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SECRETARY'S NOTE for October 2023 By Mary Sears

WE ARE AT WAR!

It's just that no one seems to realize it yet.

What we are seeing is the posturing for the next world war and we are behind the 8 ball. Hamas just invaded Israel and Netanyahu has declared war. Israel is not only a NATO country but one of our closest allies.

Presently, the <u>USS Gerald R. Ford</u> and its accompanying ships are heading toward Israel this week. They hold roughly 5,000 US troops.

We can't forget; however, we are still in proxy wars with both Russia in Ukraine and China in Taiwan. We have depleted our munition reserves by propping up the Ukraine, our oil reserves by sending them to China, our monetary reserves by printing wagon loads of fiat currency, our borders are open, and our people are preoccupied with in-your-face moral shock that is our current society norms, and a runaway inflation rate, being denied by the current regime but seen very blatantly in the supermarket.

Liberal run cities are being overrun with the illegal aliens that they adored so much they created Sanctuary Cities for (BTW, I believe this would have been called Treason, in any other era of time) but now are demanding their government do something about them. Biden is now quietly championing the border wall build he and his cronies demanded removed because its so racist.

It's interesting to note here that the US and the United Nations created this mass migration. They built the camps that house them, the red cross provide the maps on how to get to the border and where the camps are.

The UN provides the buses that transports them but now Biden wants to build a wall? <u>Michael Yon</u> is an award-winning journalist that has been following the border issue for a decade or more.

He has numerous interviews with Mike Adams on <u>Brighteon News</u>. He has chronicled the movement of military aged men, Chinese, Muslim etc. that have had free access into the United States. He also blows the lid off the child sex trafficking that is part of the open borders plan as well. You don't have to do much research to discover who really creates all the friction in the world.

Liberal states like Illinois <u>removed</u> <u>cash bail</u> and ridiculously called it the SAFE-T Act. I doubt there is anything "Safe" about it. Now prisoners that couldn't post bond are petitioning the court to be let out. It's going to be lots of fun in Chicago in a few months, I figure.

Other Liberal States like California has decrease stealing less than \$950 to a misdemeanor so according to the <u>Hoover Institute</u>, will rarely get looked at by the police nor be prosecuted.

YouTube is filled with California businesses that are inundated with thieves who openly steal from shops with the employees doing little if anything to stop them.

The retailers are pulling up stakes and moving to more conservative areas that still fund their police departments, go figure.

Our country stands at a crossroad. One side is sure destruction, it is wide and smooth and easy to walk down. The other is to freedom, prosperity, and autonomy, it is narrow, rocky, and full of twists and turns.

Freedom is not easy. It's not free and it does not come without pain and suffering. Each generation is to quard it for the next.

For decades now, we have allowed tyrants to play on our heart strings, steal our wealth, destroy our families and moral fabric, erode our freedoms and they have done this by using the term freedom against us.

Because we know so very little about our founding documents or founders, we fall prey to those who wish to destroy it. They tell you that sexual depravity is normal, that we need to open our borders, or we are racist, that we have a natural racist tendency that need to be fixed through becoming slaves, that we need to police the world, send money we don't have to foreign nations and foreign wars, stop using traditional fuel sources and kill all the farm animals etc, etc...

We MUST involve ourselves in our local area. Eat locally, play locally, and make sure we attend not only our government meetings but those entities who have weight within our county.

We MUST become jealous for our nation, our people, and our God.

It is important that we become the "righteous people" that Ben Franklin said needed to keep the light of freedom burning bright.

It is not only our leader's job to maintain that freedom but the job of every American citizen.

This is our country, and it will be over my dead body that I would allow someone to steal it from my children and grandchildren.

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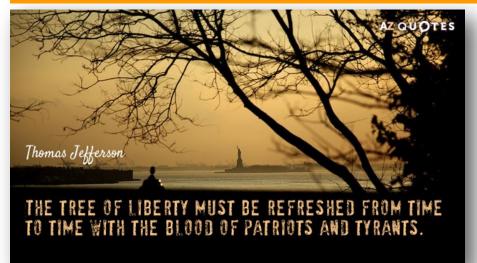


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We the people are the rightful masters of both Congress and the courts, not to overthrow the Constitution but to overthrow the men who pervert the Constitution.

- Abraham Lincoln

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No meetings until autumn! Be safe and vigilant!!!

NARA Chalet in Houghton



The Preponderance: Don't look under the skirt Kenny!

By Jim Hafeman



Going through a drive-up I was greeted by a masculine voice, who took my order. After doing so I said, "Thank you sir."

But, at the window it didn't really appear to be a "sir" when it took my debit card, since it looked more like a

dude trying to be a non-dude, but hey, who am I to judge? Is "it" the accurate pronoun?

