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Thoughts and Observations on Music, Nature, and Politics, from the Catskill Mountains

Will Republicans decide that their Party “Trumps” their Country? Or will they “bite the bullet” ... “take the hit” ... and move away from this fascist blowhard demagogue?

As GOP party leaders hold panic meetings on how they can possibly STOP Donald Trump... THEIR leading candidate continues to steamroll his way toward an inevitable nomination in Cleveland in July. Which is only FOUR MONTHS AWAY!

And now ALL Republicans are going to have to ask themselves some pretty basic questions.

Will they allow themselves to become the party that is against freedom of religion... in favor of racist policies... supported by Neo-Nazis and KKK members... degrading toward women... and in favor of TORTURE? Can they accept THAT?

Or will they turn their backs on Trump... kick him out of the party... and “take the hit” of probably losing to Hillary Clinton... in the interest of the nation as a whole?

They could instead concentrate on containing the damage by focusing on their Senate and House races as a Trump candidacy could also easily lose the Senate for the GOP and do serious damage to their strong lead in the House.

Are they Republicans? Or are they Americans?

It's their choice.

As a Trump presidency will surely destroy America.

The man knows NOTHING.

Trump doesn't even know the difference between Medicare and Medicaid. It is TRULY frightening!

And when asked on MSNBC's “Morning Joe” who advises him on foreign affairs he stated this week...

“I'm speaking to myself number one... as I have a very good brain... and I say a lot of things”

What a narcissistic WINDBAG! He isn't talking to ANYONE!

But let's talk about Trump's “very good brain” for a minute...

Trump is always saying that he is a “very smart guy” and he uses as “proof” that he went to the Wharton School of Business. And several times he has implied that he graduated at the “top of his class” at the Wharton School.

But let's first travel back in time to his earlier education.

Being the son of a wealthy real estate developer... Trump started out in High School at the private Kew-Forest School in Forest Hills before being kicked out for “behavior problems”.

His father (Woody Guthrie's landlord) then sent him to the New York Military Academy to “straighten him out”.

Have you ever noticed how when you go back to High School reunions that the people that were assholes THEN are STILL assholes NOW and that the NICE people are still NICE?

I think that is most probably the case here as well.

But Trump apparently did “straighten out” as he did well enough to get into Fordham University in the Bronx... where he spent his first two years of college getting “respectable” grades according to Trump family biographer Gwenda Blair.

He used family connections to then get himself into the prestigious University of Pennsylvania... one of eight colleges in the “Ivy League”... and known for accepting really smart students... AND those with strong monetary connections.

The Wharton School of Business is part of the University of Pennsylvania... but usually when people speak of attending Wharton they mean that they went there for their famous post-graduate MBA program. Trump however... did NOT.

Trump spent only his final two years of undergraduate school at the University of Pennsylvania before graduating in 1968.

But he DID attend SOME classes within the Wharton School as an undergraduate.

In two New York Times stories in 1973 and 1976 he claimed to have graduated at the “top of his class at Wharton”.

But the [New York Times Magazine](#) reported that the commencement program from 1968 did not list him as graduating with any kind of honors at all. And as anyone knows who has witnessed conservatives trying to get their hands on Obama's records... college records and grades are hard to come by. It's very secretive privately held stuff.

In 1988 [New York Magazine](#) reported that Trump graduating at the top of his class was a complete “MYTH”.

Just ANOTHER of Trump's narcissistic expandable lies.

Politico recently compiled an [AMAZING list of Trump lies](#) over a ONE WEEK period which is quite an incredible read.

But then again... when have lies EVER slowed down Trump?

There is however, one issue that surfaced from Mitt Romney awhile back (but has now seemed to disappear again) that may actually be able to bring down "The Donald".

And THAT issue is his tax records... and his refusal so far to release them. Obviously waiting until the nomination is locked and it is too late for it to matter.

I'm sure that Romney LOVED the irony of bringing that up after his own suffering through a similar situation in 2012 when it was finally revealed that Mitt paid considerably less than most Americans. But Romney... who is indeed a smart guy when it comes to finances... was on to something. As he had figured out where Trump's Achilles heel might well lie.

Trump claims that he can't release his tax records because it wouldn't be proper as he is being audited. [But the IRS says that this is bullshit.](#)

As Trump plays the "victim card" completely by stating that he is ALWAYS audited by the IRS despite the fact that he claims most of his other "billionaire friends" are NOT regularly audited. A GREAT tactic for the "low information" voters that PROVES that the government is trying to take Trump down!

[A little Tax History from USA Today.](#)

In 1986... at the height of the era when Ronald Reagan began giving away the country to the wealthy... Congress added just a few short lines to the 6,500 page tax code.

It concerned new tax rules that began requiring real estate holders to depreciate or REDUCE their buildings' values over time even if the market values of their buildings were going UP. A kind of Lewis Carroll "Through the Looking Glass" approach to real estate investments. Totally nuts!

And here is "the kicker"...

If your buildings' depreciations were GREATER than your annual income... it allowed real estate developers to declare NO INCOME and thus pay NO TAXES. So if your buildings' "losses" are even one dollar more than your income...

YOU OWE NO TAXES!

So in all probability the reason that Trump is NOT revealing his taxes.... and the reason that he is being constantly audited... is that he **HASN'T BEEN PAYING ANY TAXES!**

And just like his justification for his bankruptcies being simple "business dealings"... I'm sure he feels the same way about the fact that he isn't paying ANY taxes. It's just "business"!

Bankruptcies are one thing...

But will his "rank and file" undereducated lemming followers accept that even though THEY pay income taxes...

DONALD TRUMP DOES NOT?

We shall see...

And at this point... ANYTHING could happen...

If they have ANY love for their country at all...

It is time for Republicans to choose country over party.

It is time that they kick Trump out of the party... let it implode... and rebuild it in the future.

THEIR Republican Party is already gone anyway.

Trump took THAT away months ago.

They just haven't realized it yet.

The legendary Woody Guthrie actually wrote a song about Trump's father... who was his landlord in Coney Island!

Old Man Trump

By Woody Guthrie

I suppose
Old Man Trump knows
Just how much
Racial Hate
He stirred up
In the bloodpot of human hearts
When he drew
That color line
Here at his
Eighteen hundred family project

Beach Haven ain't my home!
I just cain't pay this rent!
My money's down the drain!
And my soul is badly bent!
Beach Haven looks like heaven
Where no black ones come to roam!
No, no, no!
Old Man Trump!
Old Beach Haven
Ain't my home

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