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You're invited to Incline Village-Crystal Bay Republican Women's

## *Garden Party!*

**Tuesday, July 13th, 2021**

—*DINNER ON THE CHAMPIONSHIP GOLF COURSE*—  
at the home of Ellie and Cliff Dobler  
995 Fairway Boulevard, Incline Village | 5 to 8 pm

Don't miss hearing  
**Assemblywoman  
Robin Titus** inform us about  
the latest Assembly Session  
and about potential special  
Sessions. She will also talk  
about Innovation Zones.



\$70 per person | Credit card purchase: \$70 plus credit card fee  
NO HOST BAR available | Suggested Attire – Western wear

**TO PURCHASE TICKETS:** We strongly encourage credit card ticket purchases. Credit card ticket purchases must be made by noon on Thursday prior to the event.

**For question about credit card purchasing or to RSVP, call Nancy Carlson at (650) 255-1435.**

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## President's Message



Happy Summer and to the father's, Happy Father's Day – both events are celebrated on the same day June 20th!

We are going to have a very busy summer. Here are some of the highlights.

We begin our "Local Heroes" parade on July 3rd which will start at 10 a.m. and we will meet just west of the Bowling Alley on Incline Way. Then we'll



continue walking up Country Club to the Sierra Nevada College. This is about a quarter mile walk, so if you want to join us, make sure you wear some good walking shoes! We will be carrying our Republican Women's Club banner, so put on your Red, White and Blue and bring and wave

your American Flags!

There will be two pancake breakfasts that weekend. One will be at the Firehouse on Incline Way July 3rd from 8 to 10 a.m. It is free! The other breakfast on July 4th (from 8 a.m. to 12 noon) will be at Aspen Grove and is sponsored by the Incline Village Veteran's Club. The cost is \$10 per person and you get a great breakfast! You can purchase your tickets at the Rec. Center or at the door.

Our July **Garden Party** will once again be hosted by **Cliff and Ellie Dobler**, and we will meet in their beautiful garden that faces the Golf Course. Our speaker is going to be **Dr. Robin Titus**, the Nevada Assembly Minority Speaker. I'm sure she will have a lot to share with us. Robin is a 4th generation Nevadan and lives in Smith Valley. Since she has such a long heritage in Nevada, we decided to make the theme of our dinner, *Nevada Western*. So, don your cowboy hat and come casual!

We are still having a few problems with reservations. You will again be able to pay by "square," which is the fastest and easiest way to buy a ticket. Our ticket price is \$70 per person (plus credit card fee) for this dinner.

**Go to this website to order tickets:**

<https://incline-village-crystal-bay-republican-women.square.site>

If you wish to pay by check, please send your check so that it arrives in our P.O. Box 3009 at least one week before the dinner or by July 6th. **All reservations must be paid in advance.** If you must cancel, please do so by NOON on Friday July 9th so we can let our caterer Sunshine Deli know how much food will be needed. If you do not cancel by the above time and date, we will not be able to refund your money. **If you need to cancel, please call Nancy Carlson at 650-255-1435.**

I was informed that some of our members did not receive last month's newsletter. Unfortunately, when we send out communications from our email distributor Constant Contact, some email software programs wrongly interpret the communication as a mass mailing, and it can end up in SPAM folders. **So please check your SPAM folder to see if the newsletter and/or flyer ends up there!** However, any time you do not receive your newsletter or flyer by the first week of the month, *please let me know.* You can reach me via email at [mrsradar@aol.com](mailto:mrsradar@aol.com) or my cell phone at 818-266-4402.

A few of us have some interest in *handgun safety and personal defense* and want to take some courses on how to become familiar with the proper use of a gun. Nancy Carlson is looking into the possibility of having a female professional offer us a course. We will have more information about this in a separate mailing.

Our annual **Fashion Show is September 14th.** The flyer on page 8 in this newsletter will give you the important information for this exciting event!

I hope all is well with all of you, and I look forward to seeing you on July 3rd and on the 13th.