The Democrats closed military bases with their BRAC initiative and mental institutions through the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981. But, despite those major cuts, the U.S. built a debt over \$33-trillion and has fatigued opportunities for post-high school youth and facilitated a national plaque of homelessness and addictions.

As a result men with no fathers could no longer learn what it is to be a man through the military, which also went woke and could no longer yell at inept enlistees to toughen them up for potential battle. And the population with severe mental illness have no long-term access to a care facility.

Public schools facilitated immorality and gave impressionable young minds a blaze of false idols and enemies, which dissolved critical thinking and self-determination.

The leftists forced the Boy and Girl scouts to go woke, normalizing crazy in another crucial organization for helping the maturation process among the youth.

Metro societies have been setup for disaster by the very political party they voted in to govern their government. With the invasion of persons that put an extra burden on all available resources, Democrats are working closely with corporations and leftist in other countries to induce famine, mass killings, suicides, infanticide, and homicide to reduce the suburban population, which would be up to and including, total elimination of those regarded as nonproductive persons.

But, the innate hatred festering in the simple minds of Democrats did render one verdict to help genuine Republicans oust McCarthy and help remind the remaining ballless RINOs why they were hired by their voters to do their frickin' job in their national or state capitol.

The gathering political storm of a massive revolution by citizens is in the offing. Those who identify themselves as a non-socialist Democrat may be compelled to vote for the emerging RFK, Jr. on the Independent side as they seek candidates with a measurable IQ to replace the know-nothing party lovalists on the ballot. Republican voters have had it with their do-nothing RINO representatives.

While there's noting anyone can do to nudge mouth-breathers to actually think before they vote, there are citizens who have become the disenfranchised and irrelevant class who may very well influence the election outcomes for the next one or two election cycles.

Sadly, SCOTUS only become animated when an action is demanded by an outside victim of the rising oppressive governments. Perhaps, even if temporary, SCOTUS oversight of the actions of prosecutors and courts is needed.

The bottom-line question focuses on whether or not the United States of America remains a nation of various constitutionally compliant governments at all levels or continues to morph into a very centralized government with no recognizable accountability.

VHY? WHY DEMS LIE By J. C. Powers

Since those that sooth the hemorrhoids by constantly licking the anuses of Democrats refuse to do their job, in your next encounter with a non-binary Democrat, ask the Democrat why they support:

- Open Borders?
- Refused to finish the well-funded southern border wall?
- Permitted entry of Illegal aliens not vetted or tested for disease?
- Adding millions of illegal aliens to funded programs and homelessness?
- Reduced the Strategic Petroleum Reserve (SPR) to a 40-year low?
- mRNA Vaccinations despite tragic sudden death events and miscarriages?
- Censoring individuals, including experts, exploring the facts of COVID slip-ups, mRNA vaccinations, Spygate, Russiagate, Hillarygate, election fraud, Hunter's laptop and Biden's sedition and espionage, Biden's cognitive disabilities, Ukraine, Burisma and other anti-constitution activity exposures.
- Insider trading by Speaker Nancy Pelosi and numerous persons regulating a sizeable portion of industry?

Enough proof the left can't tell the truth.

DEMOCRAT

So, looking at personal and professional motivations that compel the Democrats and other law degree DoJ-FBI agents, Energy Department, EPA, NASA, and a long list of other state and federal employees who lack a conscience for any professional ethics and personal morality and who have no problem evading the truth with an obvious distain for their employers, it's obvious it has become so deep-rooted, that their entire culture relies on a devout coordinated deception.

Catholics allowed the liberalization of their Church, which resulted in empty pews and an unaccountable and unethical Pope, the world on the whole has become globally deceptive. Men are women, women are men and homosexuals can have children with no moralistic understanding.

In what the mentally ill hopes to become not only the norm, but a protected norm, leftists demand everyone adopt their delusional perversions and learn whatever pronouns that arise whenever deemed a way to silence the lambs. The embracing of leftists' claims of diversity means that normal people are not considered in their diversity formula.

A disturbing phenomena is that a significant percentage of Americans have no problem with having their finances, medical records, and personal information stored on their cell phones and voluntarily overexposing their private data on social media sites. They have no idea that their information is collected by the communists and fascists in order to sever communications when the time is right.

The overall susceptibility of citizens to the whims of the devout inept which falsified two, possibly six, elections cycles, are now hoping voters have memory loss and reelect them without their need of conspiracy to commit treason by paying persons to stuff the ballot boxes again and again. The brain fog caused by vaccinations may be an important ingredient in assuring political ignorance.

The requirement in all of this is that citizens have to accept liars as their employees and their children need to be oriented to accept abnormalities as a normality while they must also recognize the inferiority of minority members of society sponsored by the white supremacists. The agendas of the fascists and communist allies should be recognized by all citizens, regardless of censorship and media disinformation. Pray hard.

