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Before a packed house of SIRC members and visitors at Plantation Club, Chatham County District Attorney Meg Heap gave a riveting summary of the fight against gang violence in Chatham County. Now in her fifth year as DA, she exhibited her energetic approach to all facets of this crucial effort, citing heartbreaking incidents where unsupervised juveniles and younger children were apparently well on their way to a life of crime.

Her department's efforts are evidently stretched to their limits, with over 16,000 active criminal cases in Chatham County courts, with 42 of DA staff devoted to combatting gang violence in Savannah. Yet, even with federal help, she characterized the fight as limited due to the systemic risk of boys in fatherless homes who have no male role models but drug dealers in their neighborhood.

Her DA department efforts are also hampered by laws on juvenile criminals being too lenient and sympathetic to the attempts to rehabilitate the hardened ones or protect their privacy. Shooting victims but not killing them gets juvenile criminals too easy a path back to the environment which allowed that to happen. And the supplier of guns to a 13-year-old needs to have stronger criminal penalties as a deterrent.

The accused shooter in the July 5 three-fatality incident downtown was only 17 and a known gang member. Because of feared retaliation by rival gangs, several activities were canceled (Battle of the Bands and Homecoming at a high school).

As a further problem, the state's Parole Board seems to have an overly sympathetic tendency to release hardened criminals who may be an imminent threat to repeat their criminal activity.

Meg did recount a conviction of a clueless sympathizer who published witnesses' names on line as a foolhardy effort to intimidate them into not cooperating with prosecutors in an upcoming trial.

Current Efforts to Combat Crime

In addition to working with state and federal agencies, the DA's office has new effective procedures, e.g. Designated Felony Statute (juveniles can do prison time for certain crimes), Open Records (juveniles who are designated felons may have their records requested by the general public) and Touch DNA facilities (to identify who owned the gun when it was ditched).

One successful effort involved undercover work in a local park where guns and drugs were being dealt. After convictions, this had a measurable effect in that neighborhood, and perhaps an unmeasurable effect as a deterrent due to fears of future "stings".

Also starting to enforce even minor offences does work (along the lines of the "broken window" theory), as fear of prosecution does have some effect. It definitely works to threaten prosecution under federal crimes, because prison time under those crimes has little chance of parole. Using confiscated money in drug busts (some \$50,000), without depleting other crime-fighting budgets, the DA has been able to create an elaborate data base of crucial information in detecting the source of gang crime.

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Another success was identifying the source of drug trafficking and gang violence plans as coming from prisons themselves. These former criminal leaders, now in jail, were actively planning activities using cell phones smuggled in to them in prison. Guards themselves were sometimes complicit in this, via bribery.

Q&A

1. On Georgia Parole Board's being perceived as too lenient, Meg stressed that members are appointed by the Georgia governor. (The implication is that some of these Parole Board members are appointed not necessarily by pure merit for the job but as political gratitude.)

2. On those providing guns to potential felons and to juveniles, who would not qualify for a gun license, there needs to be stronger penalties and even felony convictions, even for women who are enablers.

3. On the need for male role models for juveniles in broken homes, ideally it could come from black males in the community (or NFL or NBA players), but even white males could have an influence.

4. On the wisdom of getting a concealed carry permit, the suggestion was to also do a lot of practice with a weapon, because if you have one, you need to be very responsible in how to use it. (Meg herself has done so, partially because of the risk of retribution from gangs in other locales against prosecutors of gang violence.)

5. Someone from Huntsville, Alabama suggested that breaking up the "public housing projects" there had a beneficial effect on crime in Huntsville, although he conceded the residents merely went to other cities.

6. The Chatham County *Youth Intercept* Program is making strides to combat crime. When a young victim of intentional violence is taken to the emergency room, the Youth Intercept Program steps in to offer vital help. This commhospital-based program helps reduce recidivism among 12 to 25 year-olds, with a path out of violence for kids caught up in crime or the victims of violent crime.

7. Georgia House Representative Jesse Petrea echoed the concern about the risks of juveniles growing up in broken families with little parental supervision and no responsible male role models. He also referred to a pending state law to go after prison guards and others who enable illegal cell phones to be smuggled into prisons to allow future crime planning (they detected some 20,000 of these in Georgia prisons today).



