Political Commentary, (etc.), by Lt. Colonel Max Riekse, retired

First of all, I love Donald Trump. Ya he can be perceived as a pain in the *&^%; he's from New York City. But with the Deep State running this country for the last 120 years for their profit and with their endless wars enriching both American and foreign banks, we needed to elect someone with the backbone of a Donald Trump. Remember, before he was President Donald Trum, he was 'Donald' Trump; who has been known to be a hard businessman; but also a man with a kind and patriotic heart. And he really loves the American flag. Know that he went to a high-end military school achieving a high rank.

Remember in November the Michigan Republican tax on Senior citizens' pensions. This hurt retired public school teachers, retired fireman, police - first responders and other senior citizens on a pension. And don't forget that our recent two-term Republican governor vetoed over 5 pro-Second Amendment bills passed by the Michigan Republican legislature, which had a super majority to override them but chose not to. Why?

Fast forward to our Democratic governor, Gretchen Whitmer's Michigan's Health Department, which made a contract with a group called Great Lakes Community Engagement to trace the contacts of known coronavirus 19 cases. This company is a de facto arm of the Michigan Democratic Party and is a leftwing activist group linked to a man named Mike Kolehouse, a former Occupy Wall Street leader who has become one of the state's top Democratic political operatives. The company had been paid huge sums to collect signatures in support of leftwing ballot initiatives. Whitmer and the Michigan Democratic Party wanted to pay them with our tax dollars to collect information on the health of Michigan citizens. Whitmer canceled the contract after it was exposed. And while I'm at it, I don't like the trashy way that our Democratic governor treated two very patriotic, not-political civic organizations, the DAR and CAR, i.e. Daughters of the American Revolution and Children of the American Revolution; Organizations that trace their family back to patriots who fought in the American Revolution for our freedom.

As to the corona 19 virus, we have seen that government will use a crisis like this to expand its powers far beyond the reach of the United States Constitution and the Bill or Rights, which is all about Individual Rights, Freedom and limiting the power of the Federal government. The Tenth Amendment limits Federal power over the states. When you vote this coming November, think about voting for Libertarian candidates who for the most part cherish the Constitution; The Bill of Rights; & Individual FREEDOM. Come November; don't forget that the Communist Chinese virus, which has devastated the Trump economy, is the 'dream' of the Democratic Party and its allies.

It looks like 78-year-old Joe Biden will be the Democratic Party Presidential nominee. This professional politician may have some altimeters issues. In any case, he is totally corrupt. The Democratic Party is now controlled by radial far left-wing, activists, communist/Socialist operatives, and politicians, assisted by their friends in the FBI, CIA, Deep State and news media. They want Open Borders; to give illegal aliens the vote - to cancel out the vote of American patriotics; along with giving them free tax dollars, free health care, Driver's licenses, Social Security, and more.

Build the TRUMP WALL.

I still can't get over the fact that millions of democrats voted for Hillary, who spent a lifetime covering up for Bill, a known sexual predator and abuser of women. And let's not forget that President Bill Clinton facilitated the transfer of most, if not all of America's space, satellite and nuclear technology to Communist China. In return for what? The Clinton family never produced anything, yet they and the Clinton foundation are said to be worth over two billion dollars. Where did they get that money? And the Clintons have worked hand and glove with the socialist, anti-American, wealthy elites; along with the military, Industrial, Intelligence complex, and the Deep State. Lock her up; along with Democratic Governor Gretchen Whitmer. Run her out of office on either a small boat - with no motor - or on a bicycle; no car or golf cart for Gretchen.

I was for U.S. Senator Barry Goldwater in 1964; a much better man than LBJ, who tricked us into the Vietnam War costing over 58,000 American lives; with many Vietnam veterans still suffering from the effects of Agent Orange. I was for Ronald Reagan before the Muskegon County Republican Party was, which supported daddy Bush; the Muskegon County Republican Party has a long history of being

The Story Behind our Billboard: WANTED. CHOSEN. LOVED. ADOPTED.

Countless women in the U.S. choose abortion over adoption for their unborn babies every year. Counseling sessions at Pregnancy Care Centers have shown that women are very often closed to the idea of adoption. They want to keep their baby



themselves, or get rid of the baby now.

Many women view the pain of placing a baby for adoption as more excruciating than having an abortion. Our 2019 billboards posted in Muskegon County were the result of a local story with a very happy ending.

A single Mom with a difficult life and a lot of struggles found out she was pregnant. She had 3 little ones, one still in diapers. She faced fear due to the unexpected pregnancy. How could she care for one more child?

She made an appointment for an abortion. The

night before, she couldn't sleep a wink. She stayed up all night sick to her stomach. In the morning, bawling her eyes out, she realized she couldn't go through with the abortion.

She knew she couldn't raise him, but she also knew she couldn't kill him. She never thought she would ever consider abortion. But the way her life was at the time, she knew she couldn't raise him, so that's when she called Catholic Charities West Michigan for help. The birthmother said,

"It brought me so much comfort through the adoption plan. It felt like I had a purpose and a responsibility that I've never felt before. That is why I know God had a hand in all of this."

