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This "Liberty Pole" is one of hundreds erected in America as a place to post political news and as a symbol of the colonials' resistance to British tyranny. Historical records indicated these poles existed across America, especially in MA,

PA, NJ, NY and George. The Sons of Liberty erected the first on May 21, 1776.

Spotlight: TX Church Massacre



Editor's Note: A SFVP 2018 selected charity. Make it yours?

Sutherland Springs First Baptist Church, TX

Church web site also shows donation sites:
www.ssfb.org

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Double Edition: Merry Christmas

Editor's Note: Welcome to our first double edition to say goodbye to 2017 and hello to 2018. Read on for holiday novelties and events; year-end reviews and issues that will carry over to the New Year.



Trump 2017: Solid Policy Wins amid Firestorms (Commentary/News)

12/17/2017 by Byron York at The Washington Examiner: Keep the promise.

<http://www.washingtonexaminer.com/byron-york-amid-firestorms-trump-has-year-of-solid-policy-accomplishments-can-he-keep-going/article/2648791>



Glenn Beck: The Biggest Political Stories of 2017 (VIDEO): 12/18/2017 The Glenn Beck Program

<http://www.theblaze.com/video/watch-glenn-on-the-biggest-political-stories-of-2017-this-has-been-an-avalanche>

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Year in Review continues:

White House releases final 2017 Report on Incarcerated Illegal Immigrants:

12/22/2017 by Fred Lucas at The Daily Signal (Heritage Foundation)

<http://dailysignal.com/2017/12/22/trump-administration-releases-final-2017-report-incarcerated-illegal-immigrants-heres-found/>

How Trump Changed the Courts in

2017: 12/22/2017 by John G. Malcolm at The Daily Signal: The Angels are in the details.

<http://dailysignal.com/2017/12/22/how-trump-changed-the-courts-in-2017/>

Bill O'Reilly and Harvey Weinstein



What we learned from the "Great Sexual Harassment Awakening" of 2017

(Commentary): 12/18/2017 by Robert Tracinski at The Federalist: Keep it zipped applies to pants and seats of power.

http://thefederalist.com/2017/12/18/weve-learned-great-sexual-harassment-awakening-2017/?utm_source=The+Federalist+List&utm_campaign=2bf3ec5aca-RSS+The+Federalist+Daily+Updates+w+Transom&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_cfb868ceb-2bf3ec5aca-83849605

International:



Conflict over Jerusalem is ALL Obama's Fault (Commentary/News):

12/19/2017 by Alan M. Dershowitz at the Gatestone Institute: Oh, Jerusalem.

<https://www.gatestoneinstitute.org/11574/jerusalem-conflict-obama>

Sweden Hikes Retirement Age to Pay for Immigration Costs: 12/17/2017 by Chris Tomlinson at Breitbart: Got borders? (MN)

<http://www.breitbart.com/london/2017/12/17/sweden-raise-retirement-age-pay-mass-migration-population-growth/>



Netanyahu: Nikki Haley "Spoke like a Maccabee": 12/18/2017 by Hana Levi Julian: ambassador's blistering call-out at U.N. Security Council: <http://www.jewishpress.com/news/us-news/us-ambassador-to-the-un-nikki-haley-spoke-like-a-maccabee-at-un-security-council/2017/12/18/>

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Palestinians: So much for "Reconciliation"—Again: 12/22/2017 by Khaled Abu Toameh at Gatestone Institute <https://www.gatestoneinstitute.org/11594/palestinians-another-reconciliation-bites-the-dust>

United Nations has no Moral Authority over Trump's Decision on Jerusalem (Commentary/News): 12/22/2017 by Helen Raleigh at The Federalist: Take a knee, boys. http://thefederalist.com/2017/12/22/media-fail-to-cover-gop-oversight-of-fbi-claim-theyre-acting-in-secret/?utm_source=The+Federalist+List&utm_campaign=545f21ed7a-RSS_The_Federalist_Daily_Updates_w_Transom&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_cfc868ceb-545f21ed7a-83849605

National:



MSM Claims GOP Probe of FBI is Secret (News/Commentary): 12/22/2017 by Mollie Hemingway at The Federalist: Dudes, it's only secret to you guys. http://thefederalist.com/2017/12/22/media-fail-to-cover-gop-oversight-of-fbi-claim-theyre-acting-in-secret/?utm_source=The+Federalist+List&utm_campaign=545f21ed7a-RSS_The_Federalist_Daily_Updates_w_Transom&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_cfc868ceb-545f21ed7a-83849605

Tax-Cut Christmas: A Coal or Cherry?