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How to Combat the Radical Left, as revealed in *Big Agenda*, President Trump's Plan to Save America

Throwing out the leftist reviewers of this book as being really upset that this message is now out, one of the conservative reviewers views this book by David Horowitz as really the big agenda that he ascribes to Donald Trump. Horowitz was a former leftist who has seen the light and can correctly view the dangers of the current progressive agenda against which he wrote this book.

Horowitz's latest and big focus is on the effects of radical Islam or even baseline Islam. Examples:

- "Unlike Christianity or Judaism, Islam is a supremacist religion that regards non-Muslims as infidels who must be eliminated or subdued."
- "The effects of these beliefs are etched in Islam's 1,400-year history of bloody conquest."
- "Sponsors of Islamic terrorism like the Muslim Brotherhood and powerful Islamic states, most notably Iran, are promoting a genocidal war against the Jews and openly seek to establish a global caliphate — a world state under Islamic law — would abrogate the constitutions that guarantee basic freedoms & individual rights."

Another reviewer cites some leading conservatives urging the reading of this book and adopting its goals. Rush Limbaugh, Ann Coulter, Dinesh D'Souza and Lou Dobbs promoting true conservatives to jump on Trump's (but possibly Horowitz's) strategy to undo the destructive policies of Barack Obama's eight years to try to move America radically left.

Democrats Have Gone Far, Far Left

Horowitz views the entire Democratic party as having adopted Saul Alinsky tactics to destroy traditional religion, setting up a new one: Global Warming Alarmism, which fits in nicely in the mode of world government in the guise of "saving the planet." Don't let them sell out America's sovereignty on the world stage. Don't ignore the effects of another political movement masquerading as a religion, namely Islamic fundamentalism.

Horowitz's recommended antidote: be aggressive in exposing the progressive agenda, using moral force. Don't allow their indoctrination of youth in schools and identify progressives as having deleterious solutions even in seeming innocuous venues such as the Ford Foundation's goals.

He also exposes the depth of Democratic machinations in trying to achieve the above radicalization of America under cover of a very complicit Obama administration for eight years.

And what would happen if those disciples ever regain power: e.g. Bernie Sanders, Elizabeth Warren (and no longer a likelihood Hillary Clinton).? But also be wary of

Obama returning in some way to try to retain his "legacy" of making America progressive.

Need Immediate Goals

To combat this risk if a progressive sellout, Horowitz recommends an immediate set of goals:

- Nix illegal immigration and amnesty,
- Get energy independence,
- Attack IRS malfeasance,
- Dismantle Obamacare,
- Defund sanctuary cities,
- Restore Guantanamo Prison,
- Fill Trump promise of a New Deal for black America.

Are These Trump's Tactics?

He also reveals what he believes are (or ought to be) Trump's tactics in accomplishing the above:

- Remove Obama's secret "deep state" of loyal aides still in office plotting to destroy Trump!
- Make America Great Again abroad, by putting China in its place, Iran on notice and Israel back as a loyal friend.
- An order to move the U.S. embassy to Jerusalem will shock the world.
- A radical new tax plan will spur economic growth to levels not seen since President Reagan!
- Total war on ISIS will change the Middle East forever.
- Turn the tables on the liberal media.
- End the racial divide and Democratic ownership of the black vote
- Reduce the influence of public unions
- Expose how "socialist" Democrats are mainstreaming into America.
- Stop the assault on the Second Amendment.
- Appoint conservative justices to the Supreme Court and other federal judiciary
- Remove Obama's radical changes to federal rules/regulations: in Obamacare and EPA overreach.
- Dispel the myth of "systemic racism."



The author David Horowitz was described by one reviewer as "currently an American conservative writer and founder of *FrontPage Magazine*. He was raised by parents who were members of the Communist Party, USA. Until 1975, Horowitz was an outspoken adherent of the New Left before rejecting Leftism completely."

Prospects in a Troubled World

U.S. Senator David Perdue visited Skidaway Island on August 22 and made some sobering remarks to a Skidaway Island Republican Club audience at an Oakridge Club luncheon. He began by disclosing how humbling is his experience at serving in the stately United States Senate. Especially as he essentially was a total outsider to politics, and this was his first election. He is among only a few with real world corporate experience there, carrying a linear approach to solving problems – identify the obstacles and craft a way to solving them. In fact, he's the only Fortune 500 CEO in Congress today.