Cheers,

*Shirley Appel*



### *About our Speaker,*

## **ASSEMBLYWOMAN ROBIN TITUS**

**R**obin L. Titus' family has lived in Nevada since the 1870s and settled in Smith Valley where they worked in the mines. Robin graduated from Smith

Valley High School and continued her education at the University of Nevada, Reno as both an undergraduate and as a med student. She graduated from the University of Nevada, Reno, where she received a bachelor of science in 1976 and became a Doctor of Medicine from the University of Nevada School of Medicine in Reno in 1981. Dr. Robin Titus practiced medicine in Lyon County with offices in Wellington and Yerington.

### **Career as Assemblywoman**

Dr. Robin Titus is a conservative with a common sense approach to the challenges facing Nevadans. She has served in the Assembly for District 38 since 2014 and is the Republican Minority Leader in the Nevada State Assembly.

### **Legislative Service**

Nevada Assembly, 2015-2019 (first elected in November 2014) "three regular and four special sessions

2019 Session Committees: Health and Human Services; Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining; Ways and Means

2017 Session Committees: Health and Human Services; Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining; Ways and Means

2015 Session Committees: Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (Chair); Health and Human Services (Vice Chair); Ways and Means

2017-2018 Interim Committees: Interim Finance Committee; Northern Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board

2015-2016 Interim Committees: Interim Finance Committee; Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System; Legislative Committee on Public Lands

### **Personal Life**

Dr. Titus is married to Allen Veil, a Retired Sheriff of Lyon County. They have two children and three stepchildren. The couple enjoy a growing family of nine grandchildren.

Robin Titus is an instrument-rated pilot. She is an adventurer at heart and in 2005 she trekked from the base camp of Mount Everest to the summit. In 2008 she accomplished a climb to Mount Kilimanjaro. She loves running and to date has participated in 10 marathons.

### **Awards and Honors**

- Topaz Sertoma, Service to Mankind Award, 1991
- Nevada State Medical Society, Community Service Award, 1996
- American Academy of Family Physicians, Nevada Chapter, Family Physician of the Year, 2008
- University of Nevada School of Medicine, Thomas J. Scully Preceptor Carissimus Award, 2009
- University of Nevada School of Medicine, Outstanding Alumna, 2010

### **Affiliations**

- Smith Valley Historical Society, Past President, Founding member.
- Nevada Academy of Family Physicians, President, 2012-2013
- Nevada State Medical Association, Rural Member, Executive Board, 2012-2014
- South Lyon Medical Center, Past Chief of Staff
- Lyon County Health Officer, 1984 to present
- Lyon County Republican Central Committee, Chair, 2010-2012
- Smith Valley Fire District, EMS Director, 1984-2014
- University of Nevada School of Medicine, Clinical Assistant Professor 1984–2015



# What If "the Big Lie" IS the Big Lie?

by James Howard  
Kunstler



Maybe now that Dr. Tony Fauci has begun to spill the beans on his doings in service to the Wuhan virology lab, the phrase “conspiracy theory,” flogged by the media as jauntily and incessantly as by the soviet kommissars of yore, will have worn out its welcome.

In a sane polity, Dr. Fauci would be cooked. He looks circumstantially like an epic villain of history, who promoted and funded dangerous research activities knowingly, which led to an international disaster that killed millions of people and destroyed countless livelihoods and households, perhaps even the whole global economy, when all is said and done — and he appears to have lied at every step along the way.

As a practical matter, what is the “Joe Biden” admin going to do about him? Throw him under the bus? I don’t think they can at this point. Dr. Fauci has come to represent not just the falsehoods employed around the Covid-19 fiasco but more generally the long campaign against truth itself by a grossly illiberal Jacobin Democratic Party seemingly out to punish and destroy Western Civ.

Whether the Covid-19 pandemic was an overt tactic in that campaign, or just the result of Dr. Fauci’s catastrophic bad judgment, remains to be revealed. But at least half the country will conclude that there’s some connection between the terrible losses suffered in the pandemic year and the political bullshit they were force-fed in the four-year effort to defenestrate Donald Trump. All Joe Biden’s handlers can do now is fade Dr. Fauci out, keep him off the cable channels, and hope the public can be distracted with some new nonsense. You also have good reason to doubt that Merrick Garland will do anything but look the other way and whistle.

