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## Our Lives Depend On This!



### EVERY DEMOCRAT should vote in EVERY ELECTION.

**Texas Constitutional/Joint Election 🗳️ Early Vote Oct. 23 — Nov 3. ; Election Day Nov. 7.**

We tend to focus on big general elections because of all the media attention, but your voice is never stronger than in smaller local elections. Exercise your RIGHT to make a choice on local bonds, constitutional amendments, a few municipal special elections and other measures.

Already voted? Great! Find a friend, relative or neighbor and take them to the polls!  
Don't just vote. Be a VOTER and vote in every election

*—Carol Donovan Dallas County Democratic Party Chair*

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## EDITORIAL

### Lied to. Betrayed.

### Denied Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness

Another day, another crisis brought about by outright lies and innuendoes from the White House. Remember the story about the child who cried, “Wolf!” too many times and when there was a true crisis, the hunters didn’t come to his rescue. How many times will the president proclaim, “wolf?” Unfortunately, the GOP’er controlled government supports the policies with moves which supports the lies and betrayals. When countered with evidence of the evil, we hear cries of, “Fake News!” Government by fear.

Two U.S. Generals, Gen. Flynn and recently Gen. Kelly have broken the oath they took as commissioned officers in the United States Army. “Taking the knee.” is neither unpatriotic or illegal, it is an untruth — a lie. Gen. Flynn for his signed agreement with Turkey via the Dutch government [www.huffingtonpost.com/david-l-philipps/lt-gen-michael-t-flynn-gu\\_b\\_13013248.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/david-l-philipps/lt-gen-michael-t-flynn-gu_b_13013248.html) and Gen. Kelly in his lie about Rep. Frederica Wilson FL24D [www.cbsnews.com/news/federica-wilson-fbi-building-john-kelly-trump/](http://www.cbsnews.com/news/federica-wilson-fbi-building-john-kelly-trump/) regarding the event at the FBI and escorting a fallen soldier’s remains.

The GOP’ers are still wanting to repeal and replace The Affordable Care Act - “Obama Care.” 61-plus failures to pass attempts have not deterred the GOP-per obsession. Not able to get repeal and replace, the Dtrump is sabotaging the ACA law via the back door while cutting funding and information [www.nytimes.com/2017/10/13/us/politics/trump-congress-obamacare-insurance-subsidies.html](http://www.nytimes.com/2017/10/13/us/politics/trump-congress-obamacare-insurance-subsidies.html)

Now, tax reform.

The Word Perfect/Oxford University Press Dictionary states:

reform >verb 1) make changes in (something) in order to improve it. 2) cause to abandon an immoral or criminal lifestyle. noun the action or process of reforming.

Frequently the shout from the GOP’ers is a claim there will be more money in the middle class pockets. How so? Cutting health care; eliminating Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid and public education; restricting immigration, and so on will indeed lower the levied tax bills. However, the bill — invoice — for basic living expenses like food, shelter and water will skyrocket in many cases will price the middle class, the lower classes out of the picture, entirely. The basic tenet of the tax plans of lowering the tax rates for the one percent coupled with lowering the tax rate for corporations will not increase will not bring jobs “Trickle-down” economics is a hoax.

A current theme is privatization, masquerading under the guise of let the market solve the problems. In Dallas County, Texas, Proposition A seeks to eliminate the Dallas County Schools, the transportation agency of the county. Sen. Huffhines (TX32R) has been leading a crusade. His plan for the DCS is to break up the agency and send the services back to the individual districts. Privatization at the expense of children and the taxpayers.

Yes, the DCS has had some mismanagement errors in the past. “Under the board and management, the DCS has seen marked improvement in several key performance areas: 1) Traffic citations have decreased from 149 citations in 2016 to 20 in 2017. 2) Road Accidents are down 24 percent in 2016-17 school year compared with the previous year. 3) The on-time rate for Dallas ISD was 98.5 percent for August to September 2017 and 95 percent system wide. [www.dallasnews.com](http://www.dallasnews.com), 10/23/17 13A: *Saving DCS will save money* by Kyle Renard, DCS trustee.