During the remainder of his remarks, he expressed his frustration with how real solutions exist for our country's myriad of problems, but career politicians don't see them or choose to ignore them. That explains his initial effort to get term limits enacted to keep getting new blood into the system. This was in the spirit of the Founding Fathers to have a citizenry electorate versus career politicians. Since there are so many career politicians in the Legislative Branch, he's not very optimistic on getting term limits, short of having the states enact a constitutional amendment.

The New Administration's First 100 Days

Overall, he was complimentary:

- A new conservative Supreme Court justice was confirmed – Neil Gorsuch. Further, there is a pathway to getting 138 new federal judges being confirmed by a simple majority of the Senate. Thank you to Harry Reid for using the “nuclear option” in 2011 to bypass a filibuster on confirmations.
- Over 800 government regulations have been eliminated.
- Over 500 bureaucrats from the Veterans Affairs Administration have been fired for not doing their job. Previously, they were protected from getting fired, but President Trump and Congress took action that allows the VA Secretary to hold employees accountable.
- Illegal border crossings are down by half.

He is also very cognizant of the four major commitments from Trump's winning campaign:

1. Supreme Court - a conservative replacement for Justice Scalia – done
2. ACA repeal – missed by three votes – Susan Collins, Lisa Murkowski and John McCain. The first two were because there was a mere \$100 million underfunding for one year of Planned Parenthood. Perdue attributed the whole failure to miscalculations from the GOP leadership. (Democrat leaders never seem to have these surprises from their membership.) Perdue believe the final Senate Bill would have gone a long way to replace ACA, and reduce premiums to lower income people via the

CRUZ amendment allowing an opt out of Obama-Care provisions by state.

3. Regulatory reform – is well on its way. We're witnessing the largest regulatory rollback since Ronald Reagan.

4. Tax Reform – is crucially needed and will be dealt with next. The U.S. is sorely behind the rest of the world on corporate taxation, with the highest rate, and with no relief on repatriation of profits made overseas. Britain has already reduced its corporate rate twice, and is now down to 17% (Ireland's is 12%), recognizing that corporations will move headquarters based on tax policy.

Chemical/pharmaceutical giant Bayer has already engineered a takeover of Monsanto merely by using tax arbitrage to pay for the buyout.

Another key is tax simplification for individuals. A simple flat tax would be great, or a FAIR tax on consumption, but not a combination of both, like in Europe (which can take more than 40% of GDP for their federal governments).

Perdue also led the charge against a border adjustment tax, which now seems dead. It gives too much temptation for government to raise tax levels instead of cutting spending.

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Major Threats

Perdue then summarized the two major crises facing America: global security threats (North Korea, ISIS, and other Islamic extremists in Iran, not to mention Russia and China) and our debt crisis (we officially owe \$20 trillion, with the prospect of it doubling again in ten years).

He was therefore astonished at the rising support for a Bernie Sanders proposal for Medicare for All, which would cut our discretionary spending substantially.

He was also surprised that Congress has never disclosed to Americans a decent look at a federal balance sheet. What are our total official and unofficial liabilities? He said it was north of \$135 Trillion that we are leaving as a legacy to our children and grandchildren! That's a debt of over \$1 million per household that theoretically should be repaid over their lifetime.

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Despite this gloomy prospect, he was at least harkened by the seemingly more responsible states with 35 GOP governors, and control of state legislatures as never before. Many states have balanced budget amendments and are much closer to the electorate's wishes than Washington.

He recalled the utopian dream of Great Society legislation passed during a Democratic controlled Washington under Lyndon Johnson. After over \$20 trillion spent, the poverty rate now is no better than before.

On the foreign side, Perdue has seen a rise in support for America under Trump (despite what you read in the biased national press). Our allies applaud the idea of America becoming a leader in the world again, after Obama's "leading from behind." The NATO Secretary actually credited Trump with getting NATO countries to commit to funding more of its military needs.

Q&A Session

How to handle the Obama loyalist leftovers in Washington? Little known is the disgraceful tactic of Chuck Schumer in demanding 30 hours of debate on each new nominee. At that rate, it will take 11 years to get Trump's replacements in. Some of Obama's holdovers have even been promoted to higher offices making them harder to root them out.

