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Special points of interest:

- ♥ By 2031 , Americans 65 and over will outnumber children under 15 for the first time.
- ♥ The number of Americans age 65 and over reached 35 million in 2000, up 12 percent from the previous decade; the number is expected to double by 2030.
- ♥ By mid century, Americans 85 and older are expected to be the fastest-growing segment of the population.
- ♥ Nearly half of the women over 75 live alone. America is home to nearly four times more widows than widowers.
- ♥ Older people spend roughly four times as many days in the hospital per year as people under 65.
- ♥ About 65,000 centenarians now live in the United States. That number is expected to jump to as many as 381,000 by 2030.

Sources: National Institute of Health, U.S. Census Bureau, AARP, U.S. Department of Health and Human services. — VWP

Immigration, Arbitration, Consternation vwp

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ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION: A HEADACHE FROM SOUTH OF THE BORDER

We are told there are 11,000,000 illegals from south of the boarder, I wonder in what month or year that was? At the rate they procreate there is at least a 10% increase per year making another 100,000 per month and at the rate congress moves it means another million or two more. Now give their off-spring credit for the same kind of reproductive capability lets add another 100,000 per month so before the next vote is cast we could have added another four or five million new residents who by the way will all be legal citizens. How do you like them apples? When will it end? It won't end so how do we make it work? Certainly what is being proposed by our President and Congress won't be the answer; we can tell because even the illegals are protesting the plan in public. How about if we set up trade schools in Mexico and send them all packing back to their home country and require they enter a trade school of what ever they would be good at and require them to stay in school three or four years before allowing them back into the country? Oh I know we would need to build a bunch of barracks, clinics, stores, portable teaching fire trap buildings like we have at the Clark County school district etc. Sure it means a whole new town or group of towns but better to make them become educated in their own country and work their way back into the USA rather than some impossible program as now suggested by the politicians in Washington. And yes they as well as their off-spring must learn and speak English fluently. Speaking of speaking English I don't know about you but it really gripes me when I see the parents with two and three little kids all speaking anything but English. As far as legal residents from south of the boarder they should be required to have their children speaking fluent English before going to school in this country. Oh yes I know the ACLU wouldn't stand for that but if we got good legal beagles maybe we could tie it up in court for 10 years so that it became so expensive that even the ACLU couldn't afford to take on the issue. In case you might think I am making some pretty tough suggestions for the illegal aliens to get back into this country I would like to suggest you try to do a few things in Mexico that they all take for granted when they come to our country. Things so basic we would (Continued on page 2)

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(Continued from page 1) never give it a thought like becoming a citizen of Mexico, owning land or a home or a business, is all not allowed in Mexico but expected when they come to the US. As for their justice system, just forget it and pray you never need legal help if you go there. I was also going to suggest the problems with Montezuma's Revenge from south of the border but it looks like we are seeing it popping up its head now and then in Las Vegas. By the way I cannot understand why we allow food handlers to handle the food without rubber gloves on their hands. Does anyone have an answer for that one? Something else that disturbed me the other day was seeing the marchers with Mexican flags all over the place. Did you ever wonder where they obtained such large new looking flags? Makes one think more than young kids are behind this business of taking the kids out of school. Which by the way is very serious here in Clark County with so many of them having very poor grades as it is and also having tests coming up so needing them with their noses in the books not in the air on the streets in front of TV cameras.

There has been a lot said that the illegals do jobs that no one in the US will do. I really beg to differ with that comment. In most cases young people of all races and colors are looking for summer jobs and part-time jobs after summer. And if the builders paid a little more they would have no trouble at all in finding journeymen to do the job right as opposed to how it is done in our valley of dust and corruption at the present time. Why do you think we have so many quality construction problems? It isn't because there are lots of journeymen on the job doing it right in the first place. We talk about these aliens being of such help, well let me tell you if you were never trained to do the job in the first place how could you possibly do it right? My thought on this is that this cheap labor carries a tremendous cost in time, money and emotion when you have to deal with their screw ups.

Also have you ever spoken to a Philippine Nurse in the hospital when they told you all they went through to get their papers to qualify to enter this country? Ask some obvious foreign national some time what it is like to qualify to enter the U.S. the right way. If you do you will soon be on the side of the legal way of entry rather than the Coyote way of entering this country.

I think I wrote about this idea I had at a special University of Minnesota night class where I suggested, as a solution to the problem the professor posed, that we should convince Canada to the north and Mexico to the south to join us and create the United States of America with Canada and its natural resources, the U.S. with its technology and finance and Mexico with its manpower, oil and gas leaving us with out a doubt one of the most self sufficient countries in the world. If we did that none of the Mexicans would have to move here because we would have jobs and quality of life in their own country. Isn't that really all that is troubling them now?