RealClear Investigations



MERICA'S MEDIA WATCHDOG

Biden sets a trap for any Republican who succeeds him in the presidency

There are more than 2 million federal workers. As a group, they overwhelmingly lean left

By Betsy McCaughey | September 22, 2023



Editor's note: The following column was first published by Creators Syndicate.

The Biden <u>administration</u> is setting a booby trap in case a Republican wins the presidency in 2024.

On Friday, the White House unveiled a proposed rule that would make it even harder than in the past for an incoming Republican president to wrestle control of the left-leaning federal bureaucracy and actually implement the conservative policies promised to voters.

Of the 2.2 million federal civil workers, only 4,000 are presidential appointees. The rest stay in their jobs, from one administration to the next, protected by rules that make it nearly impossible to discipline or replace them.

They overwhelmingly favor the left. A staggering 95% of unionized federal employees who donate to political candidates give to Democrats, according to Open Secrets. Only a tiny 5% support Republicans. Some federal workers in high positions slow-walk or even derail a Republican president's agenda — and get away with it.

Why bother to vote if the left-leaning deep state stays in charge no matter who wins the presidency?

GOP candidates <u>Donald Trump</u>, Vivek Ramaswamy and Ron DeSantis are vowing to conquer this obstructionism.

Everett Kelley, union president of the American Federation of Government Employees, claims GOP contenders want to "politicize routine government work." Nonsense. We're not talking about mail carriers. It's time to make lawyers, PhDs and other top-level career bureaucrats implement the president's agenda, not their own.

After Trump won in 2016, they went to town neutralizing him on almost every policy front, explains James Sherk, special assistant to the White House Domestic Policy Council under Trump. Career lawyers in the Department of Justice's Civil Rights Division flat out refused to challenge Yale University's discrimination against Asian American applicants. Trump had to recruit lawyers from other divisions. After Joe Biden became president, the DOJ dropped the case. But the same career lawyers who refused to sue Yale made the losing argument in support of affirmative action before the U.S. Supreme Court.

Career health officials like <u>Dr. Deborah Birx</u> circumvented Trump's instructions to moderate COVID lockdowns. Environmental Protection Agency lawyers pursued cases against fossil fuel producers and withheld the information from Trump appointees.

Trump mandated in a 2020 executive order that new federal buildings be designed to please the public, which prefers classical designs. Instead, General Services Administration architects chose modern designs they like. Trump mentioned as an example the San Francisco Federal Building, the ugliest edifice in the city.

It goes on, including <u>weaponization of the FBI</u> against the president himself.

In October 2020, Trump issued an executive order that federal workers who make policy should be reclassified as at-will employees who can be terminated.

But before it could be implemented, Biden became president. He canceled it immediately, knowing the bureaucrats were on his side.

The rule announced Friday would slow a president's ability to reinstate Trump's order. Democrats in Congress are going further, pushing to eliminate the president's authority to reclassify jobs altogether.

The New York Times announced, "Biden Administration Aims to Trump-Proof the Federal Work Force."

Ramaswamy vows to go further than Trump, eliminating half or more of civil service positions. "Speaking as a CEO, if somebody works for you and you can't fire them, they don't work for you," he said in a speech on Sept. 12.

New York Magazine facetiously claims holding employees accountable is a threat to good government, and warns that a Republican victory will mean "a new class of federal appointees charged with a partisan agenda."

Democrats and their media allies falsely romanticize civil service, claiming it protects "merit" over patronage.

Merit was the intention when the civil service was created in 1883 by the Pendleton Act. But merit is largely gone. Scramble those five letters and what you've got is the "timer" system. Federal workers get bigger salaries and fatter benefits than private-sector workers doing comparable jobs. And they almost never lose their job, no matter how derelict they are. They put in their time and skate to a gold-plated retirement package.

It's a gravy train, paid for by John Q Public. That's sickening enough. But it's even worse when these civil "servants" put their own leftist leanings ahead of the president and public they're paid to serve. Bravo to the GOP candidates pledging to take on the deep state — replete with deadbeats and lefties — and return government to the people. It's a worthy fight.

Shame on Biden for protecting bureaucracy instead of democracy.

Not in America.

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Bleeding Hearts' Information War Against Truth

By Patrick Henry

When we hear the Democrats mumble the word "democracy," we know it has nothing to do with invoking rights and privileges of the regular person, especially the voters. Their idea of democracy is comparable to their idea of transparency and openness.

The amazing ability of Democrats to brand bitter-bills-of-resentment with an intriguing flowery label has yet to stun the believers in their perverted system of governance, within which governance means oligarchy dictated mandates of compliance with some severe penalties for looking outside of their tainted boxes of compliance.

