at an Al Qaeda rally. Let's hope that in this instance, reason will prevail and this stupid law will not see the light of day.

Have you heard the one about changing commonly used words? We already have been urged to say "firefighter" instead of "fireman" to not offend the few female firefighters. "Waiters" and "waitresses" are now "servers", etc. How about "penmanship"? Women write also! "Horsemanship" might cause some problems; "equestrianship" seems cumbersome. Where has reason gone? Let's pray that it will return soon, before we are all totally speechless in fear of causing offense.

God Bless America!  
 Joanna Bowen

SENTINEL Editors ~ Lynn and Terrell AronSpeer  
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The Lake Country Republican Club Meets every fourth Tuesday of the month at the library here in Quitman, Texas at 6 PM



## Minutes of the Meeting Lake Country Republican Minutes General Meeting Minutes April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2013

The LCRC met at the Quitman Library, Goode Street, Quitman, TX. At 6:10 PM our president, Joanna Bowen, called the meeting to order.

Joyce Spencer led the prayer and Terrell AronSpeer led the pledges.

Joanna welcomed numerous guests and thanked the following elected officials for attending: Judge Bryan Jeanes, Constables, Steve Bowser and Ed Shadbolt, Pct. Chair for 4-4, Terrell AronSpeer and Tea Party leader, Char Doonan.

Minutes of the prior meeting were accepted as written in the SENTINEL.

Treasurer, Becky Vann, gave the balance, which also appears in the SENTINEL.

Membership Chair, Norma Shoemaker, encouraged members to catch up on their dues.

Terrell AronSpeer announced a Citizens' Consultation meeting would convene at 7:30 PM and follow the LCRC meeting in the same venue. The program would be, "How to deal with a Rogue Government."

The LCR program consisted of the winners of the constitutional essay contest reading their compositions.

1<sup>st</sup> Place Winner of \$100.00 = Tiffany Gambrel – Winnsboro HS  
Tiffany is Co-captain of the Drill Team, member of Beta Club, FCCLA, Spanish Club, Class Officer and UIL.

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Winner of \$ 50.00 = Jack Phillips – Yantis HS  
Jack is active in Baseball, FFA, Track & Field and UIL.

3<sup>rd</sup> Place Winner of \$ 25.00 = Josh Boone – Winnsboro HS  
Josh plays Baseball and Football, does Power Lifting, belong to FFA and Beta Club.

Since Winnsboro produced two of the three winners, LCRC has awarded Winnsboro HS the C. Bernard Schriver Foundation's National Curriculum Enhancement Program which provides high school level course materials for social studies, history, economics and political science to supplement current school curriculum.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Next LCRC meeting will be on May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

Submitted by Lynn AronSpeer, Secretary





## Membership:

Lake Country Republicans,

No new members but some current members need to get current on their dues. Check your badge.

Norma Shoemaker  
Membership chair



## LCRC May 28th Meeting

**Program Notes: Green Houses and Prepping ~ Ellen Atkins**

**LCRC meets on the 28th this month. What else happened on this date in American History:**

On May 28th, 1539 - Hernando de Soto landed in Florida.  
He promptly retired and moved to the Villages.

**LCRC meets in the Quitman Library at 6 PM. Enter on the east side toward the back.**

Hospitality: Thank you, I received a get well card from Greg and Joanna.  
Nothing going out this month.

Thank you.  
Janice Logan, Hospitality Chair

To report hospitality issues:  
Contact Janice Logan at 223 County Road  
1961, Yantis, 75497, ~OR~  
phone 903-383-3247, cell # 903-850-3267.



## Treasurers Report:

Bank balance \$2,324.16 with \$150 outstanding in checks.

Submitted by: Becky Vann, Treasurer

## What's Up:

**Lake Country Republican Club (LCRC):**

**Club Meetings: May 28, 6PM - Quitman Library**

**Program: Ellen Atkins ~ Green Houses and Prepping.**

**SENTINEL Submission Deadlines: Tenth of Publication Month**

**SENTINEL Publication Date: Fifteenth of Publication Month**

**Republican Women of Wood County (RWWC):**

**Club Meetings: May 20, 11:30 AM - Texas Tea Room**

**Program: Angela Villescaz on the East Texas Crisis Center & Victims of Abuse**

**Holly Lake Ranch Hawkins Republican Club (HLRHRC):**

**Club Meeting: June 10, 6:30 PM - Holly Hall**

**Program: TBD**

**Tea Party of Rains County (TPRC)**

**Club Meeting: June 11, 7PM—Emory Best Western Motel**

**Program: TBD**

Wood County Republican Website [www.republicanpartywoodcounty.com](http://www.republicanpartywoodcounty.com)



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COMMITTEES

1. FUNDRAISING This committee shall be responsible for development and conduct of the club's fundraising activities, in compliance with the rules and regulation of the Texas Ethics Commission and the laws of the state of Texas.
  1. **Open Position**, Chairman
  2. Joe Blair
  3. Gene Shoemaker
  4. Terrell AronSpeer
  
2. LEGISLATION This committee shall be charged with keeping the club informed and aware of legislative events, votes and processes which could have an impact on, or may be of interest to the club. This shall include but not be limited to the coordination and notification of the club's membership of the need for urgent action of a political nature.
  1. Philip Winter Chairman
  2. Isabel McGuffin
  3. Travis Burk
  4. Pat Nelson
  5. Rick Shoemaker
  6. Eugene & Joyce Spencer
  
3. PUBLICITY and COMMUNICATIONS This committee shall establish and maintain contact with local media outlets and shall actively work to publicize the club's activities, newsletter, website and events.
  1. Terrell AronSpeer Chairman
  2. Lynn AronSpeer
  3. Betty Dubbs
  4. Rick Shoemaker
  
4. PROGRAM This committee shall be responsible for producing monthly and special club meeting programs, including the procurement of speakers, and shall keep the Publicity Chairman informed in advance of future programs, to allow news releases to meet local media deadlines.
  1. Dr. James Marvel Chairman
  2. Terrell AronSpeer
  3. Isabel McGuffin
  4. Greg Bowen
  
5. MEMBERSHIP This committee shall be responsible for the development of special membership drives and programs. It also should be charged with keeping members informed about club meetings and activities by means of telephone and/or email notification.
  1. Joanna Bowen Chairman
  2. Sheryl Nelson
  3. Gene and Norma Shoemaker
  4. Eugene and Joyce Spencer
  5. Roger and Sandy Tune
  
6. HOSPITALITY This committee shall be responsible for the decoration of facilities used for special meetings and events and for appointing "greeters" for meetings and special events.
  1. Janice Logan Chairman
  2. Joanna Bowen
  3. Sheryl Nelson
  4. Lynn AronSpeer
  5. Tera Burk
  6. Shirley Daugherty
  7. Betty Dubbs
  8. Norma Shoemaker





## Legislative Report:

There are only four weeks left in the 83rd Session and many things still to be accomplished. Governor Perry has said he will call another session if everything does not get accomplished during this session.

TFRW VP of Legislation Besa Martin stressed we become familiar with HB3791 regarding Medicaid Expansion. You can go online on the House website and read HB3791.

This is a very important bill and has been moved from the Appropriations Committee to Calendars for a vote on the House Floor. There is a lot going on and many bills being considered in these last days of this session and may be followed online.

### House Votes to Reduce Reliance on Budget Diversions

By Aman Batheja and Audrey White – The Texas Tribune

May 1, 2013

Fees collected for specific purposes will have a better chance of going to those intended uses if two bills that tentatively passed the House on Wednesday succeed in the Senate.

For more than a decade, lawmakers have allowed money to stockpile in dedicated revenue accounts, using the money to balance the budget instead of spending it on their intended purposes. Currently, about \$4.8 billion is sitting in more than 200 dedicated revenue funds, according to estimates from the Texas comptroller's office. Gov. Rick Perry and legislative leaders have said reversing the accounting gimmick is a priority this session.

House Bill 6, by Rep. John Otto, R-Dayton, would begin that process by limiting to \$4 billion the amount of dedicated revenue the comptroller can use to certify that the budget is balanced.

It is necessary to "wean ourselves off dedicated funds," Otto said. The \$800 million remaining would be used for the purposes for which those funds were collected, he said. State Rep. David Simpson, R-Longview, called HB 6 a "wizard bill" and unsuccessfully proposed several amendments to ensure that funds in certain dedicated accounts would be used for the purposes they were collected for.

