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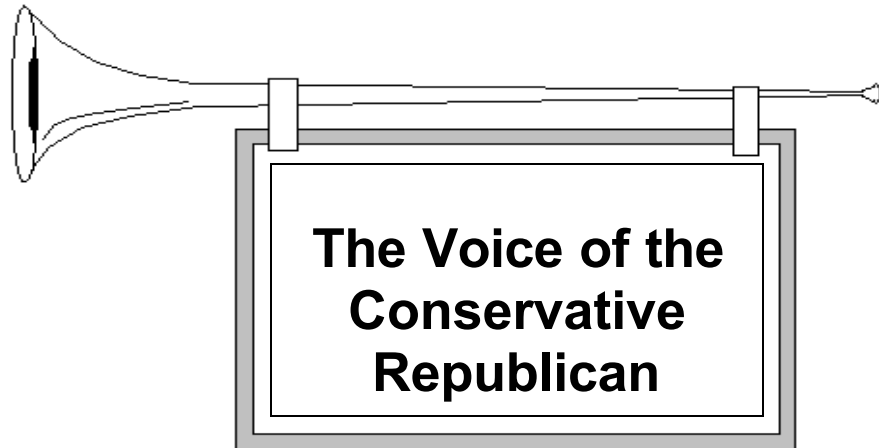
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**For if the
TRUMPET
give an
uncertain
sound, who
shall prepare
himself to the
battle?**

1 Cor. 14:8



Republican Unity Will Beat Blago

Actions Topinka should take to motivate the 362,820 who voted for Oberweis or Brady to help defeat Blagojevich
by Dave Diersen

The Illinois Republican Party (IRP) platform is conservative and the Illinois Democrat Party (IDP) platform is liberal. The IRP exists to elect candidates who will advance the conservative IRP platform and the IDP exists to elect candidates who will advance the liberal IDP platform. Tragically, if reelected, **Rod Blagojevich** will do even more damage to Illinois during the next 4 years advancing the liberal IDP platform than he has done during the last 4 years.

Conservatives, that is, people who support the IRP platform, are the base of the IRP. The IRP platform is for traditional marriage and against illegal immigration. Conservatives want elected officials to protect traditional marriage and to not do anything that encourages illegal immigration. Needless-to-say, if you run as a Republican in Illinois, you should advance the IRP platform even

if you personally reject some of its planks. Sadly, many people who voted for **Judy Baar Topinka** on March 21 reject important planks in the IRP platform and/or are involved in politics to get or keep government jobs and contracts.

For the March 21 Republican primary election, 362,820 conservative Illinois Republicans voted for either **Jim Oberweis** or **Bill Brady** – 219,016 (32%) voted for **Oberweis** and 133,804 (19%) voted for **Brady** -- together, they received 51 percent of the vote. Election results show that most of **Brady's** votes came from his Senate District and surrounding areas. Your GOPUSA Illinois Editor was one of the 229,016 who voted for **Oberweis**. Both **Oberweis** and **Brady** agree that **Topinka** would be a much better governor for Illinois than **Blagojevich**. To defeat **Blagojevich**, **Topinka** needs to motivate the 362,820 who voted for **Oberweis** or **Brady**. To do that, I hope that she would do the following, but sadly, I doubt that she will do any of the following:

- Replace all her advisors, campaign staff, and volunteers who blame Illinois' problems on conservatives with people who by both their words and by their actions have shown that they are conservative and that they support the IRP platform;
- Call for **Bob Kjellander** to resign (even if he does not give his OK to do that);
- Sign the Americans for Tax Reform "No Tax Pledge";
- Promise to support the IRP platform; (See page 2)

