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### President CJ's Letter:

Dear Colleagues,

We are experiencing a very unusual time in history. Domestic terrorist groups would like to destroy our nation, our history, our culture, and our Constitution. The U.S. Constitution is the one document that unites all Americans and continues to protect our liberty. We need to be vigilant and arm ourselves with information so that we can defend our nation's principles to those who wish to destroy from within.

In the last newsletter, I spoke about the disinformation and suppression of information by the news media. In my opinion, this is the most important sphere of influence to combat. The policies and achievements of our President are rarely, if ever, reported correctly. Quotes are taken out of context or without proper reference. Everyday working Americans seldom read or hear the correct story. It is imperative that the correct information is available in this critical election year – an ongoing issue for our vigilance.

Women for the American Constitution must adopt issues to make a real difference. One such issue on the national level is the reinstatement of Civics education in the K-12 curriculum in our public schools. Young adults today have no idea how our government works, or the difference between capitalism, socialism, and communism. On the state level, a push to make Virginia a "Closed Primary" state. This would be beneficial to both political parties and would prohibit the unfair practice of conventions, which are often manipulated by a few controlling party members. On the local level, WAC could support our city and county law enforcement. Without law and order, chaos will destroy our culture.

Each of these issues ring true to the WAC mission: to inform, educate, and elect constitutional candidates. It is time to stand up and save our history, our culture, and our country!

**C. J. Hatcher, WAC President**



### Daniel Gade Strong Candidate For United States Senate

By Tamara Thies

Daniel Gade won the Republican nomination to challenge and defeat Mark Warner after garnering a strong 67% of the vote in Virginia's June 23 primary. Other primary candidates Alissa Baldwin and Tom Speciale received 18% and 15%, respectively.

After his primary victory, Gade challenged Warner to five debates and declared that "Virginians deserve to hear the difference between the tired ideas of a career politician and the new, fresh visions of a lifelong servant leader." Gade is demanding these 5 debates be spread throughout the entire Commonwealth, including Southwest, Tidewater, Richmond, Southside, and Northern VA. "Virginians deserve to hear the difference between Mark Warner's do-nothing career and a fighter who can actually get things done in the Senate for Virginians.....I am thrilled to challenge Warner to these 5 debates that will cover real issues such as affordable healthcare, quality education, well-paying jobs, individual liberty and much more. As a warfighter and a professor, I look forward to debating Warner on the battlefield of ideas." Debate negotiations are ongoing.

Daniel Gade is a very impressive nominee (a summary of his background is included in the WAC's April 2020 Newsletter) who provides the GOP, and all citizens of Virginia, with a real and exciting opportunity to finally defeat Chuck Schumer's and Nancy Pelosi's #1 lap dog, Mark Warner, in November. But he can't do it alone. It is

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the responsibility of all members of Virginia's GOP to work hard together and support the Gade nomination. He needs our financial resources and the sweat of our collective brows, day in and day out, to succeed! I truly believe that if we all work together Virginia will have a new U.S. Senator Daniel Gade in November! Let's work hard and make that happen!

**Please Donate to the Gade Campaign!** According to Virginia's Public Access Project, to date Warner has raised nearly \$10.6 million for his re-election campaign (where nearly \$6 of every \$10 raised was from out-of-state sources) while Gade has been able to raise just over \$982,000. It is obvious that Gade's fundraising efforts are in their early stages given that fact that he won the nomination less than a month ago. Nevertheless, he needs **ALL OF US** to consider making a financial contribution, no matter how small, to his campaign. Warner with his out of state war chest is a formidable foe financially, but **GADE CAN WIN THIS FIGHT** with the support of Virginians like us. Please go to his website to contribute: <https://secure.anedot.com/gade-for-virginia-inc/c5c00f1637518ed1164cb>

Gade has the right positions on Constitutional and other policies we all care about and will fight on our behalf to protect and/or implement them. Below are quotes and other information from his website and other sources which showcase some of his policy positions.