We go to the polls on Tuesday November 7, 2017. Early voting is October 23 through November 3, 2017. In Texas there are propositions (city, county and state) on the ballot. All politics are local. Time to stop the betrayals and the lies. It is time to reclaim our freedom.

*Rachel Baker Ford, editor*

## Proposed Amendments to the Texas Constitution in 2017

### Proposition 1

The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the market value of the residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of a partially disabled veteran if the residence homestead was donated to the disabled veteran by a charitable organization for less than the market value of the residence homestead and harmonizing certain related provisions of the Texas Constitution.

Explanation: authorizes a property tax exemption equal to the percentage that the veteran is partially disabled for property the disabled veterans received as a donation. Currently a veteran who paid a portion of the cost of a donated home does not receive the tax exemption while a veteran who contributed nothing for the new home receives the tax exemption. The argument against this amendment is that the burden is shifted on to everyone else instead of giving everyone property tax relief. (For more information see Texas House Bill 150.)

### Proposition 2

The constitutional amendment to establish a lower amount for expenses that can be charged to a borrower and removing certain financing expense limitations for a home equity loan, establishing certain authorized lenders to make a home equity loan, changing certain options for the refinancing of home equity loans, changing the threshold for an advance of a home equity line of credit, and allowing home equity loans on agricultural homesteads.

Explanation: This amendment would allow homeowners to enter into voluntary liens to secure home equity loans and home equity lines of credit. Fees from the lender would still be capped but fees from third parties such as surveys, title insurance, or title examination would not. It could increase instead of decrease the cost of a home equity loan. (Texas Senate Joint Resolution, SJR 60)

### Proposition 3

The constitutional amendment limiting the service of certain officeholders appointed by the governor and confirmed by the senate after the expiration of the person's term of office.

Explanation: Unsalaries officials appointed by the governor with consent of the Senate would not be required to continue to serve in office past the expiration of their term in office even if no successor has been appointed. Important positions could remain vacant at critical times. (Texas Senate Joint Resolution, SJR 34)

### Proposition 4

The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to require a court to provide notice to the attorney general of a challenge to the constitutionality of a state statute and authorizing the legislature to prescribe a waiting period before the court may enter a judgment holding the statute unconstitutional.

Explanation: requires a court to notify the attorney general of a challenge to a statute and would allow the legislature to require a waiting period of not more than 45 days before the judge can rule a state law unconstitutional. In 2011, the state legislature passed a bill similar to Proposition 4. The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals ruled the bill allowed the legislative and executive branches of government to interfere with the judicial branch's constitutional powers. Proposition 4 was designed to provide a constitutional basis for the bill. (SJR 6)

### Proposition 5

The constitutional amendment on professional sports team charitable foundations conducting charitable raffles.

Explanation: would expand the definition of professional sports teams allowed to conduct charitable auctions to include certain minor league sports teams, motor sports racing teams, Professional Golf Association events, and other teams as defined by law. (HJR 100)

### Proposition 6

The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a first responder who is killed or fatally injured in the line of duty.

Explanation: The constitutional amendment would allow the state legislature to create a property tax exemption for the surviving spouses of police officers, firefighters, and other first responders killed in the line of duty. (SB 15)

### Proposition 7

The constitutional amendment relating to legislative authority to permit credit unions and other financial institutions to award prizes by lot to promote savings.

Explanation: The constitutional amendment authorizing the Texas State Legislature to allow financial institutions to conduct raffles to encourage individuals to increase their savings.

NOTE: Explanations written by Charles E. Ford, Jr.

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## SPECIAL REPORT

### Implications for Public School Student Bus Transportation Funding Of Voting Against Dallas County Schools Proposition A on November 7th

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**CRITICISM 1:** “The way Proposition A, the Dallas County Schools issue, is written on the ballot is very confusing. Those who are for severing ties with DCS are voting AGAINST the proposition.”