The downfall of Dr. Fauci is a watershed moment. There were so many more authorities caught lying over the past five years, but who got off scot-free — Hillary Clinton, Barack Obama, James Comey (actually, the whole FBI and DOJ E-suites), John Brennan, James Clapper, Robert Mueller, Andrew Weissmann, Adam Schiff, and the editors and producers of the news media, plus the execs of social media — who not only disabled the truth at every opportunity, but just about destroyed the public’s grip on reality.

The result has been an utter collapse of authority in this land, so that now nobody who runs anything is credible, from the current pitiful president of the USA, to most elected and appointed officials, judges, corporate CEOs, college deans and presidents, and “The Science” itself. Just remember: there is still a sizable faction in America of people who are deeply interested in ascertaining the truth about a lot of things. They are aiming to get at it, too, for example, the truth about the 2020 election. Maybe now you can begin to see why this is important.

Yet the cable news channels were really at it recently with Erin Burnett and Anderson Cooper of CNN, and the slippery crew at MSNBC, strenuously assailing the Arizona election audit with their usual battery of opprobrious slogans: it’s a “conspiracy theory,” “baseless,” a “Big Lie.” Is it perhaps more likely now that their Big Lie is the Big Lie? It looks like we are going to find out. And perhaps not just in Arizona, because other states are warming to the audit idea.

“Joe Biden’s” DOJ may yet try to quash the AZ audit. But one subsidiary truth to be gleaned in all this is that the audit is solely a state prerogative as a constitutional matter and if the DOJ tries to lay some . . . ruse about “civil rights” on the operation, they’ll end up with their pants on fire, maybe even an official nullification of federal action. Sound a little civil war-ish?

So, we can see that the disclosures over Dr. Fauci’s role in the origins of Covid-19 and the potential discovery of 2020 election fraud are converging

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## What If . . .

toward a deep constitutional crisis this summer. If a growing number of Americans come to believe that the pandemic was a number run on them by the authorities, they may be more disposed to going forward with election audits in several states. And what happens if solid evidence is discovered and fraud is proven? Whu-oh...! Does the country perhaps have to call a re-do of the election, this time without mail-in ballots and with a more serious effort to substantiate the votes? That's a tall order. Or does "Joe Biden" just keep ridin' out for ice cream cones? Geopolitics may determine that. Can the nation afford to keep such a weak and illegitimate regime in power?



I'll tell you something that could happen: "Joe Biden" (his handlers and their factotums, anyway) may try something else, another ruse to distract the public's attention from a constitutional crisis: how about crashing the financial markets? That would do the trick, I'm sure. In fact, it looks like the Federal Reserve is already tuning that frequency in by announcing it's "tapering" its bond buying activities, starting with corporate "junk" bonds. You know what will happen if they ramp up tapering of more bond purchases (currently around \$120-billion-a-month)? Interest rates will rise — because who else will buy that paper at near-zero interest rates? (And, by the way, Russia just announced it's about to sell off all its sovereign holdings in US dollars.) And when interest rates rise quickly, Wall Street's current business model goes south. Wait for that!

*James Howard Kunstler is the author of many books including (non-fiction) The Geography of Nowhere, The City in Mind: Notes on the Urban Condition, Home from Nowhere, The Long Emergency and the four-book series of World Made By Hand novels, set in a post economic crash American future. Jim lives on a homestead in Washington County, New York, where he tends his garden and communes with his chickens.*

*Notable:* This article has been shortened for inclusion in The Elephant's Tale.



*G7 world leaders in Cornwall led by Angela Merkel and Boris Johnson on 11 June.*

## G-7 Summit Exposes Incoherence of US Foreign Policy

By William Moloney

During a U.S. presidency, the stature of which has grown steadily in the estimate of historians, Dwight D. Eisenhower's success flowed from two critically important insights. The first was that American military power and diplomatic influence was absolutely dependent on the might of the U.S. economy. The second was embodied in his often-quoted Farewell Address warning that an unconstrained "military-industrial complex" could threaten both our economic strength and our democratic liberties.

