

# Cause for Celebration?

Not only did I have to suffer through President Obama's second inauguration last week, but Tuesday marked the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Supreme Court decision in Roe v. Wade. Since that decision in 1973, our country has sanctioned the killing of over 55,800,000 million babies.

There is very little common ground between pro-choice people and pro-life people like myself. While there are some folks who are pro-life yet find a few exceptions which makes abortion okay, for me, abortion is murder, so there are no exceptions. But that's just me.

If you're already pro-choice, I'm not going to convince you otherwise. It is what it is. But what I don't get is the "celebration" of Roe v. Wade which is depicted in this video.

First of all, I had no idea who Mehcad Brooks is and after checking on IMDB, there's a reason I didn't have a clue who this guy was. I've never seen one show he's been in. Secondly, when I started watching it, I had no idea what he was talking about but as the video went on, the whole thing was creepy. His whole demeanor was shkeevy and when he finally announced "Happy 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary" and the closing words, I was absolutely appalled.

Many won't agree with me and, like I said, we're never going to meet somewhere in the middle, but to actually put out a video "celebrating" the death of over 55 million babies is unbelievably disgusting.

Whether the abortion issue involves morality, science or spirituality, have anyone even considered the economic aspect? How many times a week do we hear about Social Security going bankrupt? Where there were 42 workers per

retiree in 1940, 4.9 workers by 1960, today, there are just 2.8 workers per Social Security recipient and that number will fall to 1.9 by 2035. The economics of abortion alone is staggering.

I have no idea who produced this video but Mr. Brooks should be ashamed of himself. The whole thing is so sleazy I can't even imagine how someone could come up with an idea like this. Perhaps Mr. Brooks is celebrating the freedom to have unprotected sex whenever he wants without any consequences knowing that abortion is an easy way out of a lifetime of parenting and being a responsible father.

It's certainly one thing to be pro-choice (although I don't get it) but it's another thing to "celebrate" and be joyful over the demise of 55+ million babies and the emotional impact abortion has on women. I can't even imagine the uproar that would be heard if someone celebrated the death of just one unwanted animal.

I don't get it, but if you do, God bless you.

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## **Wishful Thinking vs. Reality**

✘ I like reading license plate frames and trying to figure out personalized plates. I don't spend a lot of time doing this, but there's not much else to do when you're stopped in traffic. I particularly like reading bumper stickers. They're an insight into the driver's psyche and usually interesting. As for me, mine say "Never Forget Those Who Defend Our Freedom" and "Remember our Wounded Warriors" courtesy of the Wounded Warrior Project, a fantastic charitable organization, by the way. That's where my heart is.

I really don't like the obscene ones and that just tells me whoever's driving the car is a low-life. I like pro-life stickers like, "I'm a baby, not a choice" and the one depicting a baby in utero with the words "I Hope My Mommy is Pro-Life."

I give a thumbs up when I see "Gun Control Means Hitting Your Target" or "I'll Keep My Money, My Freedom and My Guns and You Keep the Change."

I used to see loads of anti-Bush stickers but most of those have been removed finally, but I still see dozens of Obama stickers around here which doesn't surprise me because he won 63% of the vote in this District. I was surprised to see a "So How's that Hope & Change Thing Working Out for You?" the other day and I always love to see "If You Think Healthcare is Expensive Now, Wait Until it's Free."

"Save the Tatas!" makes me laugh but I've never had a desire to visit the "World's Largest Ball of Twine" or Oregon's "House of Mystery" just because someone suggests I do on a bumper.

"Dog is my Co-Pilot" always confused me because I thought it was a jab at those who say "God is my Co-Pilot" but apparently all it means is that the person's dog is spoiled and gets to ride up front with the driver. Who knew?

The other one, "Wag More, Bark Less," also has me wondering. Does this mean we should listen more and speak less? Or does it mean, we should stifle our thoughts altogether? Or does it mean we should be obliviously happy to get a treat and hope that someone doesn't put us down when we get too old? I don't know the answer but I see a lot of them.

