

About that protest

Re "Political theater" (Newsline, by Ashiah Scharaga, Feb. 6):

Hate, hate, hate. What a group of compassionate people. *Not*. The syringe program keeps the drug user alive and offers more chances of stopping an overdose.

I have never seen such hateful creatures so united. The United States is a S-hole country because of the lack of love, compassion, peace, kindness and caring for others.

The people of these United States bask in selfishness, greed, evil, indifference and hate. And, the corporate media is another avenue that propagates these same sentiments. Let's see what "they" are going to do when their turns come.

Sonia Noemi Cross
Paradise

During the City Council meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 4, rush-hour drivers found themselves in a Main Street melee of blaring truck horns, exhaust, blocked lanes and intersections, and shouting "protesters."

I'm an 87-year-old relying on a cane on an errand of care for a family member who is recovering from surgery at Enloe Medical Center 10 blocks away. Surely the event had to do with Trump's acquittal or his State of the Union speech. It could easily have devolved into a catastrophe that would put Chico on the map again for disastrous events.

I learned from our local newspaper this was engineered by the campaign to retain the criminalization of the impoverished and unsheltered people of Chico. Stranger yet, I see no awareness anywhere of the extreme danger. All for the sake of removing the last vestiges of human and humane rights of the weakest members of our community.

Mary Nelson
Chico

Hysteria on both sides

Re "Under the spell of dangerous propaganda" (Guest comment, by Jim Elfers, Feb. 6):

If Fox News and Rush Limbaugh

have infected their viewers with Trumpism, Rachel Maddow has turned once-sane Democrats into hysterically anti-Russia Trump-hating zombies.

When the Democrats chose to blame Hillary's loss on the Russians, Maddow's voice was the loudest drum roll of anti-Russia and impeachment hysteria. This hysteria heavily promoted since the moment of Trump's election, in all establishment media, has caused as much damage as Trump's presidency.

A year ago I subscribed to The New York Times, curious to see the role America's "paper of record" played in influencing its many readers. I was shocked at its propagandistic style in reporting political and world news.

Like other establishment media, including Maddow, it rarely lies. It most often omits inconvenient facts, or context that doesn't advance the establishment's chosen narrative. The selection of focus, subject and word choice contribute to the

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THIS MODERN WORLD

LIFE IN THE STUPID-VERSE

OUR NEVER-ENDING WAKING NIGHTMARE CONTINUES NOT TO END

THIS WEEK FEATURING EXTRA BONUS STUPIDITY!

THE COMPLETE AND TOTAL EXONERATION OF DONALD J. TRUMP, AN INNOCENT MAN

I MEAN, SURE, HE **OBVIOUSLY** DID ALL THE CRIMES--BUT I SEE NO REASON TO REMOVE HIM FROM OFFICE! I'M SURE HE'S **LEARNED HIS LESSON!**

THAT THERE ARE NO LIMITS ON HIS POWER WHATSOEVER.

WHAT KIND OF LESSON DID YOU **THINK** I MEANT?

THIS IS WHAT DEMOCRACY LOOKS LIKE

THE IOWA CAUCUSES, IN WHICH VOTERS WITH ENOUGH FREE TIME STAND AROUND FOR HOURS UNTIL DELEGATES ARE ASSIGNED ACCORDING TO A SET OF BYZANTINE CALCULATIONS, ARE A **PERFECTLY** SENSIBLE WAY TO KICK OFF THE PRIMARY RACE!

EVERYTHING WOULD HAVE BEEN **FINE**--IF NOT FOR THAT DARNED **APP!!**

WON'T SOMEONE PLEASE FETCH THE FAINTING COUCH

TRUMP PUTS CHILDREN IN CAGES AND TRIED TO EXTORT A FOREIGN GOVERNMENT FOR HIS OWN POLITICAL ADVANTAGE--

--BUT PELOSI **RIPPED UP THOSE SHEETS OF PAPER!** RIGHT ON TV!

CLEARLY **BOTH** SIDES ARE TO BLAME IN THIS **CRISIS OF CIVILITY!**

THE SCUM ALSO RISES

AS A PRINCIPLED LIBERTARIAN DEVOTED TO THE DEFENSE OF INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY AGAINST THE POWER OF THE STATE, I WANT TO USE **MY** POWER AS AN ELECTED OFFICIAL--

--TO EXPOSE THE IDENTITY OF THE IMPERTINENT WHISTLEBLOWER WHO **DARED** CHALLENGE MY LORD AND MASTER, DONALD J. TRUMP!

THE SHAPE OF THINGS TO COME

AS THE GREATEST PRESIDENT **EVER**, IT IS IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST THAT I SERVE A SECOND TERM--WHETHER I WIN OR **NOT!**

NOT TO WORRY, MISTER PRESIDENT! IF THE DEMOCRATS TRY TO STEAL THIS ELECTION BY GETTING MORE VOTES--**WE'VE** GOT YOUR BACK!

BY TOM TOMORROW

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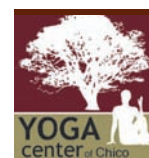
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