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-- Promise to stop blaming Illinois' problems on people who support the IRP platform;
-- Promise to end the culture of corruption in state government;
-- Promise to not accept contributions from companies that do business with the state;
-- Promise to promote the Pro-Family Marriage Amendment;
-- Promise to do nothing that promotes homosexual activity, abortion, illegal immigration, or race or gender based preference giving;
-- Promise to do nothing that helps elect Democrats;
-- Stop using sexist language;
-- Make your and **Joe Birkett's** top priority meeting with and listening to **Oberweis** and **Brady**; their campaign managers, their key campaign staff, their contributors, and their volunteers; and the 362,820 people who voted for them -- ask them why they voted for **Oberweis** or for **Brady** instead of **Topinka**;
-- Make your and **Birkett's** second priority meeting with **Rauschenberger** and **Wegman**; their campaign managers, their key campaign staff, their volunteers, and their volunteers; and the 285,968 people who voted for them -- ask them why they voted for **Rauschenberger** or for **Wegman** instead of **Birkett**.

Of course, the anti-conservatives will advise **Topinka** to overtly bad-mouth all conservatives or to split conservatives into two groups -- those who voted for **Oberweis** and those who voted for **Brady** -- by badmouthing conservatives who voted for **Oberweis** and by praising conservatives who voted for **Brady**. If **Topinka** continues to take the advice of anti-conservatives, like **Jim Ryan** did, she will surely lose. Of course, outrageously, **Kjellander** and **Jim Edgar** will tell **Topinka** and **Birkett** to treat **Brady** and conservative leaders who supported **Brady** as being the spokespersons for the party's base.

Needless-to-say, it is beyond outrageous that **Kjellander** and **Edgar**, people who outrageously argue that conservatives cannot win statewide offices in Illinois, would determine who speaks for conservatives in Illinois. Illinois conservatives should hold an election to determine who speaks for them. It seems obvious to me that if such an election was held and it was conducted in a way that avoided the concerns raised about the September 17, 2005 Conservative Summit, **Oberweis** would win -- **Oberweis** would defeat **Brady** by about the same margin that **Oberweis** defeated **Brady** in the March 21 primary election.

The sad reality is that every opinion leader in Illinois who says that they are conservative but who did not endorse **Oberweis** or **Brady** for the March 21 primary election constructively endorsed **Topinka**. After it became clear that **Oberweis** was substantially ahead of **Brady** in all the credible polls and that **Topinka** would win if **Brady** did not withdraw and endorse **Oberweis**, I called for **Brady** to withdraw and to endorse **Oberweis**. Sadly, **Brady** then turned up his attacks on **Oberweis** and outrageously argued that all the polls were wrong and that he was substantially ahead of **Oberweis** and that **Oberweis** was falling and that he was gaining.

Clearly, if **Brady** had withdrawn and endorsed **Oberweis**, **Oberweis** would have won. I am very disappointed with those who say that they
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Appeasement Can't Bring Peace

by Bob Graham

Dear Gary,

I served in Vietnam and I see the same sort of people who stabbed us in the back, when I was in Vietnam, supporting the enemy now. The queers, the movie stars, the Hollywood elite, the liberal TV media, the moral degenerate politicians of the left (the Clinton's, the Kennedy's, Kerry, Jesse Jackson, etc.), the liberal press (New York Times, LA Times, Washington Post, USA Today, etc.), atheists and agnostics--in other words the scum of the US. How do you explain that the peace movement seems to appeal to the morally degenerates of our nation? Our officers and men in Iraq are among our nation's finest.

The same sort of cowardly hippy types of the 1960's are crawling out from under their rocks and calling for appeasement and imagining that they are helping bring peace. Appeasement has never brought peace. Victory is the only way to peace, and in this world, peace is just a lull between wars.

We are fighting a war that began 1300 years ago in Saudi Arabia and it has been going in fits and starts ever

since Mohammad and his bandits started robbing caravans around 700 AD. It is Islam against civilization. The war heated up again in the 1990's, but that sneak Clinton did nothing and then came 9/11. As long as there is a Koran and a Muslim, we will be at war. War and conquest are at the very heart of Islam.

I thank God that we had a brave and capable leader like George Bush to lead us to victory in the first two battles against Islam's. We can thank God the cowardly bunglers, Gore and Kerry, were not in power over the last 5 years. We should pray that the femi-nazi Hillary is not elected in 2008.

