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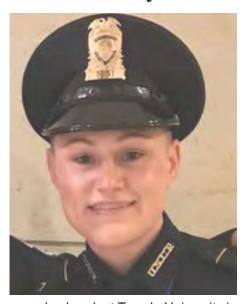
## J6 Pipe Bomber Identified? Capitol Police Officer Forensically Linked to Suspect in Video

On the evening of January 5th, 2021, a lone figure in a gray Nike hoodie, black pants, and surgical mask walked briskly through Capitol Hill's side streets. In less than fifteen minutes, the stranger tucked one pipe bomb under a bench outside the Democratic National Committee and another behind the Republican National Committee's Capitol Hill Club. Each device was a simple steel pipe stuffed with black powder from fireworks, a kitchen timer set for sixty minutes, and shrapnel. Neither exploded. But their discovery the next morning, hours after the timers expired, drew Capitol Police away from the building at the exact moment thousands stormed the west front.

Five years, 40,000 video files, and a \$500,000 reward later, the FBI has no arrests. Former Director Christopher Wray called it a top priority; congressional hearings exposed only silence. Rep. Thomas Massie (R-KY) pressed ATF chief Steven Dettelbach on why the bombs were duds. Former FBI assistant director Steven D'Antuono admitted the person who "found" the DNC device was never interviewed, "Investigation 101," he said.

Sources told The Blaze that the bomber has been forensically identified as former US Capitol Police Officer Shauni Rae Kerkhoff, who served from 2018 until mid-2021, and now works for the CIA.

Kerkhoff, 31, grew up in Hamilton, Ohio, starred in high-school soccer, and earned All-State honors before a grue-



some leg break at Temple University in 2015. The shattered tibia left a permanent limp. She joined the Capitol Police, rose to the Civil Disturbance Unit, and on January 6th fired less-lethal rounds into the Lower West Terrace crowd. Body-cam footage shows her hitting at least sixteen people in the torso and head. After resigning, she took a security post at the CIA's Langley campus; the agency confirms the job but denies any link to senior leadership.

The forensic match is bio-mechanical. Blaze News commissioned two independent gait analyses. Analysts compared the bomber's CCTV, captured at 8:16 pm near the RNC, with Kerkhoff's archived footage: a 2017 Columbus Eagles FC game, her 3:34 Boston Marathon finish, and Capitol Police body cams. Algorithms returned a 94%

similarity; human experts refined it to 96-98%. Variables included stride length, hip flexion, cadence, and the right-leg limp visible even under baggy pants. The FBI's public sketch of the suspect included the limp, but the reward poster omitted it.

The bomber paid with a SmarTrip card registered to an Air Force civilian in Falls Church, Virginia, just blocks from a house staked out by FBI agents days later. That team, led by former agent Kyle Seraphin, was ordered to stand down mid-surveillance. "They were in on it", according to Seraphin. "The FBI put us one door away from the pipe bomber within days of January 6, and we were deliberately pulled away for no logical or logically investigative reason," Seraphin said. "And everything about that tells me that they were involved in a cover-up and have been since day one."

Former Capitol Police Chief Steven Sund says no authorized operation explains the bombs. A Department of Homeland Security watchdog report blasted Secret Service agents who treated the DNC discovery like a lunchbreak curiosity. Alexandria Police have since tailed reporters after the leak.

If Kerkhoff is indeed the bomber, then January 6th was not merely breached: it was clearly baited. A sworn officer allegedly planted inert devices to siphon police resources at the critical hour. The question is no longer who walked those streets the night before it's who sent Kerkhoff.

# The "Arctic Frost" Scandal An Hidden Deep State Dragnet

In the annals of American political intrigue, few chapters rival the "Arctic Frost" scandal, a sprawling FBI investigation launched in 2022 under the Biden administration that conservatives now decry as the most egregious abuse of federal power since Watergate.

Code named "Arctic Frost," it began as a probe into alleged efforts by Trump's 2020 campaign to submit alternate slates of electors to challenge the election results. But whistle blower documents and declassified records reveal it ballooned into a partisan fishing expedition,



ensnaring dozens of Republican lawmakers, conservative activists, and organizations in a web of surveillance and subpoenas.

At its core, Arctic Frost was spearheaded by Special Counsel Jack Smith, whose indictments against Trump for alleged election interference drew directly from its findings. Yet Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley (R-IA) dropped a bombshell in September, releasing an unclassified FBI document showing the probe's true scope: 92 Republican-linked targets, including the Republican National Committee (RNC), the Republican Attorneys General Association, Turning Point USA, Heritage Foundation, and FreedomWorks.

Grassley blasted it as "the vehicle by which partisan FBI agents and DOJ prosecutors could achieve their partisan ends and improperly investigate the entire Republican political apparatus." and "If this happened to the Democrats, they'd be as rightly outraged as we are." The overreach was staggering.

The FBI conducted "preliminary toll analysis", metadata sweeps of phone records, on eight GOP senators and one House Republican, without their knowledge or notification. Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX) revealed his AT&T records were subpoenaed under a gag order, preventing disclosure for a year, while Verizon complied with requests for Sen. Rick Scott's (R-FL) data, including his office landline. "It makes Watergate pale in comparison," Cruz thundered, calling it a "sweeping, open-ended fishing expedition" against the GOP. Whistle blowers also exposed how Biden White House officials personally facilitated the seizure of Trump's and former VP Mike Pence's government phones.

Broader subpoenas, 197 in total, snagged communications with media outlets like Fox News and Newsmax, as well as contacts with congressional staff, raising alarms over violations of the Speech or Debate Clause.

Critics, including Sen. Ron Johnson (R-WI), argue Arctic Frost echoed the Russia collusion hoax, timed suspiciously just after Trump's 2024 campaign launch to hobble the opposition. The probe's tainted evidence even undermined Smith's case against Trump, contributing to its dismissal.

The scandal ignited in earnest after the assassination of Turning Point USA's founder Charlie Kirk on September 10th, which amplified scrutiny on the targeting of the organization. By October, a Rasmussen poll showed 51% of Americans favoring the impeachment of US District Judge James Boasberg, accused of rubber-stamping the broad warrants.

Under the Trump administration, repercussions have been swift: FBI Director Kash Patel fired over a dozen agents tied to the probe, including San Antonio Special Agent in Charge Aaron Tapp, with more terminations looming.

Grassley and Johnson continue probing, demanding accountability from telecom companies such as Verizon and AT&T. This is much bigger than Watergate, and most Americans still have no idea it happened. Arctic Frost isn't just a scandal, it's hard proof of a weaponized deep state, demanding prosecutions to safeguard our future elections.

# **Hobbs Donation Controversy Vetoes Anti-China Bills, Takes CCP-Tied \$**

In the high-stakes world of US-China relations, few stories have raised eyebrows in 2025 like Governor Katie Hobbs' acceptance of a campaign donation from a Chinese Communist Party (CCP) member shortly after vetoing multiple anti-China bills. The saga, has fueled accusations of pay-to-play politics, national security lapses, and undue foreign influence in the swing state with Republicans branding Hobbs a "total disgrace" for allegedly prioritizing CCP cash over protecting critical infrastructure like military bases and

At least 22 states enacted foreign ownership restrictions between 2023 and 2024, driven by fears of espionage

biotech research hubs.



near military installations and data theft in sensitive sectors. Arizona, home to Luke Air Force Base, the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, and Taiwan Semiconductor's massive chip factory, was ground zero. Republican lawmakers pushed bills to fortify the state against Beijing's reach.

In May, Hobbs vetoed a Bill which would have barred Arizona's healthcare and research institutions from using genetic sequencing tools from companies black-listed by the Pentagon as "Chinese military companies." Critics argued this equipment posed risks of data exfiltration to the CCP, potentially compromising Arizonans' DNA profiles for military or surveillance purposes. Hobbs' veto letter cited insufficient safeguards and potential disruptions to medical innovation, but it drew immediate fire. State Armor Action, a conservative national security group, labeled it a gift to "America's adversaries."

Hobbs struck again on June 2nd, vetoing a Bill sponsored by Senate Majority Leader Janae Shamp aimed to prohibit the Chinese government or CCP linked entities from acquiring a 30% or greater stake in Arizona land, especially near strategic assets. Proponents highlighted recent Chinese attempts to lease property near Luke AFB, evoking national security alarms. Hobbs defended the veto as targeting a "diluted" version of the original bipartisan proposal, arguing it was "ineffective at counter-espionage" and risked "arbitrary enforcement" without clear criteria. The backlash was swift and scorching. Shamp called the veto "utterly insane" and a direct threat to constituents. Michael Lucci, State Armor's founder, accused Hobbs of vetoing more anti-CCP bills than any other governor, five in two years, effectively hanging an "Open for the CCP sign on Arizona's front door."