**Limited Government:** "We must return to a fiscally responsible government that promotes individual freedom. Powers not given to the federal government explicitly in the Constitution are reserved to the people or to the States. Government overreach should be called what it is: tyranny. It's past time to rein in government overreach and return to Constitutional government." Gade Website

**The Free Market:** "Markets that are free of government interference or crony capitalism are engines of economic growth and prosperity for all. Low individual and business taxes, decreased regulation, and free and unfettered trade is

the key to further improvement in the standard of living for all Americans." Gade Website

**Strong National Defense and the War Powers Act:** "What keeps us out of conflict and out of shooting wars, is the ability to win shooting wars. To win decisively, we need a strong national defense," Gade told Charlottesville Tomorrow. "The power to declare war resides in Congress, not the Executive. Since the end of World War II, Congress has shirked this responsibility. I believe that we should commit troops only a) in defense of a vital national interest b) when there is a defined end state and c) when military force is the only remaining option. Military families shouldn't be the only ones having dinner table conversations before their loved ones go to war. I am opposed to the open-ended commitment of troops around the world." Gade Website

**Economics:** Gade supports "zero-based budgeting" where all expenses must be justified and approved for each new period, regardless of how much money had previously been budgeted for any given item. "If we can go to zero base budgeting ... it means that every agency has to justify its budget every year instead of just building off the previous baseline," Gade told Charlottesville Tomorrow.

**Ethics and Insider Trading:** Gade has said his first course of action as Senator will be to introduce the "Stop Insider Trading (SIT) Act" in response to several U.S. Senators attempting to profit from privileged information related to COVID-19. "Using your official position for private gain ..... is an egregious abuse of public office," Gade said in a press release. The SIT Act will require all members of Congress to place their investment portfolio in a blind trust and "finally put an end to politicians leaving Washington richer than they came .... Members of Congress are elected to serve the American public, not to line their pocketbooks."

**Taxes:** "We clearly need fundamental reform to our entire tax code," Gade told Charlottesville Tomorrow. "The closer we can get to a flat, understandable tax, or a very simplified tax code that people can understand and explain to each other, the more fair it will be."

**Second Amendment:** Gade told the Winchester Star he is "pro-Second Amendment and unabashedly so." He opposes red flag laws, which enable authorities to temporarily take guns from people they believe are a danger to themselves or others. He also opposes banning assault weapons and suppressors, considering such bans to be ineffective and unconstitutional. "We do need a couple of significant reforms to our gun laws .... "For one, I am for concealed carry reciprocity, which means your Virginia concealed carry permit is good in all 50 states. And every other state's concealed carry permit is good in our state."

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There is no question that Daniel Gade is the right person at the right time to defeat Mark Warner in November. He is not a career politician, but is instead an outstanding and honorable public servant who has fought for our country on the battlefield and was awarded the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, and two Purple Hearts for his service. He now wants to wage a principled fight for Virginians and America in the United States Senate because he believes “our freedoms are still worth fighting for.” Let’s fight alongside him to make that happen!

Please join his campaign and volunteer your time by going to his website and filling out the volunteer form at: <https://gadeforvirginia.com/get-involved/>

## WAC’s First Luncheon!!

On July 16, WAC was very excited to host our first luncheon since our launch celebration in February! Shutdowns due to the coronavirus have really created havoc with some of our plans, but we are eager to get back on track and make an important difference in the upcoming election, and on policy issues in the future.



It was appropriate, we thought, for our first luncheon speaker to be someone who has made a real and lasting positive difference for the people of Virginia’s 5<sup>th</sup> District and America as a whole. With his beautiful family, and through a career dedicated to public service while serving in the military and Congress, and in the private sector as owner of the Silverback Distillery in Afton, Representative Denver Riggleman is an example of a person having lived the American dream. Indeed, when our forefathers wrote the Constitution there is no doubt they envisioned creating a country where people would be free to achieve such a life.



