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## **HAS THE GOP JUST COMMITTED SUICIDE?**

**THE REPUBLICAN “GRAND OLD PARTY” IS HANDING TRUMP THE KEYS TO THE FAMILY CAR... AND NOW HE’S HEADING FOR THE DITCH...**

As I’ve been saying from the start...

Donald Trump is going to win the GOP nomination. Get over it. He REALLY is.

It has now become frighteningly apparent to the GOP “traditionalists” that the Frankenstein monster which they created with their Tea Bagger movement six years ago... has now morphed into something much more dangerous and hideous as it rides the “Trump Tiger” and turns back AGAINST THEM and bites the hands from which they were originally fed.

The people that voted to end abortion... Obamacare... and Common Core... feel understandably ignored by their “leaders” who were really only “in it” for lower taxes... regulations... government oversight... wages... and spending on anything other than expanding our military and global involvements.

### **The GOP is now in FULL REVOLT!**

Recent Public Policy Polling showed that among REPUBLICAN voters House Speaker John Boehner has an approval rating of 35% and Senate head Mitch McConnell registered even lower at 31%.

For ALL American voters their ratings were both tied at 20%. While the GOP controlled Congress polls in single digits.

Source: <http://www.politicususa.com/2015/04/02/john-boehner-mitch-mcconnell-approval-ratings-plummet-republicans-sink-11.html>

President Obama’s approval rating is over 80% with Democrats and 50% overall.

SOURCE: <http://www.politico.com/story/2015/06/poll-obama-approval-rating-increase-50-percent-119575>

Mitt Romney... like most of the 2012 GOP candidates... made the “Trump Tower Pilgrimage” back in 2012 while the



“Orange One” was simultaneously hurling complete fabrications about President Obama’s birthplace and his legitimacy as President. Such disgraceful KISS ASSES!

And NOW Trump is taking over THEIR party... with Iowa and New Hampshire appearing to be a sure lock.

But the third state contest... South Carolina... came up with an idea to have all of the candidates “sign a pledge” to NOT form a third party and to “support the party’s eventual candidate”.

In a last ditched attempt to stop the avalanche of American stupidity now building within the “Trump Wave”... the national GOP “top dogs” took up the South Carolina “pledge” idea and decided to ask for it from ALL candidates NOW.

And MOST ceremoniously... TRUMP SIGNED IT! And he waved the paper before the cameras for all of the cable and broadcast networks to run on infinite loops for the next six days.

But what Trump was signaling with his “paper waving” was... VICTORY!

The party “traditionalists” THOUGHT this would make it impossible for Trump to LEAVE THEM... and go third party.

But Trump IS leaving them...

AND... he’s taking their “party” with him.

Someone cue up LESLEY GORE!

With ALL of the Republican candidates now signing the pledge to support whomever their party nominates... it means that they will all soon be supporting a NEW “Trump Direction” for the GOP.

Wherever he may choose to take it.

After all... they have now PLEDGED to support the winning candidate.

Within Trump’s tidal wave of bullshit ignorant statements I have been able to piece together SOME of what this new “Trump GOP” agenda might be...

It supposedly includes rebuilding all of our infrastructure... airports... roads... and bridges... Sounds GOOD right?

But he also plans to build a MASSIVE wall the length of the Mexican border.

Trump also proposes a “cheaper” alternative to Obamacare. But he has hinted that this MIGHT BE a “Single Payer” plan like much of the rest of the industrial world... (Cutting out the insurance companies). Isn’t that a Bernie Sanders thing? Dogs are living with cats!

And guess what else! Trump wants higher taxes on Wall Street guys and bankers!

AND more for our defense department for all of the places where “The Donald” plans to “Kick Some Ass!”. USA! USA! USA!

After learning the hard way in 2012 that the GOP cannot win another national election without a bigger share of non-white and female voters... the GOP will

now be lining up like little pawns supporting “King Donald” as he puts together plans for deporting eleven million non-white people... working his way around the 14<sup>th</sup> amendment... and slamming down hard on refugees just as the world explodes with them.

Conservative writer George Will actually summed it all up best...

*“Every sulfurous belch from the molten interior of the volcanic Trump phenomenon injures the chances of a Republican presidency. After Donald Trump finishes plastering a snarling face on conservatism, any Republican nominee will face a dauntingly steep climb to reach even the paltry numbers that doomed Mitt Romney. George Will – Washington Post*

While most people were only seeing loops in the media of Trump’s latest mean-spirited angry political adventures... some of the other candidates were saying amazingly stupid things that got ignored.



