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Chris Christie Wants to “Rescue” Republicans

Republican Rescue: Saving the Party From Truth Deniers, Conspiracy Theorists, and the Dangerous Policies of Joe Biden, by Chris Christie, New York: Threshold Editions (an imprint of Simon & Schuster), 2021, 304 pages, hardcover.

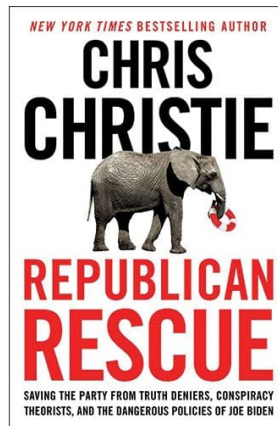
Former New Jersey Governor and failed Republican presidential candidate Chris Christie believes the Republican Party needs to be rescued from “truth deniers” and “conspiracy theorists” — just as when William F. Buckley, Jr. “rescued” it from The John Birch Society decades ago.

Christie, in fact, wants to save neoconservatism, which is on a death march due to the awakening of millions of patriotic Americans, thanks to decades of work by the JBS and other like-minded organizations.

In *Republican Rescue: Saving the Party From Truth Deniers, Conspiracy Theorists, and the Dangerous Policies of Joe Biden*, Christie implies he’s the man equipped to “rescue” the party. Although he demonstrates some knowledge of the nation’s threats, the idea that baseless conspiracy theories threaten the Republican Party’s ability to remain relevant shows how blind he is to what’s really happening in America today.

The final section of Christie’s book contains short chapters with policy cues on education, business, international threats, COVID, and more. It’s the part of the book in which Christie indicates he has some idea of what’s going on. He acknowledges that Black Lives Matter is a “radical” group intent on fundamentally changing America (although he stops way short of outing the group for the Marxist terrorist organization it is). He calls the leaders of Russia, Iran, North Korea, and China what they are — ruthless dictators and thugs. He agrees that Big Tech should be stripped of its Section 230 protections, since social-media companies have long stopped behaving like neutral platforms. And he even says that innovation, not government, is the best answer to problems, although he doesn’t explain how that assertion fits with his belief that only the vaccinated should be free of vaccine mandates. “No mandates of any kind for people who have already been vaccinated,” he writes.

Political analysts speculate the former New Jersey governor is preparing a 2024 presidential run, and by all appearances, this book is serving as a publicity tool. His conspiracy takeover theme has served as a topic for speaking events across the country. He’s also made appearances on several left-wing political shows hosted by journo-crusaders eager to host a Republican yapping about how the party they hate has lost its mind.





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The main lie destroying the Republican Party, according to Christie, is that the 2020 election was stolen from Donald Trump. Trump lost fair and square because he received fewer votes, Christie maintains. In one chapter, Christie attempts to debunk what he deems to be the most common election-fraud fallacies. Conveniently, nowhere in the book does he mention the forensic findings of the independent audit in Arizona, where the cybersecurity firm Cyber Ninjas discovered 284,412 corrupt or missing ballot images and 9,041 more ballots returned than sent, and ran into audit interference by election officials.

As an advisor and debate sparring partner to then-President Trump, Christie says, he warned the president several times that his reelection campaign was flawed. Trump shouldn't have discouraged mail-in voting, as it likely cost him votes that would have been cast by elderly Republican voters who were too scared to vote in person. And as an incumbent, the centerpiece of Trump's strategy should have been to tout his accomplishments, not go on another grievance tour.

Trump also failed to heed Christie's advice to take COVID-19 more seriously, says Christie. Multiple times in the book, Christie channels his inner "mask Nazi" by documenting instances in which Trump and those around him weren't wearing face masks.

If only Trump would have listened to Chris Christie. This is a recurring theme in the book.

And if only Republicans would listen to him now, before they completely lose the party to crazies. This is the crux of the book.

Republican Rescue rehashes several common "conspiracy theory" talking points, including how large a threat conspiracy-theory poster-boy Alex Jones poses, the Pizzagate ordeal, and QAnon. He attempts to shame Republican politicians who've supposedly aligned or agreed with Jones and QAnon talking points in some way. All this is meant to show how dangerously prevalent conspiracies are to the stability and credibility of the Republican Party.