Defeat in battle is the one thing Muslims understand. They believe that victory shows that Allah is with them. Defeat is taken as Allah's displeasure. Allah seems to be hiding from the terrorists.

The Iraq war and the war in Afghanistan were important victories in the war with Islam. Hundreds of the most fanatical Muslims have been killed and captured, terrorist camps have been destroyed, Libya surrendered its nuclear program and WMD's, Saddam's capability to produce WMD's is gone, the nuclear pipeline from Pakistan has been closed down, and the backbone of Muslim leaders in "friendly" nations all over the Arab world has been strengthened, resulting in the death and capture of hundreds of terrorists.

The maggot infested, pot smoking traitors in 1969 did have a slogan, "**What if they gave a war and nobody came?**" It is not only simplistic, it is stupid. Bin Laden and his Islamo-fascists care right to the Trade Center in New York City, and they would have become increasingly bolder if we had not taken up the challenge. The main reason why the US has not been attacked since 9/11 is our success in Iraq and Afghanistan. Acting like a bunch of stupid ostriches will not bring peace.

One thing more: God is a God of War as well as being a God of love. God's mighty men were soldiers--Warriors like David, Joshua, Abraham, Gideon, etc. Jesus respected the Roman soldier who came to him and did not tell him to leave the military. He told his disciples to carry swords. Cornelius was not forced to give up his commission. John the Baptist told the soldiers who came to him to obey their officers and be good soldiers. He did not tell them to become pot smoking peace fanatics. Soldiers are credited as being one factor for the rapid spread of Christianity all over the empire. Christianity is a religion that appeals to soldiers. It certainly appealed to me when the mortar shells were flying. (See page 4)

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are conservative but voted for **Brady** anyway knowing full well that their vote for **Brady** was really a vote for **Topinka**. I disagree with those **Brady** supporters who say they are conservative but did not urge **Brady** to withdraw after it became clear that **Topinka** would win if he did not do so.

I disagree with those **Brady** supporters who say they are conservative but argue that **Topinka** or **Blagojevich** would be a better governor for Illinois than **Oberweis**. I anticipated increased attacks against me from certain **Topinka** supporters, especially after she won. But I am very sad about the increased attacks against me from certain **Brady** supporters who say that they are conservative -- it seems that they are blinded by their hatred of **Oberweis**, blinded by their hatred of **Jack Roeser**, are really members of the combine, want to be members of the combine, or are unwitting dupes of the combine.

Sadly, I predict that if **Topinka** reaches out to those leaders who say they are conservative, she will a) reach out only to those who did not support **Oberweis**, b) state or imply that those who supported **Brady** are "mainstream" and people who she can "work with," and c) state, imply, or clandestinely imply that those who supported **Oberweis** are "extremists" and "kooks." #

Hypocrites Blast Cardinal George

by Wayne Lela

Cardinal Francis George and the Archdiocese of Chicago are coming under some deserved criticism for the ineptness revealed in the archdiocese's fumbling responses to the sexual abuse of young people by its priests.

But every now and then that criticism will come from someone who takes the opportunity to also simultaneously blast Cardinal George for refusing to give communion to pro-homosexual parishioners who wore rainbow sashes to Pentecost masses as a symbol of "inclusiveness." (A recent letter-to-the-editor to the Tribune is such a case in point.) The irony is delicious. "Why?" you may ask.

It is a well-documented fact that many homosexuals were sexually abused when young. Indeed, there are so many more cases of sexual abuse than there are cases of homosexuality that sexual abuse can theoretically account for EVERY case of homosexuality. Because being a victim of sexual abuse is such a common characteristic among homosexuals (for example, some estimates of the percentage of lesbians who were sexually abused when young run as high as 80%), when someone says they are homosexual our first response should be to try and find out if that person was a victim of sexual abuse. (However, some may not remember the abuse if they were too young when it happened---say one or two or three years old---and some may suppress the memory of it if the memory is too painful.)