Then came the donation. On July 15th, just six weeks after the land veto, Hobbs' campaign accepted \$25,000 from Pin Ni, a prominent CCP member and board director at Wanxiang Group, a billion-dollar Chinese automotive giant with deep ties to Beijing's military-industrial complex. Wanxiang, known for acquiring U.S. firms like A123 Systems (a battery maker), operates in the electric vehicle sector Hobbs has championed through Arizona's green energy incentives. Republicans pounced, framing it as quid pro quo.

This most recent scandal simmers ahead of Hobbs' 2026 reelection bid. With Trump allies like 2026 gubernatorial hopeful Andy Biggs circling, it underscores America's swing-state battleground anxieties: Can economic ties with China coexist with security, or does every veto invite espionage? For now, the \$25,000 check symbolizes a deeper rift, where foreign dollars cast long shadows over desert politics.

## Arizona's Medicaid Meltdown

#### Feds Subpoenaed Over Mismanagement

In a state where Medicaid expansion has long been a flashpoint between fiscal conservatives and health advocates, Arizona Senator Carine Werner (R-Scottsdale) has turned the Senate Health and Human Services Committee into a courtroom for the state's Medicaid behemoth. On November 12th, she chaired the third oversight hearing into the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHC-CCS), the \$15 billion program serving more than 2 million low-income residents. What began as routine fiscal scrutiny has exploded into a full-scale investigation of estimated \$1.2 billion in annual fraud, waste, and abuse, numbers that could reshape Arizona's budget and political landscape.

The fuse was lit in late September when the Arizona Auditor General dropped a 98-page report labeling AHCCCS "high-risk" for improper payments. The audit estimated 8% of claims, roughly \$1.2 billion yearly, were fraudulent or erroneous, driven by ineligible enrollees, phantom pharmacy billing, and lax contractor oversight. Werner wasted no time. On October 8th, she sent a scathing letter to AHCCCS Director Carmen Heredia demanding "immediate corrective action and full transparency." "This isn't mismanagement, it's a betrayal of every taxpayer who funds this system", Werner wrote. "We will hold AHCCCS accountable or we will overhaul it completely.

Heredia responded on October 15th with a 12-page plan: enhanced data analytics, mandatory provider audits, and an expanded fraud hotline. But she offered no firm timelines for recovering funds or disciplining contractors. "We're committed to transparency, but these fixes require legislative buy-in and federal alignment," Heredia stated in her reply. Werner called the reply "a masterclass in deflection." At a press conference outside the Capitol, she quipped, "Saying you'll fix it later is like promising to diet after finishing the cake."

The hearings laid bare systemic rot. In August, Auditor General staff testified that outdated IT systems failed to catch duplicate enrollments or payments to deceased individuals, costing an estimated \$300 million annually. October's session zeroed in on pharmacy benefit managers. Forensic accountant Dr. Elena Vasquez presented evidence that OptumRx and similar firms over-billed by \$400 million through inflated dispensing fees and kickback loops. "These aren't errors; they're incentives baked into the system", Vasquez said. "They're profit incentives disguised as administrative costs." Testimony revealed fraudsters steering Medicaid enrollees into subsidized marketplace plans, jeopardizing essential care. Providers detailed months-long payment delays that shuttered clinics, while law enforcement confirmed only 91 arrests despite rampant brokering schemes statewide.

Beyond the numbers, the scandal strikes at Arizona's core vulnerabilities. Rural hospitals reported \$150 million in uncompensated care tied to diverted funds. A coalition of hospitals, led by Banner Health, reported \$150 million in uncompensated losses tied to fraud-induced shortfalls. CEO Laura Robertson warned, "We're treating patients, not padding middlemen."

Subpoenas have been issued to federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) officials to explain why Arizona's improper payment rate, 12.5%, doubles the national average. Werner is drafting legislation, SB 1456, requiring real-time Al claim monitoring and felony penalties for knowing fraud. "No more kid gloves" she declared.

Support is growing among GOP hardliners. Sen. Wendy Rogers (R-Mesa) posted on X: "If we can audit elections, we can audit Medicaid vouchers." Werner's crusade underscores a broader GOP push for leaner government. AHCCCS, once hailed as a model for cost controls, now symbolizes excess.

"We will keep pressing until every loophole is closed, every fraudulent actor is held accountable, and every Arizonan can access care without fear of exploitation." said Werner.

## **AZ Hospital Bailout Request**

#### From Debt-Erasure to Debt-Begging

Governor Katie Hobbs is asking Washington DC for a \$1 billion bailout to shore up rural hospitals across the state, just as President Trump's Medicaid reforms promise to slash the bloat that's been bleeding taxpayers dry. The request, filed November 5th with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), comes as Arizona's 17 critical-access hospitals face mounting financial strain.

Hobbs' "Rural Health Transformation Program" application attempts to paint a dire picture, with five hospitals reportedly on the brink of collapse according to a recent study. Kingman Regional Medical Center and Western Arizona Regional Medical Center have both reported operating losses in recent years. Financial profiles from the American Hospital Directory (AHD) (updated June 5, 2025) show KRMC's cost report for the period ending June 30, 2024, with total expenses exceeding revenues by approximately 5–7%, and ProPublica's Nonprofit Explorer filings (Form 990 for FY 2023) confirm operating losses of ~\$4.2 million, continuing a trend from 2022. AHD data (updated 2025) for FY ending June 30, 2024, reports a net margin of -3.8%, with operating losses around \$2.8 million for WARMC. This echoes findings in the Arizona Hospital & Healthcare Association's 2024 Rural Health Report, which cited WARMC's losses tied to Medicaid shortfalls.

The funding request is part of a \$50 billion national program created under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. Arizona's application has backing from Democrat Senator Mark Kelly and over a dozen statewide organizations.

Ironically, real Arizonans foot the bill for Hobbs' "\$429 million" medical debt erasure stunt in July. This funding was part of the broader "Affordable Arizona: Tackling Medical Debt for Working Families" program launched in 2024. Hobbs spent \$2 million in federal COVID relief (ARPA) funds to "erase" that debt through the nonprofit Undue Medical Debt. On paper, that's a 215-to-1 return. In reality? The state didn't pay off a single bill at face value. The nonprofit bought old, often uncollectible debts for pennies on the dollar, debts hospitals had already written off. So the money, which could have been used elsewhere, didn't actually "save" anyone; it just subsidized a feel-good debt laundering public relations stunt. Hospitals had already absorbed the loss. Collection agencies had already gave up. The only thing Hobbs "erased" was bad paper that was never going to be paid anyway.

CMS is expected to announce awards in early 2026. Until then, Arizonans remain cautiously engaged, supportive of keeping care local, but firm that any solution must align with fiscal responsibility and market-driven reform.

Whether Washington DC delivers, and under what terms, will shape healthcare in rural Arizona for years to come.



## SNAP Program Fraud Exposed Renefits Given to Bleggle

#### **Benefits Given to Illegals**

In a bombshell revelation that's got conservatives cheering and Democrats scrambling, U.S. Agriculture Secretary Brooke Rollins has ripped the lid off a sprawling fraud scheme draining billions from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). As the federal government shutdown entered its sixth grueling week, leaving 42 million low-income Americans in limbo over their "food stamps", Rollins' expose couldn't come at a more critical moment. It's a stark reminder: while Democrats play political chicken with taxpayer dollars, hardworking families are the real victims, and the rot in programs like SNAP has never been more exposed.

Rollins didn't mince words during a recent Fox News appearance. "SNAP under the Biden regime became so bloated, so broken, so dysfunctional, so corrupt," she declared, slamming the program's 40% spending explosion amid record inflation and border chaos. On her first day in February, Rollins fired off letters to all 50 governors demanding SNAP beneficiary data in order to root out illegal immigrants gaming the system, a blatant violation of federal law. The response? Twenty-nine red states stepped up, handing over records on millions of recipients. But 21 blue states stonewalled, with two even suing the feds to hide their dirty laundry. "They're blocking us because they know the fraud is massive," Rollins fumed on X. "When you hide the books, it's never to protect the honest folks."

What her team uncovered is nothing short of criminal. Auditing just \$100 billion in spending, USDA investigators, in tandem with the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE), purged 700,000 ineligible recipients from the rolls, including hordes of illegal aliens siphoning benefits meant for American citizens. Dozens of arrests followed, from a \$66 million New York racket involving a corrupt USDA insider to transnational gangs trafficking EBT cards like counterfeit cash. In Ohio alone, fraudsters stole \$17 million since 2023, much of it funneled to illicit networks. "These are sick individuals stealing food from low-income Americans for profit," Rollins said, vowing zero tolerance.