A second bill, House Bill 7, by Rep. Drew Darby, R-San Angelo, would modify several of the state's dedicated funds to slowly reduce the amount of money built up in the dedicated fund accounts by collecting fewer fees and spending more of what is collected.

In the case of the Systems Benefit Fund, which is fed by fees paid by millions of Texans on their utility bills, the rate of the fee would be reduced and phased out in 2023. The fund is designed to be used to help low-income Texans pay for electricity. Lawmakers have allowed the fund to build up an unspent balance of nearly \$1 billion over the years.

"Today the House took a critical step toward making our budget more transparent and straightforward," House Speaker Joe Straus said in a statement Wednesday. "I look forward to working with members of the House and Senate to ensure that this important legislation becomes law."

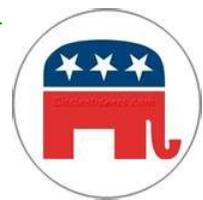
Rep. Phil King, R-Weatherford, added an amendment to HB 7 that would tighten the state's spending limit, a goal of conservative groups this session. The limit is currently based on an estimate of growth in Texans' personal income. It only applies to some parts of state spending and has become an issue in budget debates this session as lawmakers have enough revenue to easily exceed the limit.

Under King's amendment, the Legislative Budget Board would set the limit based on the lowest of three measurements: the growth in state personal income, the estimated revenue available that session or the estimated combined rates of population growth and inflation in the state.

Gov. Rick Perry and other Republican leaders have advocated for tightening the spending limit this session.

Submitted (and edited) by Malinda Carter,  
RWWC Legislative Chair

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12	13 <b>HLHRC</b> Meet- ing 6:30PM Holly Hall <b>Program:</b> County <b>Judge Bryan</b> Jeanes and County Commissioner <b>Roger Pace</b>	14 <b>TPRC</b> Meeting 7PM Best Western in Emory <b>Program: Second Amendment Resolution</b>	15 SENTINEL <b>Publication Date</b>	16	17	18
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*We Are the Elephant in the Room*



## Editorial Page:

# Willful Blindness



Both 'suspects' in the Boston Marathon bombing are captured, so I feel I can now comment. For those who wish to believe Dzhokhar Tsarnaev and his brother, Tamerlan Tsarnaev, are innocent despite their actions and despite their confessions, you may as well quit reading now. You are willfully blind.



**Killed**



**Captured**

I waited till now so that certain facts could be revealed. I predicted these things and I suspect you did too, unless you too are willfully blind. Let me get to the meat of this quickly as there is so much we now know. A great deal more will be revealed within the weeks and months ahead, but the major lessons are already apparent.

There has already been much hand ringing about all the opportunities these two ethnic Chechens enjoyed here in America. Why were they blinded to the goodness of America? They were willfully blind. One example often given is of the wonderful 'American' education they received here. Yet all of us criticize the state of education in America today. Our school system has been taken over by *America hating* lefties. This is true of public and private schools from pre-K to PhD. It is most likely the Tsarnaevs' radical hatred of America started in American schools, not at the feet of radical Imams. Yet we celebrate when our child or grandchild is accepted at this or that university. This is willful blindness on our part. Unless we have inoculated our young people before sending them into this toxic environment, how can we continue to claim to be surprised when they are returned to us full of American self-loathing? This is willful blindness on our part. Why does any American company demand a college degree?

The events in Boston are not nearly as unique as we wish they were. Countless similar plots by radicalized Muslims in this country have been thwarted, many just in the nick of time. Tragically, other plots have not been thwarted. The body count continues to rise. Why are we blinded to the evil of Islam? We are willfully blind. In spite of worldwide evidence to the contrary, we continue to hear Islam referred to as a 'religion of peace.' Who stands to contradict this statement? By what measure would it be true? If any religion from Buddhist to Baptist, from Anglican to Zionist were to behave on the world stage as modern day Islam has, is it conceivable to you in any way that they would be described as a 'religion of peace?' Is it even possible to imagine that their membership would not abandon the pews *en masse*? Where are the hoards of Muslims leaving the faith because it no longer represents *their* values? To not notice this, one has to be willfully blind. Some Muslim apologists have suggested that members are afraid to leave Islam. This is the defining feature of a cult, not a religion.

While we are questioning Islam's credentials as a religion, it is useful to note that where Islam takes root, it takes over the political apparatus and uses it to impose the rules of Islam on the entire populace. Religions do not do this, imperialistic political movements do. To look at Islam as a religion and not a political movement is willful blindness on our part. Political threats need to be dealt with politically. In the '50's the Communist Party vowed to destroy America. The US responded with the Communist Control act of 1954 which outlawed the American Communist Party and referred to it as an "agency of a hostile foreign power," a fitting moniker for Islam in America today. As long as we fail to recognize Islam as the political movement it obviously is and as long as we grant Islam the constitutional protections usually afforded to religions, these remedies will be unavailable to us. This is more than willful blindness; it is dereliction of duty. In the Jewish faith, if a young man feel a religious fervor, he is likely to become a rabbi. If a Catholic boy feels a religious calling, he is likely to express it by becoming a priest. A Protestant youth, similarly inspired by religion, might become a pastor or missionary. Only a Muslim, feeling the tug of his religion, is inspired to become a mass murderer and a terrorist. Is it not safe to conclude that there is a problem within Islam? ▷





**Editorial Page continued:**

It is our self-destructive habit to Balkanize the Islamic threat. One act of evil is committed by al Qaeda, another by the Muslim Brotherhood, then by Chechen radicals, still another is an act of a 'lone wolf.' It is as if during the Revolutionary War, we refused to believe we were being attacked by the British because some combatants were from London, some from Liverpool and others from Leeds. They all wore 'Red Coats' just as our current attackers are all cloaked in the ideology of Islam. We have to be willfully blind not to see this. The Muslim apologists are quick to point out that only a small minority of Muslims engage in these activities. Yet these activities are the habit of Muslims exclusively. These 'bad actors' plot in Muslim communities and seek shelter there. Rarely are the perpetrators identified by members of their own community and this usually occurs only when our authorities initiate the contact. Most Muslims, yes even the 'good ones,' are complicit in these activities by their tolerance of them. The occasions where true cooperation from the Muslim community has broken a case is rare. The number of Muslims who embrace the American ideals of individual liberty and individual responsibility are few. Even those who live here and enjoy these freedoms daily are at best ambivalent towards them and at worst hostile to them. We would have to be willfully blind not to notice this.

A few additional important observations before I wrap this up. First the left wing media was very quick to blame the 'radical right wing' for these attacks. In their defense, they had to be quick before the facts made such an obviously foolish statement impossible. I withheld comment until the facts emerged even though I was confident as to what those facts would be. I did this because I wanted the known facts to support the arguments I planned to make. The leftist media knew that the facts would *not* support their preconceived notions and therefore they had to make their statements before the facts were proven. One even suggested that because it was April 15<sup>th</sup> (tax day) that it was probably the work of a disgruntled wealthy person who resented paying taxes to support all the socially destructive leftist policies. Even though their ridiculous predictions would all prove false, they had to use the opportunity to make the case that it was possible that their arguments were just as likely as whatever conclusions those pesky facts would support. This is a rare look into the soul of the left. Don't look away. Don't be willfully blind. This happens every day on leftist media outlets. Fortunately, so few people watch their mindless blather, they did not feel the need to apologize for any of their highly biased speculation. One of the perks of being a brain dead leftie is never having to say you are sorry.

There are a number of self described 'conservatives' who are to the left of Obama on social issues. We all know some of these; they are not conservative. In the days and weeks ahead, they will develop conspiracy theories that blame the government either directly or indirectly for the attack on the Boston Marathon on Patriots' Day. In order to support their isolationist policies, they are forced to embrace implausible conspiracy theories and abandon the accumulated wisdom of Western Civilization. They wind up being Muslim apologists and political combatants in the war against Western Civilization. To the left they are useful idiots. To me they are a waste of valuable time. They are willfully blind. If you ever crack their code, please share. I give up.