Denver spoke to us about his career and family, and about the upheaval our country is going through. He talked about how important it is to have a group like WAC dedicated to

the preservation of our Constitution and implored us to fight hard against efforts to destroy the Constitution, our country, and way of life. He also bemoaned the fact that Virginia has changed from what was once a fairly reliably red state, to

purple, and now more and more to blue, in its politics. He emphasized how important it is for the GOP to broaden its base by making efforts to appeal to people who may think differently on some issues, particularly in Virginia.

WAC thanks Rep. Riggleman for his service and we hope this is not the last we will hear from him in the political arena.

Please mark your calendar for our next luncheon on August 20, 2020 at the Greencroft Club!



## President Trump’s Speech at Mt. Rushmore July 4, 2020

### Excerpts from Trump’s Speech

Today, we pay tribute to the exceptional lives and extraordinary legacies of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln, and Teddy Roosevelt. I am here as your President to proclaim before the country and before the world: This monument will never be desecrated these heroes will never be defaced, their legacy will never, ever be destroyed, their achievements will never be forgotten, and Mount Rushmore will stand forever as an eternal tribute to our forefathers and to our freedom.

Our Founders launched not only a revolution in government, but a revolution in the pursuit of justice, equality, liberty, and prosperity. No nation has done more to advance the human condition than the United States of America. And no people have done more to promote human progress than the citizens of our great nation.

And yet, as we meet here tonight, there is a growing danger that threatens every blessing our ancestors fought so hard for, struggled, they bled to secure. Our nation is witnessing a merciless campaign to wipe out our history, defame our heroes, erase our values, and indoctrinate our children.

Make no mistake: this left-wing cultural revolution is designed to overthrow the American Revolution. In so doing, they would destroy the very civilization that rescued billions from poverty, disease, violence, and hunger, and that lifted humanity to new heights of achievement, discovery, and progress.

This movement is openly attacking the legacies of every person on Mount Rushmore.

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Tonight, I will tell you the true stories of these great, great men.

George Washington represented the strength, grace, and dignity of the American people. From a small volunteer force of citizen farmers, he created the Continental Army out of nothing and rallied them to stand against the most powerful military on Earth. After forcing the surrender of the most powerful empire on the planet at Yorktown, General Washington did not claim power, but simply returned to Mount Vernon as a private citizen. When called upon again, he presided over the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia, and was unanimously elected our first President. He remains first in our hearts to this day. He will never be removed, abolished, and most of all, he will never be forgotten.

The great Thomas Jefferson was 33 years old when he traveled north to Pennsylvania and brilliantly authored one of the greatest treasures of human history, the Declaration of Independence. He also drafted Virginia's constitution, and conceived and wrote the Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom, a model for our cherished First Amendment. After serving as the first Secretary of State, and then Vice President, he was elected to the Presidency. He ordered American warriors to crush the Barbary pirates, he doubled the size of our nation with the Louisiana Purchase, and he sent the famous explorers Lewis and Clark into the west on a daring expedition to the Pacific Ocean.

Abraham Lincoln, the savior of our union, was a self-taught country lawyer who grew up in a log cabin on the American frontier. The first Republican President. He signed the law that built the Transcontinental Railroad; he signed the Homestead Act [giving] ordinary citizens free land to settle anywhere in the American West; and he led the country through the darkest hours of American history, giving every ounce of strength that he had to ensure that government of the people, by the people, and for the people did not perish from this Earth. Lincoln won the Civil War; he issued the Emancipation Proclamation; he led the passage of the 13th Amendment, abolishing slavery for all time —and ultimately, his determination to preserve our nation and our union cost him his life.

Theodore Roosevelt exemplified the unbridled confidence of our national culture and identity. As a Lieutenant Colonel during the Spanish-American War, he led the famous Rough Riders to defeat the enemy at San Juan Hill. At 42 years old, became the youngest-ever President of the United States. He sent our great new naval fleet around the globe to announce America's arrival as a world power. He gave us many of our national parks, including the Grand Canyon; he oversaw the construction of the awe-inspiring Panama Canal; and he is the only person ever awarded both the

Nobel Peace Prize and the Congressional Medal of Honor. He was American freedom personified in full.