After meeting the couple who would become her baby's parents, she said

"I knew they were his parents." God had brought us together and I knew he was meant to be theirs. It gave me peace to know he would be safe and loved. There hasn't been one moment that I've second guessed my decision. He was meant to be their child. I've always felt that, especially when I was pregnant. It makes me so happy that he has such a stable and structured life. The kind of life I have always wanted to give all of my children.

"Adoption is the bravest thing I've ever done. And it was all for him."

lame. Ronald Reagan did a lot of things right and he promised to bring all our POW's home from Vietnam and Laos; He didn't keep that promise. His Deep State neo-con Vice President daddy Bush had something to do with that, I'm sure. I hope we have seen the last of the Bush family. President Reagan did help free Eastern Europe and Russia from communism.

Democrat President Roosevelt helped give over Eastern Europe to communism; that resulted in th death of hundreds of thousands of Europeans and the enslavement of millions more for over 40 years.

Did you know that a Congressman/woman can get their full salary of around \$175,000 a year after only two years in office when they retire; plus a nice health benefits package?

WAR: in the last 120 years, over one million Americans have died in endless wars. At the start of WWI, most Americans were against going to war with Germany, but the Communists in America and a worthless Democratic President tricked us into that European war at a cost of hundreds of thousands of American lives. Another very pro-communist Democratic President got us into World War II when the bad old nasty Germans did everything possible to not go to war with us; and while the Japanese were ruthless murdering thugs in Asia, they were pushed and tricked into starting a war with the United States which Communistloving FDR used to get us into war with Germany. Then there was Vietnam, which John F. Kennedy wanted to keep us out of; but the Deep State had him assassinated and one man did not do it; It was JFK'S Democratic Vice President, along with the Deep State, who had JFK killed so that they could have their war in Vietnam and Laos. J. F. Kennedy, by the way, was a true WWII hero. A real Pro-American President. Then there is the Republican daddy Bush's Persian Gulf War, which he set up; and it ended up with over 250,000 American service members having Persian Gulf syndrome, which the VA refuses to recognize. Are you getting it yet? The Wars first in Afghanistan, then Iraq, were two more wars started with lies by Republican baby Bush and his Deep State Communist SOB's. President Donald Trump did not make his money off endless wars for the elite. That's one of the reasons that the Deep State hates him. He's not part of their endless war agenda.

A note on Republican Eisenhower and POW's; Because of his incompetence and favoring communist Russia, the war in Europe was prolonged, with the result that tens of thousands of Americans died needlessly. General, then President 'Ike' Eisenhower was one of America's mass murderers. Ike's death camps after World War II resulted in over one million Germans who had honorably surrendered being denied food, water and shelter in American European POW camps. Ike was doing the dirty work of FDR'S anti-German, anti-Christian Communists by ensuring the starvation of millions of Germans after the war; and turning over hundreds of thousands of Anti-communist Russians, including 50,000 Cossacks who fought with the Germans, over to Stalin where they were subsequently killed. Over 23,000 American POW's held by the Germans in

the East ended up in Russian Communist hands, never to be seen again. And Communists in our Government wrote them off, knowing they were being held in Russia against their will. The Korean War saw around 2,500 American POW's end up in Russia and Ike knew about it; The Eisenhower library released a top secret document years ago confirming it. Then there were around 800 American POW's from Vietnam and Laos who were kept by the Communist Vietnamese. That same country which both corrupt Republicans and Democrates in Congress gave most favored nation trading status to.

While I'm on a roll, let me say that I'm no fan of either Presidents Carter or Ford. Both men pushed Rhodesia into the hands of murdering Communists, which resulted in the expulsion of tens of thousands of white Rhodesians who had lived in that country for up to 100 years. Both Presidents either knowingly or unknowing or most likely did not care, if Rhodesia ended up going communist. Rhodesia was one of the gems of Africa which exported food and minerals to the world, and both Carter and Ford facilited that country bein turned over to Communists which ended up murdering tens of thousands of black Rhodesians. Ford also served on the Warren Commission, which helped cover up the fact that JFK was assassinated by the Deep State, and Ford subsequently made a lot of money on a bogus book deal as his part in the cover-up. Ford was Michigan's first & only president. He was born out of state; lived out of state (the Washington, D.C. area); took his skiing vacations out of state; and retired out of state. He was part of the Deep State.

I would like President Donald Trump to ask Putin, the Pro-Christian President of Russia, to return the remains of our World War II and Korean War POW's that they have; along with pressing communist Vietnam to return the 800-some American POW's they held after the war was over. Write President Donald Trump to bring all our POW's home.

Finally, I love Donald Trump because he is a no-war President; pro-military, Yes; But remember, both the Democrats and Republicans love war; Libertarians belong to the no-war party. The party of Individual Freedom; Liberty and the U.S. Constitution; and Bill of Rights. Vote in November. Remember; communism and communists kill people.

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(NOTE: We may not agree with all Max has to say, but he is qualified to form his opinions.)

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