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## Whiny Media McWhiner of the Month

September has barely begun, but I'm confident no one will top my Whiny Media McWhiner of the Month nominee. This diaper-wetting award winner really takes the cake. With unhinged cowards like the *San Francisco Chronicle's* editorial board editor Matthew Fleischer occupying lofty perches of influence, it's no wonder public confidence in American newspaper and television news has plunged to all-time lows, according to the latest Gallup poll.

First, some background: As owner Hearst Corporation brags, "The San Francisco Chronicle is the largest newspaper in Northern California" and "the second largest on the West Coast." Sunday print circulation tops 211,000. Its website reportedly reaches over 6 million users across the country each month. Fleischer holds an M.A. in journalism from New York University, worked as a "senior digital opinion editor" at the *Los Angeles Times* for six years, and wrote for a long list of mainstream publications before landing in the Bay Area in April 2021.

For the past two and a half years, Fleischer's fear-mongering *Chronicle* editorial board hectoring and harangued readers to trust the COVID science (translation: swallow every Big Government, Big Pharma and Big Tech claim without question or complaint). Fleischer and his colleagues backed the draconian lockdown policies of San Francisco Mayor London Breed (which didn't apply to her, of course, as she partied maskless at jazz clubs). The *Chronicle* editorial board was so extreme that it castigated serial control-freak lockdown hypocrite Gov. Gavin Newsom for not doing enough to prevent sane people from getting on with their lives.

Fleischer's opinion pages also pushed for indefinite indoor masking, advocated "making vaccination the price of admission to society," and rallied the left-wing elitist pandemic mob against informed parents exercising their religious liberty and medical autonomy. The newspaper crusaded for legislative efforts to outlaw personal belief exemptions from vaccine mandates and to force every school-age child to submit to experimental jabs in the name of public health.

But just like Mayor Breed, Gov. Newsom and all the other two-faced COVID tyrants who exempt themselves from the rigid rules they've imposed on the hoi polloi, the *Chronicle's* editorial page editor believes the rules and "the science" should be bent and ignored by the powerful and the privileged when it suits them.

On Sunday, Fleischer published a diatribe blasting medical professionals for not giving him Paxlovid



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pills after he contracted COVID — even though the experts and authorities he so worships determined he “wasn’t technically eligible” because he was “under 65 without any serious comorbidities.” The title of his whine-ditorial:

“Omicron finally got me after two years of being a COVID hermit. Then, doctors made it worse.”

Yes, he was a “COVID hermit,” cloistered in his Bay Area home (median sale price: \$1.3 million) where he admits he sat around, stuffed his face and gained “fifteen extra pounds.” Getting fatter “was worth it to avoid getting sick,” he claimed. So, he holed up in his “cave,” spurned the gym (“no thanks,” he scoffed) and avoided “the office, indoor gatherings and restaurants.”

That’s right. He chose to avoid fresh air, exercise and sunlight — effective natural immune boosters, according to a raft of peer-reviewed studies. You know: Science. Instead, he got vaxxed and boosted, masked up and hunkered down, and still ended up with COVID after flying out to the East Coast this summer. Whose fault is it? The subtitle of his gripe-fest is pure media megalomania:

“BA.5 just wiped me out for 12 days. Why did doctors let me get sick instead of giving me Paxlovid?”

What a weenie. You know what I did when lockdown mania hit? I took responsibility for my health. In the spring of 2020, while government goons shut down gyms and blocked off playgrounds and parks with crime tape, I took up pickleball (currently competing in tournaments at 4.0 mixed doubles), lifted weights in the garage, ate healthy, hiked Colorado trails and mountains, loaded up on vitamins and supplements, and secured ivermectin (which The Establishment Scientists are finally acknowledging provides prophylactic protection “associated with reductions in COVID-19 infection, hospitalization, and mortality rates.”)

Oh, and I refused — still to this day — to be a guinea pig for those Big Pharma products that came out of corrupted COVID-19 vaccine clinical trials. I’ve had COVID once while living life to the fullest, jab-less and maskless, while the vaccine and lockdown haranguers suffer reinfection after rebound after rebound, with or without Paxlovid as their savior.

Despite there being no benefit to him taking Paxlovid, Fleischer fumes that he should be allowed to ignore official public health guidance and pop the pills on demand because, well, because!

Stubbornly clinging to Big Pharma Voodoo, this nattering ninny is “hopeful the new omicron booster” will end the pandemic. LOL. Meantime, all of us naturally healthy, fit and fearless citizens who refuse to submit to the endless pills and profiteering injections that failed him miserably watch in both horror and amusement at the media meltdowns of reclusive basket cases. Cry harder.

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