**RESPONSE 1:** An AGAINST vote to Proposition A means:

- Give up use of \$.01/\$100 property tax valuation (about \$20 Million annually) now designated for DCS bus transportation while continuing to pay that tax until DCS debt paid;
- Agree that the \$ .01 property tax will be paid exclusively to DCS creditors by the Dissolution Committee until DCS debt paid;
- Agree to zero current property tax allocation to finance public school bus transportation for Dallas County ISDs now using DCS school bus transportation;
- Agree to additional DISD or other ISDs increased property tax rates necessary to continue funding public school bus transportation for ISDs currently served by DCS.

**CRITICISM 2:** “From everything I’ve read, this is a corrupt, mismanaged company that does a poor and dangerous job of delivering kids to school and events - and does so at a higher per mile rate than the companies providing similar service to Houston and other cities.”

**RESPONSE 2:** Dallas County Schools is a governmental entity established in 1846 to provide bus transportation for Dallas County public school students, it is not a “company.” In 2017, DCS systemwide ran at 95 percent on time. More recently, during the period August-September, DCS ran 98 percent on time in DISD.

In early 2017, the current DCS Board of Trustees took actions to: fire Superintendent Sorrells; force Bd. President Duncan to step down; fired 13 bus drivers; disciplined 229 other bus drivers; fired DCS personnel involved in the financial and/or traffic scandals.

2017 DCS Board of Trustees are: Gloria Tercero Levario, President, at-large; C.W. Whitaker, V.P., District #3; Diego Ayala, District #1; Renato De Los Santos, District #4; Kyle Renard, M.D., District #2.

DCS Superintendent is Gary Lindsey; DCS Financial Director is Paul King; DCS Counsel is Amanda Davis.

The publicly available 2016 Requests for Bid Proposals by Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD and by Cedar Hill ISD reveal that, as compared to DCS’ bid, the bus transportation contracts for service would increase between 52 percent - 54 percent if private companies selected (a preference under Dissolution Statutes).

Absent the specific Request for Bid Proposal or documentation specific to the statement regarding “similar service to Houston and other cities”, a detailed comparison or response is not possible.

**CRITICISM 3:** “Moody’s just downgraded its bonds to junk status and said it is in real danger of filing for bankruptcy protection.”

**RESPONSE 3:** The DCS has met its current Bond payments and, if it is not dissolved, anticipates continuing to do so. With its new Financial Director, Paul King, and the auditors which DCS has hired, DCS is developing a forward moving plan. Until the November vote, the TX Attorney General will not allow DCS to take affirmative steps to restructure the debt. I have been advised by a DCS Board Trustee actively involved in the restructuring of the financial plan that DCS does not plan on bankruptcy protection and expects to be successful in restructuring debt, if the November vote allows DCS to continue.

**CRITICISM 4:** “It has a lousy on time record and the number of tickets and reckless driving citations have gone up significantly in the last two years.”

**RESPONSE 4:** DCS has a 95 percent on time systemwide record in 2017 with a 98 percent on time record in DISD for August -September. The news media reports have focused on prior school year problems. In 2017, citations to date total 13, compared to 90 citations in the prior year. The 2016-2017 accident rate has decreased 24 percent. In September 2017, DCS ran approximately 18,000 routes and averaged 1.5 million miles. In September 2017, DCS received 1 red light traffic citation.

The Criticism statements regarding tickets and reckless driving citations refer to the 2014-2015, 2015-2016 time frame based on my reading of the NBC5 and DMN news accounts. In Feb. 2017, the *Preston Hollow Advocate* reported that 13 drivers had been fired and 229 drivers disciplined, in addition to the strong negative actions taken against DCS management and leadership involved in failing to take action before to terminate or discipline the drivers as required by the DCS policy manual.

Under the Inter Local Agreement (ILA) which each ISD signed with DCS, the ISD agreed to provide DCS with 60 day notice of its bus transportation needs, e.g., how many students, etc. Apparently in August of 2016, DISD went to a Google Doc. transportation schedule which allowed its students to get on a bus at more than one location. The Google Doc. transportation schedule information was not provided to DCS in accordance with the ILA and therefore a lot of initial confusion was created. Both DISD and DCS worked to resolve the problems which created late and overcrowded buses. Naturally for the students and school campuses involved, not to mention the parents, this foul-up was an unhappy event.