A generation later, Eisenhower's wisdom was validated in a book by British historian Paul Kennedy, "The Rise and Fall of the Great Powers: Economic Change and Military Conflict from 1500-2000." In this wide-ranging study of five centuries of Western history, Kennedy demonstrated that economic disorder was the invariable prelude to military and political calamity. In examining the Soviet Union and the United States, he warned that both superpowers were showing symptoms of "imperial overstretch."

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## G-7 Summit

Three years after the book's publication, the Soviet Union collapsed, largely owing to the massive failure of its economy. Thirty years later it is the United States that is manifesting acute symptoms of "imperial overstretch" via a deeply troubled economy, laboring under the incompatible burdens of mountainous debt and runaway spending compounded by a failure to recognize the limits of its power or focus on a coherent set of foreign policy objectives.

The glaring deficiencies of U.S. foreign policy and growing fragility of America's role as leader of the West were harshly spotlighted at the recently completed G-7 Summit in England, the subsequent NATO meeting in Brussels, and President Biden's first personal encounter with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Geneva.

It was the hope of the Biden administration that the president's first trip abroad would be a celebration of their cherished theme of "America is Back" and an opportunity to rally the world's leading democracies in a unified stand against a "threatening rise in authoritarianism" (i.e., Russia and China). Instead, these events became a showcase for the weakness and divisions among America's allies and their collective unwillingness to stand up to China in a meaningful way. As described by Stuart Lau in Politico, "China is the elephant in the room at the G-7" — the power of the Asian giant cast a long shadow over the discussions among Western leaders in this seminal week in world politics.

Awkward photo ops and deceptive final communiqués could not conceal the signs of division and lack of focus in and around the summit. British

Prime Minister Boris Johnson and French President Emmanuel Macron continued sniping at each other over the relatively parochial issue of a "hard border" in Northern Ireland. When Biden urged the two to negotiate on their differences, Macron pointedly refused and continued to advocate for the European Union to pursue "strategic autonomy" from the United States. While President Biden was asserting his belief that G-7 economies "have potential to bounce back very strongly," he was daily receiving ominous reports of growing labor shortages and surging inflation in the problematic U.S. economy.

After their one-on-one meeting, mainly dealing with

bogged down U.S.-U.K. trade talks, Biden and Johnson preferred to speak publicly of the more elevated topic of "shared values" and to invite comparisons with their illustrious predecessors, Franklin Roosevelt and Winston Churchill, who came together in the darkest days of World War II to issue the historic Atlantic Charter. Any



comparison between then and now is historically impermissible — and it denies a stark reality.

At its founding in 1975, the G-7 nations constituted 70 percent of the global economy; today, they make up just 40 percent. It is clear that the tectonic plates undergirding the world's economic, military and political balance of power are shifting and the consequences — however painful for America and the West — are plain to see for anyone willing to look at them honestly.

*Article by William Moloney, who is a Fellow in Conservative Thought at Colorado Christian University's Centennial Institute who studied at Oxford and the University of London and received his doctorate from Harvard University. He is a former Colorado Commissioner of Education.*

Source: <https://thehill.com/opinion/white-house/558614-g-7-summit-exposes-incoherence-of-us-foreign-policy>



## THE LIBERTY BELL



Recognizable for its crack, the Liberty Bell remains significant today for its message of liberty.

### AMERICANISM

Going beyond iconic crack, this State House bell was transformed into an extraordinary symbol. Abolitionists, women's suffrage advocates and Civil Rights leaders took inspiration from the inscription on this bell. The State House Bell, now known as the Liberty Bell, rang in the tower of the Pennsylvania State House. Today, we call that building Independence Hall.

Speaker of the Pennsylvania Assembly Isaac Norris first ordered a bell for the bell tower in 1751 from the Whitechapel Foundry in London. That bell cracked on the first test ring. Local metalworkers John Pass and John Stow melted down that bell and cast a new one in Philadelphia. It's this bell that would ring to call lawmakers to their meetings and the townspeople together to hear the reading of the news. Benjamin Franklin wrote to Catherine Ray in 1755, "Adieu, the Bell rings, and I must go among the Grave ones and talk Politicks." However, it was not until the 1830's that the old State House Bell would begin to take on significance as a symbol of liberty.