SHERIFF BILL YOUNG GOT WHAT HE DIDN'T WANT.

Remember all of the grief that the sheriff put everyone through in his fight over the pay raises? Well he finally had to go to arbitration when we had recommended he take the commissioners proposal and give the cops an early increase in pay that they have been waiting for about a year. He didn't do it so the arbitrator settled it and his people got their raises, but about a year later than it needed to be if he hadn't been so pig headed. Our cops should have had their money in their pockets almost a year earlier. It might be time that come this August we all vote some one else on the ballot and help the sheriff make up his mind to spend more time with his family and less time running the sheriff department.

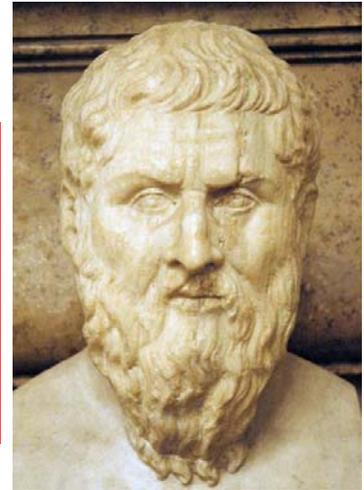
MEDICARE PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN, A REAL HEADACHE.

At Sam's Club and WAL*MART most of the retirees have picked either AARP or Humana. If any of you have done so please get in touch with me and tell how it is working. This one time I think the HMOs have won the battle and because of good lobbying I think.



“Please Don’t Quote Me”

"The punishment which the wise suffer who refuse to take part in the government, is to live under the government of worse men."



Plato — From *The Republic*
written 360 BCE

When there is an income tax, the just man will pay more and the unjust less on the same amount of income.

The people have always some champion whom they set over them and nurse into greatness. This and no other is the root from which a tyrant springs, when he first appears to be a protector.

The price good men pay for indifference to public affairs is to be ruled by evil men



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HELP STOP THE "ILLEGAL ALIEN IMMIGRATION INVASION"
'TAKE ACTION NOW'
SIGN & NOTARIZE OUR NATIONWIDE PETITION

Recently, in his usual thoughtful fashion, Dr. John Tanton, founder of the Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR), put together twenty-four questions about any guest worker program that need answering by guest worker advocates: (This is from the website <http://www.vdare.com> — Ed.)

1. Will spouses and children be able to accompany the guest worker? Just minor children, or adult ones as well?
2. Will any or all of the above be able to demand government services in the language of their choice, per President Clinton's Executive Order 13166? Will the workers be required to have at least a minimal working knowledge of English?
3. Will the children be eligible to attend school, and if so, at whose expense? In what language's will they be educated?
4. How will health care services - including birth control - be provided and paid for?
5. Will any children born in the United States, automatically become U.S. citizens?
6. Will the workers be eligible for the Earned Income Tax Credit? Will children remaining in the home country count as deductions when calculating the EITC benefit? How will the number of dependents claimed be verified?
7. Will IRS and Social Security charges be deducted from their wages? Will they be eligible for Social Security benefits, either here, or later in their home country? How many quarters of work will be required for eligibility? (Six years equals 24 quarters, less than the 40 quarters required for U.S. citizens.)
8. Will workers be permitted to marry? Will those who marry a U.S. citizen, or have a child while here, be able to stay beyond the six-year period? Would a man who fathers an "illegitimate" child qualify for citizenship on petition by the child when it reaches legal majority?
9. How about Worker's Compensation and unemployment?
10. If the job for which the worker came to the United States evaporates or otherwise disappears, will workers be required to take a different job, or returned home? If relocation is required, who will pay the expense? Will they be eligible for unemployment? If so, who pays the premium?
11. Will child labor laws apply, especially in the fields?
12. Will the workers be able to purchase a car, and obtain a U.S. drivers license? If so, will they be required to purchase automobile insurance, and will this be available to them at a cost they can likely afford?
13. Will children be eligible to attend college? If so, at what tuition rate: in-state or out-of-state?
14. Will minimum wage laws apply? How about the Davis-Bacon Act? (This has to do with wages — Ed.)
15. Will the workers be free to unionize to demand improved wages and conditions? (Continued on page 5)

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16. Will there be requirements for immunizations, and initial and periodic health clearances? On what schedule? Who pays?
17. Will workers come under any contract? If so, enforceable in what courts? Will public defenders be provided? At whose expense?
18. What system of identification documents will be required?
19. If conditions have not improved in the home country after six years, what are the chances that the guest workers will go home? Did the guest workers imported from Europe after World War II go home when they were no longer needed, or did they stay and send for their families to join them?
20. Will workers and their adult spouses be able to vote in local elections?
21. How will the workers (and families) be housed and fed?
22. Will workers be permitted to travel home at will?
23. Given these difficulties, won't most employers of the illegal aliens still prefer illegals?
24. Taken as a whole, isn't this really just a system of indentured servitude?