President Trump signs GOP Tax Bill (VIDEO 19:28): 12/22/2017 at CNN: Trump signs a number of bills before the Tax Bill <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RLB49zW-KOQ>

How the New GOP Tax Bill will affect You (VIDEO 9:13):12/22/2017 The Dave Ramsey Show: Some pretty clear commentary by a national personal finance expert with a Christian view. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RLB49zW-KOQ>

Where does the Federal Government Get All that Money: 12/22/2017 Prager U: More than you knew on individual/small business burdens. (DB) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sW85ZcswiqM>

Congress sends Historic Tax Bill to Trump: 12/20/2017 by Joseph Lawler at the Washington Examiner <http://www.washingtonexaminer.com/congress-sends-historic-tax-bill-to-trump/article/2644033>

How the GOP Tax Bill will Impact the Economy: 11/17/2017 by David R. Burton at the Heritage Foundation <http://www.heritage.org/taxes/commentary/how-the-gop-tax-bill-will-affect-the-economy>

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California/L.A.



Editor's Note: Thought CA deserved its own review via some quirky or rarely-cited web sites.

CA Political "Black Bart Award"

Nominee: CA's Kevin de Leon:

12/19/2017 by Joel Fox, editor/co-publisher of Fox and Hounds Daily: Right there with Colin Kaepernick's GQ Man of the Year Award.
<http://www.foxandhoundsdaily.com/2017/12/black-bart-award-nominee-kevin-de-leon/>

California Family Council (pro-Life):

<http://www.californiafamily.org/2017review/>

California City News (civic/government in miniature):

<https://www.californiacitynews.org/2017/12/year-review-our-top-10-stories-2017.html>

Robots Shoo Homeless from SF Streets:

12/12/2017 by Melia Robinson at Business Insider: Instead of COP, try ROP.

<http://www.businessinsider.com/security-robots-are-monitoring-the-homeless-in-san-francisco-2017-12>

Shoddy Studies attack Charter Schools:

12/12/2017 by Larry Sand at California Policy Center (LP): Numbers can lie.

<https://californiapolicycenter.org/shoddy-studies/>

Two from Sue:



IRS Targeting Settlement as Scary as the Scandal: 12/15/2017 by Susan Shelley at the Los Angeles Daily News: IRS admits its action were "inappropriate." Try "unconstitutional."
<http://www.dailynews.com/2017/12/15/irs-targeting-settlement-as-scary-as-the-scandal/>

Trump: On Target or THE Target.

12/12/2017 by Susan Shelley: Note to voters--read past the headlines on DC stories.

<http://www.dailynews.com/2017/12/12/trump-isnt-paranoid-if-the-media-is-really-out-to-get-him/>

Highlight Reels:

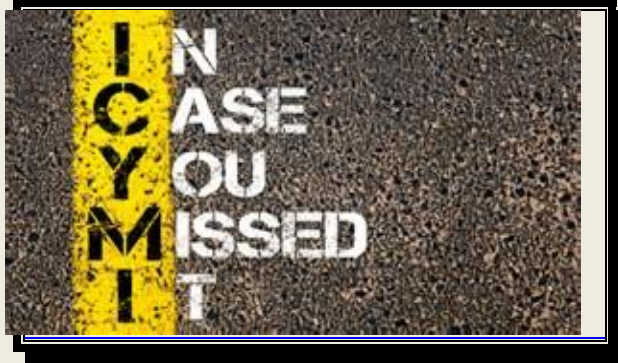


The Good News about Trump the Media Ignores (VIDEO 3:36)12/19/2017 by the Daily Signal: SCOTUS, Red Tape, Trade, Taxes etc.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nL21QNmy-a4>

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Used and Mused:



San Francisco lowest in Black Student Achievement: Please tell DiFi: 10/26/2017 by Stephen Frank at California Political Review: So much White Privilege in Baghdad by the Bay. <http://www.capoliticalreview.com/capoliticalnewsandviews/racist-san-fran-why-is-san-fran-the-states-worst-county-for-black-student-achievement/>

Militias vs. Palestinian "Reconciliation": 10/27/2017 by Khaled Abu Toameh at Gatestone Institute: Hamas is the key to Gaza peace. Oh. <https://www.gatestoneinstitute.org/11230/palestinian-militias-gaza>