### THE CRACK

No one recorded when or why the Liberty Bell first cracked, but the most likely explanation is

that a narrow split developed in the early 1840s after nearly 90 years of hard use. In 1846, when the city decided to repair the bell prior to George Washington's birthday holiday (February 23), metal workers widened the thin crack to prevent its farther spread and restore the tone of the bell using a technique called "stop drilling." The wide crack in the Liberty Bell is actually the repair job, but the repair was not successful. *The Public Ledger* newspaper reported that the repair failed when another fissure developed. This second crack, running from the abbreviation for "Philadelphia" up through the word "Liberty," silenced the bell forever. No one living today has heard the bell ring freely with its clapper, but computer modeling provides some clues into the sound of the Liberty Bell.

The Liberty Bell's inscription is from the Bible (King James version): "Proclaim Liberty Throughout All the Land Unto All the Inhabitants thereof." This verse refers to the "Jubilee," or the instructions to the Israelites to return property and free slaves every 50 years. Speaker of the Pennsylvania Assembly Isaac Norris chose this inscription for the State House bell in 1751, possibly to commemorate the 50th anniversary of William Penn's 1701 Charter of Privileges which granted religious liberties and

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SAVE THE DATE!

You're invited to  
**CHAMPAGNE AND FASHIONS  
FOR SCHOLARS**



*This is a community fundraiser to provide scholarships  
for Incline Village-Crystal Bay seniors.*

**Tuesday, September 14, 2021**

At The Chateau | 11:30 am to 3 pm

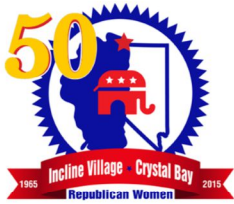
**D**on't miss this  
scholarship fundraising  
opportunity! Tahoe ladies will  
be modeling fabulous fashions  
from **Boutique  
Elegante.**



*\$75 per person, includes Lunch and Show | No Host Bar  
Tickets must be purchased in advance –  
Available by calling 650-255-1435 or at  
The Potlatch Store in the Raley's Shopping Center.*







### Membership Application

New Member     Renewing Membership

*If you receive this application/renewal form via email, please print a copy and mail with your check to the address below.*

NAME as it appears on VOTER REGISTRATION: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME as it appears on your NAMETAG: \_\_\_\_\_

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Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday (Month, Day) \_\_\_\_\_

Email address (for roster and newsletter):  
\_\_\_\_\_

*Please print*

**MEMBERSHIP STATUS , PLEASE CHECK ONE:**

- Active \$50, any woman registered as a Republican
- Associate \$20, any woman with a full membership in another Republican women's group,  
\_\_\_\_\_ OR any man registered as a Republican  
*Primary Club Membership*

**CHECK AREAS OF INTEREST:**

- |  |   |  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Art or Graphic Art Work | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising        | <input type="checkbox"/> Greeter at Meetings |
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**MAIL APPLICATION AND CHECK** to the following address:

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P. O. Box 3009, Incline Village, NV 89450

*Always more information for you at our website: [ivcbrw.org](http://ivcbrw.org)*



## THE LIBERTY BELL

political self-government to the people of Pennsylvania. The inscription of liberty on the State House Bell, now known as the Liberty Bell, went unnoticed during the Revolutionary War. After the war, abolitionists seeking to end slavery in America were inspired by the bell's message.

**NOTABLE:** The bell weighed 2,080 lbs. at order. It is made of bronze. It is 70 percent copper, 25 percent tin and contains small amounts of lead, gold, arsenic, silver, and zinc. The bell's wooden yoke is American elm, but there is no proof that it is the original yoke for this bell. While there is evidence that the bell rang to mark the Stamp Act tax and its repeal, there is no evidence that the bell rang on July 4 or 8, 1776.

Source: <https://www.nps.gov/inde/learn/historyculture/stories-libertybell.htm>

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