Why can't Congress members be on the same health plan as the rest of America and do they have excessive pension plans? The health insurance is for the most part in individual policies on state exchanges. And the retirement plan for Senators is just merely competitive (Editor's note: 1.7% for each year in office, up to 20 and 1% thereafter. Retire at discount at age 62, for five years of vested service, no discount at age 50 with 20 years of service, and full pension at retirement after 25 years of service.)

Does the Military have enough spare parts? Nearly two-thirds of Navy's strike fighters can't fly. Of 58 Army brigades, only three are combat ready to fight tonight. The U.S. Navy needs at least \$26 billion a year over the next 30 years to get a 355-ship Navy to meet combatant commander requirements. This is a legacy mostly of Obama's intended destruction of our capability, but under GW Bush, several conflicts have diverted some \$2.5 trillion that would have gone to current readiness.

How to get the resources to recommit the military? Given what is already committed in non-discretionary spending, the best way is to grow the economy, which Trump is trying to do, with some resistance even from career GOP politicians.

How to grow the Economy? Fix the budget process which is broken in antiquated and arcane rules, that the private sector would be shocked to find out, e.g. no audit has ever been done on the Department of Defense. Save the concept of Medicare, Social Security and Medicaid, but modernize them. Why are too many

people using very expensive Hospital emergency care facilities, instead of some 4,000 federal and state sponsored clinics around the country?

Attack the root causes of rising medical care costs, e.g. chronic illnesses, such as heart disease and diabetes.

Educate the public on what the solutions are. It may be too late for Universities, as Perdue found out that two-thirds of UGA faculty donations went to the candidacy of Bernie Sanders - a socialist who would bankrupt America as we know it today.

Perdue's Final Two Points

Ronald Reagan warned that we are never more than one generation away from losing the American dream of freedom and prosperity.

Here's what concerned citizens can do:

- Stay in constant touch with your elected officials.
- Tell them what you want them to do and *thank them* when they do something you like.
- Contact Republicans in Blue or Purple states and urge them to support President Trump's agenda. Even contact Democrat politicians - by phone, email, instant messaging and letters.



David A. Perdue's first venture into politics resulted in his winning the election to the Senate from the state of Georgia in 2014. With a degree in industrial engineering from Georgia Tech, he rose to be CEO of Reebok, and finished his corporate career as CEO of Dollar General. He currently serves on the powerful Armed Services, Banking, Budget, and Agriculture Committees.



Political Earthquakes: Fault Lines that Demand Our Attention, But Are Not Making Front Page News.

At this initial seminar sponsored by the Savannah Council of World Affairs. Georgia Southern University Professor Van Tassell's basic thesis is that just like Earthquakes are hard to predict when they will happen, you can look at the fault lines to see *where* the next likely ones might hit.

His framework was in three basic components of world culture: **Ideology, Society and Material/Technology**. And observed that the intensity of fault lines (which sometimes interconnect) is putting the Globe on a collision course of major crises.

The Fault Lines (in no particular order of importance):

Population - Too Many People; Too Few Resources – Adding a billion to world population now takes only 13 years not a century like it used to until the 1900s. Will resources be able to keep up? Can nations impose a one-child policy to combat?

Hunger - Unevenly distributed worldwide. What should priorities be? Generating wealth or alleviating poverty?

Human Rights - Do they exist by virtue of being a person? or privileges? Is healthcare one of them?

Energy - Carbon-based now; creates huge efficiencies for progress, but may run out in 100 years. What will replace it? (Ed. note: Peak Oil theory less of a concern with the emergence of fracking and new discoveries.)

Weapons of Mass Destruction - Hydrogen bombs are thousands times more destructive than the Hiroshima or Nagasaki atomic bombs, In the wrong hands they could possibly wipe out or push humanity back to the stone age.

Environment - Concerns: Climate Change, Deforestation, Radioactive waste, Desertification, Water Pollution, Air Pollution, AIDS/HIV.

Terrorism - Events may be increasing (Ed. note: the threat of nuclear and other weapons of mass destruction could be exported by rogue nations to terrorist groups.)

Peace Keeping - much harder now; some nations more belligerent, with religious fanaticism on the rise.

Future of the Nation-State - Evolving as the basic governing block; are nations too selfish to keep the survival of the planet as a primary goal? What is the best way of looking out for the earth's interests?

