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For Some, Opposing Trump an Exercise of Democracy

By John L. Micek

Meet Megan Hicks, sore loser.

The Philadelphian was camped on a bench in the Pennsylvania state Capitol rotunda in Harrisburg on Monday morning, waiting, like the rest of us, for the Keystone State's presidential electors to go through a hugely symbolic, yet no less hugely important, exercise.

And it did, right on time.

At 12:54 p.m., barely an hour after the gaveled into session in the ornate chamber of state House of Representatives, Pennsylvania's 20 electors, all of them Republican, unanimously cast their votes for Donald Trump and Mike Pence.

And with that, the Manhattan mogul and his running-mate officially cemented the first GOP presidential victory in Pennsylvania in 28 years. Pennsylvania was supposed to be part of the vaunted blue wall that saved Hillary Clinton on Election Day. It didn't hold.

Hicks knew the result was coming. She knew it even before she rolled into Pennsylvania's capital city on a freezing cold December morning And she knew there was nothing she could do to change the result. But she was protesting anyway.

"Showing up is a very important habit to get into," she said. "We're not going gently. We know who won the popular vote by almost 3 million votes."

She wasn't alone.

More than 100 protesters gathered on the Capitol steps to wave banners (a lot of them connecting Trump to a certain Russian strongman), to sing patriotic songs (over and over again), and to officially register their displeasure with the incoming administration.

"Trump is not our president," they chanted at one point.

Hicks knew full well what Trump's legions of supporters thought of her and her fellow protesters: She's a sore loser who should just go home, sit quietly, and let the President-elect get about the business of making ... well ... you know the rest.

You didn't have to look any further than Twitter for evidence of that sentiment.

"These people are sad excuses for Americians (sic)," a Twitter user named Toni Maneval wrote in response to the Harrisburg protests. " ... take the loss with dignity & go home to cry the blues. Trump won fair & square ... she lost!!!"

Which is rich when you consider that some members of the loyal opposition (aided and abetted by the White House's next occupant) spent eight years protesting President Barack Obama and questioning his parentage, citizenship and religious beliefs -- often in the most vile of terms.

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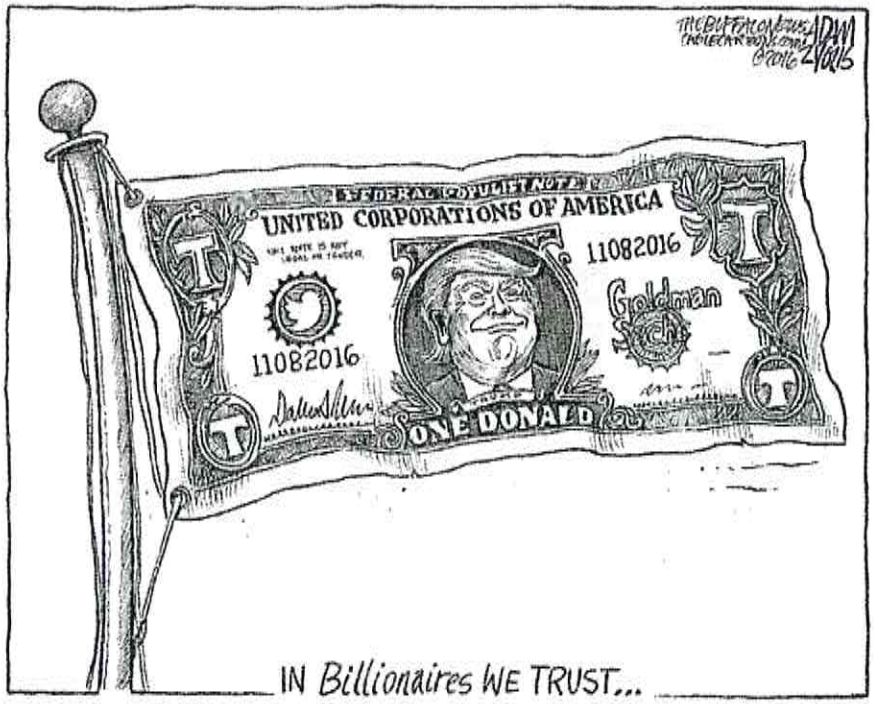
Trump and his camp followers: They need to drop the sore winner act.