Another issue which has come up in this murderous affair is a criticism of the explosive device as 'simple,' 'amateurish' and 'low yield.' I am not sure what is to be gained by scoring the attack as if it were some sort of Olympic event. 'The tree shall be known by its fruit.' Whatever one thinks of the "bombs" themselves, one has to look at the effects. Three were killed outright, over 170 were injured, many in life changing ways. A city of  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a million people was shut down for a week. Many in Boston who supported restrictive gun laws may have, if for only one week, wished they were better able to protect their families as they were locked into their homes hoping the killers would not come to their door. Two young radicalized Muslims, living in America caused *all* this. I expect they will be labeled 'lone wolves' but how many lone wolves, all doing the same things, do there have to be before we recognize them as a pack? ▷





**Editorial Page continued:**

Which brings us to the real question; “What can be done?” We must be honest with ourselves. Why do we have this problem? We have this problem because we have decided to accommodate Muslims in this country. We have this problem because we want to feel good about ourselves, we want to think of ourselves as ‘tolerant.’ But we must realize that, like most virtues, tolerance is a self limiting virtue. Are we to be so tolerant that we tolerate intolerance? Of course not. Muslims, Islamists if you prefer, are among the planet’s least tolerant people. In Islamic societies, you can be stoned to death or mutilated for life for offences which are apparently minor. I consider this to be intolerant. Islamists engage in wholesale slaughter of innocents to make political points. I consider this to be intolerant. Simply disagreeing with them on some pedantic theological point can get you killed. I consider this to be intolerant. Again, ‘the tree shall be known by its fruit.’ It is the Islamic world exclusively which produces murderous mobs and terrorist youth. Yet, so that we can feel good about ourselves and wear our tolerance on our sleeves, we invite these people into our communities. We feel great when we capture one or two who seem more willing to act out. Like this accomplishes something! But the cost to us is measured in the number of good people dead and injured. We must take some responsibility.

This is a choice we have made. We have to be willfully blind not to see this.

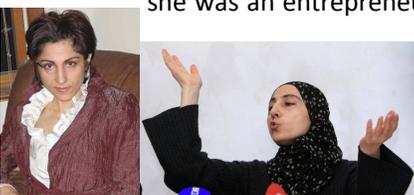
I admit it. I am not this tolerant. And I invite you to be less tolerant too. It’s OK. You can do this. So what *can* we do? Muslims leave their mosques after a fiery sermon delivered by radical imams and go on murderous rampages worldwide. Does this happen at your church? Does this happen at your synagogue? Here in America, radical imams recruit young men and send them into our cities for the express purpose of committing atrocities and paralyzing the population with fear. Does your priest, rabbi or pastor do this? I suggest the Muslim Control Act of 2013. What, you don’t have the stomach for this? The alternative is that you will have a body count. I did not make this the choice. But it is *the* choice and one we have to make. To choose not to act is to choose the body count. I can see that. I am not willfully blind. Are you?

Muslims out – school vouchers in! ❖

Reprinted courtesy of Tea Party 911

**Follow-up:**

The previous article is now over a month old. Some interesting facts have come to light. Dzhokhar and Tamerlan were most likely “radicalized by their mother, Zubeidat, who brought her family to America seeking political asylum. In America she was an entrepreneur giving facials. As she became more devout (radicalized) she started dressing in more traditional Muslim attire and eventually refused to give facials to men honoring Muslim teaching that men and women should not touch outside of marriage. The change is quite visible in the ‘then & now’ photos to the left. She blames America for the death of her son. There may some truth to this as the whole family was radicalized *here*. The cancer is *inside* the US in the mosques and in the local Muslim communities.



Then

Now

Additionally, the lone wolf brothers had accomplices here and foreign radical contacts in both Canada and almost surely in Dagestan. I received some criticism for inferring that the fundamental tenants of Islam were incompatible with American values but I am not the only one who thinks this is true. The picture to the right supports this claim.



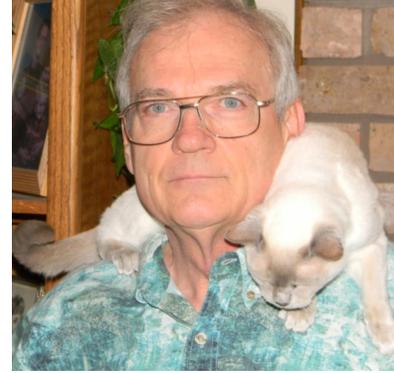
US Attorney General, Eric Holder, warns that post 9-11, anyone mistreating Muslims will be dealt with harshly. If this seems like a good idea to you, consider that if in March, someone had taken offence to Tamerlan’s anti-American jihadist Youtube channel and confronted him on it, the justice department would have acted to defend Tamerlan. The criticism of this statement will be that the confronter should report his concerns to authorities. But these same authorities were useless when warned by Russian intelligence services. I doubt a concerned citizen would be given any more consideration than foreign intelligence services. Our concerns are real and our government willfully blind. ❖





## Editorial Page:

# Self Radicalized



It is amazing how easy it has been to sell this concept. No one questions how such a thing is even possible. Does a person first decide to be a radical and seek out instruction on how to do it, or do they just accidentally fall into it?

*"I was going to the store for an RC and a bag of pork rinds and it just happened."*

This *should* be a hard sell.

*"I was on the way to the library to return a book and I just decided to blow the whole place up."*

Is it just me, or does this also seem implausible?

It seems like there has to be some pre-existing foundation upon which to build; something which not only justifies the act, but even encourages it. There needs to be something which appeals to the actor's self-interest, the 'what's in it for me,' while minimizing their concern for the object(s) of the act. It requires a narcissistic devotion to self gratification and a callous disregard for the most basic rights of one's fellow human beings. It requires a fundamentally evil philosophy. If only there were some common thread, some common association of all these bad actors, it would be easier to predict where the next evil act might come from.

While you ponder this seemingly impossible riddle, I would point out that all of the perpetrators claim to be followers of the Prophet Mohamed. I would further point out that in survey after survey, taken in countries where followers of the Prophet make up almost the entire population, 20% to 40% support the actions of these 'self radicalized' individuals. Self-radicalized? I think they had a little help.

Estimates of the worldwide Muslim population have it at 1.7 to 2.1 billion which puts it at just under or just over the population of Christians in the world. Twenty to forty percent of this figure means there are between four and eight hundred million persons dedicated to the abolition of individual liberty. The Muslims not included in the 20% to 40% figure are ambivalent about their own liberty. Do not expect them to fight for yours. Considering their birthrate, coupled with the rate at which they are murdering non-Muslims, it is just a matter of time before they become the majority population in the world. Stated otherwise, unless you are willing to take some sort of action, you can kiss your sorry butt good-bye.



Juxtapose the concept of self-radicalization, to the never talked about concept of self-terrorization. There are people out there who will not join the NRA for fear they will be 'put on a list.' There are people who will not attend a Tea Party Rally for the same reason. These are recognized groups with legitimate, constitutionally protected aims. The purpose of the terrorist is to instill a *paralyzing* fear into the population. For a segment of our population, this has already been accomplished. A person who cannot stand-up to a bureaucrat with a clipboard is unlikely to stand-up to a terrorist with an AK. If one cannot stand-up for principles upon which this country is founded, it is already over for you.

Our founders gave us not just the best (read least threatening) government man has ever devised. Within our constitution, they also gave us the tools with which to maintain it. They left the bulk of power with the individuals who make up the population. What power was delegated to the government was dispersed among separate branches which, through their own self interest, would act to check and balance the power of the other branches. They set up a system where the greatest power was found at the most local level, the individual. As that power moved away from the individual, to local and then to federal government, power became weaker. They provided means for the individual citizen to intercede in the affairs of government through the vote, through the right to petition, ▷





**Editorial Page continued:**

and through the right to representation. They provided guarantees in the federal constitution which protected certain liberties. No matter what state you lived in, you would have the right to life, to property, to due process and to a Republican form of government. And ultimately, if all this fails, through the Second Amendment, the individual citizens would have the right to use force against the government to make it responsive to the citizens' wishes.

It defies the imagination to think that they gave us all these tools if they did not expect us to use them. They expected we would vote. They expected we would petition the government when we took exception to their actions. The founders realized that it is the nature of government to be self interested, that it benefits the citizen only to gain the citizen's favor. They warned us, "*The government is at best a necessary evil, at worst an intolerable one.*" The founders realized the government was capable of "putting citizens on a list." But, I do not think they envisioned an American who would be reluctant to join a political organization because of this. The founders were bold men who pledged *their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor* to the founding of this nation. I think King George probably put their names on a list.