Further exacerbating the complexity of solutions are four general characteristics of these latest faultline threats: Relatively new (in scheme of history); growing rapidly; many interdependent; may need a collective response.

Q&A and Comments

Audience seemed to want to prioritize the threats, with Global Warming high on the list. Or now "Climate Change", one observer viewed us pulling out of the Paris Accords as a major mistake.

Alternative Observations

This produced an observation from another attendee. 80% of the world's nations are rather poor (less GDP than that of Arizona). They want reparations from the G20 nations, as they never can industrialize, especially if carbon dioxide is viewed as a noxious substance.

UN charter may also not be the best design for solving the above threats, and should not be a means of world governance. The U.S. Constitution (basically unchanged and fabulously successful for over 200 years) was built on the premise that the best government decisions are those made closest to the people, ceding federal power only when necessary, such as for defense or foreign policy.

Furthermore, a conclave of world economists met right after the 2007 IPCC conference. They voted combatting global warming 30th out of the 30 perils facing the world (those 30 perils strikingly similar to Professor Tassell's).

A further audience sentiment regretted that religious fanaticism on the rise was difficult for individual nations to resolve. Yet another observer questioned whether terrorism is really on the rise, or was it just now we are more aware of it? (Ed. note: maybe that's denial or wishful thinking, given huge terrorist attacks on civilians in Europe in last few years, It's reminiscent of President Obama appearing in Paris in October, 2016 and pushing global warming as the biggest threat to mankind, not a year after the 2015 horrific terrorist attack, killing 130 mostly young girls, at a Paris concert.

Professor Tassell was not quite ready to opine on how to reform the UN. He did acknowledge that there are other entities who have influenced world opinion and decisions, such as NGOs (non-government organizations), as well as individuals (e.g. Bill Gates or Osama bin Laden).



Professor Van Tassell is Associate Professor of Political Science and International Studies at Georgia Southern University. He was invited to give this seminar by the Savannah Council of World Affairs (SCWA). This year SCWA programs will all be at the Skidaway Island Presbyterian Church.

Past sessions included an analysis of the Trump phenomenon, and how bad the Iran Nuclear Deal was, that Obama never submitted to Congress.

SCWA sponsors local students to study abroad during the summer. Council members are also eligible for travel programs abroad, some at "outstanding values."

It is affiliated with, and pays dues to, the World Affairs Councils of America (WACA), located in Washington, D.C.

CCRP Forum: Candidates for Secretary of State

The Chatham County Republican Party held this forum to showcase candidates for the May 22, 2018 GOP Primary Election for Georgia's Secretary of State.

Our US Representative in Congress Buddy Carter led off with a report on GOP national events. He heralded the House passing a budget to be turned over to the Senate, which can ratify it with a simple majority. It is critical to have an official budget, because then the tax package can be officially approved by a simple majority.

The House also has passed a "fair and simple" framework for a tax package with the following highlights:

- Only three brackets – 12%, 25% and 35%
- So 90% of filers can use a postcard to file (vs today's 90% needing help).
- Increase the base deduction for individuals to \$12,000 and for married couples to \$24,000
- Eliminate the "death tax" (no estate tax)
- On corporate taxes, reduce the base rate to 20% from 35% (worldwide average is 22%)
- Repatriate \$3.4 trillion of corporate earnings overseas back to US via mere 3% to 8% one time rate.

Forum Between Two Candidates

These were able to participate of the four originally asked back in June:

Buzz Brockway (BB) – Gwinnett County, Georgia Tech grad, former small business owner

Josh McKoon (JM) – Columbus, Auburn U, and a lawyer.

Opening Statements

Buzz Brockway – Overall theme is freedom. Secretary of State is a key office, as reliability of the election system is paramount to voter trust in government. And he would not seek any other future offices, as this is what his dream job would be, given his passion and background.

Josh McKoon - Former GOP County Chair, and a lawyer, knows the crucial issues for the Secretary of State. Also he pointed out Georgia's challenge to give more opportunities to the middle class to work and grow, and to stem the growing poverty level in Georgia. Do it by reforming an oppressive licensing system, and preventing national Democrat attempts to tamper with the voter registration rolls and rules.

Question 1: What are your unique skills to bring to the position?

