

The AMERICAN

A Letter from the President

Dear Friends,

We're in the last lap of the presidential election and the stakes couldn't be higher. Our national debt has crossed the \$16 trillion mark; 47 million Americans need food



stamps to feed their families; and millions have lost all hope of ever finding another good job. Meanwhile federal spending is increasing at a reckless pace, speeding ever faster toward what is surely fiscal ruin, and Barack Obama calls these disturbing times America's

“new normal”.

Our Libyan ambassador was assassinated along with an aide and two former Navy Seals; embassies around the world are under siege; the Egyptian President is publicly dictating the terms of our relationship; the President misleads the country about the cause and dismisses the bloody unrest as “bumps in the road.”

Joining their party's leader, the Democratic Party endorsed same-sex marriage, called for taxpayer-funded abortion through all nine months, tossed any mention of God out of their statement of beliefs; and when the politically savvy attempted to re-insert the Almighty in their platform, convention delegates booed and jeered.

What was once a great American institution, the free press, has given up all pretense of objectivity. They launch no investigation of Ambassador Stevens' death; they stand by and watch as one Administration official after another deliberately misleads America about the cause of the attack; and after nine days of lies they still make no attempt to call the President on it. Nor do they demand an explanation for the lack of security given our Ambassador or our consulate—especially after we were warned of increased terrorist agitation in the area.

Instead they awarded Governor Romney with having the worst week of the campaign. The President's entire foreign policy of appeasement and apologies disintegrated on national television, and Mitt Romney had a bad week!

The press is in the tank. They have abandoned the very core of their responsibility to the citizenry—to keep the government honest, to make certain that the people have the truth so they can make well-informed decisions. This abdication of

duty presents a grave threat to our freedom.

Today America is perceived as weak because she is weak. Our President's policies have cost this country dearly. He and his Left wing pals are tearing America down, turning her into a second rate nation, into a people

dependent on a government, a nation in decline both at home and abroad.

But this is not who we are. Americans are strong, hardworking people proud of the work they do, the things they build, and the care they give their loved ones. We willingly sacrifice to give our kids greater opportunities than we ever had and this great country has always made this possible. It's why millions have come to our shores—to experience the American Dream of a better life for themselves and their families if they work hard.

This is what they are taking from us; it's what is at stake—our way of life!

We know what this President wants for America—his ideology has been on parade for four years. He has targeted industries for extinction, crushed small businesses with regulations and taxes, sued states for defying his dictates, and started a war against those who prosper. Millions have fallen into poverty and the President is there to greet them with cell phones and food stamps.

After destroying the quality of our schools and universities, they are now going after the quality of our healthcare. They force fed our youngsters with liberal propaganda and now are taking charge of what the youngsters eat for lunch. They told our kids to go to college and gave them loans to make it happen. Now our college graduates are debt-ridden and unemployed.

Our President even had the audacity to go after the churches. If upheld, Obamacare-related regulations will take churches out of hospitals, adoption services, and soup kitchens. Religious organizations that have been so successful in reaching the poor and needy will be forced to shut down — and in their place will be a godless government.

Likewise religious businessmen and women are being forced to decide between keeping their doors open or violating the dictates of their conscience. Under the new Regime there will be no tolerance for small businesses that don't support the contraception and abortion rights of their employees.

This is the reality of the moment—the sad and frightening consequences of the policies of the last four years. We are face to face with an America in decline, led by people who, rather than find a path to make us strong again, choose to use our fallen state to gain and keep control of power.

With so many Americans out of work for so long, losing their homes and having spent their life savings, they have lost faith that they can do it again. They have become addicted to government handouts just to feed their kids. That “can-do” spirit that made America great has been beaten out of them.

How do we bring them back? How do we let them know America can be great again, that she can be that shining city on the hill, for them and their families? First, we show them we believe that America’s best days can still be before us. Then we show them how it can be done, with all of us coming together to fight as others have done, to return America to her greatness. Then we invite them to join us.

Friends, times are tough—America has little respect in the world, is facing fiscal ruin, and millions of her people are as low as they have ever been. But in such times, America produces her greatest leaders . . . and today is no different.

