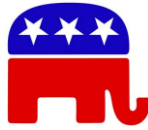


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## Republicans for Action Newsletter

### “New Republicans with a Renewed Spirit”

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*“Liberals claim to want to give a hearing to other views, but then are shocked and offended to discover that there are other views.” – William F. Buckley*

Un-American. What an interesting word. In case you were unaware, by coming to the August meeting of the “Republicans for Action” and having the audacity to oppose government-run health care, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Nancy Pelosi, considers you to be “un-American.” And to think, most of us probably thought we were being *very* American by exercising our rights of free speech and assembly, deemed so essential to the liberty of the nation that our *Founding Fathers* listed them first among all others.

What is ironic about Ms. Pelosi’s label as well as President Obama’s call for the forwarding of emails to the White House of those giving “misinformation” about health care, and some Democrats’ accusations that the Republican party is organizing “mobs” of citizens to express fake outrage and disrupt town hall meetings, is that the far Left is now decrying the same actions it has used for years, especially against the Bush administration. What Pelosi, Obama, and their party are really saying, is that it is O.K. to use activist tactics and disruptive measures...as long as you are doing it on behalf of liberal causes.

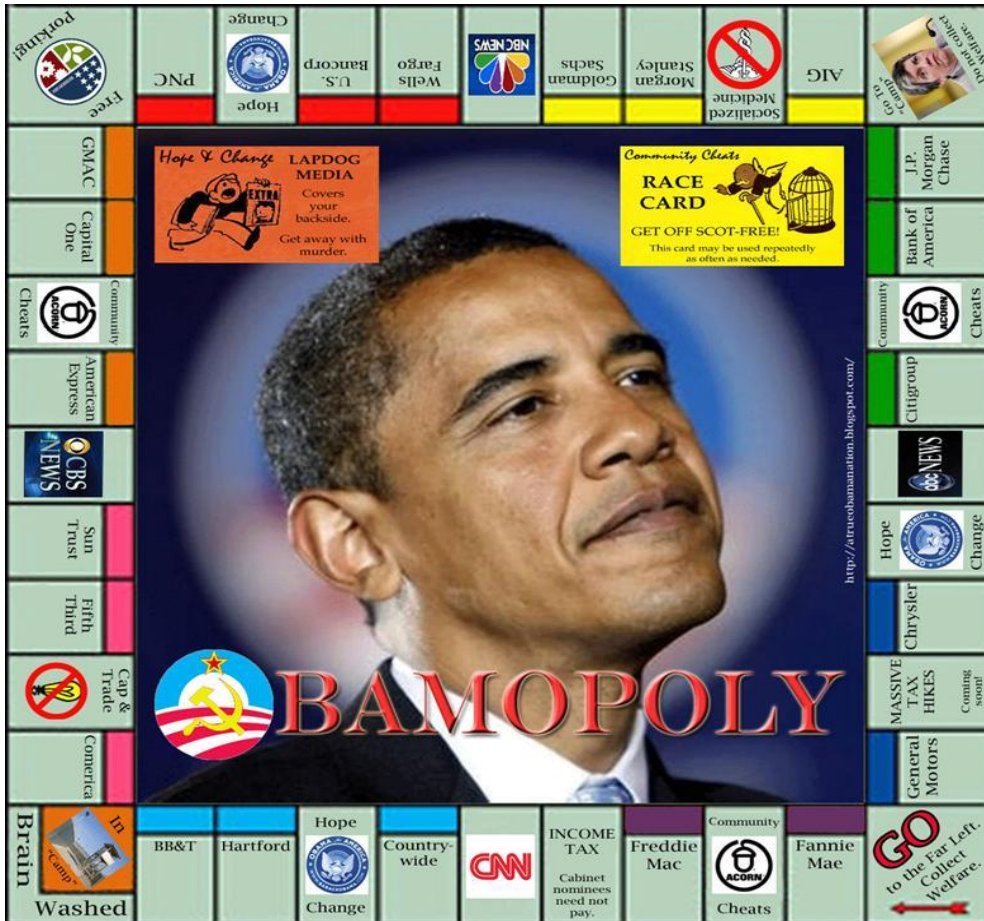
When some liberals were called “un-patriotic” by their opposition because they protested Bush’s national security efforts and the Iraq War, the Democrats cried foul...all the way to the White House. Was Obama’s campaign not partially based on the way the Left misguidedly believed the Bush Administration and, therefore, all Republicans were limiting voices of dissent?