BB – was a management science major at Georgia Tech, and knows the details of the key jobs required.

JM – is an attorney, and can thwart the election law challenges expected from the Democrats, and is not afraid of a fight (don't cave to their pressures; go to court to preserve Georgia's very good election procedures).

Question 2: Georgia GOP didn't always follow through on election promises. How to remedy?

JM – will push for much more transparency, e.g., disclosure of where the money goes.

BB – a true conservative, will push for making decisions using core conservative values.

Q3 – How committed are you to the Trump agenda?

BB – Very, as a true conservative. Limits to what a Sec. of State can do, but is committed to fair access to election rights.

JM – Integrity of the voting process is key. Will fight against multi-lingual ballots. If you can't read English, you shouldn't be voting.

Q4 – Have you ever been a Poll Manager or Poll Worker?

JM - was a poll watcher, and was appointed by previous Sec of State Karen Handel to have broad poll watching responsibility in Georgia's elections.

BB – was a poll watcher, and sponsored a bill to allow scrutiny of obituaries to help prune eligible voter lists. Supports strong voter ID measures.

Q5 – What are Goals of your prospective office, with a perspective on Savannah?

BB – Make Georgia's election system the nation's best, and make Georgia the easiest state in which to do business. Fix the licensing system to eliminate unnecessary impediments. (e.g., why do librarians need a license?)

JM – Make Georgia the fastest to get a new job. And the hardest to cast an illegal vote. Get some regulators with a perspective other than an Atlanta one.

Q6 – How would you work to get reciprocal privileges with other states on licensing?

JM – first recognize that it is a problem, e.g., there are a lot of military here whose spouses have licenses in other states, but are thwarted here from practicing their trade.

BB – It is also true for nurses who move here – a key practice area. Another way is to delicense unnecessary licensing.

Q7 – How to improve validation of voting eligibility? Was it good to prune out Poll workers who had felony convictions?

BB – There is a fine line to follow: keep local control as much as possible, but allow State Board of Elections to monitor and make suggestions.

JM – Keep felons off voter list in addition to poll worker list. And fix perceived voting redistricting problems quickly without allowing unelected, and Obama appointed, judges too involved in "fixing" perceived problems.

Closing Messages

Buzz Brockway – will work hard in this job, using conservative principles. He recognizes there is a real philosophical division in voter perceptions on how government should work. He also recognizes that non-white voting community needs to equally feel that the voting system is fair.

Josh McKoon – reiterated his priority to make Georgia the fastest state to get a job, and the hardest state to vote illegally. He also believes the National Democratic Party has a very high priority in trying to flip Georgia to be a blue state. (\$30 million spent in one single district involving the Karen Handel election.)



PICTURES FROM SIRC SOCIAL - October 9 - To Meet The Candidates





Exposing the Nazi Roots of the American Left

As campus groups, fed by *Antifa*, are routinely shouting down conservatives as fascists, Dinesh D'Souza's timely new book shows the reverse is true. Using violence to silence opposition as Antifa and its ilk are doing is a key tactic of fascism. Nazism and fascism (Italy's version of Nazism) were actually grounded in leftist philosophies, not unlike Stalinism.

Rewrite History

But first, America's progressives had to change the narrative by shouting "racist right wingers" to mobilize impressionable (and poorly read) young college students. In D'Souza's *Hillary's America*, Democrats were proved to be the segregationists. Before the Civil War, virtually all four million slaves were owned by Democrat supporters. The *Dred Scott* decision was authored by Chief Justice Roger Taney—a Democrat. Democrat Senator Robert Byrd was a recruiter for the Ku Klux Klan. And all the Jim Crow laws were passed and rigidly supported in Democrat-dominated states.

Falsifying history is well known to progressives, who were aware of how effective Hitler was in using propaganda to promote myths—especially when he also controlled the press.

Nazis and Fascists Were Socialists First

America's mainstream press is liberal enough to support the new progressive myths—whether wittingly or not. How many Americans know that Nazis and fascists in Europe were leftists in philosophy, believing in the state controlling the means of production, if not actually outright owning them? Mussolini began as an actual Marxist, rejecting Christianity, but adopting fascism as a more practical and totalitarian way to control a country's citizens.