**Chris Christie**... not to be “out-immigrated” by Trump... stated that he would hire the head of FEDEX to “track” people coming into the country on Visas so they could be rounded up and sent back home when it was “time to go”.

Chris Wallace on Fox News actually asked Christie if this would mean putting a number on their wrists!

Wouldn’t a “bar-code” on their foreheads make it easier?

Or maybe a yellow patch on their coats?

Many Republicans hide behind the “national security” excuse when it comes to the Mexican border as it makes them sound “more practical” than simply being the hate-filled racists that they are.

After NBC’s Chuck Todd pointed out to the rapidly vanishing **Scott Walker** that more terrorists had actually entered the country from Canada than Mexico... he asked the following...

**Todd:** *“But why are we always talking about the southern border and building a fence there? We don’t talk about a northern border. Do you want to build a wall north of the border, too?”*

**Walker:** *“Some people have asked us about that in New Hampshire. They raised some very legitimate concerns, including some law enforcement folks that brought that up to me at one of our town hall meetings about a week and a half ago. So that is a legitimate issue for us to look at”.*

Source: (Todd Question slightly edited... Walker answer is intact)  
<http://www.politifact.com/wisconsin/article/2015/sep/03/context-what-scott-walker-said-about-canada-wall/>

So now we have TWO walls to figure out?

Between Canada and Mexico that is now 7,458 MILES of wall... as you ABSOLUTELY need to include Alaska’s Canadian section. Those ELK are killers!

And most missed out this week when the always entertaining **Ted Cruz** blamed Obama for “The Government’s” latest “assault on Christianity” involving that idiotic four-times-married woman in Kentucky who is thankfully now in jail.

It was... after all... OBAMA that pushed through the gay marriage stuff RIGHT?

**Ted Cruz:** *“Today, for the first time ever, the government arrested a Christian woman for living according to her faith. This is not America... I stand with every American that the Obama Administration is trying to force to choose between honoring his or her faith or complying with a lawless court opinion.”*

Source: <http://dailycaller.com/2015/09/03/cruz-backs-ky-clerk-jailed-for-christian-beliefs-this-is-wrong-this-is-not-america/>

I didn’t think there could be anything more politically desperate looking than the current poll numbers of Jindal, Huckabee, and Graham... but this week Sarah Palin and Dick Cheney slithered back to the surface to pathetically attempt to prove to the media that they were “still here”.

Propped up by his adoring yet strident “mini-me” daughter Liz... **Dick Cheney** has been making the rounds of the more desperate news shows hawking his latest book... AND defending the Iraq War as being the “right thing to do”.

But this time around... no one seems to care. And even GOP candidates are slamming Cheney’s war these days.

Both **Dick Cheney** and **Karl Rove** have now essentially been put on political ice floes and set adrift in the sad tradition of the Eskimo culture that their past policies are currently eradicating. Total losers.

**Sarah Palin**... a HUGE Trump supporter with her “eyes on ANY prize” caused a media “whimper” by announcing that she should be “Energy Secretary”. So that she could shut down the department.

**And speaking of “Drill Baby Drill!”**

The award this week for the STUPIDIST media statement goes out once again to FOX NEWS and their show “The Five”.

I was listening on the Sirius feed so I’m not sure which of the lobotomized fashion mannequins actually said this but...

As they were discussing the tens of thousands of people in the oil industry now being laid off... one of “The Five” stated that it was because President Obama wasn’t allowing oil companies to drill on government land and therefore people were losing their jobs! So oilrigs in Yellowstone are now our “jobs” answer!

When of course the reason oil workers are losing their jobs is that the price of oil has dropped to the point where fracking is no longer profitable.

In the most recent government auction of drilling leases hardly anyone even showed.

American oil now costs too much to get out of the ground using these current techniques. Remember Gingrich saying that gas would be \$7 a gallon under Obama? Well it is supposed to hit \$2 by the end of this year. And Mitt Romney promised “6% unemployment by 2016”!

As the Saudis saw American production exploding from fracking... they ramped up their MUCH CHEAPER production... at the same time that there were major economic slowdowns in countries such as China and Russia... forcing the price down to a point where America can no longer afford the cost of fracking in a world that is SWIMMING in oil.

Supply and demand and all that.

But it’s so much more fun to blame Obama.

And who would have thought that American environmentalists might have the Saudis to thank for at least temporarily slowing down the fracking process.

How does “Karma” fit into all of this?

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