"We are really the people that love this country," Trump said during a stop in Mobile, Ala., last week on his self-aggrandizing 'thank you' tour.

That pretty firmly closes the door on cooperation. So maybe it's understandable that Hicks isn't about to back down.

"It's democracy," she said. "It's a muscle. If you don't exercise it, it'll atrophy."

Monday changed nothing. It just flipped the script.



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Can America's tradition of the peaceful transition of power survive the installation of a president whose critics fear - not without justification - doesn't respect democratic norms and centuries of engrained political tradition?

From the outside that looked like it just might be the case. A deeper look cast grim doubts.

"Today we're here to honor a tradition that is at the heart of our democracy ... it is a process of peaceful transition," Gov. Tom Wolf, a Democrat, said during a brief speech. to electors.

"It is unique around the world, it's special. We don't need armies, we don't uprisings to change our country's leadership. We just need 538 people in rooms like this across the country," he said.

And then there's this:

"We know one thing is certain no matter what happens today Trump has no mandate for his agenda if he does become president," Kai Newkirk of Democracy Spring, a group helping to organize of the protests in capitals around the country, said.

Trump's victory is "illegitimate because he lost by 3 million votes and there's a movement growing across our country that's going to defend our democracy and make sure we have an America for all of us, not just the elite Trump represents," Newkirk said.

I believe it's their right to be here and state their opinion," Bob Asher, a GOP elector from Montgomery County, outside Philadelphia, told reporters after the vote.

When he was asked if he believed Trump could get the country to pull together, he said, "I believe we'll get the job done ... This nation seems to have a lot of spunk and resolve."

"But that's also going to require a concession from

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The 17th ranked Bulldogs (9-1, 2-0) took down another nationally ranked opponent, this time it was 15th ranked Royals of Hope International University's (8-3) turn to fall, as the Bulldogs won 73-72 in the opening game of the Cactus Classic for both teams.

The Royals took advantage of a slow start by the Bulldogs jumping out to a 16 point lead halfway through the first half. The Bulldogs would start warming up and fought their way back into the game, before Dom Robinson hit two three-point shots in the final minute giving the bulldogs a 42-37 lead heading into the intermission.

The Bulldogs would continue their momentum building a 14 point lead with 10 minutes remaining in the contest. However the Bulldogs lost their touch, as turnovers, cold shooting and foul trouble allowed the Royals to claw their way back into the game giving the Bulldogs all they could handle.

Robinson hit a pair of free throws with under a minute remaining and Troy Scott blocked the Royals last second shot to preserve the Bulldog win.

Robinson finished with 20 points going 5-10 from the field and 8-8 from the charity stripe. Defending national player of the week Shyke Smalls added 13 points and five rebounds. And Zaccheus Darko-Kelly added 11 points three assists and three rebounds.

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Melany Glossa, Beaverhead Deerlodge National Forest Supervisor, says "Montana's Fish Wildlife and Parks (FWP) has trap setback requirements from roads, trails and campgrounds and most trappers take additional efforts to place traps in areas well away from those frequented by other recreationists." Dog owners and others concerned about trapping can minimize risks by staying on well used routes and keeping pets close by when hiking, snowshoeing, or skiing." Glossa adds "keeping pets close to you while out in the woods helps reduce not only accidental trapping concerns but also keeps pets from unnecessarily harassing wildlife." According to FWP, winter recreationists should be on the look-out for signs of trapping activity; a lightly traveled snowmobile track or a few footsteps in the snow may indicate a trapper's presence and should be avoided.

Recreationists who want to learn more about Montana's trapping season should look at the website http://fwp.mt.gov/hunting/trapping/. The link has good information, like how to become more proficient at releasing traps and snares and Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks contact information.

