

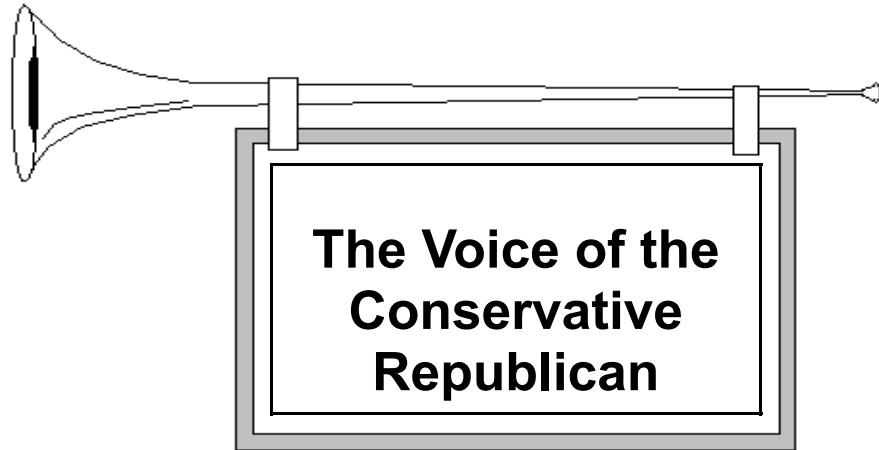
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**For if the
TRUMPET
give an
uncertain
sound, who
shall prepare
himself to the
battle?**

1 Cor. 14:8



IFI Fights Culture of Death

The Senior Policy Analyst of the Illinois Family Institute (IFI), David Smith, talked about the culture of death at TAPROOT's latest breakfast meeting in Lombard. The culture of death consists of the three pressing social issues of our time: abortion, homosexuality and pornography.

He went on to discuss his battle with Mancow Muller's "shock jock" radio show. He started filing complaints with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in 1999. At first the agency dismissed his complaints, but eventually he managed to make it take him seriously after he recorded many broadcasts and documented the charges of obscenity.

In the course of his crusade, Smith learned that radio obscenity is a lucrative business, considering that Mancow makes \$3 million per year. The parent broadcasting organization, Emmis Broadcasting, reported an income of \$36 million last quarter. The fines in existence at the time did not seem to be large

enough to deter Mancow's behavior. But, last year's fiasco on CBS television, with Janet Jackson and her "wardrobe failure", made the FCC more excited about the issue and more serious about the fines. Congress passed a law raising the fines from \$7000 to \$500,000. This prompted Emmis to settle. Smith now reports that the programs have improved considerably.

Mancow's type of show presents a serious situation to the community since it attracts young persons. A poll of high school students showed that they, including many 12-year olds, ranked his show at the top. This means that boys are learning the worst possible kinds of behavior regarding women and sexuality.

Mancow sued Smith in retaliation for \$3 million. The judge said that Mancow had no First Amendment claims. He termed the basis of the suit, "bizarre, insubstantial and frivolous."

The IFI wants libraries to install internet pornography filters in their computers. He told the story of a girl that was raped in a library bathroom by a man who was using a library computer to view pornography. Smith noted that the crime rate rises when sexually oriented businesses come into a community.

During the Bill Clinton years, there were no prosecutions for pornography, he added.

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If George Bush Wins

'Democrat Party Is Toast'

by Grover Norquist

The modern Democratic Party cannot survive the reelection of President George W. Bush and another four years of Republican control of both Congress and the White House.

No brag. Just fact.

The modern Democratic Party is the party of government. Its growth is the health of the state--and vice versa. Over time, all the party's building blocks are dependent on continuous support and reinforcement by the power of the central government. Trial lawyer money is now a major part of the Democratic Party, but it is wholly dependent on legislators and courts maintaining the present tort laws that allow lawyers to interject themselves into any and all contracts and relationships.

They siphon off some \$240 billion a year--\$40 billion of which stays with a few thousand lawyers. Labor unions, once the godfather of the Democratic Party but now displaced by the richer and more photogenic trial lawyers, cannot maintain their \$8 billion in compulsory union dues without the laws that make such payments mandatory.

Both wings of the dependency movement--those locked into welfare dependency and the bureaucrats who get paid well to manage others' dependency (and make sure none of them get jobs and become Republicans) are wholly dependent on legislators halting further welfare reform. Big city political machines thrive on federal grants and state-granted powers. And the coercive utopians--the radical environmentalists, animal-rights activists, feminists, and others who would use state power to force on us tiny non-flushable toilets and cars too small to hold families, take away the circus and our pet cats, and otherwise impose more fuss-budget impositions on our lives than Leviticus--all depend on government grants to use and misuse federal and state power.