The founders got the country they deserved because of what they were willing to do for it. We will have the country we deserve and for the same reason. ❖

**"To learn who  
rules over you,  
simply find out  
who you are  
not allowed  
to criticize."**

**- Voltaire**



# Benghazi Heats Up

ABC news, which was incapable of even mentioning Benghazi or the Boston marathon bombing for that matter last Sunday, led with Benghazi this week. Almost every hay farmer and hairdresser I know in East Texas cringed when Mitt Romney left the Benghazi question on the table in the second debate. It was the winning issue. We all suspected the story we were being told about Benghazi was wrong and we were right to be suspicious. We all knew the people at the top *did know* what was going on in time to properly respond. We knew there was *no demonstration* regarding an obscure video. We knew we *did have* assets in the area fully capable of responding to the situation. We now know they were forming up to respond when they *were told* to 'stand down.'

Finally we are getting some attention to this issue in congress and reluctantly in the press. Hillary Clinton's prospects for a presidential campaign grow dimmer with each witness called before congress. Incompetence and cover up are being revealed at all levels in this administration. Failures are apparent before, during and after the event. From the refusals to provide more security in anticipation of the event, to the refusal to respond to the event as it was happening to the cover-up after the event, multiple agencies and high government officials are exposed as incompetent and intentionally malicious.

Specific answers with names and time lines are yet to be determined, but we now have reason to believe that they will soon be revealed. But several troubling issues arise from the proceedings thus far. The press, when it covers this issue at all has kept it on the back burner. This may now finally be changing. If the press acted to keep the Watergate scandal in front of the American people so that they would demand action, is it not reasonable to assume that by keeping the Benghazi story hidden, they hopped to suppress what would be righteous anger if the story were to become common knowledge? It is obvious the press was way too invested in the reelection of Barak Obama. Democrats in congress continue to obfuscate the issue with "there wasn't time." How could they know *at the time* how much time would be required to defeat our meager forces? Was their faith in the enemy so great and their disdain for American competence so total that they just wrote our people off?

Jay Carney has tried to forward the notion that "Benghazi was a long time ago." No wonder this administration is so weak on terrorism. September 11, 2001 must seem like the Peloponnesian War to them. Jay Carney is the President's spokesman and Susan Rice was delivering the administration's message when she claimed there was no terrorist involvement in the Benghazi incident. This direction comes from the top.

Nixon may have lied, but no one died. Obama, our Commander-in-Chief, went to bed and left ranking members of our diplomatic service to be burned to death. The next day he went on a fundraising campaign event. In retrospect it must have been disturbing and inconvenient for the President that our enemies are so inept. The fact that the assault went on for in excess of seven hours puts the lie to the excuse that we could not get a response together in time.

Richard Nixon was driven from office, not because he knew of the Watergate break-in beforehand or that he participated in it. He was driven from office because he tried to cover-up an event during an election which he stood to gain from politically. The truth of the Benghazi incident, if understood, would have cost Obama the election. Justice demands that this President be treated no less harshly than Nixon. Whether Obama was covering up a crime or just covering up criminal negligence is irrelevant. He was deceiving the American people, depriving them of the truth just to satisfy his own lust for power. At this point I cannot say if Obama's actions were worse than Nixon's, but it is obvious they were no better.

Democrats charge that Republicans are politicizing the Benghazi issue. Although it may serve their purposes, Republicans want to get to the truth of Benghazi. If Democrats had any allegiance to truth and facts, there would be no divide along partisan lines. It is the Democrats allegiance to any lie which furthers the Democrats lust for power that has made this a "partisan issue." If Republicans had gathered around Richard Nixon the way the Democrats are gathering around Obama, Nixon would never have resigned and the Senate would never have convicted him.

Jay Carney insisted that only a single word was changed in the talking points. Yet we now know that 140 words of facts were ripped from the original talking points. As an editor and a writer, I would call that change, just not "change we can believe in." Carney insisted that changes were just stylistic. Well, if telling the truth is one style and engaging in lies and cover-up is just another style, then, and only then, could it be said that the changes were just stylistic. ▷



# Benghazi Heats Up

Evidence of a cover-up consists of:

Massive deletion of real facts from the original communications.

Insertion of factually incorrect information which was then presented as fact.

Relentless repetition of this incorrect information on all media outlets - a 'disinformation campaign.'

The hiding of factual information from congress and the American people.

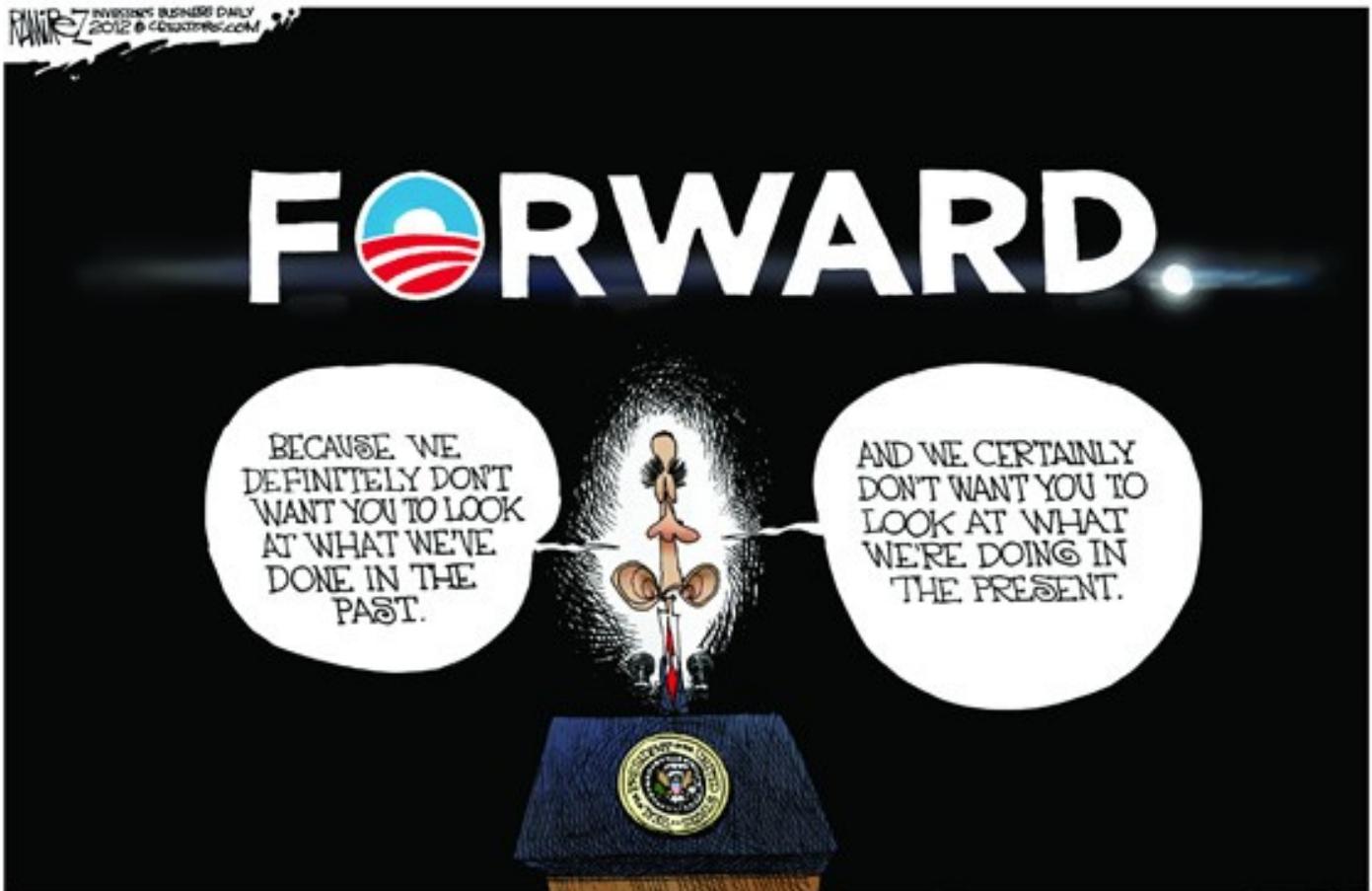
Hiding witnesses by changing the names of hospitalized wounded present at the attack.