This scandal erupts against a backdrop of Democratic obstruction that's weaponizing the shutdown. SNAP's contingency fund, a rainy-day reserve for crises like this, sat idle as benefits evaporated on November 1st, forcing partial payouts at best after court intervention. President Trump, fed up with Senate Democrats' demands for "healthcare for illegals," threatened to hold the line until Congress passes a clean funding bill. "SNAP will be given only when the Radical Left opens government," he posted on Truth Social. Critics wailed about "starving kids," but Rollins cut through the noise: the real starvation is one of fiscal sanity, with blue states' refusal to cooperate ensuring fraud festers while genuine recipients wait. Nearly 5 million could see zero dollars this month, thanks to logistical snarls from the shutdown, yet another gift from the party that ballooned the program to buy votes.

For conservatives, this is vindication. SNAP, once a lifeline for the truly needy, morphed into a Democrat slush fund under Biden, enrolling millions amid open borders while costs soared. Rollins is trying to drain the swamp one audit at a time. Her reforms? Stricter retailer stocking rules to smash EBT trafficking, mandatory data sharing, and executive orders like Trump's EO 14243 to smash info silos hiding abuse. "We're hyper-focused on ending waste so real Americans get real help," she affirmed.

As the shutdown drags on, GOP leaders urge unity behind Trump's Continuing Resolution. House Speaker Mike Johnson blasted Democrats: "*End the games; fund the government and fix SNAP for citizens only.*" With partial benefits trickling out via emergency funds, the message is clear: fraud exposed means reform demanded. The Republican majority needs to seize the opportunity to serve the starving, not the schemers, and restore SNAP to its original promise: aid for struggling American citizens, not a piggy bank for criminals or vote-buying schemes.

## **Angius Exits Race**

#### **Five Candidates Remain For House Seat**

On November 5th, Arizona LD30 freshman Senator Hildy Angius posted to her personal Facebook account "This afternoon, at the Colorado River Republican Women, I announced that I was not going to seek the State House Seat for LD 30 in 2026. This was not an easy decision, but it is the right one for me. I want to thank everyone who supported me over the years. You gave me a life I never thought I could have and the avenue to get the things I care about accomplished. As Senate Education Chair next session. I hope to get much done to address the big issues we have in our K-12 and Higher Education world. After my term is up, I will still be active in the Republican Party and will continue to work tirelessly to make sure that in 2027



all our State offices are occupied by Republicans. Thank you again."

In the 2025 Legislative Session Angius was the Senate Education Committee Chair, Public Safety Committee Vice-Chair, and served on the Federalism, Appropriations, and the Health and Human Services Committees.

A self proclaimed "proud Zionist", Angius was facing stiff opposition in her bid for the AZ House seat, with four other declared candidates in the race for two available seats. She had begun making the rounds of the local Republican clubs as a candidate, so the sudden announcement took most by surprise.

At the conclusion of her first session in the State Legislature this year, Angius received a dismal 66.67 score from Turning Point Action, and her voting record was deemed "erratic" by the organization.

She will likely be best remembered for calling a Yucca man, Greg Befort her "mortal enemy" from the dais, as District 2 Supervisor and Board Chairman in 2024, because he spoke in opposition to Angius' County Resolution professing unilateral and never ending support for Israel. "This has nothing to do with being antisemitic" Befort had qualified. "This is more important than politics." Angius wrote after the well publicized incident "I told him he was now my mortal enemy seems pretty mild to me. I will never apologize and I will not take that back."

Five candidates remain in the LD30 House race. Current House Representative Leo Biasiucci is running unopposed for Angius' Senate seat in 2026.



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#### **MAHA**

#### Make Arizona Healthy Again!

A HHS Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. has accelerated the "Make America Healthy Again" (MAHA) agenda with targeted reforms emphasizing root-cause prevention, affordability, and innovation. Building on earlier vaccine transparency and chronic disease initiatives, Kennedy's actions reflect a relentless push against Big Pharma influence and for patient-centered care

A cornerstone achievement came on October 16th, when Kennedy announced expanded access to in vitro fertilization (IVF) through HHS partnerships with private providers and Medicare adjustments. Addressing rising infertility rates, this move aims to support millions of families, fulfilling Trump's vision of "giving every American the chance to raise a family." Kennedy highlighted the policy in a video address, crediting it as "God's work" in reversing demographic declines, with initial funding allocations of \$200 million for under-served communities.

On the affordability front, October 30th marked a breakthrough in biosimilar drug development. Kennedy, alongside FDA Commissioner Dr. Marty Makary and CMS Administrator Dr. Mehmet Oz, unveiled FDA reforms to streamline approvals, slashing development timelines by up to 30% and costs by 20%. This targets high-price biologics like insulin and monoclonal antibodies, fostering competition to drive down prices. Makary emphasized prioritizing "amazing" pipeline drugs for fast-track reviews, while Kennedy urged global fairness: "Wealthy countries must pay their share." Early projections estimate \$15 billion in annual savings for patients by 2027.

Mental health took center stage on October 15th, as Kennedy mourned Stanford psychiatrist Dr. Nolan Williams and recommitted to precision therapies. HHS pledged \$50 million to advance Williams' SAINT protocol for treatment-resistant depression and ibogaine studies for veterans' PTSD, tying into MAHA's focus on biomarkers over "whack-a-mole" prescriptions. This builds on broader efforts to reverse youth mental health crises, with new grants for community-based neuro-modulation access.

Transparency advanced on October 23rd, when Makary critiqued pharmaceutical lobbying in a HHS video, exposing how companies inflate "sob stories" to justify prices. Kennedy reinforced this on October 27th, praising Cigna's pledge for drug price transparency on brand-name meds and calling on peers to "put Americans first."

November 5th, one year post-election, Kennedy reflected on "historic MAHA wins" in a viral video, touting real science and food reforms. Critics decry the pace as chaotic, but supporters see unyielding and steady progress: lower costs, family support, and innovative care.

Kennedy vows, "The movement is just getting started."





## The DOGE Report

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The Department of Government Efficiency has shifted from high-profile slash-and-burn tactics to quieter, behind-the-scenes reforms, even as its ambitious \$2 trillion savings goal faces widespread doubt. DOGE aimed to modernize federal tech, slash regulations, and curb waste, but recent developments highlight both progress and pushback.

President Trump signed Executive Order 14356, implementing DOGE's "Workforce Optimization Initiative." The order mandates agencies to develop data-driven hiring plans, prioritizing "highest-need areas" while adhering to a federal hiring freeze. It requires consultation with DOGE Team Leads at each agency to curb non-essential hires, building on earlier EOs from January. Critics, including federal unions, filed lawsuits claiming it violates civil service protections, but the White House hailed it as a "merit-based overhaul."

DOGE concluded its audit at the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), identifying inefficiencies in regulatory tech and staffing. Sources told Reuters news that the team would "exit the agency" marking one of DOGE's final high-visibility operations before its planned wind-down in July of 2026. The review led to \$500 million in projected savings via streamlined filings, but Democrats decried it as undue influence on financial markets.

In a recent Joe Rogan Experience podcast episode, Elon Musk reaffirmed DOGE's ongoing work, stating, "It's less publicized... They don't have a clear person to attack anymore." He highlighted "waste and fraud" reductions across agencies, including unreported contract terminations totaling \$110 billion..

As Fiscal Year 2025 closed (ending September 30th, but the analyses just dropped), Treasury data showed a \$1.8 trillion end of year deficit, up \$76 billion from FY2024, despite DOGE's claims of \$150 billion in cuts for FY2026. NPR reported agencies rehiring laid-off staff (e.g., 135K+ fired earlier, hundreds back by October), with spending up 6% to \$6.6 trillion. The national debt reached an unprecedented milestone of \$38 trillion as of October 16th.

DOGE's October-November phase feels subdued compared to its February through May frenzy of 135K+ layoffs and \$180 billion in savings. Supporters praise the low-key pivot as strategic, avoiding media firestorms.

With DOGE set to dissolve post-July 2026, Elon Musk's legacy with the ground-breaking initiative will remain through tech pilots such as Artificial Intelligence audits at the IRS.

This will be our final official "DOGE Report". However, the Mohave Free Press will continue to report DOGE news as it happens, such as the result of pending litigation.