No movement that seeks to dismantle these treasured American legacies can possibly have a love of America at its heart. No person who remains quiet at the destruction of this resplendent heritage can possibly lead us to a better future.

It is time for our politicians to summon the bravery and determination of our American ancestors. It is time to plant our flag and protect the greatest of this nation, for citizens of every race, in every city, and every part of this glorious land. For the sake of our honor, for the sake of our children, for the sake of our union, we must protect and preserve our history, our heritage, and our great heroes.

We are the country of Andrew Jackson, Ulysses S. Grant, and Frederick Douglass. We are the land of Wild Bill Hickock and Buffalo Bill Cody. We are the nation that gave rise to the Wright Brothers, the Tuskegee Airmen— Harriet Tubman, Clara Barton, Jesse Owens, George Patton — General George Patton — the great Louie Armstrong, Alan Shepard, Elvis Presley, and Mohammad Ali. And only America could have produced them all. No other place.

We are the culture that put up the Hoover Dam, laid down the highways, and sculpted the skyline of Manhattan. We are the people who dreamed a spectacular dream — it was called: Las Vegas, in the Nevada desert; who built up Miami from the Florida marsh; and who carved our heroes into the face of Mount Rushmore.

Americans harnessed electricity, split the atom, and gave the world the telephone and the Internet. We settled the Wild West, won two World Wars, landed American astronauts on the Moon — and one day very soon, we will plant our flag on Mars.

We gave the world the poetry of Walt Whitman, the stories of Mark Twain, the songs of Irving Berlin, the voice of Ella Fitzgerald, the style of Frank Sinatra, the comedy of Bob Hope, the power of the Saturn V rocket, the toughness of the Ford F-150 and the awesome might of the American aircraft carriers.

Americans must never lose sight of this miraculous story. So today, under the authority vested in me as President of the United States I am announcing the creation of a new monument to the giants of our past. I am signing an executive order to establish the National Garden of American Heroes, a vast outdoor park that will feature the statues of the greatest Americans to ever live.



## **U.S. Attorney General Bill Barr's Remarks on China Policy at Gerald R. Ford Museum on July 17, 2020**

### **Excerpts from A.G. Barr's Remarks**

I'm privileged to speak here today about what may prove to be the most important issue for our nation and the world in the twenty-first century and that is, the United States' response to the global ambitions of the Chinese Communist Party. Since the 1890's, at least, the United States has been the technological leader of the world. And from that prowess, has come our prosperity, the opportunity for generations of Americans, and our security. What's at stake these days is whether we can maintain that leadership position and that technological leadership. Are we going to be the generation that has allowed that to be stolen- which is really stealing the future of our children and our grandchildren?

The days of American passivity and naivety regarding the People's Republic of China are over. The CCP pursues its ambitions through the nefarious and even illegal conduct, including industrial espionage, theft, extortion, cyberattacks, and malign influence activities.

China's economy has quietly grown from about 2 percent of the world's GDP in 1980, to nearly 20 percent today. Xi Jinping now speaks openly of China moving closer to the center stage, building a socialism that is superior to capitalism, and replacing the American dream with the Chinese solution.

The People's Republic of China is now engaged in an economic blitzkrieg—an aggressive, orchestrated, whole-of-government (indeed, whole-of-society) campaign to seize the commanding heights of the global economy and to surpass the United States as the world's preeminent technological superpower. A centerpiece of this effort is the Chinese Communist Party's "Made in China 2025" initiative, a plan for PRC domination of high-tech industries like robotics, advanced information technology, aviation, and electric vehicles, and many other technologies.

To tilt the playing field to its advantage, China's communist government has perfected a wide array of predatory and often unlawful tactics: currency manipulation, tariffs, quotas, state-led strategic investment and acquisitions, theft and forced transfer of intellectual property, state subsidies, dumping, cyberattacks, and industrial espionage.

The PRC also seeks to dominate key trade routes and infrastructure in Eurasia, Africa, and the Pacific.