**CRITICISM 5:** “If there is an argument for keeping it, I’d like to hear it.”

**RESPONSE 5:** As a strong supporter for Dallas County Public Schools and therefore for Dallas County providing sure, safe, reliable bus transportation for public school children, after in depth research, I have firmly concluded that it is in the best interest of the 75,000+ public school children to ride in DCS buses with seat belts, stop arm signs, interior video monitoring, GPS linkage, driven by trained bus drivers, and with DCS’s turn-key managerial/operations set up.

I have read all of the information provided by Sen. Huffines TX32R office via Dustin Marshall, the continuing media accounts, the DSC website, additional sources, e.g., TX Leg. website. I understand the reasons for the valid criticisms of Supt. Sorrells, Pres. Duncan, the DCS staff/managerial people involved. I recognize 2017 DCS positive actions in response to terminate, force resignation, discipline persons involved, and to address the serious budgetary consequences of prior managerial decisions.

In contrast to the past, the 2017 DCS Bd, Superintendent and Financial Director have plans for the future to ensure on time, safe bus transportation for Dallas County public school children, should the voters allow DCS to continue.

**CONCLUSION:** I urge a vote FOR Proposition A to continue the Dallas County Schools.

- 1) Voting against DCS is to effectively throw away \$20 Million annual property tax allocation (\$.01/\$100) intended to fund DCS transport of Dallas County public schoolchildren to/from school.
- 2) DCS provides assured safe bus transportation for 75,000 Dallas County ISD students in 2018-19 School Year — no other entity does.
- 3) DCS provides assured lower cost for bus transportation access to public schools in 2018-2019 School Year — no other entity does.
- 4) DCS provides assured “turn-key” operation and management commitment by 2017 DCS Board of Trustees, Superintendent and Leadership to safe and on-time school bus transportation for 75000+ public school children in the Dallas County ISDs for the 2018-2019 School Year. . . there is no viable alternative!

*1 Katherine Savers McGovern is a retired Assistant United States Attorney, U.S. Dept. Of Justice, Dallas Division. Having lived in Dallas with her husband and family since 1987, Katherine has strongly supported public education for many years. In her view, the availability of, and access to, public school bus transportation is essential to a strong public education system which affords opportunity to all students. Katherine is concerned that First Principles Objective of free public school bus transportation for students is getting lost in the ongoing publicity over the past financial and policy bad judgment/actions/scandals of now-terminated DCS Superintendent Sorrells, and others, which have created a financial crisis. The Dissolution Statutes remove tax money dedicated to providing bus transportation, give the money to creditors, and leave the public school children without that tax money to pay for public school bus transportation. As such, the Dissolution Statutes endanger a fundamental requisite for advancing public education - transporting public school children to school. 2 Larry Duncan resigned effective immediately on or about Oct. 12, 2017. 3 Three Board of Trustee vacancies to be filled in 2018 if DCS is not dissolved.*

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## SPECIAL REPORT



## Vote FOR Dallas County Schools Proposition A!

— Katherine Savers McGovern

Don't be fooled by *The Dallas Morning News* editorial and recommendations. The basic foundation for DMN's recommendation rests on events and actions occurring in 2014 -2016 by a fired Superintendent and staff all of whom are no longer involved with DCS.