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## **Critical Thinking**

by Jennifer Esposito Editor's Opinion

**MAGA Civil War** 

"If you don't understand, yesterdays election results, here are the groups that Republicans have disenfranchised: 1. America First America Only. 2. MAHA. 3. Americans suffering from high cost of living, rising food and energy prices, and leaving them out to dry with no plan on our skyrocketing health insurance premiums. You can't meme and throw red meat rants and interviews and get your way out of this. These people are serious and only support action, they are done with words. And I completely agree with them." - Marjorie Taylor Greene

As results were announced in the November 4th elections, the dysfunctional Democrats emerged more united than ever. While the GOP was busy attacking it's most "America First" members, such as Thomas Massie and Marjory Taylor Green, Turning Point Action had boots on the ground knocking doors and registering voters across the nation.

Here in Arizona, Turning Point Action led a high-profile effort to recall Mesa City Council member Julie Spilsbury, a RINO who was the National Co-Chair of the 'Republicans for Kamala Harris' campaign and supported local measures on homelessness housing, utility rate hikes, and council salaries. Launched in January by constituents, TPAction amplified the effort by collecting over 5,200 signatures to qualify the recall for the November ballot, deploying volunteers for door-knocking and Get Out The Vote events, sending targeted texts/emails, and endorsing MAGA challenger Dorean Taylor who won with 52.78% of the vote. A taste a what's to come as we head into the 2026 election cycle? Oh yeah.

There is a war raging for control of the MAGA movement narrative and the future of the Grand Old Party. There have been skirmishes with neocons in the past, the hijacking of the Tea Party movement and the orchestrated squashing of the Ron Paul Revolution. The John McCains and Mitt Romneys of the Party demonizing the John Birch Society and Barry Goldwater types is nothing new. The establishment elite made "Libertarian" a pejorative, as if freedom was actually a bad thing and worthy of condemnation. But the fire of rebellion only needs a spark to create a blazing inferno.

And a new dynamic has emerged to fan the flames in the current battle, foreign influence meddling. In a well coordinated effort to recruit American evangelicals to their cause, Israel has unleashed a public relations campaign to demonize the critics of their current administration and villainize popular figures such as Candace Owens, but also lesser known social influencers. Because if you ain't MIGA then you ain't MAGA, apparently. The old uni-party establishment never questioned loyalty to Israel but the younger generation especially is pushing back against selling out their future by shoveling billions to another country. Young liberal NYC Jews voting for Muslim Mamdani proved the status quo has changed.

Even the local GOP is has taken up the divisive and intolerant cancel culture battle cry. LD30 House candidate and Havasu pastor David Rose had a Facebook meltdown and joined the fray of Christian Zionists attacking media icon Tucker Carlson for interviewing Israeli policy critic Nick Fuentes. "Tucker's rhetoric does not just attack Israel, it undermines the very values that built America", he posted. Funny, I thought that freedom of speech, of association, and of religion, were values that built this great nation. Without those the war for the Party is already lost.

## "FREE" SPEECH

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#### One Nation, Under Communism

It seems that the Politics of New York City is Worlds away from us here in Kingman, and the election of an avowed Communist as Mayor of America's Financial Capital is just as unthinkable.

But sometimes the unthinkable happens.

I moved here from California nearly 5 Years ago because the Politics of a once very Red State had left me with no representation in either the State Houses or Congress, as it slowly moved to the Left.

Arizona, a once very Red State has also shifted to the Left, but here in Kingman we are solidly Red. And I would like to keep it that way!

Then I look at what just happened in New York City, what has occurred in the once Golden State of California, the Phoenix Metropolitan area, and I really start to wonder if this Socialistic Cancer is somehow unstoppable.

Like many of you reading this, I was raised by Parents who went through the Great Depression. They taught me to be grateful for a job, to work harder than anyone else, clean my Plate at each meal, and be self-reliant. I used to believe that everyone shared these values, but apparently not.

There is a growing rise in a population that believes it is entitled to everything, with little to no effort on their part. Consequently, someone who promises freebies, like Rent, Groceries, Bus rides and so on, becomes the spokesman for these entitled little brats!

And who is going to pay for all of this? The Rich! Tax the Rich! As Bernie Sanders says all too often:

"The Rich need to start paying their fair share!" But no one can tell you what that "fair share" is. More than what they pay now, maybe all that they earn. It's a straw man argument. Class warfare. And it works.

The "Damn Commie" Mamdani believes he can tax the Rich enough to give everything to those that simply will not make the effort to improve their own lot. All of these freebies sound great, until the Bill comes.

And the Rich will pay for it all. Who better to decide how the taxes gleaned from the Rich will best be used than a communist who hates the Rich, hates Capitalism, embraces Marxism, and truly hates this Country? Certainly his authoritarian views should be embraced, as he knows what is best for the people. Not!

What Mamdani is incapable of understanding is that the goal of the populace should not be to take from those who have more, but to learn from those who have more and apply it to their own lives, thereby becoming producers instead of users.

And all these Rich people in New York City? When Mamdani comes for their pocketbooks, what do think they will do? They will up and leave New York City, taking their Wealth and significant Tax Base with them, finding a home in a State that is Business and Tax friendly. As this continues, that Tax Base that Mamdani is so relying on to keep his ridiculous promises will evaporate. Without the wealth creators, there is no Tax Base to support these socialistic programs. New York City will either renege or declare bankruptcy. It is that hopeless.

And so I think back to California, and how it has changed for the worse. And



"If we dont believe in freedom of expression for people we despise, we don't believe in it at all." - Noam Chomsky, American linguist and US Media and Foreign Policy critic

I think of our great State, and how the Metropolitan areas have slid towards the socialist left. And what might be next.

Socialism has never succeeded, because after a period of time, as Margaret Thatcher once said, "you run out of other peoples money." So true.

But a populace raised on the beliefs that they are owed a substantive life – without putting the sweat in – is increasing at an alarming rate. Us Boomers are slowly but surely leaving this world, and with our departures go our values, until we wake up in 2025 New York City to find that the inmates are truly running the Asylum!

I would like to say that I have the answer to this, but I do not. I have raised my Children to be self sufficient, and I hope that they raise my Grand-Children to be the same. And yet we have this generation(s) that rejects that and embraces what the socialists promise them. Such a loss.

America is the wealthiest Nation in the World, and not because of socialism. America was built on rugged individuals building their dreams in a Capitalist Country, bringing us all up to the highest standard of living in the World. We all go to work for someone who has more. Have you ever asked a homeless person for a job?

As Mamdani drains New York City of all its wealth, perhaps his foolishness will be a wake-up call to the rest of this Nation.

And Kingman? It is up to all of us to make sure that such foolishness is never considered here.

Conservative Bob

#### **Shutdown Problem**

Today as I type, our federal government is still in a Senate caused shutdown. I submit that a large part of the problem is that the states have been preempted from having a voice in Congress. Since the 17th Amendment went into effect, in fact.

I submit that we need to change this

oversight. The idea of the 17th was to avoid political bickering at the state level. Now, just look at what we have! We have moved the bickering to the nitwits in the Senate! We obviously haven't accomplished what was intended.

Instead of just repealing the 17th Amendment, my suggestion is to fix it. We need it replaced with a better amendment, for the 17th clearly does not work, as demonstrated by our present federal shutdown AND national debt. Montana just spent \$275 million for elect a new Senator. This is crazy! For what? Elected by the people to represent the people? Give me a break! Being \$38 Trillion in the hole is just a huge indication that our Senate is in the hands of a bunch of childish, silly, nitwits!

My suggestion is a new amendment as follows. It restores state representation in Congress. It avoids the problems we had due to the political bickering at the state level prior to the passage of the original 17th amendment.

I suggest that we do what is necessary to repeal and replace the existing amendment with the following:

The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two Senators from each state, elected by the state legislatures thereof; and each Senator shall have one vote and serve at the will of their state legislatures.

When vacancies happen in the representation of any state in the Senate, the legislature of said state shall call themselves into session in person, or online, to fill the vacancy. Should the legislatures reach a deadlock, after thirty (30) days the governor shall cast the deciding vote. State deadlocks were what generated the 17th Amendment back then. The oversight was that it removed state representation from Congress. Obviously it didn't solve the "deadlock" problems, it just moved it into Congress. My new amendment would eliminate this problem, It would restore the people's voice through their state legislatures as our founding fathers intended.

Let me ask you, if the states were represented in Congress, would we have a Senate who wants to spend AN-OTHER TRILLION and a half dollars – above the \$38 Trillion we ALREADY are in debt for? I don't think so. At least the people, through their legislative bodies, would have some input to this idiocy. States are not perfect, but most of them know how to pay their bills. Montana does. Right now, Congress has no ability to even pretend to balance the national budget let alone pay off the national debt which just crossed into the \$38 Trillions.

