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Taking Action

American Traditions Under Attack

Americans love their traditions. From family outings to sports to holidays, many Americans look forward to doing something special every now and again. Our hectic schedules only allow for so much, which makes certain traditions precious to us.

For me, between the kids' schedules and work, hunting always provides a good outlet that helps me recharge. My dad (a cranberry grower) introduced me to this tradition nearly four decades ago. Once cranberry harvest was over, he looked forward to spending time outdoors chasing the elusive whitetailed deer. However, even more he liked spending time with a handful of cousins he invited to come hunting each year. The weekend before Thanksgiving, my mom and sisters would go on a shopping trip with other family, leaving the home open to many hunters, who used it as "base camp."

While Saturday was opening day of the gun deer season, Friday and Saturday nights were times of loud card games, laughter, and a general time of catching up. There were many times of serious hunting, but most of the hunters on Sunday came in to catch the Green Bay Packers game and left right afterwards. Many years of this made such an impression on me that I named our firstborn son after a couple of these hunters, one of whom died from cancer when he was in his 30s.

So I make the annual pilgrimage into the hunting woods each November, sometimes spending hours in the blistering cold just for an opportunity to fill my freezer with lean protein. While my son goes with me, he hasn't caught the hunting bug as severely as I have. Perhaps at some point he will, or he will find something else that will ignite a new tradition — a tradition of family and friends that will create lifelong bonds. The opportunity to do so is based on freedom. That's America. Nowhere else in the world will you find comparable freedom.

Yet, what have we learned in this issue of the magazine? A cabal of elites (or so they see themselves) is working to take away your choices, your freedom. They have succeeded in convincing a sizeable portion of the population to work toward giving up their freedom, their liberties, and their common sense in exchange for deindustrializing first-world countries — all in the name of climate change.

Deindustrializing the United States means giving up many of the advances Western civilization has





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come to rely upon in order to live comfortable lives based on the hard work of one's God-given skills and ingenuity. It also means lowering the standard of living for Americans to better mirror living conditions in third-world countries. The reason for this is twofold.

Those struggling to survive using the basic elements of their surroundings are much easier to control than those who comfortably exist and who can mount a defense.

Plus, when countries around the world share a similar standard of living, it is much easier to comfortably merge them under first regional, and then world, government. This has been the plan of the globalist conspiracy since even before Karl Marx was paid to pen his manifesto.

The Council on Foreign Relations has alluded to this many times in its *Foreign Affairs* publication, including in a 1974 article by globalist and internationalist Richard Gardner, who suggested that a frontal attack on national sovereignty would not be successful, but an end run around the Constitution to chip away at sovereignty and surrender it piece by piece to globalist organizations would be an effective and stealthy way to build a New World Order.

What you are witnessing with the "new religion" is an attempt by the United Nations and other globalists to replace God with the state. Doing so wipes out the American foundation of rights that the Constitution protects. Get rid of the foundation, and rights become privileges that are easily manipulated and taken away by ever-growing government.

The Founding Fathers were vehemently against government that operated outside of its Constitutional limitations. Their Declaration of Independence solidified why governments were instituted: to protect our God-given rights. It's high time Americans learn and work to protect this principle.

American traditions will be a thing of the past if the UN gets its way. But it doesn't have to be so. The John Birch Society exists to expose and stop these plans, and has been doing so since 1958. Do more than read about this fight. Get involved by joining the JBS and its efforts to save American liberties, freedom, and independence. Join today at [JBS.org](#).



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