PAULY'S PERSPECTIVE

A Message from Our President Deborah Pauly, J.D.

Are Public Schools Trying to
Destroy Our Most Precious Resource?

Our Kids Don't Stand a Chance...

Unless We Stand Up for Them!

On August 26, 2022, I was out for a walk on a route that took me past Villa Park High School. I was stopped in my tracks by a sign hanging on the chain link perimeter fence:

WARNING NO TRESPPASSING.

I couldn't believe it. This is where our children congregate to learn. They don't stand a chance. I took a picture of that sign and posted it on my social media. People had a lot to say about it.

One of my friends who lives near that school — an actual friend, not a virtual friend — took wire cutters and videotaped his comments about this being the school he attended, that his children attended, that his nieces and nephews attend and that his tax dollars pay to fund. He cut down the sign and delivered it to the principal. He



reported to me that it took the principal three times to look at it before he realized what was wrong...and this is allegedly one of "the good" schools. (Do you see what is wrong with the sign?)

The only subject of the sign was trespassing.

No wonder our kids cannot spell without the aid of a spellcheck software program. No wonder they cannot read with comprehension. An honors English teacher there wanted to show an R-rated video Continued on next page ... version of Romeo and Juliet because, as she explained to me, Shakespeare is "hard for the students to understand." She was going to hold the TV remote and fast-forward through the R-rated scenes. I explained to her that the entire purpose of having 9th graders read Shakespeare is because it is difficult and it's her job to help them work through the English language. Instead, she wanted to opt for and teach "the lazy way out." I was labeled a prude.

No wonder students returned home confused. The entire environment is confusing and not just about race, racism, sexuality or gender, but about the entire primary purpose of attending school in the first place, which is to learn fundamentals in order to be a productive member of society upon reaching the age of majority.

Children should be taught *critical thinking skills*, not *critical race theory.* CRT is and has been insidiously inserted into the academic learning environment as though is it proven reality. CRT is just some loosely constructed and untested hypothesis. It's a harebrained theory dreamed up in the halls of extremist left-wing woke academia, designed to justify a whole lot of rubbish being shoved down

the throats of our children masqueraded as "knowledge." Real knowledge is left outside the chain link perimeter fence.

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Aside from the obvious spelling error on the high school's no trespassing sign, one has to wonder who the sign is designed to keep out. Parents? Grandparents? The community? Surely no rational person believes that a sign will keep out a dangerous intruder who has criminal intent to harm persons or property. The only people

who will obey this sign are the law-abiding taxpayers, who have every right to know what is going on in our publicly funded schools.

There have been some silver linings to the COVID lockdowns. One silver lining is the remote laptop lens that has been trained on classroom learning. Parents and grandparents have seen how the public schools have declined like never before. To quote Larry Arnn's essay *Education as a Battle-ground*, "Only lately has (public education) adopted the purpose of supplanting the family and controlling parents." Click here to read his entire article.

Mr. Arnn is President of Hillsdale College and I recommend this article as a good primer before CPOC's March 16 meeting. March is all about education and **TAKING BACK OUR SCHOOLS**. We have an all-star line-up of experienced speakers, led by an experienced activist in Education Reform Linda Cone. She is one of two Education Officers I have appointed to CPOC's Education Committee.

This is a rare opportunity for the energy of new activists (mama bears/papa bears) to converge with the knowledge and wisdom of mature and experienced elders. My hope is that a true mentoring and supportive environment will result. This is how a community of the likeminded should operate.

Republican Party of Orange County

Let's turn to the Republican Party of Orange County and how a community of the likeminded should **not** operate. Party Chairman Fred Whitaker took credit for the successful efforts of grassroots volunteers in securing the Seal Beach City Council for conservative majority. One should not take credit for the work of others.



Feckless Fred used that as an opportunity to fete the "early endorsement" of Scott Baugh for California's 47th Congressional District. *This will be Baugh's third attempt at a Congressional seat*.

First, Baugh ran against a seated incumbent Republican in good standing, weakening the incumbent and draining his campaign coffers. That's how Orange County ended up with Democrat Harley Rouda as a Congressman representing Orange County in 2019. More recently, Baugh lost to Katie Porter for a Congressional seat. Even the coattails of the Fabulous Four (a conservative slate that sailed to victory in the recent Huntington Beach city council contest) couldn't drag Baugh over the finish line. That's a lot of weight to drag.

Anyone who has been paying attention knows what kind of damage Scott Baugh did to the Republican Party of Orange County when he was chairman. The party is on life-support, and he deserves a lot of credit for that status. He also pushed Republicans to register to vote by mail during his tenure. That was a precursor to The OC going to near exclusive mail ballot voting, a set-up to the current corruption of our election system. He did that, but then integrity has never been one of Baugh's strong suits.

Baugh's press release on the early endorsement is total rubbish. The header proclaims, "The Republican Party of Orange County Makes Rare Early Endorsement of Scott Baugh." Rare? It happens all the time. In fact, under Feckless Fred's leadership, the OC GOP early endorsed Diana Harkey for Board of Supervisors. The district boundaries had not even been finalized yet. That's how we ended up with Democrat Katrina Foley representing the 5th District. And now one of our researches discovered that Harkey held a fundraiser for Foley at her lavish Ritz Cove estate. *See graphic of the flyer.*

Another CPOC leader Cheryl Frink, Election Integrity Committee Officer, discovered that Foley is appointing Harkey to the Development Processing Review Committee. Click hecks: "Foley for Supervisor 2026 2755 Bristol, Ste 110 Costa Mesa, CA 92626 to read the details.

It's tough work connecting all these dots because the corruption runs so deep and is buried deep within the annuls of government reporting. The more we learn, the more we understand why we are in such a sorry state of affairs. But knowledge is power and exposing these truths to the sunlight is a great disinfectant.



President Trump was right. We need to clean up the swamp. It's our job to clean up the swamp in our own back yard, so we can **Make Orange County Great Again!**

Please share this issue with 10 other like-minded Orange Countians and invite all to join us on Thursday, March 16 at The Elks Lodge in Santa Ana for camaraderie with fellow patriots, a three-course buffet dinner and educational presentations. See you there!