Also notice, in my suggested amendment the phrase ...at the will of the legislature.... With this phrase would come the ability of state legislatures to recall anyone who does not represent the will of their state legislature. IE, no more six year terms to do something other than what the people want via their state legislatures. If a Senator was doing their job as directed by state legislatures, they could stay on. The idea is that they would be strictly accountable to their state legislatures.

Please, please, consider helping me start this process to repeal and/or replace the existing 17th Amendment with what I gave you above. This may very well be the most important thing that our state, any state, could do to save our country from the nitwits presently in our Senate! We desperately need to rid ourselves of the existing 17th and get it replaced with a better amendment.

Russell Sias

## Keep Politics out of Power, Arizona's Energy Future Depends on It

Having served you as a Commissioner over the past four years, I know firsthand that reliability is the foundation of everything built in our energy sector. Whether it's keeping the lights on for families or powering the manufacturing and data centers that drive our economy, a stable and dependable energy grid isn't optional, it's essential.

That's why recent remarks from can-

didates running for the Commission are so concerning. At a campaign event two challengers for the office declared that APS "doesn't deserve an increase, they've already had two". That kind of statement might sound like political red meat, but it reveals a troubling misunderstanding of the Commissions Constitutional responsibility, and risks compromising the integrity of the very institution that regulates Arizona's utilities. Prejudgments like that in public statements demonstrate a bias which will result in a recusal (i.e. disqualification) from voting (if elected), and a potential lawsuit by the utility against the Commission.

The Arizona Corporation Commission is not a political stage; it is a quasi-judicial body. Commissioners are required to review facts, hear evidence, and decide rate cases based on the factual record, not campaign slogans. Prejudging a rate case before evidence is presented not only undermines public trust but also demonstrates a bias viewpoint.

Arizonans must have confidence that decisions are made on evidence and process, not personal opinion or political pressure. Integrity requires Commissioners to reserve judgement. It is not weakness to withhold an opinion but rather discipline and respect for the office's responsibility.

When candidates substitute ideology for evidence, we all lose. It compromises fairness, erodes credibility, and politicizes a process that should be focused solely on keeping our energy system affordable, reliable and resilient.

Arizona's economic growth depends on infrastructure that works, and that means leadership that works with discipline and objectivity. True leaders understand that the responsibility of public office is not to decide before the facts are in, but to insure every decision is made based on the facts being heard during the case.

Jim O'Connor, Immediate Past Chairman, AZ Corporation Commission

## **Picture This!**



If you could sum up everything currently wrong with the Republican Party in AZ in one photo this might be it. AZGOP Chair Gina Swoboda (center) proudly posed at a recent event with Democrat Secretary of State Adrian Fontes (left) and never Trump former US Senator Jeff Flake (right) who endorsed Kamala Harris last year in her failed bid for for president.

The darling of the Mohave County Republican Central Committee leadership, Swoboda has been harshly criticized by many, including Turning Point Action COO Tyler Bowyer who accused her of being a "self-absorbed, bloviating, low-grade politician".

Swaboda is currently running for Congress in CD1 to fill the seat being vacated by David Schweikert, but she does not intend to resign as AZGOP Chair until next year. It's believed that she convinced Schweikert to throw his hat in the ring for governor in 2026 against Turning Point and Trump endorsed voter favorite Andy Biggs. It's theorized that she convinced President Trump to premptively endorse failed 2020 primary candidate Karrin Taylor Robson for the seat by blindsiding him at a Turning Point event in Phoenix that Swaboda crashed last December.

Demands for her resignation were made by AZ RNC National Committeeman Senator Jake Hoffman and National Committeewoman Liz Harris in August.

# Charity Spotlight With Munchkin the America First Pig



Keeping Western Heritage Alive in Kingman. The Kingsmen of Route 66, Inc. are doubling down on their commitment to Kingman's Western roots and community spirit. The organization recently signed a three-year lease for the arena area at the Mohave County Fairgrounds, securing a space that will allow them to host more local events and activities year-round.

"It gives us the ability to plan ahead and build on the momentum we've created with events that bring our community together." said a Kingsmen spokesperson.

That momentum is already showing results. This year alone, proceeds from Kingsmen events have helped fund two scholarships for students pursuing careers in animal care. The group also served as a Gold Sponsor for the Friends of the Mohave County Animal Shelter, helping the organization provide low-cost adoptions and essential medical procedures for local animals in need.

Their generosity has extended beyond the arena as well. The Kingsmen recently sponsored the Youth Worship Room at New Life Church, supporting a group of young community members active in ranching and the Kingman Junior Rodeo. And when tragedy struck a local family who lost their daughter in a horse-related accident, the Kingsmen organized a fundraising barrel race to help provide support and comfort in their time of need.

While the Kingsmen are not directly affiliated with 4-H, many 4-H participants take part in equestrian events held within the Kingsmen's leased arena, further strengthening ties between local organizations.

Looking ahead, the Kingsmen are partnering with community-minded sponsors like GEO Group and Star Nursery to make meaningful improvements to the arena grounds. Plans include repairing stalls, enhancing the arena's appearance, and ensuring that travelers and participants have a safe, comfortable place to board their animals during events or while passing through town.

"We want this space to reflect the pride Kingman has in its Western heritage," the spokesperson added. "It's about creating a place where families, competitors, and visitors all feel welcome."

The Kingsmen are also inviting public feedback on future events—ideas like breakaway roping, team roping, and sorting competitions are already on the table. Their goal is simple: to keep the Western way of life alive and thriving in Kingman while expanding opportunities for locals to participate and enjoy.

Right now, the group is hosting a six-month Barrel Race and Gymkhana Series running through March, with sign-ups available at saddlebook.com For more information visit: kingsmenrodeo.org

## **Stay Another Day!**

#### Things to see and do around the greater Kingman area

#### **Dolan Springs County Park and Trails**



Nestled in the rugged embrace of the Cerbat Mountains at 3,400 feet elevation, Mohave County Park in Dolan Springs is a hidden gem for anyone craving an authentic slice of high-desert wilderness. Spanning part of the 480-acre Dolan Springs Trail System at the edge of the Mount Tipton Wilderness, the park is a raw, invigorating portal to Arizona's untamed beauty, where Joshua trees pierce the sky and golden sunsets paint the horizon in fiery hues.

If you're seeking affordable adventure, and profound solitude, the natural allure is unmatched. The park's terrain, relatively flat and clearly marked, invites exploration without overwhelming beginners. Now that rattlesnake season is over, you can hike the interconnected trails for miles of meandering paths past ancient rock formations, where you might spot mule deer, golden eagles, or even a elusive bobcat, so don't forget your camera. For thrill-seekers, mountain biking and horseback riding add adrenaline. Equestrians will love the dust-kicking routes that echo Wild West lore. In a world of crowded national parks, this spot's low-key vibe means you can claim a trail as your own, breathing in the crisp autumn air.

Picnic under shaded ramadas with built-in barbecues, tossing horseshoes while kids scamper across the playground. The baseball diamond hosts impromptu games, and the dog park lets furry companions romp leash-free. Wildlife viewing is effortless; bring binoculars for birdwatching, as the area's biodiversity rivals more famous spots. And for stargazers, the pitch-black nights reveal the Milky Way in stunning detail, far from light pollution.

Practical perks seal the deal: no entry fees, restrooms on-site, and access off Pierce Ferry Road that's straightforward even for standard vehicles. Access is east of Dolan Springs off Pierce Ferry Rd.

In an era of over-touristed destinations, it's a place to unplug, refuel, and rediscover wonder in the quiet details, the crunch of gravel underfoot, the whisper of wind through the yuccas, the simple joy of a shared campfire story. At 480 acres of pure, unadulterated freedom, it reminds us why we escape. Go now, before the world catches on.

#### **Free Thanksgiving Meals**



Nestled along historic Route 66 at 2011 E Andy Devine Ave in Kingman, Rutherford's 66 Family Diner is a beloved, family-owned gem that's been serving up hearty American comfort food since its early days.

What truly sets Rutherford's apart is its heartwarming community spirit, especially during holidays. For years, the diner has hosted a free Thanksgiving dinner event, transforming the holiday into an inclusive feast for all. Starting at 11 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day, they offer roast turkey with all the trimmings like stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, cranberry sauce, veggies, and pumpkin pie, absolutely free to anyone who walks in, no questions asked. The catch? It's first-come, first-served until they run out, so arriving early is key.