The new tactics used by the Democrats show they cannot win the health care debate on substance and therefore must resort to name calling and mocking the opposition. By saying the Republicans organized and coached people voicing dissent, the Left attempts to marginalize those speaking out. By telling attendees at a Town Hall meeting in New Hampshire that his critics are “bogeymen” and are trying to “scare the heck out of folks,” the President tries to take away the legitimacy of discussing his plan’s negative consequences. And by saying we are “un-American” in our opposition, **Ms. Pelosi seeks to intimidate us into inaction**, lest we appear not to love our country.

But take heart and do not fall victim to the Left’s campaign to silence our voices. The current Administration’s efforts and unfortunate success at moving the country towards *Socialism* has awakened a truism in many of us: our voices must reach beyond our own walls and ring throughout the Capital Dome. Your letters, email, telephone calls, and public dissent will be

crucial in defeating not just the health care legislation, but any radical agenda put forth by the Democrats. And the next time Ms. Pelosi calls voicing oppositon “un-American,” she and her party would be wise to remember that **Patrick Henry didn’t whisper “Give me liberty or give me death” and the Declaration of Independence began as a letter to the opposition.**

Today, we seek not to overthrow government, but to keep it in its rightful place.



The object of the game is to destroy American capitalism by having the government **take** over everything!

**CALL TO ACTION:** Practical Advice For Having Your Voice Heard and Your Opinions Count.

Contrary to what you may believe, writing a letter to your Congressman or Senator can make a difference! Most of us may not be able to take time off to attend a Town Hall Meeting, donate money, or personally speak to our Representatives, but we all can make the time to write and (and email) a letter. Some advice on doing so:

- 1.) **Be respectful.** Name calling, expletives and threats have no place in a letter to a Representative or Senator. Be passionate and direct! However, don't be mean-spirited or threatening.

*Appropriately addressing letters (even those sent via email) is a sign of respect. Below is the correct form:*

*To a Senator:  
The Honorable (full name)  
(Room #) (Name) Senate Office Building  
Building  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510*

*To a Representative:  
The Honorable (full name)  
(Room #) (Name) House Office  
  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515*

*Dear Senator:*

*Dear Representative:*

- 2.) **Tell them who you are.** Anonymous letters rarely have the power to sway because there's no verification the writer is an actual constituent. At the very least, you should put your name and address. It gives your opinion more weight and the Congressman or Senator a chance to respond.
- 3.) **Be specific.** While form letters can be helpful, a letter written from a personal perspective is invaluable. Don't just tell our Senators and Representative you oppose the pending health care bill; tell them why and how its passage will affect your life. If you want to refer to specific legislation, include the correct title or number. Use the Thomas Legislative Information System to get information on any and all legislation before Congress (<http://thomas.loc.gov/>).
- 4.) **Tell them what you want.** Try to conclude the letter by being very specific about what you want your Member of Congress to do. You must state plainly whether you want your Members to vote "yes," vote "no," or take another action.
- 5.) **Make a copy and send it along.** The Republican leadership may not represent our district or state, but they should still know where we stand on issues. Send a copy of your letter to the local GOP in Doylestown, the Chairman of the Republican National Committee, and, if you dare, the Democratic leaders in Congress.

**Make the Call:** Calling is a great addition or, if pinched for time, a solid alternative to a letter. The rules for phone calls are the same as the rules for letters. You will be talking to a staff member and not the actual Senator or Congressman, but being respectful is still the first order of

the day. Write out what you want to convey and why. Make sure to give your name and any other information the staffer asks for. It's O.K. to tell them you're from a different party. Our

U.S. Senators and Congressman represent all of us, regardless of our party affiliation, or whom we voted for.

**Can you give us an update?** If you can spare a few more minutes, please let us know about any responses you receive to your letters, email and/or telephone calls. It is important for our group to know how our views are received and ways we can be more effective at relaying them. Thank you in advance for your help on this!

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**FUTURE MEETINGS:**

**Wednesday, September 23:** Guest Speakers—David Heckler, Republican Candidate for Bucks County District Attorney; Tom Cino and John Silvers, Republican Candidates for Upper Makefield Township’s Board of Supervisors.

**Thursday, October 29:** Guest Speakers—Pat Toomey, Republican U.S. Senate Candidate and Pat Poprik, Vice Chair, Bucks County Republican Committee.