Some April Days

Thomas Jefferson, our third president, was born on April 13, 1743.

The first day of Passover is on April 13 this year. The last day, or eighth day, is April 20, 2006. This is a commemoration of the time when God was killing the first born of the Egyptians, before the Exodus, he passed over the Jewish houses. Read more in Exodus 1-15.

Earth Day is April 22nd. Earth Day is dedicated to protecting the environment. Unfortunately, for our children and grandchildren, protecting the environment has recently taken a backseat to greed.

Arbor Day is officially the last Friday of April, April 28th this year. However various states observe it at the best time to plant a tree. It was proposed by J. Sterling Morton of Nebraska, on January 4, 1872, at a time, when Nebraska was a treeless plain. It was first observed on April 10, 1874.

Cherokee Wisdom – Two Wolves

One evening an old Cherokee told his grandson about a battle that goes on inside people. He said, "My son, the battle is between two 'wolves' inside us all.

One is Evil. It is anger, envy, jealousy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority and ego.

The other is Good. It is joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion and faith."

The grandson thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather, "Which wolf wins?"

The old Cherokee simply replied, "The one you feed."

At the March Meeting



NSC President Ken Mahal and Senator Bob Beers

Senator Beers (a candidate for Nevada Governor) gave an informative speech on his plans if elected governor and the Tax and Spending Control Initiative (TASC) which he is championing. A petition to get this initiative on the ballot was circulated during the meeting.



Membership



New Members:

Leonard and Mary Marciano
Jeanne McDermitt
John Fisher
Hal Shrum

Welcome New Members



Renewing Members:

Ed Moreira
Karl and Erica Reitter
John Tabor
Lorraine Webster

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Please help increase our membership. Tell your friends about our meetings and bring them with you.

Recruit new members.

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You are given 90 days after your membership expires to renew before your name is removed from the membership list. Your membership anniversary date is on the *Foghorn* mailing label. If the date is in **red** please renew, either by mail or at the next meeting.

Remember the dues are still \$8.00

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Today In History April 13, 1861

Fort Sumter surrenders

After a thirty-three hour bombardment by Confederate cannon, Fort Sumter in Charleston Harbor surrenders. The first engagement of the war ended in Rebel victory.

The surrender concluded a standoff that began with South Carolina's secession from the Union on December 20, 1860. When President Lincoln sent word to Charleston in early April that he planned to send food to the beleaguered garrison, the Confederates took action. They opened fire on Sumter in the predawn of April 12. Over the next day, nearly 4,000 rounds were hurled toward the black silhouette of Fort Sumter.

Inside Sumter was its commander, Major Robert Anderson, 9 officers, 68 enlisted men, 8 musicians, and 43 construction workers who were still putting the finishing touches on the fort. Captain Abner Doubleday, the man often inaccurately credited with inventing the game of baseball, returned fire nearly two hours after the barrage began. By the morning of April 13, the garrison in Sumter was in dire straits. The soldiers had sustained only minor injuries, but they could not hold out much longer. The fort was badly damaged, and the Confederate's shots were becoming more precise. Around noon, the flagstaff was shot away. Louis Wigfall, a former U.S. senator from Texas, rowed out without permission to see if the garrison was trying to surrender. Anderson decided that further resistance was futile, and he ran a white flag up a makeshift flagpole.

The first engagement of the war was over, and the only casualty had been a Confederate horse. The Union force was allowed to leave for the north; before leaving, the soldiers fired a 100-gun salute. During the salute, one soldier was killed and another mortally wounded by a prematurely exploding cartridge. The Civil War had officially begun.

From <http://www.historychannel.com>



The **Nevada Seniors Coalition, Inc (NSC)** is a nonprofit, non-partisan organization. No person is excluded on the basis of race, sex, religion or national origin.

The organization's purpose is to promote the physical and social welfare of senior citizens, their children and grandchildren.

The organizations' goals and objectives are:

- Improvement of political and governmental institutions and processes on local, state and federal levels.
- Identify legislative trends at all levels and set NSC priorities.
- Support domestic policies responsive to the needs and will of the Nevada senior population.
- Work to involve more seniors in government. to assure government is open, responsive and accountable.
- Keep members and the general public informed on current issues affecting them. Encourage them to make their voices heard at all government levels.
- Work with other organizations in a common endeavor when their issues and programs coincide with those of NSC.

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