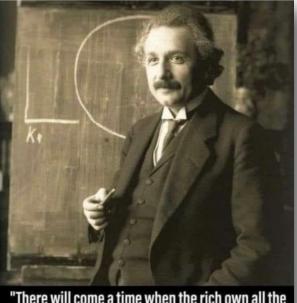
As American citizens' sacred votes becomes less and less relevant to corporate fascists, it is obvious that the citizenry stands little chance of gathering truths and facts to help cultivate their collective wisdom.

<u>Public school teachers</u> have moved away from <u>devoted education</u> of their students to fulfilling their <u>pro-establishment cultural</u> dictates. These <u>overpaid part-time workers</u>, who enjoy three-months off in the summer and too many "holiday" vacations. Their use of accumulated time-off schedules based on seniority remains enviable by those that still have to work year-around.

Perhaps the <u>striking autoworkers</u> would like a work schedule similar to a public teacher? But now that the U. S. is saturated with illegal aliens that'll work for \$5.00 per day, best of luck to those strikers who should thank God and GM they actually have a job; in a nation that heralds the Democrat-led economy, those workers should be investing in gold and silver, not in their <u>union leadership</u>.

The dissection of the early 21st Century by those who can actually locate and verify the facts sometime down the proverbial lineage line, they will discover that an overwhelming influence identified as the causation of the economic, social, cultural and moral collapse will come-back to those Democrats that were too timid to act like men. But, Republicans that surrendered their testicles at the doors of Congress won't be excluded from the cause.

Politically, the American citizen has allowed themselves to be duped by the cancerous spread of corporate-fascism, communism, and other undefinable fruit fly droppings. We all know someone that spews-back the latest MSNBC analysis of the world they think they live-in, so to convince a voter that what they hear and see is buying into the medias' crap of deception remains almost impossible.



"There will come a time when the rich own all the media, and it will be impossible for the public to mak an informed opinion." - Albert Einstein - about 1949,

As the citizens of the planet hurl into one of those conflicts of reality and we stand witness to those that share ignorance, lack responsible faith, and remain victims of their own well-fed hatred of those not like them, which requires them to point-out the inferiority of those they hate, or to help justify their actions, God will take notes as He patiently observes our lack of morality, faith, and the ungratefulness for being someone we don't want to be. IMI

Psalms - Chapter 91

- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.
- 2 I will say^a to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."
- 3 For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence.
- 4 He will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.
- 5 You will not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day,
- 6 nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor the destruction that wastes at noonday.
- Z A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you.
- 8 You will only look with your eyes and see the recompense of the wicked.
- 9 Because you have made the Lord your dwelling place—the Most High, who is my refugeb—
- 10 no evil shall be allowed to befall you, no plague come near your tent.
- 11 For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.
- 12 On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.
- 13 You will tread on the lion and the adder; the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.
- 14 "Because he holds fast to me in love, I will deliver him; I will protect him, because he knows my name.
- 15 When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honor him.
- 16 With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation."

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Nancy Green was born enslaved in Mt. Sterling, in Montgomery County, Kentucky. Sometime during her late teens, early twenties Green obtained her freedom and began work in Covington as a nanny and housekeeper for the Walker family.

The family relocated from Covington to Chicago, taking Green with them. Years later, on the recommendation of Walker's son, then a judge, Green, 56, was hired by the R.T. Davis Milling Company in Missouri to represent "Aunt Jemima," an advertising character named after a song from a minstrel show. Green made her debut at the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition held in Chicago, embodying the intentionally designed role of America's "Mammy," "Aunt Jemima."

She demonstrated the pancake mix by serving thousands of pancakes and became an immediate star. She was a good storyteller, her personality was warm and appealing, and her showmanship was exceptional. Her exhibition booth drew so many people that special security personnel were assigned to keep the crowds moving. She was the woman who served as the face of one of the most popular brands for more than 100-years.

Although Aunt Jemima became a household name for over a century, the world does not know that Green defied the mammy caricature's derogatory image. Nancy Green was signed to a lifetime contract, and traveled on promotional tours all over the country until her death in 1923, at age 89.

This was a remarkable woman, and sadly she has been **ERASED** by America's racist Democrats.





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The Far Right Took Over a County Board in Michigan and Wreaked Revenge

Story by Decca Muldowney | September 25, 2023



A county commissioners board in western Michigan that was taken over by a far-right slate of candidates will vote Tuesday on whether to drastically cut the health department's budget, in the face of

pleas by public health officials and community protests.

A group of ultraconservative candidates, motivated by resentment over COVID restrictions and mask mandates, swept to power in a election held in Ottawa County in Aug. 2022. Since taking office in January, the new commissioners affiliated with "Ottawa Impact" have used their majority to fire top county officials, install a former Trump administration official and MAGA loyalist as county administrator, shutter the county's Diversity Equity and Inclusion Office, and change the county motto from "Where You Belong" to "Where Freedom Rings."