I promise you those leaders are out there. I know, because I saw them. Not one or two, but dozens or more courageous, committed Americans ready and willing to put it all on the line to take this country back from those who would surely destroy her.

At the Republican convention last month I was amazed by the quality of those who spoke and the many more with whom I had a chance to speak. It was my 10th convention, but never before have I been so convinced that the future can be ours once again. Some of us long ago realized that the only effective way to take back our country was to first take over the Republican Party. Well, Friends, we did it!

There are so many young, new faces—and all strong, committed conservatives. Their love for God and country was deeply felt, as was their understanding of the gravity of the situation. These emerging leaders are well-equipped for the battle that lies ahead.

While the Left has had significant victories, they have not won the hearts and the minds. America is increasingly pro-life and pro-gun. Marriage continues to win every single challenge when it’s put up to the vote of the people. Churches are organizing as never before, determined to preserve all the rights protected by the First Amendment. And states are aggressively reclaiming their rights under the Tenth Amendment. But this is not enough.

Four more years of Barack Obama, of a tyrannical regime at EPA, of a national debt climbing to 20 trillion dollars, of billions in new taxes, of another 15 million Americans on food stamps and two more Obama-appointed Justices sitting on the Supreme Court will turn America into something we will not recognize.

And while I pray every day that that isn’t our future, if it is, we can’t give up. America is depending on us to get her back onto a path to greatness. That is our job, our responsibility. And while the task may seem impossible, such odds are nothing new to those who went before us. Now it is our turn.

– Bay Buchanan

Clips and Quips

What’s in a name?

The Weekly Standard recalls Vice President Joe Biden’s tribute at the Democratic convention, when he spoke of fallen soldiers as “fallen angels.”

Of course, we know what he meant; however, a “fallen angel” is an angel who has gone “rogue.” (remember Lucifer?) The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that ‘The devil and the other demons were indeed created naturally good by God, but they became evil by their own doing.’”

That’s okay, Joe, we get it.

The Truth about Government Motors

The “catch phrase” from the DNC convention was, “Osama is dead, and GM is alive!”

Living on life support might be a better way to describe GM. As columnist Michelle Malkin points out, “GM still owes nearly \$30 billion of the \$50 billion it received, and its lending arm still owes nearly \$15 billion of the more than \$17 billion it received.” According to National Legal and Policy Center’s Mark Modica, that doesn’t include foreign investment: “In addition to U.S. taxpayers anteing up, Canada put in over \$10 billion, and GM was relieved of about \$28 billion of bondholder obligations while UAW claims were protected. That’s an improvement of almost \$90 billion to the balance sheet, and the company still lags the competition.”

And . . . GM is once again looking at filing bankruptcy.

Pennsylvanians stand their ground

The School Board meetings in Antrim Township, Pennsylvania have always opened with the Lord’s Prayer. Board members dropped the practice at the last meeting when area atheists threatened legal action against the board . . . with no hesitation, the crowd recited the prayer on its own.

Gotta love those “bitter clingers.” (GOPUSA)

Hillary Clinton Pushes for Global Tax on Elites

In remarks to the Clinton Global Initiative, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton proposed a global tax on elites around the world.

“One of the issues that I have been preaching about around the world is collecting taxes in an equitable manner, especially from the elites in every country . . . it is a fact that around the world, the elites of every country are making money.

“There are rich people everywhere. And yet they do not contribute to the growth of their own countries. They don’t invest in public schools, in public hospitals, in other kinds of development internally,” said Clinton.

So where do their taxes go, Hillary? (The Weekly Standard)

Dressing up the “Slut” word

In response to a recent move by Planned Parenthood to “dress up” the word “slut,” and give it a “positive” spin, Karen Handel, a former top executive at Komen for the Cure who quit after Komen became the focus of a targeted Obama administration assault over their lack of support for Planned Parenthood, says, “Planned Parenthood promotes promiscuity, STDs and abortion instead of academic achievement, integrity and hard work as defining characteristics of young women,” said the author of the new bestselling book, *Planned Bullyhood*. “Planned Parenthood glorifies ‘sluttiness’ at the expense of self-respect among women, defining them as sexual objects instead of our next generation of scientists, doctors, entrepreneurs, and mothers.”