I guess the ones that really get me shaking my head are the ones that say things like "Create Peace," "Peace Through Music" and my all-time favorite "COEXIST."

I recognized the Christian cross, Islamic crescent and Star of David but I didn't recognize how the other symbols fit in. Polish artist, Piotr Mlodozieniec, came up with the original design which included only the symbols of the three major religions. Afterwards he modified it to include a Wiccan pentacle or peace symbol for the "o," a male/female symbol for the "e," another Wiccan symbol for the "i," and a Chinese yin-yang symbol for the "s."

Anyway, whatever it means, I often wonder who's actually driving the car with this sticker. Is that person so incredibly naïve to think that putting a bumper sticker on their car is going to make something happen? Does that person even know that Iran has no intention of coexisting with Israel? Does he or she know that jihadists – probably the most intolerant human beings on earth – would want nothing more than if Sharia law was imposed on every American infidel and are ready to kill each and every one of us if we don't cower and praise the name of Allah?

While looking for the history of this image, I came across a post by Kurt Schlichter, in which he said, "I don't remember seeing any COEXIST bumper stickers – much less love or tolerance – when I was deployed to the Middle East. And I sure don't remember any in the ethnically cleansed villages of southeast Kosovo."

It's really so easy for Americans to sit in their little hybrid cocoons on the road, away from all danger except perhaps a rear end collision and say, "look at me, I care more than you do because I believe we should all just get along and COEXIST" while men like Mr. Schlichter know what's happening in the real world.

I have similar feelings about stickers like "Peace Through Music" and "Teach Peace." What exactly does that mean? And the one I just saw this past weekend, "Books Not Bombs!" Maybe we should send our brave men and women fighting in

Afghanistan our library cards to throw at the Taliban and maybe they'll all get paper cuts and bleed to death. Sounds like a plan. I wonder if General Petraeus would agree.

I also wonder if terrorists put similar "rumper" stickers on their goats? "Kill the Infidels," or "The Only Good American is a Dead American." I'd bet the farm not one would have the sticker which suggests we "COEXIST."

This reminds me of a letter I cut out of my local newspaper back in 2004 when Ralph Nader was running for President. In the letter, the author gave 12 reasons to cast a winning vote for Mr. Nader, two of which were "his solutions to world problems don't involve military action" and "he reads books and thinks about them." Wow! So, if you just think good thoughts or attach bumper stickers to your car, all the evil in the world will disappear and those who are hell bent on killing us will, instead, join hands with us and sing "Kumbaya." Another letter to the local newspaper suggested that we send books to the terrorists so they don't hate us so much. Unbelievable!

Perhaps having these trite bumper stickers on their cars make some people feel better about themselves – more understanding, more loving, more naive.

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## Man Up, Mr. President!

✘ I did not vote for President Obama. Some might call me a racist, but I voted against him based on the issues. A 5-minute google search and his interview with Bill O'Reilly revealed to me that he was a far-left guy and told me

everything I needed to know about him.

He said he was in favor of a one-payer healthcare system. According to him, it wouldn't happen right away, but first "we need to take back the White House." (Translation: BIG government.) He also said he believed in redistribution of wealth. (Translation: HIGHER taxes.) He also supported the Freedom of Choice Act. (Translation: UNFETTERED abortions.) All no-no's in this conservative's way of thinking.

But, when November 4, 2008, rolled around and he won, he became my President. I remember getting emails from some distraught friends of mine and I simply told them, "this too will pass." So, I installed a countdown clock on my computer and each day I see the years, months, days, hours, minutes, and seconds ticking down until Election Day 2012. What more can I do? For now, Barack Obama is my President.

From the President's actions, you'd think someone forgot to tell **him** he won and that he **is** the President of **all** the United States and **all** the citizens of this country. Can someone please also remind the President that currently the Democrats hold majorities in both the Senate and the House and that he doesn't need one Republican to pass any of his far-left agenda. (I'm praying, of course, that all that changes in a couple of weeks.) So what's he complaining about and why is he always crying about the Republicans?