But outside state power, the Democratic coalition withers and dies. Without effective control of the government, the Democratic Party is like a fish out of water, a vampire in the sun, Antaeus held aloft, an appliance unplugged. In the past, the Democratic Party could afford to lose the presidency and remain connected to its source of power--the state--through control of the House of Representatives, and often the Senate as well. Little damage was done to the structure of the Democratic Party during the interregnums of the Eisenhower, Nixon, and George H. W. Bush administrations, because their moves could be checkmated by a Democratic Congress.

With the end of 40 years of Democratic gerrymandering, states in which a majority of the congressional popular vote goes to the GOP now award a majority of congressional seats to the GOP, too. Republican-led redistricting in Texas will add an additional five to seven Republican House seats over the next few cycles. Redistricting in Texas and throughout the country ensures that Republicans will continue to control the House through 2012.

Over time, the Senate--thanks to those wonderful square states out west--will trend toward 60 Republicans as the 30 red states elect (See page 5)

Democrat Vandalism Rises in DuPage

by George Kocan

DuPage County has earned the reputation of being the most Republican county in the U.S. It is ironic, then, to see Democrats moving into the area from the most Democrat county in the U.S., Cook.

Of course, they move into DuPage because they know that this county has well run towns, promising employment opportunities, good schools and decent neighborhoods in which to raise children.

Unfortunately, many Democrats are not happy to leave well enough alone but insist on changing DuPage into another Democrat enclave just like the one they left behind in Chicago by running for local offices.

They want it to reflect their corrupt style and culture. With them, Democrats have brought to DuPage their trademark approach to electioneering. Just recently, Brenda Lane, a resident of Wheaton, wrote a letter to the Daily Herald complaining about the theft of her Bush and Keyes yard signs.

"It is a disgrace that people in this neighborhood could be so nasty," she wrote and concluded, "I realize it is a reflection of how the Democrats are conducting the presidential campaign through deceit and lies."

I have endured the same thing in past elections and even complained to the Daily Herald about it. But I have yet to experience the outrageous vandalism that beset Dave Diersen, our First Vice-Chairman, and Richard Cole, also a resident of Wheaton. Democrat vandals defaced Diersen's Bush sign with spray paint and burned Cole's to the ground (See accompanying photos.).

Things will no doubt worsen as more Democrats move into the area. The Democrats are now pushing strip clubs into DuPage County. One has filed suit against the county to force it to issue a license to operate in West Chicago, as reported in an article in the Daily Herald, August 4.

Back in May 21, the same newspaper reported that an organization of strip club owners, Association of Club Executives, has embarked on a voter registration drive and a campaign for the election of Democrat John Kerry for President. "We must do everything within our power to help ensure that Bush and his ultra conservative administration are removed from the White House," Michael Ocello, president of the asso-

ciation, wrote to 4000 club owners.

When Al Gore lost the election for President in 2000, those counties which had strip clubs and pornography stores also tended to vote Democrat.

At our last breakfast meeting, Dave Smith, with the Illinois Family Institute, observed that the crime rate in a community rises when a pornography shop moves into the neighborhood. All of which should not be surprising to responsible, thinking persons. After all, why would a person who has no problem with abortion, sodomy, pornography, adultery, perjury, and forgery, have any problem with a little arson and petty theft? Ω



Democrats set fire to Richard Cole's and defaced Dave Diersen's 4X8 Bush signs as part of a hate-crime spree in Wheaton.

(Editor's Note: We copied the following, with minor changes, from the Communist Party website (www.cpusa.com). This is the best pro-Bush ad we've seen yet.)

Top Ten Reasons to Defeat Bush - Downloadable Flyer

Author: CPUSA Political Action Commission (www.cpusa.com)