The DMN editorial ignores these consequences of voting against DCS:

1. Loss of property tax funds to pay for public schools bus transportation in all ISDs currently served by DCS. including DISD, Grand Prairie, Highland Park, Irving, Cedar Hill, Coppell, Lancaster, DeSoto, Richardson, and all special program students, e.g., special education, homeless, Juvenile Justice, substance abuse center.
2. Financial windfall for DCS creditors at expense of 75,000+ school children now served by DCS whose bus transportation is now funded, in part, by property tax allocation of \$.01/\$100 - roughly \$20,000,000/year.
3. Possible creation of regional economic school segregation because each ISD now served by DCS will have to fund the costs now covered by property tax penny/100 lost to creditors, plus all other costs associated with creating bus transportation system or contracting with private vendors (Dissolution Statutes preference)

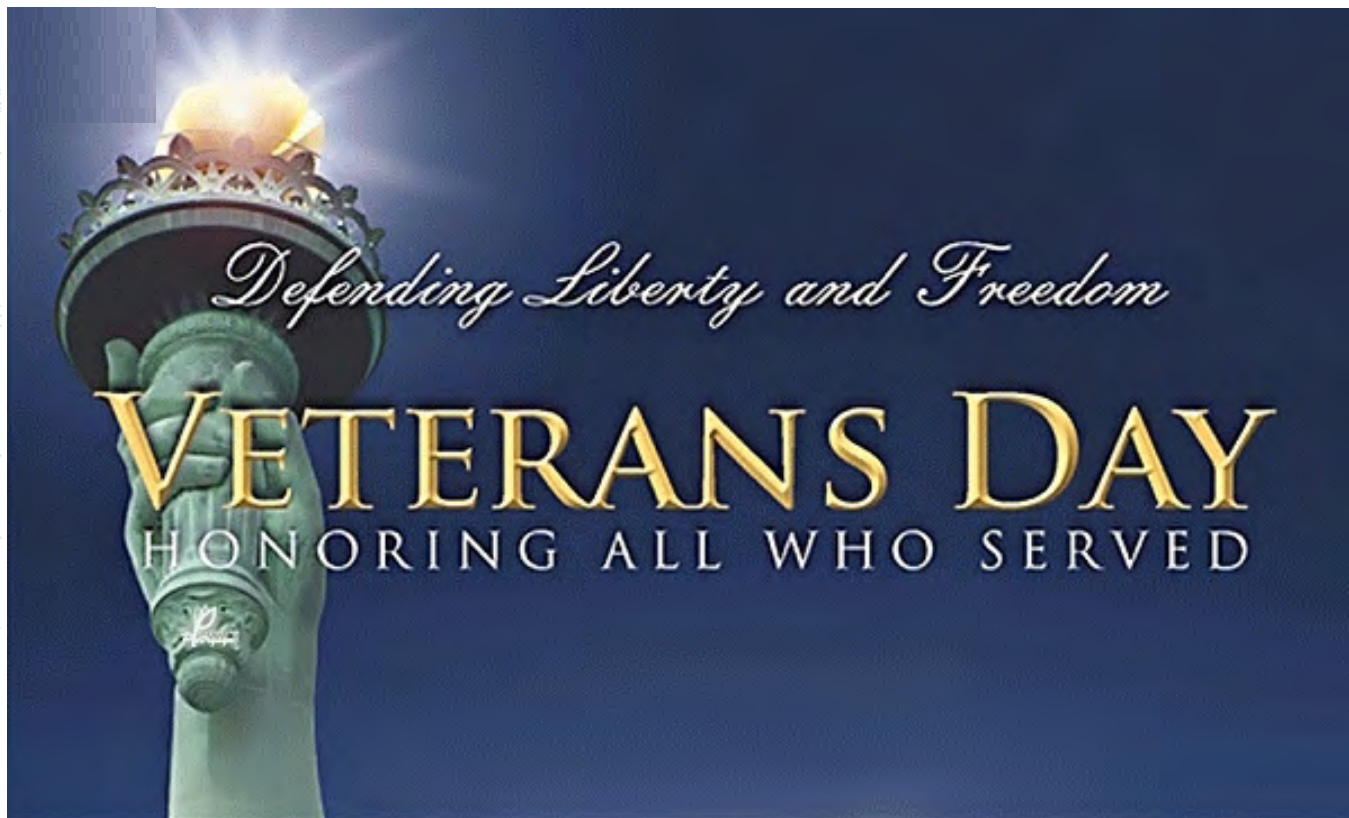
DMN looks to the past but ignores future negative financial and education access consequences of its recommendation.