Every time I turn around, the President is either campaigning, complaining or on vacation.

Months after Obamacare was signed, he's still on the campaign trail pushing healthcare reform. He's now trying to explain to the American public what a great program he created. With 55% of likely voters in favor of repealing the bill and with elections just around the corner, he's trying to sell the American public on Obamacare and convince them the Democrats who passed this mess shouldn't get booted out of office.

What I don't get is that he forgets he represents all Americans. There're always going to be those who adore him and those who loathe him and those in between that just don't get what he's doing. Unfortunately, the President has the thinnest skin of any President in my lifetime. We saw some real defensiveness in President Clinton during an interview with Peter Jennings when questioned about his moral authority, but nothing compares to President Obama's oversensitivity to criticism.

The President chides the Republicans for just about everything. For the second time, can someone please tell this man he doesn't need one Republican vote so why does he care if they oppose anything he does? He doesn't need them! If it's not their rhetoric on healthcare, it's on corporate campaign cash. If he's not criticizing the GOP for its opposition to his stimulus package, he's criticizing its "Pledge to America."

Besides being very thin-skinned, President Obama doesn't have much of a memory either. During his inaugural address, he directed his comments to a world-wide audience when he said, "To those who cling to power through corruption and deceit and the **silencing of dissent**, know that you are on the wrong side of history, but that we will extend a hand if you are willing to unclench your fist." Well, isn't that exactly what he's doing today – silencing dissent?

In May, he wasn't too crazy about a heckler in the audience who was pushing for repeal of the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy. In response, the President said, "C'mon, man, I'm dealing with Congress here, it takes a little bit of time." (Do I need to repeat myself for the third time about Congress?)

What I find far more disturbing is his criticism and mocking of the Tea Party Movement. I'm a conservative and identify very strongly with the Movement's commitment to the

Constitution. I think the President sounds very un-Presidential when he so disrespectfully diminishes me and those who oppose his big government-big tax agenda with more to come if he has his way.

What is also frightening is the President's ranting about Fox News. In his recent interview with Rolling Stone magazine, he said, "Fox News promoted a point of view that was 'destructive' to the growth of the United States." Keep in mind Politico's latest poll showing that 42% of respondents say Fox News is their main source of cable news, compared with 30% for CNN and 12% for MSNBC. Not surprising, 49% of respondents believed Bill O'Reilly had a **positive** impact on political debate in this country.

The fact that 90% of all media are in love with President Obama isn't enough for this guy. I've watched all the cable news shows and not one presents all sides of a story on a regular basis, except for Fox and, particularly, its hard news shows like Special Report with Bret Baier. I see far more liberals on Fox News, than conservatives on CNN or MSNBC. I'm sure you've all read Bernie's columns and books and he's the expert on the lamestream media's "Bias," and "Arrogance" and its "Slobbering Love Affair" with President Obama. Every time the President tries to minimize the impact of Fox News, its viewership rises.

Now there's the attack on pro-lifers by the Obama Administration. The FBI and the DOJ have teamed up with Planned Parenthood, the National Abortion Federation and the Feminist Majority Foundation for a training seminar whose focus is to declare as "violent" the free speech activities of pro-life Americans – activities such as praying and peaceful protesting.

He's now condemning the U.S. Chamber of Commerce which represents the interests of more than three million businesses.

Finally, I was appalled when he criticized the Supreme Court during his State of the Union address in January when he attacked, "with all due deference to separation of powers," its decision regarding campaign spending. That was truly insulting and un-Presidential. Kudos to Justice Samuel Alito who's announced he won't be attending the 2011 State of the Union address.

For someone who was supposed to be the great unifier, he's managed to alienate just about everyone but his extreme far-left base. If he intends to win back the independent vote, he's in for a big surprise.

If my father were alive, he'd say to the President, "stop your bellyaching, you won!" Enough said.

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