Hitler was basically socialist—the Nazi party was named the National *Socialist* German Workers Party. He added racism to the equation, vilifying Jews as enemies of the state. (A weird kind of racism, because he so envied past Jewish successes under capitalism that he wanted to rid Germany of their influence.) So only the Nordic Aryan race deserved to be in charge.

Progressives use leftist authors, such as Robert Paxton's *Anatomy of Fascism*. They also more directly adopted tactics from Robert Marcuse's *A Critique of Pure Tolerance*: Don't extend tolerance to intolerant groups. Restrain the liberty of the Right. "No free speech for fascists." Yet there is no evidence of conservatives' supposed embrace of fascism. The leftist goal is no free speech for patriots, conservatives, capitalists, or Christians. Ironically, a fundamental tool of fascism is to silence the opposition, increasingly using violence to do it.

Another irony is that Marcuse was Jewish and an opponent of Nazism. Yet he recognized the effectiveness of its propaganda and adopted it to support his leftist agenda. Friedrich Hayek's *Road to Serfdom* (in 1944) warned of fascism as a tactic of the left, calling it a close cousin of socialism and progressivism.

Falsify History

This is the tool mastered by Joseph Goebbels, Nazi Minister of Propaganda from 1933 to 1945. The left now uses it to paint conservatives as xenophobic and racist and even anti-Semitic (despite Trump's daughter converting to Judaism and his support of Israel, clearly lacking in Hillary Clinton).

Or Ignore History

Progressives make no mention of Woodrow Wilson, an admirer of Hegel and Bismarck for their all-powerful state advocacy. Wilson is now known to be a racist, and an unabashed white supremacist. He put segregation in the federal government, and was opposed by Booker T. Washington, a Republican. Wilson also promoted the film *Birth of a Nation*—a propaganda piece glorifying the KKK, and helping to spur its revival. He also suppressed civil liberties, causing more arrests than Mussolini ever did. According to Jonah Goldberg's *Liberal Fascism*: "under Wilson, America became fascist."

True History of Mussolini's Journey to Fascism

Mussolini started out as a Marxist, and rejected Catholicism, but was not an anti-Semite (like the Nazis). He converted from socialism to fascism to rescue socialism. Karl Marx had predicted that workers will revolt against capitalism. But Lenin believed that the capitalist countries staved off revolution by using colonial exploitation to get better conditions for workers. Thus Russia's revolution was not about capitalism, but against czars and feudalism, and was organized by a few leaders, not demanded by workers.

Mussolini liked *ethnic* nationalism, concluding that all Italians would rally, not just worker proletariats, and so he ignored class differences in amassing his power over the people. (Progressives and fascists are thus aligned in that the state decides everything and can redistribute wealth.)

German Socialist Fascism

Hitler bought into fascism, but did it based on race (Aryans). He felt Germany was too late to the thrust for colonies, and so had no room to expand but in Europe – *Lebensraum*.

He also hated America and the Jews. (He believed America had racial issues—Blacks and Jews with too much freedom.) He also admired how America handled its native population. As a white supremacist, he aligned with Democrat President Andrew Jackson, not Lincoln. *American Holocaust* described how Jackson decided to give Native Americans a nation within a nation, in his Democrat strategy of 1829, claiming to be doing them a favor by resettlement, via the Indian Removal Act. Then his Indian Health Service sterilized Indian women.

Germany's Nuremberg Laws were based partially on American racist policies (banning miscegenation, immigration excluding non-Nordics, and Jim Crow laws,

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all pushed by Democrats). This fact was inconvenient to American progressives, so they started a Big Lie—by shifting blame to the South and then to America.

Another lie is that essential Fascism necessarily embodies racism. Mussolini was an autocratic, murderous thug, but not a racist or an anti-Semite. He pushed the whole nation as Italians first.

History of Eugenics: Controlling “Human Weeds”

Germany's Joseph Mengele experimented on humans to study genetics. American progressives believed in eugenics and passed an Indiana law on sterilization.

In the US, Margaret Sanger, founder of Planned Parenthood, was a progressive and a blatant racist (spoke at a KKK chapter in NJ). Her associates Clarence Gamble and Lothrop Stoddard (*Into the Darkness*) were avid Nazi supporters. In 1938 Sanger recommended: “Do as the Nazis are doing: keep down the weeds.”