This tradition isn't just about the meal; it's a lifeline for those facing food insecurity, seniors, families in need, or folks far from home on the road. One popular twist mentioned in community chatter: Bring a non-perishable food donation (like canned goods) to snag a spot and help stock local pantries, amplifying the giving spirit.

Call ahead at (928) 377-1660 or check their Facebook page for updates. If you're in the Kingman area this Thanksgiving, Rutherford's isn't just a meal; it's a reminder that community tastes best shared.

For those in the Dolan Springs area, there will be a "Free Friendsgiving Dinner" 3pm on the 27th at the Dolan Springs Community Center, located at 15195 Pierce Ferry Rd. This event is sponsored by the Lewis family, D & D Water, and Thank a Vet.

Several VFWs and American Legions are having free Thanksgiving meals for veterans and their families. Check with yours.





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## **County Board Report**

**October 20th** - The Board approved the adoption of a resolution establishing a ten-dollar fee for every writ served on behalf of a justice of the peace by a constable in civil actions, and to require the monies collected from the writ fees to be deposited in the constable ethics standards and training fund.

The Board awarded a Medical Examiner Services contract to current Medical Examiner John Hassett of Serenity Memorial Group, instead of Monolith Forensics, for an initial one year period commencing January 1st, with the County having the right to renew for up to four additional one-year periods. The total fee for his services for the initial one-year term is \$1,050,000 (\$87,500 monthly). Funding for these services will be sourced to the adopted FY26 budget. Both applicants had somehow bid the exact same amount to the penny, with Serenity bidding after Monolith.

**October 23rd Special Meeting** - The Board received information on the 2025 draft General Plan but postponed a vote until the November 3rd meeting due to not receiving the statutory 60 days to review the voluminous document. Once again the residents of Golden Valley came out in force against a proposed Angle Homes subdivion.

**November 3rd** - With only fiscal conservative Supervisor Gould voting "nay" the other Supervisors approved entering into an intergovernmental agreement between Mohave County and the Arizona Department of Health Service giving \$481,300 to the State, with no expectation of reimbursement, to continue food supplement support for all eligible children under the WIC program. Currently, the Trump administration is funding WIC with tariff money under Section 32 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act. Unlike the fraud ridden SNAP program, the WIC program has not been fully lapsed during the federal government shutdown. Public Health Director Melissa Palmer failed to inform the Board of that status.

Despite a preponderance of evidence that he currently has business ties to the corporation he sold his funeral homes to, (FPG) no member of the Board would support Supervisor Gould's motion to pass a resolution affirming that County Medical Examiner John Hassett "lied to the Board of Supervisors during the October 20, 2025, meeting, when he stated, "our funeral homes were divested on October 28th of 2022." Hassett was represented by his attorney at the meeting. She told the Board that although he is working as a broker selling funeral plots for the company he receives "absolutely no compensation for doing so" and is just working for free. A Foreign Registration Amendment document was filed with the Arizona

Corporation Commission (ACC) on September 18th, and an LLC-Statement of Change document was filed with the ACC on October 7th, which lists Mr. John Hassett as a member of Foundation Partners

Group, AZ (FGP, AZ) a Foreign LLC registered in Delaware. The State of Arizona Department of Real Estate Certified License History lists Mr. Hassett as the Designated Broker for FPG, AZ, with an original license date of October 17th, 2023 and a hire date of August 20th, 2025. Knowingly making false statements to obtain a government contract is a class 2 felony pursuant to A.R.S. 13-2310

The board voted to approve a "design and Build" for a new District 3 Supervisor's office in Lake Havasu City, at a target ed cost of \$400,000, from the approved FY26 Adopted Budget.

The 2025 draft General Plan was sent back once again for multiple revisions that were proposed by Supervisors Martin and Gould, and voted on by the Board. The controversial "Dorado Plan" development area in Golden Valley did not receive enough votes to be designated suburban (1-5 acre), but the proposal can be reintroduced as the process proceeds.

The Board voted unanimously to take an unstated action regarding "leases with the Mohave County Airport Authority and future action relating thereto", based on whatever instructions they had been givin by legal counsel in executive session before the meeting.

The Treasurer's Office will auction off the old animal shelter online starting November 17th and concluding on December 5th. Additionally, 32 vacant properties will be auctioned from Dec 1st through December 5th. Contact the Treasurer's office for more information at: https://www.mohave.gov/departments/treasurer or call (928) 753-0737

The December 15th meeting was cancelled by unanimous vote.

## **Rumor Mill**

RUMOR: Is the County Assesor going to build tiny homes for veterans with that lady that put on the fall festival at the park in Golden Valley?

TRUTH: Leslie Tyler of Golden Valley does have two LLCs listed for "Quartermaster Cottages" with the Arizona Corporation Commission.

According to Bizapedia, as of September 5th, Mohave County Assessor Jeannie Kentch as is listed as the registered agent with the LLC address listed as her home address in Lake Havasu City.

www.bizapedia.com/az/quartermaster-cottages-llc.html

That website lists three contacts for the LLC: LeslieTyler, Jeannie Kentch, and Debra Degrant of Yucca.

Even using Artificial Intelligence to search yielded no other results, so don't expect housing to break ground any time soon.

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## **GV Matters**

## Kingman Korner

#### All the King's Men By Elliot Chalew



We were able to get a sneak peek inside the new Dollar General DG Market grocery store on the southeast corner of Hwy 68 and Estrella. Despite the appearance that things are near completion, the man in charge said he had absolutely no idea when the business would officially open. Be patient, good things come to those who wait. Some are saying November 17th, but who knows. Improvements on the southbound turn lane are looking good.

It's a drag, literally. Golden Valley Off Road Moto (on Facebook) dirt drags and short course time trials on Saturday November 22nd, gates open at 8am and races start at 11am. Friday the 21st, practice is from 1-4pm. Cash prizes for 10+ entries per class. Helmets are required. Entry fee is \$40, \$20 to practice. Go 3/4 mile down Bacobi Rd, off Shinarump. Spectators entry is \$10, \$5 for kids 12 and under. There will be food vendors on site, and overnight RV camping is available for \$20.

The University of Arizona Cooperative Extension Mohave County Master Gardeners invites you to a "Meet, Greet, and Learn" one hour free gardening seminar on December 6th, at 10am. Bring you own chair to this outdoor event, to be held at C&S Auto Supply, 3213 N. Bowie Rd. Call 928-753-3788 x6 for more information, or email: mohavemg@gmail.com

If I have said it once, I have said it many times: television, books, and movies are most often a direct reflection of real life. All the King's Men was first a 1946 Novel written by Robert Penn Warren, and its subsequent film adaptation won an Academy Award in 1949. The storyline of this film follows the life of a charismatic but corrupt politician, who makes his friends richer but retains power only by dint of populist appeal. Does this script bring to mind any politicians you may know here in KingSman, Arizona?

You could feel the tension in the room as the meeting began. All eyes were trained on the Mayor's seat.

As the gavel dropped, the KingSman version of the Parliamentary Procedures and Robert's Rules of Order initiated the bi-monthly Kingman City Council meeting. A hush permeated the room as the dry-throated audience sat in anticipation of the agenda, which, as always, they had no voice whatsoever in formulating. You could feel the hint of perspiration on your brow as the hot air began to rise; this convection was notable in the room by the seated audience's agitated movement. The game was ON!

Welcome to KingSman, Arizona, and yes, that is an accurate spelling and description of the Kingman Industrial Establishment, aka the In-Crowd, Good Old Boys and Girls that have controlled everything in Kingman for the last 100 years. These are the King's Men. Do not be fooled or deceived by those who would tell you Kingman has changed its modus operandi from the undeniable past. If they do, they are part of the Establishment or have personal profit to gain. Personal motivation defines who we are as the Kingman people. We have the "Kingman Establishment" (Them), and "We the people" (Us), and the two trains at the Kingman railroad station never seem to meet.

Kingman has always been a small town, not Mayberry RFD, but certainly never mainstream America. We may not have an Aunt Bee or an Opie, but we sure do have far too many Barneys in political office.

The list of serious issues in Kingman is long, tedious, and worrisome. If the bad roads, heavy traffic congestion, ever-increasing taxation, rising utility rates, and questionable water sustainability are not bad enough, add the fact that people are dying because of dire shortages in medical care and providers. It would seem the city's vision is extremely short-sighted as we stand by and watch helplessly the

continuing UNCONTROLLED growth that is being supported on an outdated and failing infrastructure. There isn't much good to report on education, and employment opportunities are few unless you are an in-crowd stakeholder or a KING'S MAN. The quality of life in KingSman, AZ., has hit an all-time low, yet the citizens pay more and more every week for nothing more.