Christie also tries to draw a parallel between this supposed threat today and the one The John Birch Society is said to have posed half a century ago.

Christie repeats the tired, false narrative that years after the rise of The John Birch Society, respectable conservatives, led by Reagan kingmaker and founder of *National Review* magazine William F. Buckley, Jr., banished the influential Birchers from conservative politics because of their wacky, conspiratorial beliefs. What were these beliefs? Apparently, the Birchers "saw a communist around every corner," a paranoia so dangerous it threatened the Republican Party's ability to ever win again. Christie accompanies this snide, rehashed jab with zero mention that communists were indeed found embedded in high levels of the U.S. government, or that this evil ideology with its gulags, armies of jackbooted thugs, and homicidal leaders has wiped an estimated 200 million people off the face of the planet and injured and enslaved many, many more. Communist government infiltration is a fact bolstered by convictions of communist agents. Communism has left a long trail of corpses. The carnage of communism is not comparable to an unbalanced man convinced that a sex-trafficking ring exists under a pizza joint.

Regardless, once the venerable Buckley kicked the JBS to the Siberia of political relevancy, so the story goes, the grown-up conservatives won and ushered in an age of small government, culminating with the election of Ronald Reagan. To Christie and many well-meaning Republicans, Reagan is the conservative gold standard. He subscribes to the common misconception that the Reagan administration was one of



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small government, and he likes to remind people that Reagan played a major role in the fall of the Soviet Union.

Despite Reagan's memorable small-government rhetoric, reality paints a different picture. Reagan's presidency was marred by federal spending and revenue increases, large deficits, and amnesty for illegal aliens. The 40th president's proposed federal budget for fiscal year 1989 constituted the largest proposed budget for the federal government in the history of the United States at the time. Reagan also didn't eliminate even one of any number of unconstitutional programs or departments, despite his famous line that government is the problem and not the solution. And as for the fall of the Soviet Union, Christie doesn't acknowledge the proliferation of Marxist ideas in contemporary America.

As for the JBS, there is no comparison to QAnon and Pizzagate. To his credit, Christie does say he's not equating the JBS with QAnon, which indicates that he realizes there's a difference between the two. However, he obviously believes there is a comparison, or he wouldn't lump both in the same section of the book, titled "Crazy Talk."

Republican Rescue reveals that Christie still thinks it's 2019, before the Deep State showed itself and plunged the world into overt tyranny, and before half of America — whose votes he would need to become president — realized that Republicans and Democrats both are responsible for the monstrous government apparatus that seeks to completely devour our freedoms and wealth.



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Christie seems to be campaigning on the assumption that the Republican and Democratic parties can return to working undisturbed and unopposed at destroying America piecemeal. Over the decades, both parties have supported policies that shipped American jobs and production overseas, especially to China. Both have perpetuated American dependence for energy on despotic foreign countries, despite all the country's energy needs sitting under our feet. Both have for decades facilitated the funneling of American wealth overseas through every conceivable foreign aid and international organization scheme. Both have aided the illegal mass-migration invasion. Both have contributed to building an unconstitutional surveillance state. Both have contributed to the creation of numerous unconstitutional federal programs that control Americans and plunder our wealth. Both have supported illegal wars not declared by Congress. And both have been complicit in helping build and fund international organizations that threaten America's sovereignty.



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Those “crazies” at The John Birch Society, on the other hand, have warned for 63 years about the danger of every one of these policies. For example, JBS founder Robert Welch’s speeches often included the warning that ever-growing government would one day exert control over every aspect of our lives. That is now true. JBS had a campaign in the 1970s to repeal the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the unconstitutional government institution the Biden administration tried to use as his vaccine-compliance Gestapo before his executive overreach was struck down by the U.S. Supreme Court. The JBS warned that government education would serve as a brainwashing mechanism for Marxist ideals, the results of which Americans now see clearly. There’s also been no week during which the JBS has not published something reminding Americans of how dangerously out of control government spending is. And it was the JBS that tried to warn Americans that one day the global elites working to plunge the world into a one-world totalitarian state ruled by themselves would reveal themselves in their attempt to roll out the last aspects of their plan.