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Letter to the Editor

Beaverhead County Animal Shelter

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What are the many needs? Money to pay the power bills to keep the animals warm in the winter, help to buy medical supplies for sick animals, help to buy food, etc...

May the people and businesses remember all the animals of Beaverhead County Animal Shelter this Christmas.

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We are requesting an early RSVP from you so we can make sure all who attend will be served. For reservations please either call Bannack State Park at 834-3413 or Otis Anderson at 683-6435. Please leave an RSVP message if you get the answering machine. Come and join us for a fun filled evening and help support the Bannack Association celebrating over 25 years of supporting Bannack.

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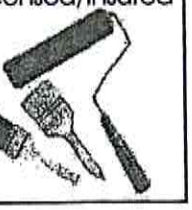
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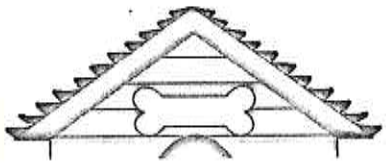
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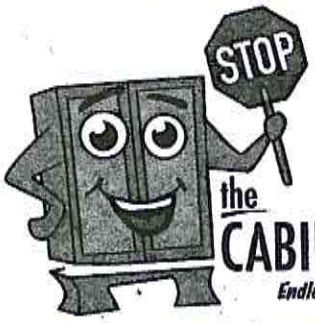
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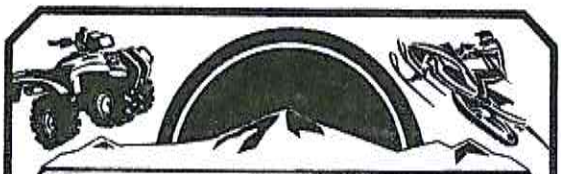
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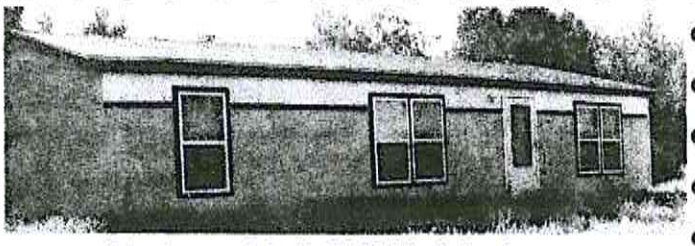


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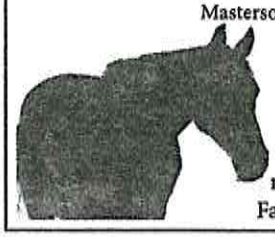
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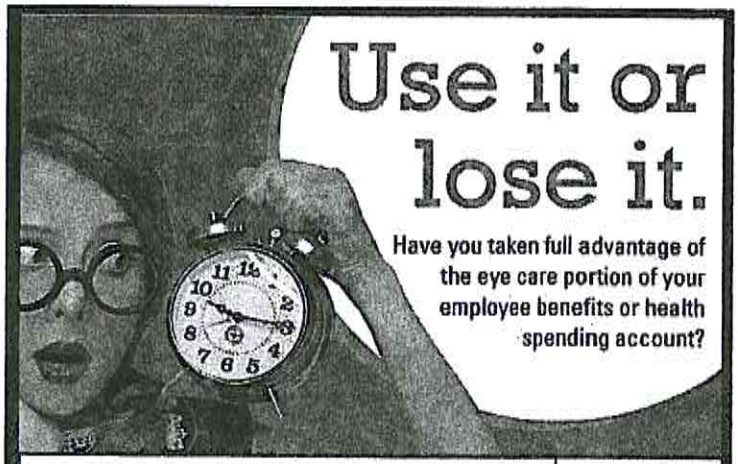
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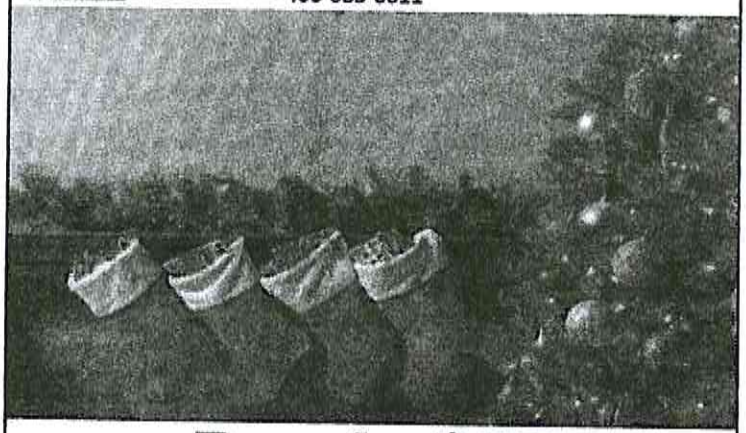
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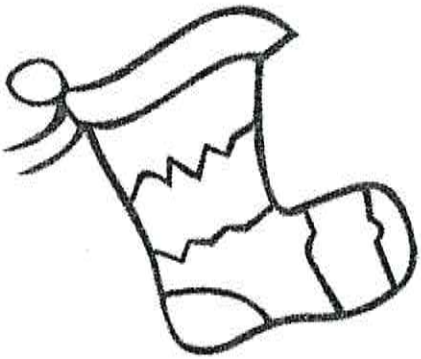
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If you would like to make a cash or food donation,
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There is no charge for this event!