Another ambitious project to spread its power and influence is the PRC's "Belt and Road" infrastructure initiative. Although billed as "foreign aid," in fact these investments appear designed for loading poor countries up with debt, refusing to renegotiate terms, and then taking control of the infrastructure itself, as it did with the Sri Lankan port of Hambantota in 2017.

Just as consequential, however, are the PRC's plans to dominate the world's digital infrastructure through its "Digital Silk Road" initiative. There are grave risks of allowing the world's most powerful dictatorship to build the next generation of global telecommunications networks, known as 5G. Perhaps less widely known are the PRC's efforts to surpass the United States in other cutting-edge fields, like artificial intelligence. In 2017, Beijing unveiled its "Next Generation Artificial Intelligence Plan," a blueprint for leading the world in AI by 2030.

The PRC's drive for technological supremacy is complemented by its plan to monopolize rare earth materials, which play a vital role in industries such as consumer electronics, electric vehicles, medical devices, and military hardware.

The United States is now dangerously dependent on the PRC for these essential materials. Overall, China is America's top supplier, accounting for about 80 percent of our imports. The risks of dependence are real. In 2010, for example, Beijing cut exports of rare earth materials to Japan after an incident involving disputed islands in the East China Sea. The PRC could do the same to us.

How did China accomplish all this? America made China's meteoric rise possible. China has reaped enormous benefits from the free flow of American aid and trade. In 1980, Congress granted the PRC most-favored-nation trading status. In the 1990s, American companies strongly supported the PRC's accession to the World Trade Organization and the permanent normalization of trade relations. Today, U.S.-China trade totals about \$700 billion.

China's communist leaders lured American business with the promise of market access, and then, having profited from American investment and know-how, turned increasingly hostile. The PRC used tariffs and quotas to pressure American companies to give up their technology and form joint ventures with Chinese companies. Regulators then discriminated against American firms.

Just as American companies have become dependent on the Chinese market, the United States as a whole now relies on the PRC for many vital goods and services, such as face masks and medical gowns. It has also become the United States' largest supplier of medical devices.

America remains the global leader in drug discovery, but China is now the world's largest producer of active pharmaceutical ingredients. And the CCP has long engaged

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in cyber-espionage and hacking of U.S. academic medical centers and healthcare companies.

As all of these examples should make clear, the ultimate ambition of China's rulers isn't to trade with the United States. It is to raid the United States.

Although Americans hoped that trade and investment would liberalize China's political system, the fundamental character of the regime has never changed. It remains an authoritarian, one-party state in which the Chinese Communist Party wields absolute power, unchecked by popular elections, the rule of law, or an independent judiciary. The CCP surveils its own people and assigns them social credit scores, employs an army of government censors, tortures dissidents, and persecutes religious and ethnic minorities, including a million Uighurs detained in indoctrination and labor camps.

If what happened in China stayed in China, that would be bad enough. But instead of America changing China, China is leveraging its economic power to change America.

All too often, for the sake of short-term profits, American companies have succumbed to that influence — even at the expense of freedom and openness in the United States. Sadly, examples of American business bowing to Beijing are legion.

Take Hollywood. Hollywood now regularly censors its own movies to appease the Chinese Communist Party. Increasingly, Hollywood also relies on Chinese money for financing.

America's big tech companies have also allowed themselves to become pawns of Chinese influence. Corporations such as Google, Microsoft, Yahoo, and Apple have shown themselves all too willing to collaborate with the CCP.

The Justice Department has seen more and more PRC officials and their proxies reaching out to corporate leaders and inveighing them to favor policies and actions favored by the Chinese Communist Party. The businessperson has economic interests in China, and there is a suggestion that things will go better (or worse) for them depending on their response to the PRC's request. Hiding behind American voices allows the Chinese government to elevate its influence campaigns and put a "friendly face" on pro-regime policies. The legislator or policymaker who hears from these American businessmen is properly more sympathetic to that constituent than to a foreigner.

The Chinese Communist Party also seeks to infiltrate, censor, or co-opt American academic and research institutions. Universities must consider whether any sacrifice of academic integrity or freedom is worth the price of appeasing the CCP's demands.

