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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Our first newsletter of a new year is usually an upbeat speculation of hopes and plans for the year. But conditions we faced beginning in December 2019, continuing through 2020, and projected into the future this year, present a very somber future. The major controlling factor is the coronavirus that continues to rage out of control, and the anticipation that vaccinations are poised to be available any day now. Nevertheless, the medical authorities consensus seems to be that it will be into the second quarter, meaning April, May, and June, before widespread supplies of the vaccines are available. Some of our more senior members and those with prevailing conditions and their care givers may be at the head of the line.

According to reports, first in line will be medical and health care individuals who are on the front lines of treating those who are afflicted, along with first responders and nursing home patients. How it will go from there is unknown as this is written. We will do our best to keep our members and your families updated as conditions dictate. We urge that you pay close attention to the various news outlets where the latest information will be quickly reported.

What follows is a document that bears on the virus pandemic. It is reprinted here for your information:

DONALD TRUMP, THE MAR-A-LAGO SLAUGHTERER

(THIS DOCUMENT WAS PREPARED AS A LETTER TO THE EDITOR AND A SUGGESTED OP ED THAT WAS SENT TO ALL THE LOCAL PRINT AND ELECTRONIC MEDIA OUTLETS. AS OF THIS DATE IT HAS BEEN PUBLISHED IN THE WASHINGTON PA OBSERVER REPORTER. IT WAS SLIGHTLY EDITED FOR SPACING AND CONTENT. WE HAVE COPIED THAT LETTER TO THE EDITOR AS PRINTED AND REPRINTED IT ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS NEWSLETTER.)

Throughout history there have been individuals who either enjoyed or were responsible for and indifferent to the intentional slaughter of large numbers of human beings. Examples were the Asian raiders and European despots like Vlad The Impaler. More closer to modern times, from the 1930's until the end of WWII, millions were slaughtered by other blood thirsty despots. More modern individuals who were also guilty of this behavior were Josef Stalin and Kim Jong-Un.

Vlad hoisted his victim's heads on pikes for public display. The Mongols and Egyptian Pharaohs were very public about how they killed their victims. By the 1930's through the 1940's, the bloody slaughter was done behind walls and barbed wire in secret camps, yet was even more brutal by any measure.

Contemporary mass slaughter of Americans is occurring. It is a result of inaction rather than direct action. The result is the same and the blame for it is also the same. This is being done not behind barbed wire, but playing out behind the walls of hospital IC Units.

The perpetrator for this slaughter is Donald Trump, who knew of the dangers of the coronavirus, but did nothing about it. In fact, Trump intentionally took the opposite tack and urged ignoring safety measures. How is he getting away with it? Because he does have a wall of protection. That wall is his base supporters and Republican Senate enablers. They rabidly support Trump, ignoring the body count, urging him on. In the final analysis, because of these actions, there is blood on Trump's hands and the hands of his base supporters and Republican Senate enablers. It is an unprecedented indelible stain on American history. That stain is the blood of the innocents. Shame, shame, shame! There is no doubt in my mind that as time goes on amid growing condemnation, and those responsible are brought to task, their excuse will be, "I was only following Trump's lead." That is a hollow excuse for this behavior. We have heard it all before.

WHAT ABOUT MIKE KELLY?

The shenanigans that have gone on since Biden-Harris were elected are a disgrace, and a black mark on enforcement of our Constitution! Never ending ridiculous so-called lawsuits aimed at reversing the election by Trump the Destroyer are unprecedented, and in the long run, a joke and an embarrassment. What must the world be thinking as these antics are witnessed?

One of the most outrageous actions was the frivolous "lawsuit" filed by Rep. Mike Kelly ®, who represents the 16th PA District in the US Congress. In case you haven't been following his "case", he sued to have all the mailed in ballots in the PA President/Vice President race thrown out so that Trump would win our state! After losing that specious argument in the lower court, he then appealed to the US Supreme Court.

Without dissent, the entire Supreme Court declined to even accepting the claim in a brief, terse, rejection, that had been predicted by real lawyers, not a used car salesman, which is what Kelly is. If Kelly runs for the Senate seat vacated by Pat Toomey, who said he will not seek reelection, or if Kelly merely seeks reelection to his House seat in the future, we will be sure to remind our members in the 16th District that he tried to nullify hundreds of thousands of our votes in the current election. By his action, Kelly has proven that he is unworthy to serve in the US Congress.

SHUT-IN LIST ~ Robert Gesk, Norbert Conway, Jeanne McCarthy, and Veronica Bujdos are on the shut-in list. Please keep a good thought for our shut-ins. There but for the grace of God..... (To be included on the shut-in list, call the Chapter at 724 947 9374.)

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Trump's wall of protection

Throughout history, there have been individuals who enjoyed, or were responsible for and indifferent to, the intentional slaughter of large numbers of human beings. Some examples from modern history are Josef Stalin and Kim-Jong-Un.

The mass slaughter of Americans is now occurring. It is the result of inaction rather than direct action. The result is the same and the blame for it is also the same. This is being done not behind barbed wire, but playing out behind the walls of hospital intensive care units. The perpetrator for this slaughter is President Trump, who knew the dangers of the coronavirus, but did nothing about it.

In fact, Trump did the opposite, and urged that safety measures be ignored. How is he getting away with it? Because he has a wall of protection.

That wall is his base of supporters and Republican senators. They rabidly support the president, ignoring the body count. In the final analysis, because of their actions, there is blood on their hands. It is an unprecedented, indelible stain on American history. That stain is the blood of innocents.

There is no doubt in my mind that as time goes on, when those responsible are brought to task, their excuse will be, "I was only following Trump's lead."

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