But their particular target has been the public health department, apparently in retaliation for COVID mandates.

The embattled public health officer, Adeline Hambley, who the Ottawa Impact commissioners have been attempting to remove since they took office in January, said the proposed new budget would gut the department.

"Our most vulnerable and our most marginalized in the community are the ones to pay the cost," Hambley told The Daily Beast, citing programs for low-income people, children and migrants that she says the department will be forced to shutter.

"The last few weeks, we're just fighting and battling to try and grasp these funds back for these mandated services, or services specifically for marginalized people, like getting food and health care," Hambley said.

John Gibbs, the county administrator, initially proposed an annual budget of \$2.5 million, cutting 63 percent of funding from the department, including "discontinuing all COVID-related grants." Gibbs said the cuts were "returning to pre-COVID budget levels." The health department pushed back, saying the budget did not account for chronic underfunding, and estimated they would be forced to close down within weeks.

"The significant and retaliatory cuts requested on behalf of Commissioner Moss are an attempt to achieve political victory over COVID-19 at the expense of Ottawa County citizens," Hambley wrote in a revised budget document, according to <u>MLive</u>. "These cuts do not save taxpayers money but serve to reduce services that the county is required to provide to protect the health and safety of the community."

Following a public hearing on Sept. 12, the board revised the budget up to \$4.3 million, still lower than the \$6.4 million Hambley proposed in May. The final vote on the budget will be held on Tuesday.

Kathleen O'Brien, a local activist mobilizing against the proposed cuts with the group Progressive Lakeshore, told The Daily Beast the board's actions amount to "bad governance and petty retribution."

"They are exacting political revenge against our public health director by cutting millions in funding to core services that support our most vulnerable citizens," O'Brien said. "Ottawa Impact is tearing at the fiber of our community over their trifling grudges. Revenge politics is no way to govern."

A new brand of conservatives

Ottawa County, home to 300,000 people and a beloved annual tulip festival, is the fastest growing county in the state. Settled by mostly Dutch immigrants, it has historically leaned conservative. (The last time a Democratic presidential candidate carried the county was 1864.) Its county commissioner's board has traditionally been governed by a stable of long-serving traditional Republican candidates.

But since the COVID-19 pandemic, the politics of the county have been transformed, first by local anti-mask and anti-lockdown activists, and then by a slate of ultra-conservative candidates for the board of commissioners, who took the majority of seats in an Aug. 2022 election.

Six of the new commissioners were all backed by a group called Ottawa Impact (OI). They ran on an almost identical platform, advocating "medical freedom," "parental rights", and "childhood innocence." ("A boy is a boy and a girl is a girl," their websites read. "Children are not racist or sexual.")



Ottawa Impact emerged from the fractious local politics of the pandemic, founded by two local activists Joe Moss and Sylvia Rhodea.

Moss, who did not respond to requests for comment for this story, seems to have been motivated to organize the group by his anger over COVID restrictions at the local school.

Libertas Christian School, a private religious school where Moss is a director and treasurer, was shut down by the local health authority in Oct. 2020 for allegedly failing to follow coronavirus guidelines or cooperate with contact tracing. The school sued Gov. Gretchen Whitmer, the Michigan attorney general, and the then director of the Department of Health and Human Services, saying the "unreasonable" mask mandates were "violating the constitutional rights of Libertas, its students, their families, and their teachers through a pattern of threats and intimidation." A federal judge ultimately ruled against the school.

Moss founded Ottawa Impact the following year with local parent and anti-vaccine activist Rhodea. They launched an unsuccessful lawsuit against the county's Department of Public Health, and the previous board commissioners, over mask mandates in schools.

As president of Ottawa Impact, Moss vetted potential candidates for their political views, requiring them to sign a contract to uphold conservative and religious values, and funding their campaigns through two political PACs, according to reporting from Wood TV8. Collectively, the PACs raised \$150,000, an unprecedented amount for board of commissioner campaigns in the county.

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The concept of praying in Jesus' name is definitely biblical. The key text is John 14:13-14: "Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it." This concept is repeated a few more times in John 15:16 and John 16:23-24. In these verses, Jesus seems to be saying that prayer given in the name of Jesus is guaranteed to be answered.

The book of James gives us a dire warning about our prayers: "You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions" (James 4:3). To think that we can invoke the name of Jesus simply to fulfill our own passions, is to cheapen and abuse the grace of God.

Praying in Jesus' name is far deeper, and far more beautiful, than the "cheap" version we hear so often.

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The Far Right Took Over a County Board in Michigan and Wreaked Revenge

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Eight Ottawa Impact-backed candidates won the election, removing seven Republican incumbents from their positions, including Matt Fenske, the previous board chair.