Stonewalling legitimate investigation into the matter by withholding documents and refusing to communicate.

The motive for the cover-up, which to media is unfathomable, is simply and obviously that the truth would have imperiled the President's chances of reelection and Hillary's chances in 2016. They have even admitted as much in the case of Hillary Clinton. Dianne Feinstein, on Meet the Press today said she thought the point of the hearings was to damage Hillary Clinton's chances to run for the Presidency in 2016 and that Hillary is very popular. So apparently, and rather cavalierly, Democrats think the truth should just take a back seat to their political ambitions.

Two final points: first, if there was anything the President might have wanted to cover-up, it would have been the fact that apparently America is incapable of inserting rapid deployment troops anywhere in the world. Yet he seems to delight in disseminating this information to anyone who will listen. I personally do not believe this to be true, but it serves the President's narrative so expect to hear it a lot. Two days to load the plane? Really? No one I know is stupid enough to believe the gun on their bedside table should not be loaded. Is everybody smarter than Obama?

Finally, forgotten in all this, Mark Basseley Youssef, producer of the allegedly offensive video, languishes in jail to this day, a political prisoner in Obama's America. ❖





## Quick Comments:

**Russian intelligence agencies** reported to US officials that Tamerlan Tsarnaev, the older brother in the Boston Marathon bombing, had been “radicalized.” US intelligence officials said that they had interviewed Tamerlan Tsarnaev and that he had not been “radicalized at that time.” An alternative interpretation would suggest that the Russian intelligence is a better predictor of radical behavior. Maybe the FBI is too PC for *our* own good.

**President Obama** has said, “If the Assad regime uses chemical weapons, I will have to change my calculus.” The man can’t add or multiply. Look at the economy and the jobs report. All he can do is divide and subtract. Look at the political climate and, again, look at the jobs report. Calculus? I don’t think he knows the meaning of the word.

**Muslim Extremist**, we are told, may be too inflammatory a term. My concern is that it is just redundant.

**The Administration** was unable to send a single representative to Margaret Thatcher’s funeral. It seems that the impending anti-Second Amendment legislation was too important - Obama needed “all hands on deck.” Fortunately, the effectiveness of his leadership continues unchanged. The SENTINEL remembers that this administration was able to send two representatives to Hugo Chavez’s funeral. At that time the only thing going on was North Korea threatening to nuke South Korea and maybe the US. So . . . no biggie.

**Michele Obama** visited Abdul Rahman Ali Alharbi (pictured right) in the hospital and no other victims of the Boston bombing. He was whisked from the news as fast as Saudi’s were whisked from the US after the 9-11 attack on the world trade towers. Glenn Beck said he had information on Alharbi, but it did not amount to much. The gold gun links him to Saudi royalty but beyond that are questions which may never be answered.



**President Obama** stated earlier that the use of chemical weapons in Syria would be a ‘red line’ and that there would be consequences. So as the evidence of the use of chemical weapons mount what action does the President take? He courageously denies it ever happened.

**The President claims**, “there was no Intelligence failure regarding the Boston Marathon bombing,” leading us to believe the President may be experiencing an intelligence failure of his own.

**Sen. Chambliss** scores a hole-in-one while golfing with the President. Too bad there was no credible witness around.

**President Obama** gave one of his rare press conferences on the last day of April. It was rambling and incoherent giving 5 to 8 minute responses to 10 second questions. Only 6 questions were taken in the 47 minute ordeal. It was mercifully brought to a close with an incomprehensible 17 minute monologue on why his second term should not be considered a complete and utter failure. All in all, one of the President’s best performances.

**The Left** is predictably silent on the case of Hermit Gosnell, the ‘overzealous’ abortion doctor. In truth he has done nothing other abortion ‘providers’ have not done. But Gosnell has aborted babies ‘out of season’ like an errant bass fisherman or outside the free fire zone of the womb like hunters on restricted property. If God punishes nations for immoral behavior, we are due a drubbing.

“**If only one child could be saved**” the left would throw out the Second Amendment, rounding-up guns for self-protection from law abiding citizens. Yet we know that one child *could* have been saved at the Boston Marathon bombing if Muslims were banned from America’s shores. Where is the outcry for rounding up all Muslims?

**Kermit Gosnell** convicted of three counts of first degree murder. Just three? Is Mickey Mouse doing the counting and can he not use both hands? Gosnell gets life - Babies get Death. Fair?

**Grand Theft Auto** is apparently one of the President’s favorite games. But he likes to think big. Why steal the car when you can steal the whole company? Since the bailout, GM has 76,000 fewer workers here than it did the day Obama gave them all that tax payer money. That does not mean GM is on the decline, however. GM is currently investing \$11 billion to build 4 manufacturing plants . . . in China. Make you proud?

**Democrats** are trying to push back the specter of impeachment saying there was “no under lying crime” in the Benghazi affair. But in the Watergate affair they said the crime did not matter, the impeachment was all about the cover-up. Besides, was not the negligence in the Benghazi affair criminal? We will need a lot of Republicans in the Senate in 2014 to pull this off. Its time to get to work.

**The IRS** has admitted to targeting groups with “Tea Party” or “patriot” in their name. The Tea Party is understandable because they were targeting the President. Even Nixon had an enemies list. So that’s OK isn’t it? But “Patriot? What does that tell you about this President?

**The Know Nothing Party** elects its’ first President in 150 years. Obama knows nothing about Benghazi, the IRS targeting right wing groups, the AP scandal or Fast and Furious for that matter. Months long investigations seem to make him no smarter.

**The Press** has been supportive of all manner of government intrusions. Now it has happened to them. Has the AP any ‘nads?’

**Four terrorists** walk into a bar, a Catholic, a Baptist, a Muslim and a Jew . . . NO. Wait a minute. That’s not right. They were all Muslims . . . ❖





# Letters to the Editor:

Regarding "2" on page 8 of your April SENTINEL:

From Lee Cary  
Fellow blogger  
on Tea Party 911

Like Donald Mellon, "I fear we are going to lose this particular battle." But do not think that "a possible satisfactory outcome would leave the issue up to the individual states."

That's not at all satisfactory. It's just a slower defeat.

The only satisfactory outcome is a Constitutional Amendment that codifies marriage in these United States of America as between one man and one woman. The Framers didn't put it in because they never imagined it otherwise.

When governments change the meaning of words, people lose freedom, whether it happens one state at a time, or one nation at a time.

Homosexual Americans are able to live together, in two's three's or however many they want. Enjoy all the rights of citizenship. Engage in conjugal visits when one is imprisoned, adopt children, visit each other in the hospital ICU, pledge their fidelity to one another in an bonding ceremony - but it's not marriage.

Give it another name, if necessary, for referencing. Draft a standard civil contract binding the parties to particular behaviors, just don't call it "marriage" because it isn't. As our President once said, "words have meaning." And when governments or courts change the meaning of words...

From Bill

While the Supreme Court is considering religious issues, after they decide on gay marriage, maybe they could also rule on the age old issues of the ordination of women and infant baptism.

The editor has the last word:

While I agree that if any certain religion wishes to "marry" a homosexual couple, it is their right to do so. However, if the state has any interest in the institution of marriage, the state should not extend the status of marriage to homosexual couples as it is highly destructive to the society at large. (See the article "2" in April's issue of the SENTINEL.) The legal protections married heterosexual couples enjoy are available to homosexuals if they chose to pursue them.

Regarding "Willful Blindness on page 8 of this issue:

Greg writes:

Many of us who have spent our entire careers in law enforcement remember when the Muslims were blowing up jets (with people on them) way back in the 1950's. It didn't make any difference who they chose as victims, they were non-Muslims, they were all infidels in the eyes of the murders. Perhaps a Muslim Control Act of 2013 might be appropriate. After all, not all Muslims are terrorists, but all terrorists have certainly proven to be Muslim.

Cathy comments:

EXCELLENT, never really gave that premise a thought, but how accurate it is! Our kids are being turned into left wing extremists and WORSE in the public school system.

Ann Writes:

You are "right on" ...AGAIN, Terrell. But how do you get a politician to introduce and work for the act you propose??

Responding to Ann:

And there is the rub. It has been a long time since we have had a member of congress willing to do the hard work of governance. They are all to busy getting reelected. Some have even suggested this is their job. It's time for term limits and only a one term limit would solve this problem. ~ ed

More letters . . . 





