

THIS MODERN WORLD

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POST-TRAUMATIC DISCOURSE

1. THE SENSIBLE CENTER

WE MUST RESPECT GUN CULTURE-- AND LET PEOPLE WHO HAVE NO INTEREST WHATSOEVER IN ANY FORM OF GUN CONTROL LEAD THE WAY ON GUN CONTROL!

PERHAPS BOTH SIDES CAN COMPROMISE-- ON SLIGHTLY FEWER MASSACRES!



2. SECOND AMENDMENT SOLUTIONS

WE NEED ARMED SCHOOLTEACHERS TRAINED TO RESPOND UNDER FIRE WITH THE STEELY PRECISION OF NAVY SEALS!

WAIT, WHAT? I'M NOT SURE-- YOU'LL BE GREAT!



3. PUBLIC ENEMY #1

PRESIDENT TRUMP IS RIGHT--THE F.B.I. IGNORED WARNINGS ABOUT THE KILLER BECAUSE THEY WERE TOO BUSY WITH THE RUSSIA HOAX!

PEOPLE DON'T REALIZE THE F.B.I. IS JUST A COUPLE OF GUYS IN A STOREFRONT OFFICE IN ALEXANDRIA! THEY'RE VERY EASILY DISTRACTED!



4. THOSE DARN MEDDLING KIDS

WHY ARE THESE PAMPERED SNOW-FLAKES WHO JUST WITNESSED THE SLAUGHTER OF THEIR CLASSMATES SO UPSET?

CLEARLY THEY HAVE BEEN BRAINWASHED BY THE LIBERAL MEDIA INTO THIS INEXPLICABLE ANTI-GUN BIGOTRY!



5. EXTREMELY PLAUSIBLE THEORIES

THOSE GUN-HATING STUDENTS ARE ACTUALLY PROFESSIONAL CRISIS ACTORS WORKING FOR THE DEEP STATE!

IT'S AMAZING HOW WELL-ORGANIZED YET COMPLETELY INEFFECTUAL THIS VAST CONSPIRACY HAS BEEN! WHAT'S YOUR POINT?



6. WHAT THE N.R.A. WOULD LIKE TO SEE

IN BREAKING NEWS--THERE'S BEEN ANOTHER MASS FATALITY INCIDENT WHICH HAPPENED TO INVOLVE GUNS, BUT COULD JUST AS EASILY HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT WITH SOME OTHER HYPOTHETICAL IMPLEMENT!

OUT OF RESPECT FOR THE VICTIMS, THAT'S ALL WE'RE GOING TO REPORT ABOUT THIS STORY.



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The less-than-subtle mocking of the high schoolers' political efforts in Kansas, wrapped in the blatant mocking of Kansas legislation, is the kind of shaming that is trademark of Trump: *Eugene Weekly*, Bob Keefer — how did you get *there* from here?

How profoundly unimpressive, and unfunny.

Nick Chase
Eugene

Editor's Note: Kansas gubernatorial contender Bob Keefer, never one to burden taxpayers, happily paid a \$20 processing fee to file his candidacy.

FREAKING OUT

As a fellow chick, Kristine Jensen's letter about the Freudian Slip ad (2/15) freaked me out. The last thing any "super skinny and young" woman needs to hear is that she isn't "real," or that she is not "like the rest of us."

In the age of pussyhat solidarity and #MeToo, I can't believe that any woman feels it is appropriate to judge another woman's "realness" by her body.

Sue D'nim
Eugene

APPOINTING OURSELVES TO DEATH

Would you willingly submit to an assessor or auditor regarding all of your proceedings if you were in any kind of public office? You'd have to be quite confident in your character to reply in the affirmative.

It would surely ease your discomfort if you yourself were the one who got to pick who this auditor was. Wouldn't it? This way, under-the-table arrangements, backstabbing, non-cooperation and other unethical and even illegal business could proceed unimpeded.

Would it be in line with America's values to, say, appoint a president? Political elections distance us from totalitarian systems such as monarchies, dictatorships and the overthrow of democratically elected governments. Appointments are much more in line with them. Having those who think they are better than the rest make the decisions for all of us as a group

seems an earlier stage in human evolution.

The group that wants to have Eugene citizens vote to pick an auditor got about 13,000 signatures. City officials and managers want to be those who appoint their own auditors; that is why they've lately been mobilizing towards this with a whopping 80 signatures collected online.

What they want is obvious: Who wouldn't like to be one's own police or at least be able to appoint those who police you? This seems obvious from the standpoint of those being watched; but why would citizens, ordinary members of the public, share this desire?

We should all work together and collaborate for a complete and perfect Eugene.

David Ivan Piccioni
Eugene

SWISS SENSE

Some Americans say the Swiss right to bear arms is why their homes, schools and borders are safe. But they also have both free mental health care and responsible gun laws.

According to my Swiss relatives, only licensed military, police, security and hunters are allowed to own guns. That's with months of training and penalties for improper handling or storage. You can't just pass a 30-minute background check and walk out with a weapon and masses of ammo like in so much of the U.S. You can't swagger around with a gun on your hip, worrying everyone whether you're incompetent or crazy.

But you may discreetly transport guns between home, military base, target range or hunting. Otherwise, your rights are taken away.

That's why the Swiss have half as many gun deaths. And they don't have the school shootings, drills or lockdowns that traumatize, injure or kill children here.

You can help. Call Congress to demand better background checks and follow-through. Then share the Sandy Hook video "Evan" about shooter warning signs.

We owe it to our children.

Rachel Rich
Eugene

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