Fenske told Wood TV8 he was taken by surprise by the group's resounding success.

"He is their leader," Fenske said of Moss. "I call him 'God.' Because what he says, people follow."

At their first meeting on Jan. 3, the new Ottawa Impact commissioners used their majority to make a series of sweeping and unannounced changes that shocked many in the local community.

They fired the county administrator John Shay and replaced him with John Gibbs, a former Trump administration official who worked in the Department of Housing and Urban Development. (Known for his far-right views, Gibbs has boosted unfounded claims that the 2022 election was "stolen," and once tweeted a conspiracy theory that John Podesta took part in a satanic ritual.) Gibbs ran a failed congressional campaign in Michigan's 3rd district, losing to Democratic nominee Hillary Scholten in 2022.

They also dissolved the county's DEI office, and changed the county motto from "Where You Belong" to "Where Freedom Rings." The Ottawa Impact-authored <u>resolution</u> to change the motto claimed the words "where you belong" have "been used to promote the divisive, Marxist ideology of the Race Equity movement."

Finally, they fired the county's previous legal counsel and replaced them with Kallman Legal Group, where two of the main attorneys are relatives of Moss' business partner, Joel Kallman. (Moss <u>insisted</u> there was "no conflict of interest".)

The moves were met with effusive praise by some supporters in the audience. Jeff King, a Jamestown resident, thanked the commissioners for "returning parental rights to the parents and not the health department."

"We will not be demonized for our faith in God and his word. Jesus is lord of Ottawa County!" King said.

Gutting the Health Department

It quickly became clear that the commissioners sights were set on upending leadership of the health department. In the same meeting, they attempted to fire Hambley and replace her with Nathaniel Kelly, a safety manager at a local HVAC company.

Kelly is the husband of <u>Kristen Meghan Kelly</u>, a "health freedom advocate" whose campaigns against mask mandates were covered by The Daily Beast in 2021. (Kelly sued The Daily Beast for defamation following the publication of the article. The Daily Beast won a motion to dismiss the case.)

In her office at the health department, Marcia Mansaray, the Deputy Health Officer, watched the meeting in shock and horror.

"It felt violent. And I was just weeping by the end of it," Mansaray told The Daily Beast. "The people that were in that building were all walking around either weeping, or like they were just in shock. I couldn't believe that had happened. We'd never had a public meeting of elected officials that didn't have agenda items on the agenda, that was so dramatic. No person, no resident was able to give a voice to what happened. And people who were loved just had to walk away. It was terrible."

Doug Zylstra, the only Democrat on the board of commissioners, says he knew immediately the board did not have the power to remove Hambley.

"You can't just fire a health officer. It's not a political position. It's a statutory position," Zylstra told The Daily Beast.

In February, Hambley filed a lawsuit against the Ottawa Impact board members, claiming she had been illegally demoted to "interim health officer" and that the board planned to fire her without "just cause." In April, a Muskegon County judge granted Hambley an injunction against the board, stating, "the public is harmed when the law is not followed in terminating a health director."

Sarah Riley Howard, Hambley's attorney, said the trial court had ruled that Hambley is the appointed officer. There will be another hearing in the court of appeals on Oct. 11.

Zylstra, who has been a commissioner since 2019, said that before Ottawa Impact candidates swept to power the atmosphere had always been collegial, even as the only Democrat.

"You shook everyone's hand when you came to the meeting," he said. Now he says, the politics have become adversarial. "They see politics as a confrontation between one world and another world. Which to me doesn't make sense. We're living in the same world."

It has not been easy to work with the new commissioners, Zylstra says, as they shut out anyone who isn't part of their group from the political process.

"They have all the leadership positions. They're all occupied by basically those six and nobody else. None of the communication, none of the leadership, none of the information gets shared beyond those six commissioners," he says.

A lack of transparency

The board has also proved challenging for reporters attempting to cover its actions. Moss did not respond to a request for comment for this story and neither did John Gibbs, the county administrator. Not one of the Ottawa-Impact affiliated candidates responded.

Sarah Leach, the executive editor of the <u>Holland Sentinel</u> told The Daily Beast it's been a constant struggle to report on the board.

"The Ottawa Impact officials and their appointees refuse to engage in historically accepted practices of engaging with the public and the media," Leach said. "This leads to a complete lack of transparency at the county level, forcing journalists and citizens to file an unprecedented number of Freedom of Information Act requests that have now forced up legal costs, according to Ottawa Impact's own leadership."

Leach's reporting revealed that commissioner Jacob Bonnema, who originally ran with Ottawa Impact but split with the group in March over concerns about transparency, filed a HR complaint detailing an alleged "threatening outburst" from Gibbs at a board meeting in March.