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1. **Bush is destroying workers rights and outsourcing jobs** instead of protecting the right to organize and creating new jobs rebuilding schools, bridges, roads and hospitals
2. **Bush is privatizing Medicare, Social Security and public education** with phony reforms instead of enacting health care for all, protecting retirement funds and full funding for public education through college.
3. **Bush is bankrupting the Federal Government** with giant tax cuts for the very rich and super-funds to the military instead of securing the budget for human needs by taxing the rich and spending on human needs.
4. **Bush is rolling back civil rights gains** instead of enforcing and expanding affirmative action to end racism in all areas of life.
5. **Bush is curtailing women's rights and choice** by undermining Roe v. Wade instead of upholding the right to choice and ending the gender wage gap.
6. **Bush is abusing immigrant workers** in low-wage jobs instead of providing a clear path to citizenship and equal rights.
7. **Bush is exploiting and ruining the environment** by protecting corporate polluters instead of conserving our natural resources for the public good.
8. **Bush's war in Iraq is a disaster for our security and economy.** He is pushing for more preemptive wars and for first strike nuclear military policy instead of negotiations and cooperation utilizing the UN.
9. **Bush is denying civil liberties and free speech** in the name of fighting terrorism instead of repealing the USA Patriot Act and helping cities, towns and states fund fire-fighters and police.
10. **Bush discriminates against Gays and Lesbians** with a Constitutional Amendment instead of expanding civil rights and liberties for all.

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Republicans and the 20 blue states elect Democrats. The anomaly of four Democratic senators hailing from Republican North and South Dakota will come to an end, as will the Republican-held Senate seat in Rhode Island.

With Democrats lacking a beachhead in Congress, four more years of Republican governance with President Bush in the White House will badly damage each of the pillars of the Democrat establishment. In the first term, the Bush Labor Department wrote modern, clear, and updated regulations as to who earns overtime pay, and when and how.

Trial lawyers had used archaic and unclear rules to sue companies claiming that workers who had been salaried for decades should actually have been considered hourly workers all those years and subject to overtime pay. Dozens of similarly unclear federal rules have been fodder for trial lawyer enrichment. Simply rewriting regulations to make them clear to all will cost the trial lawyers hundreds of millions of dollars.

Other shifts in national policy will also occur. Abroad, four more years under President Bush will move America and the world towards greater free trade, spreading prosperity throughout the world and bringing more countries into the trading systems that require property rights and rule of law, draining the swamps that breed radicalism and terror.

At home, a second Bush administration will permanently abolish the death tax, which not only threatens to confiscate up to half of your parents' lifetime earnings, but also leads to the creation of Rockefeller, Carnegie, and Ford Foundations that inevitably are taken over by

liberal bureaucrats.

And a steady increase in the number of honest gun owners will continue to reduce street crime and make America safer. We now have 38 states with "shall issue" concealed carry laws, and Bush just signed a law to allow all cops and retired cops to carry their guns across state lines. Over the next four years, Congress will bring such sanity to Washington, D.C., and expand the number of Americans who can carry across state lines. Less crime means fewer prison guards and parole officers, shrinking the government workforce which tends to be 10 percent more Democrat and less Republican. Solving problems without hiring a lot of government workers is a virtuous cycle.

We'll also be able to shrink the number of government workers already on the payroll. Over the next few years, a high number of middle managers in federal and state governments will become eligible for retirement, allowing government at all levels to reduce the middle management bloat that the private sector shed in the 1980s--but through painless attrition rather than bitter mass layoffs. This will save taxpayers billions and make government more competent and accountable.

Meanwhile, four more years of GOP control means four more years where labor laws are not changed to force workers to pay dues to join unions they don't wish to join. Twenty-two states have Right to Work laws to limit compulsory unionism; that number will grow, and the decline of labor unions from 33 percent of the workforce in the 1950s to 20 percent in 1980 to 13 percent today will continue. Every worker who doesn't join the union is another worker who doesn't pay \$500 a year to organized labor's political machine. **(See page 8)**



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Conservatives Should Lead GOP

by **David John Diersen**
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GOPUSA.com Illinois Editor

Conservative bashing is getting increasingly outrageous in Illinois. On Sunday, September 26, 2004, the Chicago Tribune posted an article by John Chase titled "State GOP wrestling for identity - Poll shows far right failing to connect."

On Monday, September 27, 2004, CBS2 posted an article by Associated Press reporter Maura Kelly Lannan titled "Topinka says polls show GOP must be moderate to win."

The GOP's platform (<http://www.gop.com/media/2004platform.pdf>) is conservative and the GOP exists to advance conservative solutions to solve America's problems.

The Democrat Party's platform (<http://a9.g.akamai.net/7/9/8082/v002/www.democrats.org/pdfs/2004platform.pdf>) is liberal and the Democrat Party exists to advance liberal solutions to solve America's problems.

While conservatives support all of the GOP platform, moderates do not. Sadly, many moderates reject most if not all of its planks on social issues.