## Letters to the Editor continued:

Regarding Gohmert Faces Leftist Facticide Attack on page 10 of the April edition of the SENTINEL:

Lee Cary Fellow  
blogger on Tea  
Party 911 writes

"Louie Gohmert stated at CPAC that, "The war in Viet Nam was winnable." He did? Really? Was he there?

I was.

I won't suggest he's wrong - nor that he's right. I do wonder why, so long after the event, he felt it worth mentioning.

It wasn't the left, or Jane Fonda, or John Kerry (who served about 3 mos. there) that lost the war. It wasn't strategy or tactics (although in retrospect some of the thinking was decidedly unenlightened). It wasn't the Democrats, or the Republicans, or the SDS, or...whoever.

It was the absence of the political will to do what was necessary to win. It's that simple.

And today, the same holds true for the absence of the political will to engage the fiscal and monetary wars in which we are all engaged, whether we like it or not, and are losing very badly, with worse to come.

That's the only war that matters today. Not Vietnam. It's over, Louie, and the dead on all sides are buried, if they were found.



What part of the world do  
old terrorists hail from?



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## The Euphemism Imperative

President Barack Obama was proud to become the first sitting president to address Planned Parenthood last Friday. But not proud enough to utter the word "abortion."

The right to abortion is the sneakiest, most shame-faced of all American rights. Its most devoted supporters don't dare speak its name. They hide behind evasion and euphemism and cant.

So Obama sang a hymn of praise to Planned Parenthood at the organization's annual conference without mentioning what makes it so distinctive and controversial. He said it is a group women "count on for so many important services." He said its core principle is "that women should be allowed to make their own decisions about their own health." He excoriated opponents involved "in an orchestrated and historic effort to roll back basic rights when it comes to women's health."

Listening to him, you could be forgiven for thinking that the country is riven by a fierce dispute over whether women should be allowed to choose their own ob-gyns or decide whether to take contraceptives or to get cancer screenings. One side is pro-women's health, the other anti. In his speech, the president said the word "cancer" seven times. About that he is happy to be straightforward.

Imagine if he had been similarly frank about the rest of Planned Parenthood's work: "In 2011, according to your annual report, your clinics or affiliates performed 330,000 abortions. That's a lot of abortion. Over 10 years more than 3 million. Thank you, Planned Parenthood. Think of all those women who wanted to terminate their pregnancies and you were there for them. That's what you do. That's what you are about. And that's what *this country* is about."

Before that crowd, he might have gotten rousing applause, but talking in such honest terms would have been a gross faux pas. Planned Parenthood's image is dependent on averting eyes from its central purpose. According to a poll commissioned by the National Right to Life Committee, fifty-five percent of people don't realize that Planned Parenthood performs abortions. In the past, Obama has said Planned Parenthood does mammograms, when it doesn't.

The unwritten rule is that when the left discusses abortion it is never called "abortion," but always referred to as "health" or, more specifically "reproductive health" — although abortion is the opposite of reproduction and for one party involved, the opposite of health. The former National Abortion Rights Action League, and then the National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League, finally settled on the name NARAL Pro-Choice America, effacing all reference to the procedure that it holds in such high esteem.

This is a strange reticence. The National Rifle Association doesn't get defensive when it is pointed out that it protects *the right to bear arms* which allows people to buy *guns*. Charlton Heston, in the famous photo-op, didn't hesitate to lift a musket over his head. The organization isn't about to remove the word "rifle" from its name. The NRA conducts courses on how to handle guns safely, but Wayne LaPierre doesn't try to pass himself off as concerned only with "munitions safety." ▷



The trial of Philadelphia abortionist Kermit Gosnell has been an exercise in stripping away euphemism. He is accused of murdering babies because he allegedly didn't manage to kill them in the womb and had to finish the job outside the womb. His case is so discomfiting for liberals not only because it is such a stark picture of the seamy, money-grubbing side of abortion, but because it illustrates how slight the difference is between late-term abortion — or late-term “health” — and what nearly everyone recognizes as a crime.

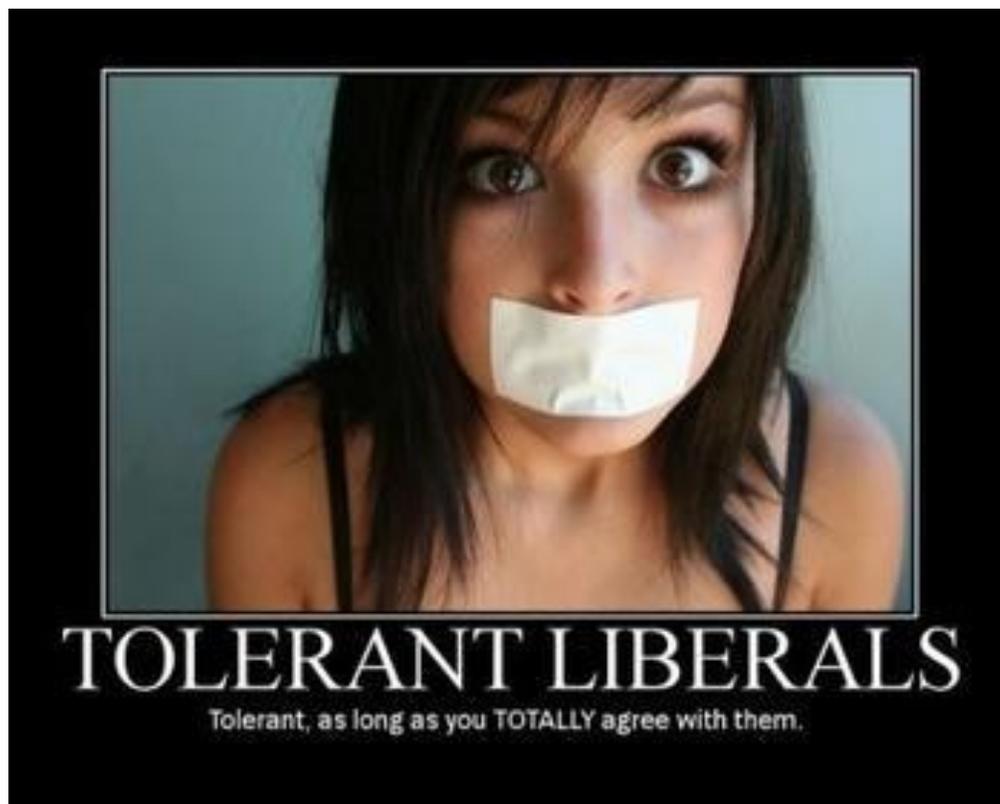
Before it was shamed into covering the case largely by the work of journalists Kirsten Powers and Mollie Hemingway, the press ignored the case as an uninteresting disagreement between a doctor and prosecutors over a matter of reproductive health. Even when the media began to write about it, some outlets couldn't quite face it.

In a story about the case, The New York Times referred to the newborns killed by Gosnell as “fetuses.” The definition of a fetus according to Merriam-Webster is “an unborn or unhatched vertebrate.” By definition, the newborns weren't fetuses; they weren't *unborn*. But the Times couldn't bring itself to use the word “baby,” which has so many positive connotations and problematic implications.

This is the crux of the matter: If it is a baby outside the womb, why not inside the womb? If a procedure to end its life is wrong outside the womb, why isn't it wrong inside the womb? Or conversely, if it is acceptable in the womb, why not outside?

Two “bio-ethicists” took the latter position in an article last year in the Journal of Medical Ethics aptly titled, “After-birth abortion: Why should the baby live?” So did Planned Parenthood official Alisa LaPolt Snow in recent legislative testimony in Florida in which she said even a baby surviving a late-term abortion should receive no medical care if his or her mother so chooses. And so did Barack Obama when he opposed the Born-Alive Infants Protection Act in the Illinois state Legislature.

The essence of abortion is that there are two lives when you start and one when you finish. If it were your business to perform them and fight all restrictions on them, no matter how slight, you wouldn't want to be forthright and honest about it, either. ❖



## The Fence Test

You can't get any more accurate than this!  
This is straight forward country thinking..  
by Jeff Foxworthy



### Which side of the fence?

If you ever wondered which side of the fence you sit on, this is a great test!

If a Republican doesn't like guns, he doesn't buy one.

If a Democrat doesn't like guns, he wants all guns outlawed.

If a Republican is a vegetarian, he doesn't eat meat.