Leach filed a FOIA request for a copy of the complaint.

The board's corporate counsel told Leach it would cost \$5,071.10 and take 36 weeks to complete her request, fees almost 31 times higher than those allowed under state law. The *Sentinel* appealed and finally obtained a copy of the complaint.

In his complaint, Bonnema said the "threatening" incident stemmed from Gibbs' refusal to answer his questions about the appointment of Nathaniel Kelly as public health officer. Bonnema said Gibbs had refused to provide information or updates, and so he approached Gibbs prior to a meeting on March 14 and asked him again but was told by Gibbs to "get out of my face."

"If Gibbs is willing to speak to commissioners in this way, then he is very likely to treat the employees and citizens of Ottawa County in similar fashion," Bonnema wrote in his complaint to HR.

Marcie Ver Beek, Director of HR for Ottawa County, determined that Bonnema's complaint was "unfounded" and the evidence gathered during the investigation "did not substantiate the claim of harassment."

The Ottawa County Republican Party was quick to censure Bonnema when news of his complaint became public. In a Jun. 20 resolution, the OCRP described his complaint as "defamatory" and "frivolous." They accused Bonnema of "eroding the public trust in the Republican-led Board of Commissioners and the Republican Party," through his "frequent negative statements about fellow Republicans to local and national media." He was banned from voting in the next six OCRP committee meetings.

Ottawa Impact's aversion to transparency is also costing the board a lot of money. In July, the finance committee revealed it was paying Kallman Legal Group \$11,600 a month. They voted to reallocate \$110,000 from the general fund to the corporate council budget to continue paying the firm, *Fox 17* reported.

These high expenses come as the board will vote on cutting the health department's budget—an irony not lost on some local residents.

Melanie Scholten, a local resident who opposes the cuts, told The Daily Beast, "I see people tossing lots of percentages and numbers around but what gets me... is that there is no financial crisis that warrants cuts."

Scholten gave public comment at a board meeting on Sept. 19, where she voiced her frustrations.

"We are tired of the smoke and mirrors. We are tired of the dangerous rhetoric meant to divide us and make us enemies," she told the Ottawa Impact commissioners. "Everything you say is now tainted with a high degree of suspicion. It's not a good feeling."

Local organizers are planning to rally in support of the health department on Tuesday, Kim Nagy, a founder member of the Ottawa Integrity PAC, told The Daily Beast. That PAC was founded to resist the efforts of Ottawa Impact, and mobilize to run candidates against them at the next election. Nagy says one unintended consequence of Ottawa Impact's actions has been to mobilize an active opposition where once there was none, something she believes has lessons for other communities in the country.

"Ottawa County is an absolute microcosm of the country. Ottawa Impact has brought all of the national level culture wars," Nagy says. "We're gobsmacked. I think you have this wide swathe of the country that is just going, 'What's happening?' And it takes a while to understand that you have to stand up. You can't say, 'I hate politics.' It's too important right now. We are literally talking about our democracy."

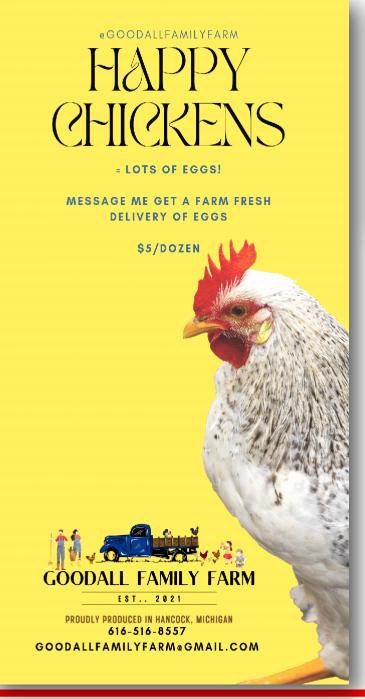
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1 medium onion

1 carrot

2 stalk celery

3 clove garlic

1 tbsp. smoked paprika

kosher salt

Pepper

1 yellow pepper

1 red pepper

2 can low-sodium chickpeas

2 c. low-sodium vegetable broth

2 tbsp. red wine vinegar

Chopped fresh parsley

DIRECTIONS

Step 1 Cook the quinoa according to package directions.

Step 2 Meanwhile, heat the oil in a Dutch oven or large heavy-bottomed pot. Add the onion, carrot, and celery and cook, covered, stirring occasionally, for 6 minutes.

Step 3 Add the garlic, paprika, and 1/4 teaspoon each salt and pepper and cook, stirring, for 1 minute. Add the peppers and cook, stirring occasionally, for 5 minutes.

Step 4 Add the chickpeas, broth, and 1 cup water and bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer until the vegetables are tender, 5 to 8 minutes. Stir in the vinegar and cooked quinoa. Serve topped with parsley, if desired.