Happy Holidays!

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READ

Over the years, and even today, I see people walking around looking at "social media" on their phones, at work, and especially driving as if they have blinders on. All they have is tunnel vision and can't see what's going on around them. It's amazing how someone can take a very important driving test or training at work, and when it's over, hit the delete button and dump it from their mind and not give it the value it's due. All they have done is endangered the well being of others.

This past week there has been two incidences of someone illegally passing a school bus while it was unloading children. Last year the following very important subject was printed in the paper. I feel people may have read it but put it down thinking "This will never happen to me". They may get away with that attitude for awhile and then the unthinkable happens and now it's too late, and a child is injured or worse. Their selfless actions impact many, the children, bus driver, the parent sitting off to the side watching this unfold. So here is the article again (updated) and I hope you are more "Pro active" and give it the credit it's deserves.

I have been driving school bus for several years and have had people pass the bus while loading I unloading children. We drivers do our best to get a description of the offender and turn it over to the Dillon P.D., but the problem keeps happening and it's drivers of all ages. Now we have cameras on the outside of each bus and we can identify through video the vehicle. These people (in my opinion) have no concern for others, just themselves. If you are driving a vehicle and are not concentrating on driving and are daydreaming, texting, on the phone, driving with your windows covered with ice, stopping in crosswalks, etc; you are an accident waiting to happen. At that time you will have to live the rest of your life with the image of the horrifying look on that Child's face just before the impact.

It baffles me how someone can miss an object the size and color of a school bus, 10' tall, 8'wide' 40' long, 36,000 lbs, bright yellow, red flashing lights, a stop sigh out, and children loading/unloading in the area. Scientist have proven that the human eye can pick up the color yellow first & faster than any other color. Here are some very terrifying 2015 facts form the **National Association of State Directors of Pupil transportation Services.** Please read it **slowly** so you will get the full impact of the article.

THE CHALLENGE

If you believe the above article is exaggerated, I challenge you to become paid bus monitors or substitute driver. Then you will be able to see and write down first hand all the driving violations you encounter. I just want people to be aware **OF** and responsible **FOR** their driving habits. No matter what you are doing or where you work take the blinders off and see what's going on around you. Lets be more Pro-active and less Re-active as a society.

79K Vehicles Illegally Passed School Buses In National Study

By Thomas McMahon

Nearly 80,000 vehicles illegally passed school buses in a one-day survey conducted in multiple states earlier this year, according to results released on Monday. This was the fifth edition of the survey, launched by the National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services (NASDPTS) in 2011. In 2015, a total of 102,371 school bus drivers in 26 states participated. That represents about one-fifth (21%) of the nation's estimated 485,000 school bus drivers.