If a Democrat is a vegetarian, he wants all meat products banned for everyone.

If a Republican is homosexual, he quietly leads his life.

If a Democrat is homosexual, he demands legislated respect.

If a Republican is down-and-out, he thinks about how to better his situation.

If a Democrat is down-and-out he wonders who is going to take care of him.

If a Republican doesn't like a talk show host, he switches channels.

A Democrat demands that those they don't like be shut down.

If a Republican is a non-believer, he doesn't go to church.

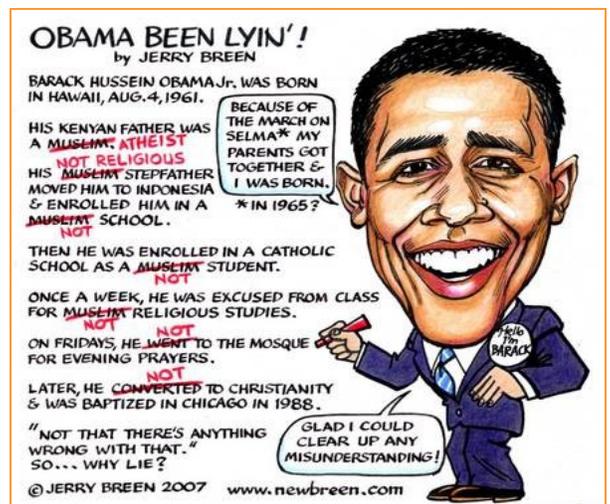
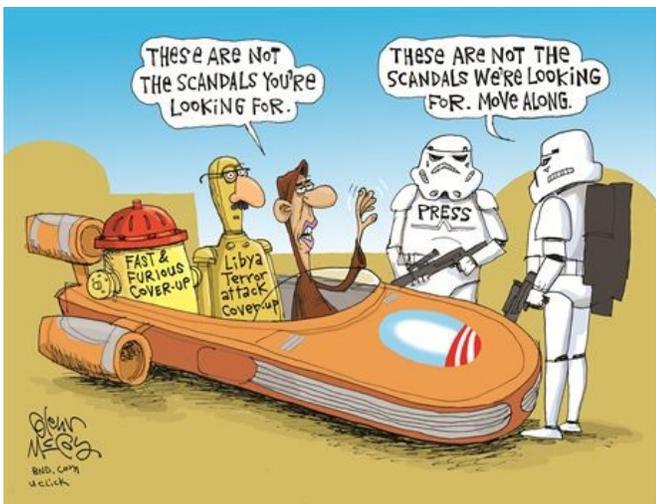
A Democrat non-believer wants any mention of God and religion silenced.

If a Republican decides he needs health care, he goes about shopping for it, or may choose a job that provides it.

If a Democrat decides he needs health care, he demands that the rest of us pay for his.

If a Republican reads this, he'll forward it so his friends can have a good laugh.

A Democrat will delete it because he's "offended". ♦





**Brian Swan** ~ professional speaker, speech writer, speech coach and hypnotist. I swear, the grainy picture on the left is the only picture I could find and I am only about 95% confident that this is a photograph of the article's author. He is apparently a young but gifted thinker. If you wish to read more by young Swan, try <http://patriotupdate.com/articles/how-to-take-back-the-country-step-one/#ixzz2TByDinLU>

## The Line

In 1836, William Barrett Travis saw the writing on the wall and then made a move that will forever define the true American spirit—grit. The situation at the Alamo was certain. The Texans were outnumbered, surrounded, and had little reinforcements; they were going to die. The 26-year old lieutenant colonel gathered his men together and drew his sword. His blade scraped a single line in the sand. His words presented the last choice they'd ever consider: run or fight. All but one stepped over the line. All but one died. All but one are legends.

The moment didn't make the man, moments never do. Men like Travis are made of sterner stuff than mere moments. He was made of something else: something that's found in every noble leader who's hoisted the flag of this country upon his bloody shoulders; something that, when it comes to life or liberty, encourages him to stare death in the face . . . and spit.

Grit. Good old American flint.

Last week Sen. Rand Paul went to Howard University to discuss the problems of big government. One particular freshman answered Paul, "I want a government that's going to help me . . . I want a government that's going to help me pay for my college education." The logic and economics of how financial aid actually increases tuition costs could constitute its own article. For now I'm going to focus on the freshman's major premise: I want a government that's going to help me.

That freshman embodies the fundamental problem in our country—the great divide as to why our house can no longer stand. Our problem is not so much conservative versus liberal, as it is desired independence versus desired dependence, in which liberals foster the latter. For the majority of the older generation and the minority of the younger it is about the intrinsic reward of saying, "It was damn hard, but I did it all on my own." For the minority of the older generation and the majority of the younger it is about the extrinsic reward that comes from saying, "It's too painful, I want help."

Help, by its very nature, is dependence. Dependence, by its own nature, is an absence of self-sufficiency. It follows then, that if one wants or needs help, then he either chooses not to be or isn't self-sufficient. Notice, the freshman used the word "want," not "need." (Also notice the source of what he wants to be dependent on.) Certainly we all need help at times but only certain people want it—the mentally and spiritually weak. The freshman wants help; that is, that he wants to not be self-sufficient. This is the reason I don't want help from anybody for anything: I'd rather be self-sufficient.

Let me be clear, I'm not saying help is a bad thing. We should all be willing to help others and, of course, we all need it at times. But I am saying wanting help and giving it to the wanter is bad. In fact, I argue that it is nothing short of evil.

Dependence atrophies the skills necessary to rise to the task. Once those skills are eroded, the natural result is more dependence in the future. After enough dependence one eventually loses all the skills necessary to be self-sufficient. With the ability to be self-sufficient now gone, her dignity also is chiseled away. The helper has essentially stolen the individual's inherent human dignity under the guise of charity. To take a person's dignity under the notion of being Christ-like is purely evil. ▷



The inept who depends on society begins to drag. With enough dependents, the collective whole can no longer pull the non-producing freeloaders. The result, a choice: drop the dead weight or fail with them. Since society deems it inhumane to cut off those who want help, it eventually stalls and every member then reaps the same state as the dependents. Independence cannot exist where an individual's resources are regulated to help those who desire dependence.

Indeed, it's ironic that our society deems it inhumane to release the wanters from the system, yet it finds moral justification for stealing their inherent dignity by way of fostering their dependence on it.

America's gears are cranking and stripping. Its engine block is cracking. By helping those who want to be dependent we are hurting everyone, especially them.

It's time. I'm drawing a line. If you want help from government, stay on the side of the dependent at Howard University. If you desire the intrinsic reward that comes from grit and grease, and then realizing your potential on your own, no matter the difficulty, I invite you step across. Step across and evaluate the prospect of moving to a free state—a state where you can do it on your own—a state where the government hasn't created a regulatory web in order to force you to help the dependent and then become a dependent yourself.

The time for heated rhetoric is past. The "leaders" in Washington are too caught up in politics to hear the engine dying. So instead of looking around, waiting for some new leader to rise up, let us each become our own leader. Shake off the chains of desired dependency. The conservative ideals of independence from government will always be the American majority because that is what America was built on. It is the exact reason why conservatives are being so viciously attacked—if desired dependence was dead, so would be the liberal agenda.

Though it seems we're surrounded, outnumbered, and have little reinforcements, we're not. The problem is that not enough are making a stand. Let me remind you, there is nothing noble about silencing truth and lessening your results to keep from offending other people.

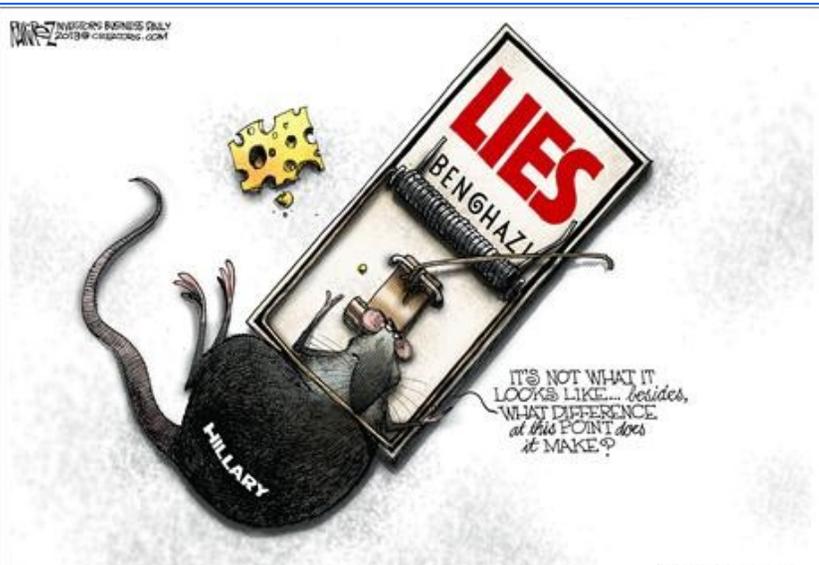
We have the same choice Lt. Col. Travis presented to his soldiers 177 years ago.