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Plans for Huskies for Common Sense: Issues that need to be addressed by Alan Crowther, MD



MTU has been taken over by leftist progressives. What does this mean?

Almost no students have a faculty or staff member who will support them if they have an

opinion that counters the leftist narrative. That is the DEI (diversity, equity, inclusion) agen-CRT (critical race theory), ESG (environmental, social, governance), etc. These policies and beliefs, we believe, are totally against the underlying policies and beliefs that built this country. I presume that most everyone reading this note understands these agendas. If not, let one of our group fill you in on these issues.

Essentially the entire MTU faculty either espouses the leftist agenda or will not oppose it. The reason for this is clear. It is much easier to have the "correct" opinion or to say nothing. Most faculty members choose to do their jobs and not fight the establishment. Resisting the "green" movement or "diversity" policies will lead to major pushback which would likely lead to job loss or not gaining a tenured position.

Why does this matter? Our country is failing on many fronts. Students are being taught that merit including hard work and dedication to accomplishing worthwhile goals is no longer the underlying motivation to succeed in life. Other traditional values including Judeo Christian values and patriotism are being

In order to provide MTU students with exposure to traditional values there are several campus organizations which serve this purpose. These include Turning Point USA, The Leadership Institute and Young Americans for Freedom. An umbrella organization, Huskies for America, includes these organizations. Huskies for America is a 501c3 organization that is funded as a part of the Michigan Tech

At this time these organizations are functioning relatively well. In the past year they have sponsored several speakers on campus including Riley Gaines (highly decorated college swimmer who was forced to compete with Lia Thomas the trans female swimmer), Brandon Tatum (public speaker who is a conservative Black retired policeman) and Scott Atlas, MD (well known Stanford public health expert who served in the Trump administration and who's advice was totally ignored).

A recent survey of 248 colleges and universities by FIRE (Foundation for Individual Rights and Expression) found that Michigan Tech was first in the 2024 College Free Speech Rankings. This sound great, however, the survey was based on students' opinions and did not factor in faculty or staff views.

Here is the problem. At this time MTU has only ONE faculty member who will openly and aggressively stand up for conservative values. The success of the FIRE survey was largely based on the tireless and courageous work of Professor Jarek Drelich, PhD. Other conservative faculty members have left Michigan Tech or are keeping a low profile as noted above.

So where do we go from here? For the past several months a group of MTU alumni and friends have been working to form a group that will help to counter the leftist narratives that now pervade the campus. This group is named Huskies for Common Sense.

Dr. Drelich is a senior professor who will be retiring within the next 5 years. Once he has retired there will be no strong faculty or staff voice on campus who can advise student groups and manage Huskies for America funds. This is a major problem. With no faculty or staff advisor for conservative student groups, these groups will no longer exist in any meaningful way.

Although Huskies for America can be financially supported via the Michigan Tech Fund, the activities of the conservative groups will not continue. This is because student run groups require a long term faculty or staff advisor. Student leaders by definition will be transient. Some students will be motivated and do a great job and others will not.

An advisor will mentor and direct students who take on leadership positions.

An organization called AFSA (Alumni Free Speech Alliance) supports college alumni and friends who wish to develop support groups that will donate funds to groups such as Huskies for America. Currently Huskies for Common Sense has a website that has been funded by AFSA. A couple of us are working with the AFSA website consultants to get the website ready for prime time. Once the website is completed people may join Huskies for Common Sense on the website.

The goal of Huskies for Common Sense is to create a group of MTU alumni and friends that will be able to support an infrastructure at MTU that will be able to support 1 or more MTU staff to work with the Huskies for Common Sense. This is an urgent situation. As noted above, Dr. Drelich will not be at MTU forever. It will take time for new staff to learn the ropes and gain experience. These jobs will require strong conservative beliefs and the ability to work in an adverse atmosphere.

Currently we have found an attorney who will do the paperwork to get 501c3 status for the Huskies for Common Sense. This will be needed for us to collect funds and pay for campus

Once 501c3 status has been obtained we will be able to collect funds for Huskies for Common Sense. We know that many Tech alumni are no longer donating to Michigan Tech because of the leftist policies on campus. Huskies for Common Sense will be an effective way for those wishing to fight back and to have a real effect.

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I personally think <u>Huskies for America</u> could counterbalance the agenda of progressives and write a series of short articles (a couple per semester; 2-4 per academic year) on topics that are important to us and anybody else who nurtures traditional and common sense values.

I would like to take this opportunity and ask all of you to suggest topics that could be very timely to campus community. Additionally, if anyone of you could be involved in the process of writing articles under Huskies for America, whether as the leading writer or person who would like to review drafts, let me know.

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