Hitler's *Mein Kampf* referred to American progressives as good at eugenics to improve racial stock. Another part of the Democrats Big Lie cites Richard Hofstadter (a former communist). His *Social Darwinism in America* dismisses eugenics as a fad, and blames it on *laissez faire* capitalism or “survival of the fittest,” ignoring Adam Smith and Friedrich Hayek as articulators of the benefits of capitalism.

American Fuhrer - FDR

Progressives also extol FDR as providing the “middle ground between socialism and capitalism.” And they revere LBJ for building the Great Society based on the New Deal and Obama for national control of health care, giving EPA regulatory control of energy.

Is this a middle path? No, it's pretty much fascism: State-directed capitalism (what Mussolini wanted, not actual state ownership). And what the Nazis wanted: the common good over the individual good. (Editor's note: progressives also have infected Wikipedia's definitions of *far right*: Nazism, fascism or neo-fascism, and extreme nationalism, chauvinism, xenophobia, and racism.)

In contrast, D'Souza shows that the essence of Nazism and fascism was socialistic in nature, with the statist view that people don't have rights, but the state dictates almost everything. The Right believes in individual freedoms and less government. So don't try to paint them as believing in those “far right” descriptions, and don't ignore that progressives embody many of the basic beliefs of Nazism and fascism.

Hitler and Mussolini loved FDR's New Deal (*Looking Forward*). FDR liked Mussolini for expanding state power, as did the American left (*New Republic*).

Gertrude Stein even liked Hitler: “He deserved the Nobel Peace Prize.” Walter Lippmann advised FDR: “assume dictatorial powers.” FDR tried exactly that in his National Recovery Act. This would have been the death knell for free markets had it not been found unconstitutional in 1935. FDR even tried to stack the Supreme Court by wanting to add favorable judges.

FDR also used fascist tactics to intimidate corporations (his *Blue Eagle* companies, urging boycotting those without that symbol). His propaganda methods included FCC demanding broadcast transcripts, and threatening government critics with loss of licenses.

Politics of Intimidation

Robert Paxton called the “legitimization of violence against a demonized internal enemy the heart of fascism.” This is reminiscent of today's “deep state” in government agencies who actively try to undermine President Trump, as well as the mainstream press, Hollywood and academia (accountable to no one).

Architects of the Big Lie

Martin Heidegger's Jewish student Herbert Marcuse taught the Left to imitate fascists while posing as anti-fascists. He and Theodor Adorno founded the Frankfurt School to promote Marxism using fascist tactics.

In *Critique of Pure Tolerance*, Marcus said: don't extend tolerance to intolerant groups: “No free speech for fascists,” but with no evidence that conservatives are fascists. Thus, Marcuse, an opponent of Nazism, did recognize their propaganda effectiveness and adopted it to support his leftist agenda.

Another Marcuse disciple is George Soros, funder of 200 leftist groups, such as MoveOn.org, Planned Parenthood, BlackLivesMatter and Antifa. The latter hire paid violent protesters. Soros was an amoral Jew who pretended to be a Christian in Nazi Germany, and played a role inventorying confiscated Jewish property. (D'Souza believes it was a form of collaboration.)

Denazification of the Left

Complacency enabled Italy and Germany to be taken over by fascists. Plus, appeasement internationally emboldened them. Now the real fascists are blaming the other side as fascists using some Big Lies: “The Nazis were Christians and capitalists, and racists, while the left today is posing as anti-racist and tolerant (except for the intolerant).”

D'Souza's Action Summary: Unmask the Left, Undo Obama policies. Don't appease.

- 1- Replace Obama Care (takeover of health care)
- 2- Repeal Dodd-Frank (takeover of finance system)
- 3- Trim regulations
- 4- Pass comprehensive tax reform
- 5- Preserve the Constitution via conservative Justices
- 6- Expand school choice and enterprise zones
- 7- Build a lasting governing coalition with blue collar workers and minorities, so Democrats never win.
- 8- Defund NPR and colleges not allowing free speech
- 9- Use social media to flay academia, Hollywood, and the one-sided media (e.g. continue critique of CNN)
- 10- Adopt some of the Left's tactics:
 - a. Promote outreach programs, as “community organizers”;
 - b. Create rival institutions, and make our own movies;
 - c. Prosecute rioters and investigate other Obama tactics (IRS abuse).





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