The one-day tally of stop-arm violations this year was 78,518. NASDPTS officials noted that this figure can be extrapolated to more than 14 million illegal passes of the buses surveyed in a 180-day school year.

The 2015 survey found a violation rate of 0.77 vehicles passing per bus. That rate has been fairly consistent over the past few years: It was 0.78 in 2014 and 0.79 in 2013.

NASDPTS officials said that the most alarming finding of the survey is that 1,483 (about 2%) of the total illegal passes were on the right side of the bus, where students load and unload. Still, the majority of the violations, 75,986 (about 98%), were on the left side of the bus.

As for the direction of the vehicles, more passed from the front of the bus — 45,353 (59%) — than from the rear — 31,835 (41%).Slightly more violations occurred in the evening — 38,795 (49%) — than in the morning — 36,165 (46%). The other 3,558 (5%) were mid-day.

NASDPTS officials said that the data collected in the national survey helps in raising public awareness about illegal passing of school buses, making policy changes and targeting violators — all with the goal of increasing student safety.

"We know that students are far safer in school buses, but when they are outside the bus, they are more vulnerable to injury or death," NASDPTS President Leon Langley said. "Any driver who passes a stopped school bus illegally is endangering children and possibly even his or her own future. Trying to save a few seconds by passing a school bus and hitting a child can be devastating not only for the victims and their families, but also for the motorist who will have to live with the sad consequences."

Many states have taken steps to cut down on stop-arm violations, such as enacting stiffer penalties, launching law enforcement campaigns, and passing legislation to allow stop-arm cameras on school buses.

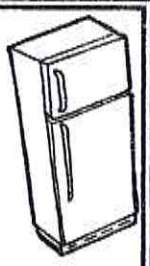
The danger of illegal passing of school buses is also emphasized by national data compiled annually by the Kansas State Department of Education. The latest version of that report found that six students were killed by vehicles passing their school bus in the 2013-14 school year.

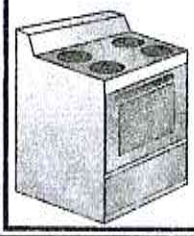
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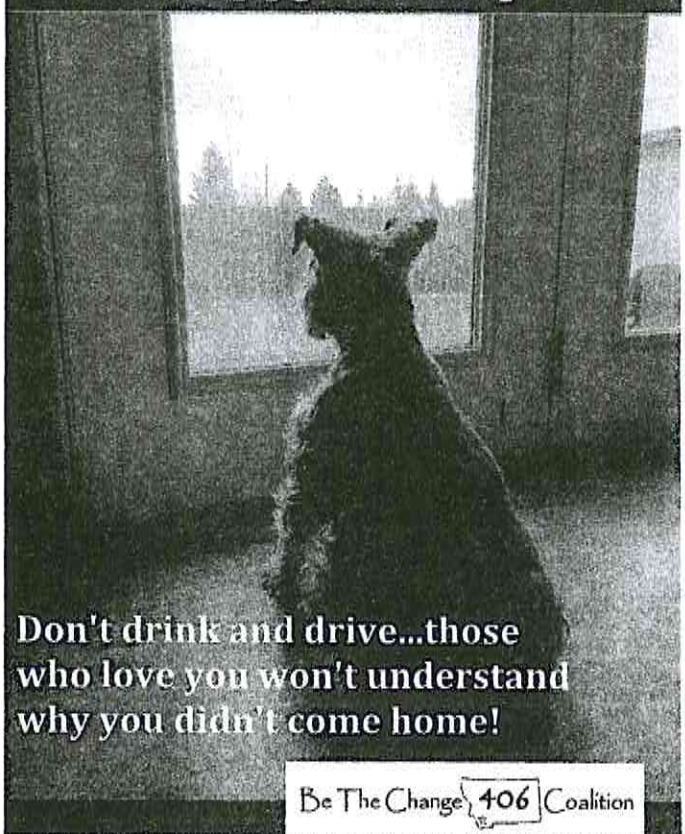
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