The King's Man City Council fails forth righteousness by putting lip gloss on a pig; you can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ear. Kingman is what and who it is, no matter how much of your money is wasted on it. Lake Havasu City has the London Bridge; The City of Bullhead has the Miracle Mile, and now, with the uncontrolled growth, Kingman has the cursed 3-plus miles of traffic-congested Stockton Hill. The best Kingman can brag about is the railroad trestle on South 8th St. I believe it is time to get honest with the people. Kingman's people have done much talking about the KING'S MEN over the last two years; however, KingSman also has its Dukes of Hazard City Council as our Boss Hog (1979 TV Sitcom). Do not believe what the City Council tells you to think; believe what you see and experience every day, and especially when you pay your bills. Our City Slickers (1991 Western Comedy) will tell you otherwise with their mouths, but contradict themselves every day with their actions.

My conclusion may be the same as yours: something has to be done. We have talked, screamed, and cried, but the Dukes and City Slickers might as well be Helen Keller failing to see or hear us. The time is soon coming to take the In-Crowd OUT. As history confirms, recalls and petitions have never worked under the stranglehold of the King's MEN, but as responsible people of KingSman, we must do what has never been done before, "vote out ALL incumbents" at the ballot box on election day 2026. WE, the people, can and will do this, but we cannot FORGET even for a moment, because the Dukes and all the King's Men are resting on the historical belief you will. We, the people, must be consistently proactive to save KingSman, AZ., and our quality of life.

Please join my group, CAUSE (Citizens Against Uncontrolled Social Environment)

Respectfully, Elliot Chalew

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## **Breaking Free From the Trance**

#### by Don Spencer, CCHt

This month as we move into the holiday season I thought I would take some time off from the insane cultural trances that are causing society to spin out of control and spend some time on what I am grateful for.

First I am grateful that I can look at my weather app so I know what to expect. If it says cloudy, that's an easy one. Stay inside and filter the air because they are out there spraying the skies to keep our planet safe.

Next I am grateful that we have independent journalists to bring us unfiltered truth or at least the ability to challenge the controlled narrative by a system that would never lie to us.I am also grateful for our leading Democratic politicians who want to take care of every illegal person in the USA so that everyday suffering Americans can see where their tax dollars are going.

Then I am grateful that we had an emerging system led by Palantir who is developing a system that will be able to foretell crimes before they happen. It's really simple once we give them the power of mass survellience and forget about our personal freedoms for the greater good.

The next one I'm not sure if I am grateful or not, however if all the major nuclear powers start testing again, you know, to protect them or us from the others with nuclear power all for the just and righteous cause of being a "deterrent" from bad actors, what could possibly go wrong?

**UH-OH** 

George Orwell's infamous book 1984 is basically the dystopian group chat we all accidentally joined and can't mute. It's the story of Winston Smith, a weary office drone in a world where Big Brother doesn't just watch you—he fact-checks your every sigh, edits your memories, and decides what counts as "truth." Privacy is extinct, individuality is illegal, and love is a thought crime. Sound far-fetched? Scroll through your phone permissions and try again.

Fast-forward to today: we voluntarily carry our own telescreens (hi, smart-phones) and broadcast our daily routines to corporations that know more about us than our mothers. Algorithms feed us "truth" tailored to our biases, while outrage cycles, (aka: red flags, fake news, etc.), keep us docile and distracted—doublethink disguised as engagement. Orwell's Ministry of Truth would've drooled over TikTok's data analytics.

The Thought Police? Rebranded as social media moderation and cancel culture—both sides convinced they're protecting reality. Newspeak? We call it "rebranding" and "wordsmithing." "War is peace" became "content moderation improves freedom," and "ignorance is strength" lives on as "I don't read the news—it's too negative."

Winston tried to rebel with love and diaries; we do it with protest hashtags and ironic memes—until the algorithm buries them. Orwell warned us about surveillance; we turned it into a lifestyle brand. 1984 isn't our future—it's our terms of service.

So my friends... how do we break free from the onslaught of the neverending cultural trance that is constantly gaslighting EVERYONE who is stuck in their belief systems? The answer is you must Question Everything, including everything you think to be true.

Although Al and chatgpt's are creeping into our daily lives, remember that they are run on algorithms. And maybe you are as well. Question everything, every damn thing because the reality we know is fracturing faster than the Matrix can recalibrate.

I invite you to learn proper tools of how the mind works so you can determine what goes in and comes out. Visit www.SleepNow.com for ongoing virtual trainings that offer just that and maybe you'll have something to be personally grateful for as well.

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## Mark's Musings

#### by Mark Fargo

#### The High Cost of Cheap Validation

There's a strange sickness in the world today. It doesn't make you cough or sweat. It just whispers—"Look at me." And like moths to a backlit phone, we obey.

It's not just teenagers glued to their screens, either. It's everyone. Adults, grand-parents, politicians—everybody's performing. We've become actors in our own highlight reels, curating moments so clean they don't even squeak. It's exhausting, this business of pretending to be thriving.

We post, we refresh, we wait for little digital affirmations that tell us we matter. A few hearts, a thumbs-up, maybe a "\underward" if we're lucky. It's the new currency of relevance, and it's printed in pixels instead of paper.

But like all cheap currency, it inflates. The more we print, the less it's worth. I've noticed how quickly people move from joy to doubt online. A post does well—there's a buzz, a little dopamine spark—and ten minutes later the question creeps in: Why didn't that one do better? You can practically see the high fade as the algorithm moves on.

Then comes the next post, the next performance.

We used to create to express. Now we create to impress.

We've turned all life experiences into algorithms, all pats on the back into likes and subs.

But here's the thing about validation: if you have to ask for it, it's not worth that much.

When I finished my first novel, there was no applause. No fireworks. Just me, staring at the screen, realizing I'd finally done it. I can't describe the quiet that followed. It wasn't empty—it was earned.

There's a kind of peace in that silence, the kind you don't get from "likes." You only get it from work that's real.

We live in a time where everyone's trying to be seen, but very few are trying to be understood.

And that's where the cost comes in. When every thought, every meal, every sunset is potential content, we start losing the ability to experience anything without an audience.

Validation used to mean something. It was the handshake after a hard job, the hug from someone who knows what it cost you to get there. Now it's just numbers on a screen—numbers that vanish when the Wi-Fi does.

I'm not saying social media is evil. It connects us in ways that were science fiction a few decades ago. But connection isn't the same as communion.

One fills your feed. The other fills your soul.

Maybe we don't need to share everything. Maybe we need to let some moments live only in our memory. The sound of laughter that isn't recorded. The smell of rain without a filter. The satisfaction of finishing something no one even knows you're working on.

When you stop performing for the crowd, you find out who you really are when the curtain's closed.

And maybe that's where real validation lives—in the quiet nod you give yourself when no one's watching.

So, to anyone chasing hearts and hashtags: you're not wrong to want to be seen. Just make sure you don't go broke paying for attention with your authenticity.

After all, the applause always fades... but the work, if it's real, doesn't.

## The Patriot's Corner



## NY Election Results Prove 9/11 Isn't Remembered

#### By Clair Van Steenwyk

i'm fairly certain that most who'll read this already know what happened in New Jersey, New York and Virginia, and I'm guessing many are both upset and a bit fearful about the upcoming elections in 2026. Well let me try to sort out a few things that I see, so we don't have to stay up nights worrying about this happening nationwide. However, we do need to do a much better job of turning out voters, and being clear about what the Republicans have accomplished in Congress as well as what Pres. Trump has gotten done by then, and especially what former Pres. Biden did to the USA and world during his 4yrs. in the White House.

The results were about as expected when you considered that both New York & New Jersey are basically blue states and have lost residents in the last few years, and Virginia is the haven for federal employees, most of which are Democrats. Pres. Trump wasn't on the ticket and some who say they support him don't vote when he's not running, so you might say they support the person and not the policies. Without them it's virtually impossible to win in a Democrat state, especially in NY with all the immigrants and youth who've been raised in the public school system K-12, and the socialist colleges, so all of us must keep that in mind.

My true concern is just what the judges appointed mostly by Obama/Biden have tried to stall or end Pres. Trump's mandate to remove illegals from the USA, and yes this includes the leaders of the Socialist Democrat Party and governors of the states they control, while they continue not to fix the tax structure or energy policies which drive up the costs in those states, and remember as long as they can point to Pres. Trump and blame him for all the woes they've created to the blind leading the blind nothing in the condition of their states change, and those with Trump derangement or ignorance on how gov. really works follow like the sheep to slaughter they are, while they continue to be sheared by the Socialist Dems.