The CCP has launched an orchestrated campaign, across all of its many tentacles in Chinese government and society, to exploit the openness of our institutions in order to destroy them. To secure a world of freedom and prosperity for our children and grandchildren, the free world will need its own version of the whole-of-society approach, in which the

public and private sectors maintain their essential separation but work together collaboratively to resist domination and to win the contest for the commanding heights of the global economy. America has done that before and we rekindle our love and devotion for our country and each other, I am confident that we — the American people, the American government, and American business together — can do it again. Our freedom depends on it.



## **Thomas Sowell: Best Antidote to Racism**

**Excerpts from an article by Mamela Fiallo Flor, 7/2/2020**

Blame the welfare state, not racism, for the problems of poor Black people, says Thomas Sowell, a [black] libertarian economist [and Senior Fellow at Stanford University's Hoover

Institute] who turned 90 on June 30.

Racism is not dead, but it is on life support—kept alive by politicians, race hustlers, and people who get a sense of superiority by denouncing others as “racists,” Sowell proclaimed. He points out to the progressive, leftist, self-proclaimed savior of the Black people. They have caused more damage to the Black family than segregationist laws. The progressives have removed the father from the equation and replaced him with the “welfare state.”

“Non-judgmental subsidies of counterproductive lifestyles are treating people as if they were livestock, to be fed and tended by others in a welfare state — and yet expecting them to develop as human beings have developed when facing the challenges of life themselves,” Sowell said.

[Sowell] emphasizes that such trends are not exclusive to Black people, even in the United States. He claims that the welfare state has led to remarkably similar trends among the white working class in England during the same period.

Sowell recommends reading *Life at the Bottom* by Theodore Dalrymple, a British doctor who worked in a hospital in a white-collar slum. It shows how no person, of any color, is exempt from the requirements of civilization, including work, standards of conduct, personal responsibility, and all the other basic premises that many intellectuals scorn, without ruinous consequences for themselves and society.

Sowell studied at night at Howard University, where the student body has been historically African American, like

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himself. Given his excellent grades, he was able to study at Harvard, where he graduated as an economist with distinction: magna cum laude.

As an economist, he has notably criticized systems of state dependency that have mostly marginalized the Black population in the U.S. He was born in Harlem, New York, a historically impoverished, predominantly Black area. Sowell forthrightly asks, “if Black lives matter, why doesn’t education matter?” He points to the freedom of parents to choose private education, including a religious one, as the path to prosperity, the opposite of what is demanded by the Black Lives Matter organization, which requires a state education, where the curriculum teaches that abortion is a right.

Faithful to the Communist Manifesto, Black Lives Matter proposes the abolition of the family, the institution which Marx argued was the “seed” of the distribution of tasks that keeps capitalism afloat. Therefore, he also sought to abolish inheritance as a way to eliminate private property.

Sowell responds to this by saying that the destruction of the family by the welfare state impoverishes communities and encourages crime.

In 1960, 78% of black children were raised in families with a mother and a father. “But thirty years after the implementation of the progressive welfare state, the vast majority of Black children were being raised by one parent (66%),” he wrote in 2014.

Today, two out of three black children grow up without a father. Sowell says it is crucial to note that the poverty rate among Black married couples has been in the single digits every year since 1994.

To understand how much better the nation can do for Black people, the economist Sowell cites Frederick Douglass, a freed slave, and co-founder of the Republican Party. In the 19th century, Douglass saw the dangers of well-meaning whites. He said, “Everybody has asked the question... ‘What shall we do with the Negro?’ I have had but one answer from the beginning. Do nothing with us! Your doing with us has already played the mischief with us. Do nothing with us!”

Amen, exclaims Sowell. He believes that the worst threat to the Black man is progressive. For the latter builds a welfare state where the Black person is not considered an equal, but as someone unable to sustain a family on his own; then, the state takes over the role of the father.

Sowell, as a [libertarian](#), demands to treat each person as he is: an individual. This helps to diminish the most primitive form of collectivism: racism.