ISIS calls for Attacks on American Kids: 11/30/2017 by Clarion Project at the Clarion Project: Yeah, the religion of peace kills. <https://clarionproject.org/isis-calls-attacks-american-kids/>

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New! Sunday Liberty Pole archives. Readers' choice: a DOCX or PDF version of previous editions at <http://thenewpatriotguards.com/index2.htm>

At the Hearth:



11/15/2017 Ben Shapiro and Fox News Panel Discuss GOP Tax Plan <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UU9uHj6QwxM>

In Defense of Masculinity: 11/26/2017 by Ned Ryun at American Greatness: Chivalry is being poisoned by feminist social justice. Oh. <https://amgreatness.com/2017/11/26/in-defense-of-masculinity/>

Is the U.S. Serious about Russia's "Disinformation War" on Democracies? 11/21/2017 by Thomas M. Hill at the Brookings Institute: Independent and provocative commentary from a liberal, independent–non-conservative–viewpoint. https://www.brookings.edu/blog/order-from-chaos/2017/11/21/is-the-u-s-serious-about-counter-russias-information-war-on-democracies/?utm_campaign=Brookings%20Brief&utm_source=hs_email&utm_medium=email&utm_content=58772727

Everyone Should Stand for the National Anthem: 11/23/2017 by Joy Villa at Prager U <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MoqLXsgTWEY>

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Editor's Note: Nothing like a little musical cheer and parody to go along with variations on the theme. Enjoy!

"It's the Most Wonderful Time in 8 Years" (parody)--Dana Kamide (Music Video/Parody with 6M views)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sW85ZcswiqM>



Angeles from the Realms of Glory--The Piano Guys (VIDEO 5:02--17M Views)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PrLoWt2tfqg>

Hark the Herald Angels Sing--St. Paul Cathedral, London (VIDEO 3:31)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LDPwNPAV6tA>

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing--Celtic WomenVEVO (VIDEO 4:44)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xw38pGhPXIk>

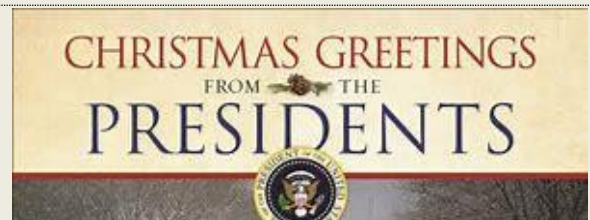


Ave Maria (Schubert)--Andrea Bocelli (VIDEO 5:55)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pwp1CH5R-w4>

Ave Maria (Schubert)--Deanna Durbin at age 18 (VIDEO 4:16)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IT_b_MWrJQU



Timeless Christmas Poems, Essays and Speeches (Audio): 12/22/2017 by The

Federalist Staff: Some greats from the audio "ghosts" of Christmas Past from Churchill, Reagan, Coolidge, Dickens, Chesterton, Bonheoffer, Sproul and more

http://thefederalist.com/2017/12/22/listen-timeless-christmas-poems-essays-speeches/?utm_source=The+Federalist+List&utm_campaign=545f21ed7a-

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Merry Christmas continued:



Little Drummer Boy--Norwegian University of Science and Technology (VIDEO 4:35--Unique!)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-VGQZwIIWiU>

Little Drummer Boy--Vienna Boys Choir, Church of Notre Dame (VIDEO 3:00)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JpgTOfvTrNw>



O Holy Night--Andre Rieu & his Johann Strauss Orchestra

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8VfYKmlkxl0>

O Holy Night--The King's Singers w/the Mormon Tabernacle Choir

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NU2TlwcH3h4>

"O Holy Night"--Andre Rieu (Music Video 4:05) <https://biggeekdad.com/2017/12/o-holy-night-andre-rieu/>



O Come, All Ye Faithful--the Mormon Tabernacle Choir

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z51apErmAuw>

Adeste Fideles--Luciano Pavarotti (VIDEO 3:57)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TbV3CrQ6Sa0>

Silent Night--Placido Domingo with The Piano Guys (Music/VIDEO 3:58)

<https://biggeekdad.com/2015/12/silent-night-featuring-placido-domingo/>

Silent Night--Kelly Clarkson, Trisha Yearwood, Reba McEntire (Music/VIDEO 4:20)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5BRVkgalcaE>

Happy New Year!



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GxSqMbsHeJ>