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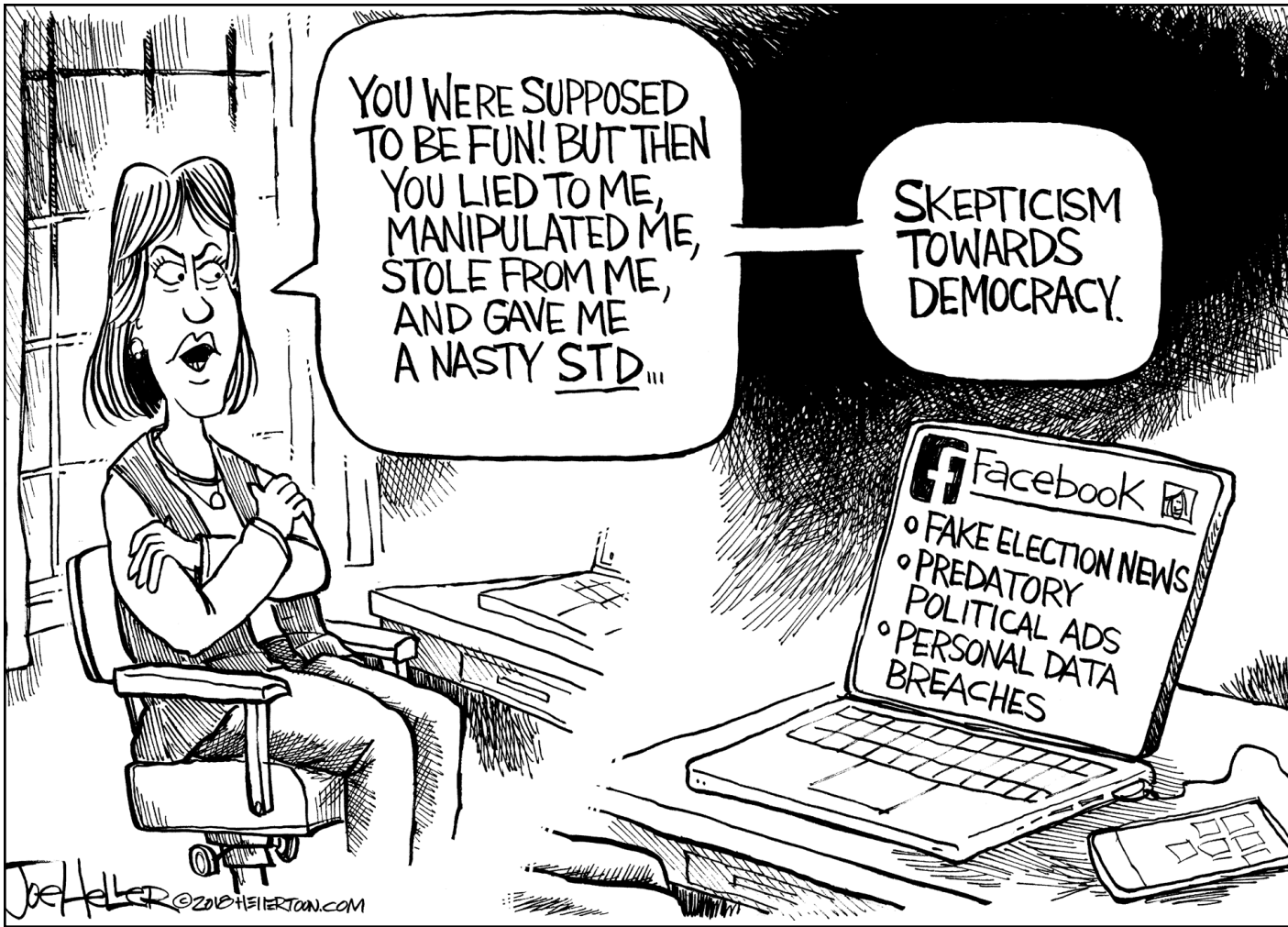
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LETTERS

SAD THAT CHILDREN BEING USED AS PAWNS

I felt great sadness at the front-page photo in the March 17 edition of Siuslaw News of the school walkout kids.

Sad that our children are used as pawns by corrupt politicians, statist and anti-American media.

Statistically, school shootings have remained fairly constant for more than 150 years.

A child is nearly as likely to be killed on a school bus as in a shooting. More so if one removes the mass shootings of recent years.

And about 100 times as likely to be killed in a motor vehicle accident involving texting.

The photo reminded me of student manipulation in an earlier time: the 1933 book burnings in Nazi Germany.

Der Stürmer and Völkischer Beobachter were as equally corrupt party organizers as the NYT, WP, CNN, etc.

Lenin said, "Give me four years to teach the children and the seed I have sown will never be uprooted." The Hitler Youth began in 1922 and by 1939 millions of young were willing to kill and be killed for the glory of the Reich.

Just as surely, perhaps in as little as 10 years, millions of brainwashed young adults will be clamoring to give away their rights.

"They that can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety

deserve neither liberty nor safety. Those who sacrifice liberty for security deserve neither. He who would trade liberty for some temporary security, deserves neither liberty nor security."

— Benjamin Franklin

— Ian Eales
 Florence

DATA BACKUP IS CRUCIAL, FUNDAMENTAL

In regard to the "Ransomed" story (March 21), backing up important data on your computer is critical not only because of malware but also because of hardware failure.

Windows, Apple and Android operating systems are vulnerable to a wide variety of viruses, trojans, worms and malware.

The Linux operating system is safe from most of these attacks. It was built with security as its first priority. It was still vulnerable to such things as the KRACK Attack, which attacks a Wi-Fi's security protocol.

All devices that use Wi-Fi are vulnerable until they are patched or updated.

A Linux distribution like Ubuntu automatically updates its security software. I've used Ubuntu for 10 years and have never had a security issue.

It doesn't use virus protection because it doesn't need it.

— James Sherwood
 Florence

THANKING FLORENCE WITH BREAKFAST

As a thank you to the amazing community support for the last 17 years, the Men's Club of Resurrection Church is inviting the community to a free pancake breakfast, today, March 24, from 9 to 10:30 a.m.

Yes, I said free.

No lectures, just a free breakfast with pancakes, eggs and sausages.

So come please come. We are glad to serve you and show our appreciation.

The Resurrection Church is on Highway 101, about a mile south of the bridge.

— Don Frerichs
 Resurrection Church
 Florence

The First Amendment

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press, or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.



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Letters must 1) Not be a part of letter-writing campaigns on behalf of (or by) candidates; 2) Ensure any information about a candidate is accurate, fair and not from second-hand knowledge or hearsay; and 3) explain the reasons to support candidates based on personal experience and perspective rather than partisanship and campaign-style rhetoric.

Candidates themselves may not use the letters to the editor column to outline their views and platforms or to ask for votes; this constitutes paid political advertising.

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