Vote for Dallas County Schools Proposition A!

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# GARLAND DEMOCRATIC VOICE HONORING OUR VETERANS

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**THE PREAMBLE TO THE U.S. CONSTITUTION**  
WITH SPIRIT *Setting by: Rachel Baker Ford*

We the Peo-ple of the U- ni- ted States, in  
or - der to form a more per- fect Un- ion, es- -tab- lish jus- tice, in -  
sure do- mes- tic tran- quil- i- ty, pro- vide for the com- man de - fense, pro-  
mote the gen- er- al wel- fare, and se- cure the bless- ings of  
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-dain and es - tab- lish this Con- sti- tu - tion for the U-  
ni - ted States of A- mer - i - ca.

### The Preamble to the U.S. Constitution

We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

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## Being An American

If we are serious about finding common ground between the parties, I can think of no better place to focus our attention than the *Preamble to the Constitution*. Let's engage in a national bipartisan discussion of the Preamble for its pragmatic purpose in today's world and not as "proof-texting" for some hot-button meme we use to beat over the opposition's head.

If "being American" is NOT about "blood and soil" or race and religion, but IS about loyalty to the ideals enumerated in the Preamble, then we need to give it the attention it deserves!

— Steve Love

Good words and wise counsel for all of us this Veterans Day and all days. Steve is a veteran and regular contributor of the **GARLAND DEMOCRATIC VOICE**.

# GARLAND DEMOCRATIC VOICE IN MEMORIAM



## **Dr. Barbara Montgomery**

Dr. Barbara Montgomery, 91 former Rockwall County Democratic Party Chair, died this morning at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital in Rockwall after a lengthy illness.

Dr. Montgomery was an educator, writer, political activist and historian.

In her book *J.W. and Me*, Barbara Montgomery shared memories of Rockwall, a small Texas town, in the early 1970's. As a former officer of the court, "Miss Barbara" was at the center of the judicial process that helped shape the Rockwall community. Through her life journey she met many memorable citizens, criminals, politicians and members of law enforcement.

She was a wealth of information about the history of Rockwall County. She will be missed.

Our deepest condolences to Barbara's family and many friends. a memorial Service at Rest Haven Funeral Home, Rockwall, Texas Sunday, November 12th at 1:00 p.m.

## **Vivian Anderson Castleberry**

Vivian Castleberry, 95, passed away October 4, 2017 surrounded by her family. She led what she called "an extraordinary life." Castleberry was a trailblazing Dallas journalist, author, social justice activist, champion of women, friend to the powerful and downtrodden and devoted wife and mother.

Her husband, Curtis of 67 years passed in 2013. In addition, she leaves a host of family, friends, and associates.

Her wisdom, drive and love that she brought to many will be missed. All the words that have been written about her incredible contributions are only a reflective spark of the flame she brought to those that were privileged to work with her and to know her.

Vivian's memorial service will take place at Cathedral of Hope, 5910 Cedar Springs Road, Dallas, Texas on Saturday, November 11 at 2:00 p.m.

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## BITS & PIECES

### **WOW, We'll Get \$4000 from the TAX CUTS!**

— Charles E. Ford, Jr.

How many times are the Republicans going to con Americans with the trickle down theory? They claim if we give the rich or the corporations more money by lowering their upper tax rate or additional tax deductions they will increase wages for the poor middle class that is suffering!

That sounds wonderful but there is no incentive for the rich or the corporations to give workers a penny of that money. In fact, the opposite is true. If wages increase the corporate payroll increases, the payroll taxes increase and benefit costs increase.

Don't be fooled into thinking they will hire more employees. What kind of idiot would hire people simply because taxes have decreased? You hire people because you need expertise or additional bodies to meet your commitments to your customers.

In 2004, Congress lowered the tax on repatriate money to 5.25 percent. Corporations brought back approximately \$312 billion dollars and avoided about \$3.3 billion dollars in taxes. The money was to be used directly for job creation, capital investment and growth opportunities. Not only did the top corporations that repatriated money use the funds to increase dividends to the stockholders they cut 21,000 jobs in the United States. Remember corporations only pay about 20 percent income tax not the 39.5 percent maximum, so cutting the top rate to 25 percent will have little effect.