## Points of Interest

- **Complete List of Organizations Funded by George Soros.** George Soros is an 88-year-old financier who, through his Open Society Foundations, has been a megadonor to Democrat campaigns and causes for years. His influence runs deep throughout American society and much of the world. Recently he established the Democracy PAC to promote Democrat candidates in the 2020 election; and is investing \$220 million in “efforts to achieve racial equality in America.” Here is a link to a complete list of U.S. organizations funded by Soros:  
<https://thewillcountynews.com/install/index.php/2020/01/11/complete-list-of-u-s-organizations-funded-by-george-soros/>
- **Biden-Sanders “Unity Platform” Cements Radical Agenda.** In May, Joe Biden and Bernie Sanders announced the formation of “Unity Task Forces” to create policies that the two politicians could agree on to advise the Democrat National Committee Platform. On July 8, the Biden campaign released its 110 page “Unity Platform” which was resoundingly condemned by the Trump campaign. “Joe Biden and Bernie Sanders have banded together to propose the most radical leftist platform in the history of American presidential politics. Biden again has proven he is too weak to stand up to the extremists in his party and is now running on their socialist agenda. He is a Trojan Horse candidate – a mere empty vessel carrying the insane wish list of the radical left,” said Tim Murtaugh, Trump 2020 communications director. Key elements of the platform can be found here:  
<https://www.donaldjtrump.com/media/biden-sanders-unity-platform-cements-radical-agenda>
- **The National Museum of African American History Displays “Signs of Whiteness.”** Last week, news outlets reported on a document at The National Museum of African American History which displays “Aspects and Assumptions of Whiteness & White Culture in the United States,” including individualism, hard work, objectivity, the nuclear family, progress, respect for authority, delayed gratification, and more. A link to the two-page document is here:  
<https://twitter.com/iheartmindy/status/1283459312514265088/photo/1>
- **Back the Blue:** As we all know, our police officers have been terribly mistreated lately. WAC encourages our members to send cards to police stations around the area expressing our support and appreciation for all they do to help keep us safe.



## WAC Is Taking Orders for the 2020 White House Christmas Ornament

This ornament honors John F. Kennedy, the thirty-fifth president of the United States. Before his presidency was cut short by an assassin's bullet, he

had reinvigorated the American spirit. His legacy lives on in his youthful belief in America and his faith in America's responsibilities to the world. With this ornament we remember President Kennedy through his posthumous official White House portrait, made in 1970 by Aaron Shikler. The portrait, symbolic of his unfinished presidency, hangs in the White House today. The reverse of the ornament features the dates of President Kennedy's brief term, 1961-1963, on either side of an engraving of the White House. The White House as it is today is another Kennedy legacy. First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy restored the furnishings and decor of the State Rooms to the era of the early presidents and invited the public to view them in a television special. "The White House belongs to the American people," she said.

To order the ornament, please contact Christy Lloyd at the WAC email address: [WomenForTheAC@gmail.com](mailto:WomenForTheAC@gmail.com).

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## Upcoming Events/Announcements

- **August Luncheon** – August 20, 2020, Greencroft Club
- **September Barbeque** – September 26, 2020, Location TBA
- **October Dinner** – TBA, Hopefully 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday in October (5:30 pm – 8:00 pm)
- **WAC Action Committees Sign-Up** – We need members to be involved! Contact: Rena Snow ([renasnow@hotmail.com](mailto:renasnow@hotmail.com))
- **November Election Polls and Precinct Participation** Contact: Madeleine Chandler ([mbc4z@earthlink.net](mailto:mbc4z@earthlink.net))
- **Annual White House Bus Trip to DC, Christmas Decorations**—Register before September 1, 2020 – First 55 people to sign up will attend – last ten days before Christmas. Send email to CJ Hatcher ([WomenForTheAC@gmail.com](mailto:WomenForTheAC@gmail.com))
- **Order White House Christmas Ornaments** – Contact: Christy Lloyd ([WomenForTheAC@gmail.com](mailto:WomenForTheAC@gmail.com))
- **Spring Gala 2021** – TBA, Jason Chaffetz, Speaker

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