Time to choose. Time to organize. You either want independence or you want dependence. Middle ground is no longer a choice.

Here's the line. ❖



The President in Pickup Truck 1 takes the ship of state out for a spin.



Guns don't kill people . . .



# Congratulations

## Lake Country Republican Club's Constitution Essay Contest Winners!



First Place winner, Tiffany Gambrel of Winnsboro HS received a Certificate of Achievement and a check for \$100



Second Place winner, Jack Phillips from Yantis HS received a Certificate of Achievement and a check for \$50



Third Place winner, Josh Boone of Winnsboro HS received a Certificate of Achievement and a check for \$25



Our winners, Tiffany Gambrel, Jack Phillips and Josh Boone are Flanked by Judge Bryan Jeans left and club president Joanna Bowen right.

Additionally, Winnsboro HS was awarded the Bernard Schriver Foundation's Curriculum Enhancement Program. The story was reported in the Quitman Democrat and also in the Winnsboro News. Lake Country Republican Club, in pursuit of the goal of educating tomorrow's citizens in first principles, intends to make the contest an annual event.

After the LCRC meeting on April 23rd, at the Quitman library, a citizens consultation was held to discuss the Resolution to Convene under Article I section 2 of the Texas State Constitution. The meeting was chaired by Kellie Kautzsch with Lynn AronSpeer acting as secretary for the meeting. After a presentation entitled "How to Deal With a Rogue Government" given by Thresa Mathews and a brief discussion of the issue, the Resolution to Convene was voted on by all present local residents of Texas State House District 5 and passed unanimously.



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## Obama Cheated, That's How

Conservatives who have been wondering how Obama survived the 2012 election now have fuel for the common complaint that he stole the election by cheating.

And no, I'm not talking about the vote [rigging in precincts](#) where he had more votes than voters.

Nor am I talking about petitions where signature gatherers illegally forged names in order for Obama to qualify for a [state primary ballot](#).

I'm also not talking about Obama's failure to vote on much legislation when he was an Illinois state senator, nor on his ability to produce any meaningful legislation for the three weeks he acted as a United States Senator from Illinois before announcing he was going to be the best president of the United States ever.

And even though, he *became* U.S. Senator by getting a crony to open up sealed divorce records, we're not going to talk about that.

We won't suggest here that that was cheating.

Don't get me started on his failure to produce his Accidental College application, which may or may not *claim* that Obama *claimed* he was foreign national to get preferred treatment.

Because I don't want to go there; that's not what this article is about.

I also don't want to talk about how Obama, as president, goosed employment and GDP figures in the third quarter of 2012 to artificially inflate those numbers with government spending.

Or how he got defense contractors to lay off the *laying-off* of federal defense workers until after the election in key states like Ohio.

This article will also not delve into the media coddling that Obama's come to expect; how they helped him steal the primary election in '08 from the Man-Who-Won't-Be-President-Now-That-She-Screwed-Up-And-Took-The-Fall-As-Secretary-of-State; how Obama's past, including his associations with real-live racists and terrorists, would never be tolerated in another candidate; or how the bootlickers in the media, who have come to despise him, let themselves be used like they were dating Jodi Arias- and liking it.

We also won't be talking about how the Democrats delayed the implementation of Obamacare until AFTER the 2012 presidential election, because they rushed through the "healthcare reform" process in the first place, as they knew their plan wouldn't work to reduce insurance rates, healthcare costs or the deficit- all of which were selling points for a skeptical public. ▷



To the contrary, Obamacare was designed to do one thing and one thing only: give a target demographic another “free” thing that Democrats could use to drive those voters to the polls.

Yes, yes; that’s cheating too, but we don’t want to talk about that right now.

We also won’t talk about how the GOP self-destructed, nominating the one guy who brought nothing original, daring or even smart to the election; a candidate so lame that the GOP now feels the need to ideologically douche itself by raising taxes, instituting amnesty and considering other portions of the liberal agenda.

OK, running against a Dole, a Bush, a McCain or a Romney really *isn’t* cheating, but it ought to be.

So once again, we won’t talk about that either.

No, instead we want to focus on the real cheating.

Instead we want to focus on the heartbeat stuff; the stuff of memories not made; of lives not lived.

Obama survived the 2012 presidential election because he told the American people that he kept them safe from terror; that he had Al Qaida on the run; that he was fighting America’s battles smarter than before.

And to prove the point, when things got really tough, he cheated with other peoples’ lives in order to avoid defeat.

He let four Americans die, rather than admit the truth. And that truth is this: That in war, as Winston Churchill said, “there is only one thing certain... that it is full of disappointments and also of mistakes.”

Obama could have admitted a mistake and walked away with dignity- he might have even won still.

But instead, he cheated.

I wonder where he got the idea he could do that? ❖

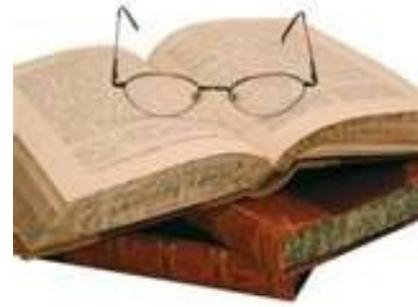
### Who Said This:

*“Only government can take perfectly good paper, cover it with perfectly good ink and make the combination worthless.”*

Answer below the star on page 28



# BOOK REVIEW:



## Roger Ailes Off Camera

by Zev Chafets

**Roger Ailes** created Fox News and still runs FNC today. How he did that --and still does -- is really quite a story, especially interesting to Republicans because **Roger Ailes** has been cakked “the most important Republican in the country.”

That “most important Republican” is a quote from arch-liberal Rachel Maddow, who’s also quoted (see Chapter 11) saying this about the GOP: “The party is like an old Ford Pinto, a hunk of junk, into which he has installed a jet engine.”

It was Rupert Murdoch who first had the idea that many people were “unhappy with the tone of mainstream TV news” So he invited **Roger Ailes** to lunch and hired him to create an alternative cable TV news channel. “How much will it cost me?” Murdoch asked him. Nine hundred million to a billion, Ailes is said to have replied, “and you could lose it all.”

We know now that Murdoch made a very good deal that day. The man who invented political consultancy, who was a TV innovator, **Roger Ailes** was also a very good businessman. Now in his early 70's, he has no immediate plans to retire. Last year his FNC contract was extended, allowing author Zev Chafets to note that in 2012 “Barack Obama had four more years, but so did Roger Ailes...”Chafets’s book is full of insider stories and quotes from big names in politics, Fox News, and TV journalism in general. Enjoy.

**Also Recommended:** A pocket-size pamphlet by **David Horowitz** called **Barack Obama’s Rules for Revolution, The Alinsky Model.**

According to Horowitz, Saul Alinsky himself said that “*The Prince* was written by Machiavelli for the Haves on how to hold power; *Rules for Radicals* is written for the Have-Nots on how to take it away.” (Alinsky’s political manual was called *Rules for Revolution* originally. He later changed the title to *Rules for Radicals*.)

Horowitz, with his former-insider knowledge of the Left and leftists, warns us that “The most basic principle of Alinsky’s advice to radicals is to *lie* to their opponents and disarm them by pretending to be moderates and liberals.”

The pamphlet is available from [elizabeth@horowitzfreedomcenter.org](mailto:elizabeth@horowitzfreedomcenter.org) or from [www.frontpagemag.com](http://www.frontpagemag.com) for \$3.00. On orders of 25 or more, the cost is only \$1.00 each. So one for yourself and a couple of dozen for distribution? Why not? ❖ Reprinted courtesy of RWWC newsletter



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