From the propaganda being spread by many homosexuals and their supporters, though (the dominant theme of that propaganda being that homosexuals were born homosexual), one would think that sexual abuse was hardly even a factor in the formation of sexual dis-orientations. In effect, due to this lack of attention by many homosexuals and their supporters to sexual abuse, many sexual abusers get clean away with their abuse. So, if many homosexuals and their supporters are not very concerned about sexual abuse, how can these hypocrites blast Cardinal George for his archdiocese's fumbling attempts to deal with it?

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Gary, I know that you are a good Christian man. I said what I wanted to say and I hope that I didn't hurt your feelings. If I did, I apologize and I do respect you. Vietnam left me with a rage that I find hard to contain and it is directed to those who support our enemies in the name of peace. Thank you, Doctor. I feel so much better now that I've unloaded on you. #

And what kind of "people" are not concerned with the sexual abuse of children? What kind of "people" put a political cause (the promotion of homosexual activity) above concern for the truth and for childhood sexual abuse? Sometimes one has to wonder how these people can live with themselves and their mind-boggling hypocrisy. #

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ran and lost against Republican Congressman Judy Biggert in the 13th Congressional District. Rather than putting up a better candidate than Hynes, the Democrat leadership simply failed to financially support their candidate.

Is this how morally superior political parties are supposed to treat their people? Doesn't this show something profoundly disturbing about the Democrat Party? Is Republican "self mutilation" the real issue about which Republicans should concern themselves? #

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Democrats Mistreat Their People

by George Kocan

Some Republicans seem to have come away from last month's election with a gloomy outlook. I have seen the term, "self-mutilation" used. Democrats, we are told, appear to heal themselves more quickly than do Republicans, although they experience similar problems. Republicans, we are told, should forget past campaigns and move on. This is where I disagree.

In forgetting the past so quickly, we risk failing to learn from our mistakes. One mistake is to misunderstand why Democrats re-unite so readily. They do so, because they agree more completely on their political goals and ideology. It matters little, in the long run, whether Tammie Duckworth raises taxes in Congress or Christine Cegelis. They agree that taxes must rise. Different Republicans on the other hand run their campaigns with different goals in mind. These goals do not disappear once the primary election ends.

Another mistake attributes a rough moral equivalence to the parties, which leads to both misunderstanding and underestimating the Democrat Party. The public posture of the Democrat party assumes a stance of moral superiority. It guides and informs almost everything it does.

For example, when terrorists blew up the Murrah Federal Building in 1995, then Democrat President Bill Clinton, a man impeached and convicted of perjury, blamed talk radio. Blaming talk radio is the same as blaming Republicans. Clinton as much as called Republican radio talk host Rush Limbaugh a racist. Democrats routinely associate the Republican

Party with NAZI's, Adolph Hitler, the KKK, dictatorship and whatever else may come to mind. The subtext, which this message conveys, says that Democrats are just the opposite: for all practical purposes, Democrats can do no wrong.

In this light I propose reviewing the Democrat primary election for Congress in the 6th Congressional District, to replace Republican Henry Hyde. In a previous election Democrat Christine Cegelis came close to beating him. I surmised from the news reports that she did it the old fashioned way. She knocked on doors. I don't know, but I guess she may have knocked on thousands of doors, in good weather, in bad weather, when things were not going well, when duties from work and family competed.

Likewise, she shook hands at train stations. She ate rubber chicken at union gatherings and grass roots organizations. She built up a base of supporters, people who came to know her and trust her. She raised funds, probably from a lot relatives, then more from business people and true-believers.

Over the years, Cegelis had built up this base of support, and what did the leadership of the Democrat Party do? Illinois Democrat Senator Dick Durbin and Chicago Congressman Rahm Emmanuel found a prettier face and a politically sexier candidate, who did not even live in the 6th Congressional District, Army Major Tammy Duckworth.

Now, I claim that this was not a fluke born of desperation to beat Republican Peter Roskam, who did the same kind of grunt work to build up grassroots support and win the Party's nomination. I say this, because the Democrat leadership did something similar to Susan Hynes who (See page 4)

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