New York City has now fallen to a new low when most didn't think it could get any lower. They've elected a support "Intifada" (Arabic for "uprising" or "shaking off"), an Arabic term that has been used to describe various popular protest movements and rebellions. Muslim groups have called for an "Arab and Muslim Intifada" in the context of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, urging a broader base of support for resistance efforts. You must also remember they call Israel the "Little Satan" and the USA as the "Big Satan", and don't forget the Attack on 9/11 was celebrated in Muslim countries openly and with no resistance from their leaders.

A survey taken by New York City voters favor Palestinians more than the Israelis by 6 points, down 8 points from Sept. 70% of those who side with Palestine back Mamdani, and this poll was completed just after the Peace Deal was signed.

The facts speak for themselves when you examine the election results in NYC and hopefully send a message to all who read this, you'd better take this election seriously. I'm certain you remember 9/11 was in NYC, which has a monument built in honor of those who died and also for their families to visit. Unfortunately most of the Mamdani voters are under 30 and many are immigrants and since 9/11 happened 24yrs. ago the immigrants have no tie to it. Many others don't seem to recall just who actually flew the hijacked jets into the Twin Towers, causing the deaths of thousands then with many dying afterwards from illnesses caused by searching for the bodies of those in the ruins.

In 2026 you have 2 choices: help by electing candidates and getting others to do the same by something as simple as a yard sign, or do nothing and watch the USA turn into the communist nation.

It's completely your choice, and your responsibility is clear. The future of our children, grand children and great grandchildren is strictly up to us.

## **Shall Not Be Infringed**

#### By Alan Korwin



#### RED FLAG LAWS ARE SUBTLE BUT SEDUCTIVE SCAM

Little more than another left-wing expression of gun fear, and a typically dangerous, reckless, negligent idea.

"A person too dangerous to touch guns is too dangerous to be walking around."

The only reason this law is being floated is to provide another avenue for the anti-rights advocates to restrict gun possession. And to quiet the tantrum being thrown by children nationally. It is not a rational approach to a problem that already has solutions available, and unused.

People who want guns to "just go away," irrationally believing this red-flagging power will somehow increase safety. They see this type of law as a saving grace, when in fact it does harm. By identifying seriously dangerous individuals and setting these ticking time bombs free it is actually counterproductive.

The notion that it is about public safety is as untrue as other left-wing antiweapon myths the public has been forced to endure: armed pilots shooting down their own planes (delaying that program for years); invisible guns, which almost banned the Glock (the best choice for police forces nationwide); carry-permit shootout fears (predicted for every state but in the end pure fantasy); it's a long list of deceptions with which the public has been burdened. Who can even remember back to Saturday night specials or cooling off periods that leave maniacs armed forever -- after five days.

Red-flag laws seek to leave extremely dangerous people out loose after they are identified. This virtually defines insanity. The counter argument is that they're not really that dangerous. Then how to justify the taking of property and denial of rights without trial in secret.

The only thing going for this law, in the minds of its creators, is it creates a new category of prohibited people. Gunlessness is a holy grail they pursue so tenaciously defies logic and reason -- now for people so dangerous they really should not be allowed matches and gasoline, anything available at Home Depot, motor vehicles -- in short, they cannot be allowed out into the public until they are "cured," however these absurd red-flag laws define that. Who would ever risk restoring the rights of someone stigmatized by a red-flag designation is unclear.

The coincidence between red flags and communism is just coincidence, according to leading experts.

Then, of course, there is the problem of so-called "gun-free zones," of which the schools where our children spend much of their day are the largest and most obvious. How many times does a lunatic with a gun have to show up in one of these so-called "gun-free zones" before we grasp the fact that they are not "gun free" at all?

The only people free of guns are the people getting killed trying to protect our children from psychopaths. Despite the protests of those ostensibly on the side of disarming everyone, you will note that every time one of these armed lunatics has arrived and started killing, the inevitable response of the gun deniers has been to call people with guns to come and handle the problem.

'Do we fail to understand the simple reality that having people with guns already there, and ready to respond when the event takes place, is a better option? Do we fail to understand that pretending a place is a "gun-free zone" when it so clearly is not, only results in the deaths of innocents, while also telling psychopaths where the easy targets are?" - Dave Kopp, President, AzCDL

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#### Materials

1 clean #10 metal can (restaurant-sized - 6"

diameter and 7" tall), or a used clean gallon paint can can be used instead 3 clean standard soup cans (11–15 oz, and 3" diameter) and one slightly taller can, with labels removed

Scrap insulation: wood ashes, dry dirt or sand, perlite from old potting soil or the garden supply store, or crushed glass bottles.

"Sharpie" marker

tin snips or old steak knife

Optional: church-key can opener, pliers, leather gloves, small metal file to smooth cut edges, pieces of wire coat hanger or gas stove trivet to set cooking pot on.

**Prep the #10 can** - Remove one end with the safety opener; keep the lid. Take one of the four soup cans and trace the round shape onto the #10 can, 1" above the bottom rim. Cut out the soup can size hole on the side. This is the fuel/feed port.

Make the chimney - Take one soup can; remove one end and trace the shape onto the side of the soup can, 1" above the bottom rim so that it will line up with the hole on the #10 can. Cut out the soup can size hole. Take another soup can and remove both ends. This becomes the vertical burn tunnel (chimney). Nest inside lower soup can so they fit snugly. Place the chimney into the #10 can so it sits centered on the bottom.

Build the horizontal fuel port and shelf - Take the remaining soup can and cut off both ends. fit it through the side of the #10 can and into the side hole of the soup can chimney. Using the taller can with both end removed and cut from top to bottom, you will want to flatten it then cut out a small T shaped shelf roughly the same width as the soup can with the wider portion at the top to keep it from sliding all the way inside the stove. This will fit into the soup can mouth of your stove. This is what the wood will rest on and at the same time allow air to travel into the stove from underneath the shelf.

Insulate the burn tunnel - Mix your insulation (ashes + a little water to make paste, or dry perlite or dirt, or sand, or crushed glass). Pack tightly around the outside of the L-shaped burn tunnel inside the #10 can. Fill to ½" below the top rim. This insulation is the magic, it keeps heat in the fire and not the outer can.

Cap & grate - Cut a soup can size hole in the center of the saved #10 lid. Place on top of insulation. For a pot stand, bend three 6" pieces of coat-hanger wire into U-shapes and poke through the lid to hold pots about 1" above the lid, so that your pot doesn't sit directly on the chimney.

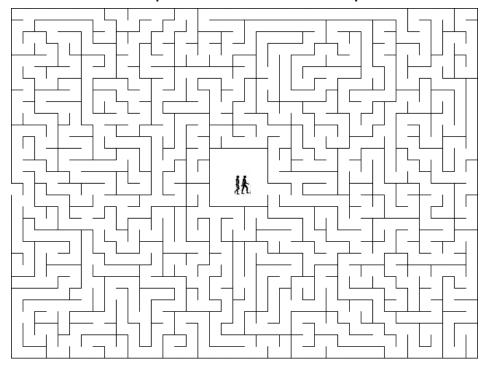
**Fire It Up** - Push 3–4 pencil-thick dry twigs through the feed port, on top of the shelf; light the ends inside the elbow. Add sticks as they burn down. In 60 seconds you'll have a clean blue flame shooting out the chimney. You can boil a quart of water in 4–6 minutes on handfuls of twigs.

**Safety & Tips** - Use outdoors only. Caution, rocket stove will get hot. Let ashes and stove cool before dumping. If the outer can warps after multiple fires, just find another #10 can or empty paint can.

#### It's all fun and games in the end...

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#### Escape Walmart on "Black Friday"



## Home Cookin'

#### **PUMPKIN DOG TREATS**

1 can pumpkin 2 cups oats 1 stick of butter, softened 3 eggs

1 cup dried milk 3 cups whole wheat flour 1 teaspoon pink salt 3 tablespoons honey

\*Optional, substitute up to half the wheat flour with a combination of ground flax, and chia seeds, hemp seeds, almond flour, coconut flour, etc

Combine all ingredients in a large bowl. Roll out flat to about 1/4" on a cookie sheet and cut into treat size pieces with a pizza cutter or cookie cutter (You dog doesn't actually care what shape they are). Bake at 350 for about 20-30 minutes. Alternatively, cook on the stove top on a cast iron griddle on medium heat covered with a large pot lid to warm the house on a cold evening, lifting the lid briefly to let off steam after about 10 minutes. Let cool. Extras can be frozen.

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