Get a good magnifying glass to see the increase in your income!

### **Ruining America's Reputation**

Re: "America first' — Analysis: President delivers defiant message against political order," Saturday news story.

Good grief! I expected a puffed-with-pride President Donald Trump to say something kind of icky like, "This USA will be strong again now that it has the greatest, strongest president of all time."

I would have gagged, but also laughed. I don't remember Trump's exact words, but he slobbered a bib full of negativity. The picture his words painted for me was of a wasteland dotted with rusty machinery and dark, empty, rusted-out cities. And the money the poor middle-class people used to have has been torn from their arms and thrown to enrich foreigners.

Hasn't Trump done a little business with foreigners?

What is most scary is Trump's determination to end trade agreements and make his policy America first, always America first. I felt worse about that when I found there is an America First Party.

What about needing allies? What about God's order to love your neighbor? What about not ruining the reputation of the United States in order to be sure you get credit for making it great when you start admitting that this is a great nation?

*Willa Kulhavy, Garland*

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## BULLETIN BOARD

### HERE ARE THE 66 PROGRAMS TRUMP ELIMINATES IN HIS BUDGET

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| <p>McGovern-Dole International Food for Education<br/>Rural Business-Cooperative Service<br/>Rural Water and Waste Disposal Program Account<br/>Single Family Housing Direct Loans<br/>Economic Development Administration<br/>Manufacturing Extension Partnership<br/>Minority Business Development Agency<br/>National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration<br/>21st Century Community Learning Centers<br/>Comprehensive Literacy Development Grants<br/>Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants<br/>Impact Aid Payments for Federal Property<br/>International Education<br/>Strengthening Institutions<br/>Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants<br/>Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants<br/>Teacher Quality Partnership<br/>Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy<br/>Advanced Technology Vehicle Manufacturing Loans<br/>Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility<br/>Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality<br/>Community Services Block Grant<br/>Health Professions and Nursing Training Programs<br/>Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program<br/>Flood Hazard Mapping and Risk Analysis Program<br/>Transportation Security Administration Law Enforcement Grants<br/>Choice Neighborhoods<br/>Community Development Block<br/>HOME Investment Partnerships Program<br/>Self-Help and Assisted Homeownership Opportunity Program<br/>Abandoned Mine Land Grants<br/>Heritage Partnership Program</p> | <p>National Wildlife Refuge Fund<br/>State Criminal Alien Assistance Program<br/>Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker Training<br/>OSHA Training Grants<br/>Senior Community Service Employment Program<br/>Development Assistance<br/>The Asia Foundation<br/>East-West Center<br/>P.L. 480 Title II Food Aid<br/>Green Climate Fund and Climate Change Initiative<br/>National Infrastructure Investments (TIGER)<br/>Global Agriculture and Food Security Program<br/>Energy Star and Voluntary Climate Programs<br/>Geographic Programs<br/>Five Earth Science Missions<br/>Office of Education<br/>Chemical Safety Board<br/>Corporation for National and Community Service<br/>Corporation for Public Broadcasting<br/>Institute of Museum and Library Services<br/>African Development Foundation<br/>Inter-American Foundation<br/>Legal Services Corporation<br/>National Endowment for the Arts<br/>National Endowment for the Humanities<br/>Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation<br/>Overseas Private Investment Corporation<br/>Appalachian Regional Commission<br/>Delta Regional Authority<br/>Denali Commission<br/>Northern Border Regional Commission<br/>U.S. Institute of Peace<br/>U.S. Trade and Development Agency<br/>Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars</p> |
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**JUST TO GIVE THE RICH A TAX CUT.**

**OCCUPY DEMOCRATS**

## Enrollment for 2018 ACA (Obamacare) starts on November 1 and ends on December 15.

**Trump has cut the funds to announce  
when people can enroll.**

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