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THE UNITARY EXECUTIVE THEORY

The **Unitary Executive Theory** is an idea debated in constitutional law. Today, it is supported by far-right legal and political groups. The theory says that Article II of the Constitution gives the President ***sole authority*** over the executive branch of government. It allows the president to hire, fire and control all parts of the executive branch, even independent agencies that Congress created. It allows a President to avoid any control from Congress.

This struggle between presidents and Congress is not new. Presidents Johnson and Nixon claimed **"executive privilege,"** which allowed them to keep information from Congress. President George W Bush expanded executive power aggressively. President Trump, in his first term, raged around the White House when advisors told him there were things that he simply could not do by himself.

If the Unitary Executive Theory is followed, it gives the President the right to hide information from Congress. It allows the President to act without working with Congress - the branch that makes our laws based on the wants of the American people. Most presidents treated the Constitution as the guardrail that limited their power. But when a single person is all-powerful, those limits can be ignored. Then you have less of a democracy and more of a kingdom – or a dictatorship.

Thomas Paine, a leader during the American revolution, warned against giving one person too much power. **He said the law must be the highest authority.** He said that without the rule of law, the country belongs to a king. He knew what it was like to live like that. Paine said **"in absolute governments the King is law, so in free countries the law ought to be King, and there ought to be no other."**

Democracy is built on the rule of law. The law helps people feel safe because everyone must follow the same rules. It allows people to trust their government. If a President breaks that promise to the people, then our government is no longer run by and for the people. It is a government run by one person, and it operates only at his whim.

President Trump was recently asked what limited his power around the world. He answered "My own morality. My own mind. It's the only thing that can stop me." This is the danger of the Unitary Executive Theory. **It was not what the writers of the Constitution planned.** In President Trump's case, it amounts to **government by tantum**, something meant for kings and dictators, not for a democracy.

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AND GOD SAYS...

"I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us." Romans 8:18

The world we live in is a violent place. I don't think there is any question about that. The thing is, as American's, we have been insulated from much of the worst of it. The result has been an obsession with our own rights, demanding justice and peace. There is the mindset that if something traumatizing happens to me, it must be somebody else's fault, so a lawsuit is likely to result. We really don't know the lack of freedoms the rest of the world lives in and the fear that results. Consequently, we are inadequately prepared to face suffering victoriously so that we unable to "consider it pure joy ... whenever [we] face trials [afflictions] of many kinds" (James 1:2).

I wonder how many of us would ever have put our faith in God and accepted his call on our lives if he had called us like he did the apostle Paul when God said "I will show him how much he must suffer for my name" (Acts 9:16). But the truth is, he has. We have the same call. But instead of being "strong and courageous, " (Deuteronomy 31:6) and boldly stepping out in faith and declaring the truth of Jesus, we knuckle under and silently accept the lie, like evolution or some watered down evolutionary theory, or remain silent about the immorality of cohabitation, or remain silent about abortion, and are even critical of those try to speak truth outside abortion mills, or .... We become like the chameleon and change our "color" to fit in with the world around us.

But the truth is, when we speak out boldly and clearly for Christ, like Charlie Kirk did, the world will react. That is to be expected. That's why Jesus said, "If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world hates you" (John 15:19). That means that if people react against you because of what you say, it does not necessarily mean you said it wrong. It may be that you said it right and clearly so that it was impactful.

But Paul exclaims, "our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us" (Romans 8:18) because as "... co-heirs with Christ, ... if we share in his sufferings ... we may also share in his glory" (Romans 8:17). Therefore, it will be worth it all.

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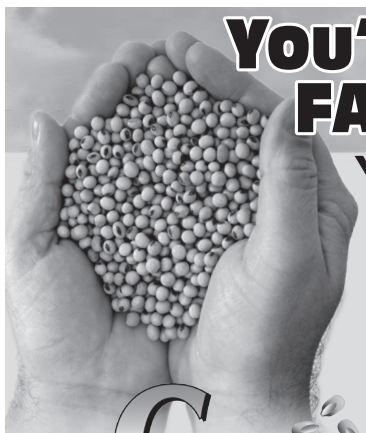
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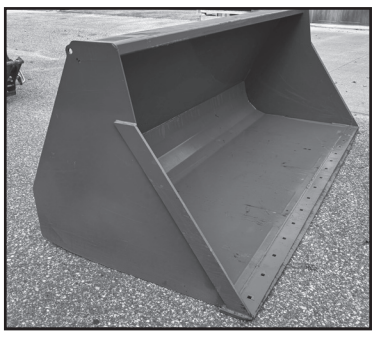
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The purpose of the 4K Registration event is to provide families and children with the opportunity to meet the 4K teachers, get all necessary paperwork completed and receive a tour of the school. Parents and students are also encouraged to ask any questions about the upcoming year.

If you are a district resident and have not been contacted by the school regarding the registration event, or if you have questions/concerns about any child who is not in this age group, please call the school district office at 715-238-7292, option 0.

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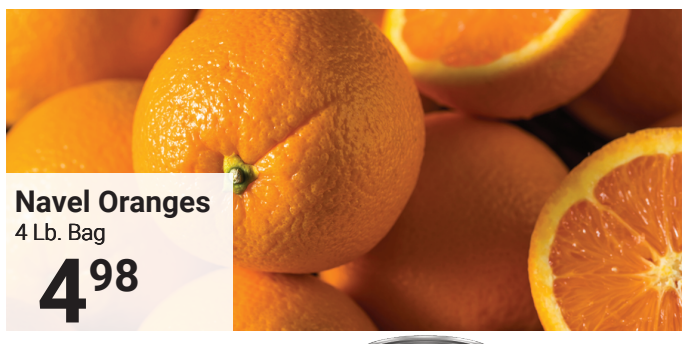
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February 20–22, 2026

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The Gold Medallion is somewhere on PUBLIC property.

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FRIDAY, February 20th

Miss Winter Carnival Pageant

~ HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM ~

~ 6:30 PM ~ Ages 4-15 ~

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SATURDAY, February 21st

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SATURDAY, February 21st

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CART Center 1:30 PM - 3 PM
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Candlelight Snowshoe/Walk O'Neill Creek Trail
5:30 PM - 7 PM
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SUNDAY, February 22nd

8 AM - 10 AM • Breakfast Buffet • American Legion

10 AM – Men's Pool Tourney • Local Taverns & the Legion
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Polar Bear Plunge • American Legion
Registration at Noon – Jumping at 1 pm
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or ngsnowmobile@gmail.com
See Event Poster for more detail!

Cornhole Tournament • American Legion
Registration at 12:30 – Start at 1 pm
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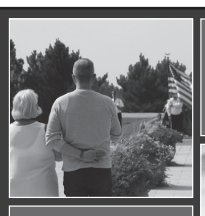
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