If a rescue is what he truly seeks, Christie should be relieved. Millions of Americans are waking up and recognizing the true threat to our nation — the Deep State glob-alists. And Americans have had enough. They realize more neocon policies are not going to save America. Constitutionalism is. Election reform is. Saving our children from public schools is. Getting the United States out of the United Nations is. Reducing the size of government is.

If Christie doesn’t recognize the Deep State — the invisible government behind the visible government of the United States — then he’s the truth denier. Ironically, it’s decades of work by the JBS that is serving as the intellectual foundation of America’s great awakening. While Christie echoes the prevailing left-wing media narrative that the JBS has been banished, even some of the staunchest left-wing publications have enough sense to realize that’s wrong. Recently published pieces with titles such as “The John Birch Society Never Left” and “We All Live in the John Birch Society World Now” (*The New Republic*), “The John Birch Society’s Lasting Influence” (*the New Yorker*), and “William F. Buckley and the Birchers: a Myth, a History” (*Salon*) indicate that leftist journo-crusaders can no longer hide the JBS’ influence.

Christie is a relic, a remnant of a Republican establishment that is losing its power. He’s sailing against the wind.

By Paul Dragu

An Inside View of the Trump White House

In Trump Time: A Journal of America’s Plague Year, by Peter Navarro, St. Petersburg, Florida: All Seasons Press, 2021, 326 pages, hardcover.

Peter Navarro was the assistant to the president for trade and manufacturing policy, as well as pandemic defense production act policy coordinator — in other words, an insider — during the Trump administration.

His new book *In Trump Time: A Journal of America’s Plague Year* exposes the ups and downs of life within the Trump administration during the COVID-19 pandemic, and reads in many cases like a diary in which he kept notes.

The title of this book could just as well have been *You Can’t Trust Anybody*, because it demonstrates the frustrations Navarro and Trump had to deal with inside and outside of the administration to get things



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done, and done in a timely manner.

Navarro shows that even when it came to implementing established government policy, getting things done quickly and effectively was a constant battle. In other words, members of the Trump team — and he names names — were not always working to implement Trump administration policy.

Navarro made a statement on television that, after reading his book, one will want to see Dr. Anthony Fauci put in prison. In that, he was correct.

There has been much written about Fauci and his mishandling of the COVID-19 pandemic. The difference with Navarro's book is that readers get an inside look at Fauci's actions and opinions out of the public eye, and can see how Fauci actually hindered effective COVID policy. The book reveals Fauci's true personality and his lack of honest input into the Trump administration's handling of the pandemic.

But Dr. Fauci was not the only problem. As mentioned above, there were many people within the Trump administration who seemed more intent on stifling Trump's agenda than on working to implement it.

As well, Navarro was constantly frustrated by people who moved much more slowly than he did — people who didn't seem to have the same sense of urgency to get things done. His method of working more closely mirrored Trump's, and led to the title of the book: *In Trump Time*. This essentially refers to an attitude of not only *not* putting things off until tomorrow, but moving as rapidly as possible to get things done — literally within minutes in some cases — especially when it came to getting supplies to help curtail the pandemic. Readers may find of particular interest the lengths to which the bureaucracy went to scuttle inexpensive treatments for COVID-19, such as hydroxychloroquine, in direct contravention of the president's directives.

Readers familiar with many of the personalities in and around Trump may disagree with or be disappointed by what Navarro has to say about them. Navarro certainly pulls no punches, either about how intelligent such individuals were or how well they performed their duties.

Navarro also gives readers an inside look at what went on immediately after the November 2020 election and the problems the Trump team faced in trying to get the story of voter fraud made public, initiate lawsuits, and pull information together to make the case that Trump actually won the election, and exposes those in the administration who betrayed Trump in this regard.

In Trump Time is a fascinating read, and shows the inside workings of the Trump administration from Navarro's vantage point. It goes a long way toward explaining some of the problems conservatives saw with the Trump years, and whom one could trust when it came right down to the wire.

By Arthur R. Thompson



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