Outrageously,
-- few Illinois GOP leaders are conservative;
-- many moderate Illinois GOP leaders are far more critical of conservatives than they are of Democrats;
-- some moderate Illinois GOP leaders continue to outrageously blame Scott Fawell's problems, George Ryan's problems, and the party's 2000 and 2002 election losses on conservatives;
-- some moderate GOP leaders act as though the only reason they seek or hold their positions is to drive conservatives out of the GOP and turn the GOP into the Democrat Party; and
-- some Illinois GOP leaders say they are conservative, but routinely cave into pressure from GOP moderate leaders, do not support other conservatives, and badmouth and undermine conservatives to save or advance their positions in the party.

DuPage County is the most prosperous and the safest county in Illinois because its residents and its leaders, especially Henry Hyde and Pate Philip, have believed in



Dave Diersen

and have advanced conservative social values. Sadly, because of Jim Thompson and other moderates, Illinois missed much of the Reagan revolution.

Needless-to-say, President Bush, Vice President Cheney, and U.S. Senate Candidate Alan Keyes are not moderates -- they are conservatives.

Two of the biggest obstacles that President Bush, Vice President Cheney, U.S. Senate Candidate Alan Keyes, the GOP, GOP office holders, and GOP candidates have in Illinois are anti-conservative media bias and the lack of support from moderate GOP leaders who constantly foist their own problems on conservatives and say or act like only moderates can win in Illinois.

There is plenty of room in the GOP's "big tent" for moderates. But only those who have demonstrated that they are ready, willing, and able to advance all of the GOP platform should hold leadership positions in the Illinois GOP.

According to the liberal Chicago Tribune's own recent poll, 62 percent of Illinois Republicans say they are conservative. Needless-to-say,

-- only those who are ready, willing, and able to advance all of the GOP platform should hold leadership positions in the Illinois GOP;

-- no one who says or acts like only moderates can win in Illinois should hold leadership positions in the Illinois GOP; and

-- all of the leaders of the Illinois GOP at all levels, especially its next Chairman, should be conservatives who have demonstrated that they are ready, willing, and able to advance all of the GOP platform, not just those planks they agree with.

To say that only moderates can win in Illinois, is to say that President Bush, Vice President Cheney, and U.S. Senate Candidate Alan Keyes cannot win in Illinois, and that becomes a self-fulfilling prophesy. Those who say or act like only moderates can win in Illinois should not have leadership roles in the Illinois GOP. Further, they should not run for any office in Illinois as a Republican.

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<http://GOPUSA.com>.

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TAPROOT's Next Breakfast Meeting

Saturday, October 16, 2004

Bruno Behrend
Field Director for FreedomWorks
dedicated to sound economic policies
will speak about Illinois' massive tax increase in HB750

8:00 am, the talk starts at 8:30 am
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Four more years of President Bush will also accelerate one of the most important demographic changes in America over the past 20 years: the number of Americans who own stock. In 1980, only 20 percent of adults owned stocks in mutual funds, 401ks, IRAs and direct contribution pensions. Today, that number is over 60 percent and growing.

Bush wants to create Retirement Savings Accounts to allow every American to sock away up to \$5,000 for retirement tax-free; similarly, the president has proposed Lifetime Savings Accounts allowing Americans to save \$7,500 for education, housing, or health costs during their working lives. Every American who owns his own mutual fund is decreasingly susceptible to the siren call of class warfare. (How did Dick Gephardt do this primary season?)

According to pollster Scott Rasmussen, if you own \$5000 in stock you are 18 percent less likely to be a Democrat and more likely to be a Republican. Every demographic group, including race, gender, age, and income, becomes more Republican with stock ownership. Four more years of more and bigger individual retirement accounts, health savings accounts, RSAs, and LSAs means four more years of more Republicans and fewer Democrats.

Last, a Bush-Cheney victory in November will create the conditions for a constructive contest among leading Republican governors and senators for the presidential nomination in 2008. Dick Cheney's heart troubles mean that he will retire with Bush in 2009. Usually the sitting vice president is the natural enemy of all ambitious politicians of his party, but now all Republicans want a Bush-Cheney victory in 2004, so they can run for an open presidential ticket in 2008.

The Democrats face the opposite dilemma: Every ambitious Democrat hopes Kerry-Edwards fails, so that the presidency will open for her (or him) in 2008 rather than in 2012, 2016, or 2020. A Bush-Cheney win will lead to Republican governors from Colorado, Mississippi, Florida, Texas, Massachusetts, Minnesota, and New York to compete to be the most Reaganite governor--a positive result no matter who wins.

And a Bush-Cheney win in 2004 will leave Terry McAuliffe and Bill and Hillary in complete and unchallenged control of the Democratic Party at least through 2008. This is good for the Republicans, if not the republic.

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