



## As American as Koch, coal and Cato

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The recent post in the Daily News-Sun by D. Hoffman of Glendale certainly aligns the writer with an organization calling itself the Tea Party and has prompted me to further believe very few people today exercise the cerebral area above their neck.

I am more aware reading letters and “Vent” posts a good number of individuals have given up, along with making home-made peach jam, original thinking, analyzing the sources of “supposed” facts and studious consideration of what they are about to say, before opening their mouth for public consumption.

Let’s briefly consider an unfortunate and tragic subject which took place in Newtown, Conn.; that being the killing of young school children sitting at their desks by a deranged individual. The “Truth Movement” does not believe anyone was killed and it was nothing but a mega-public relations event staged to promote gun control against the wishes of the NRA.

Now you can choose whether to believe this or not. Unfortunately some do and repeat it as fact. Those believing the hoax never want to logically explain where the children are. Nor wish to pursue the discussion further.

I would also like you to consider a privately held energy company with large coal resources which they sell to coal-fired power plants.

The EPA mandated in 1978 these power plants install “scrubbers” on their smoke stacks to remove hazardous emissions from the coal, found to be affecting the health of the people and creating a layer of gas high above the earth directly affecting the heating and cooling of the overall earth.

Do you think the energy company advertises the positive attributes of these devices or do you think they would lobby to get rid of the EPA and claim their product is just as clean as fresh-driven snow, as do the Koch brothers. Well maybe not that clean.

Some “out there” preach: Do not eat beef as the methane gas cows generate is the primary source of the ozone layer. Nah, I still go with the coal and fossil fuel industry as the major source.

The Tea Party. This organization is a genius idea of the Koch brothers. Two brothers who do not seek press attention, the Koch brothers own the second-largest privately held energy company — Koch Industries. They have ties to the NRA, started, generously fund and guide the Tea Party, also quietly from behind scenes want to eliminate the EPA and its control over the energy industry, stop government regulation and lower taxes. I wonder why. Do you?

Maybe it's because they are polluting the environment. Are you at least thinking about it? Remember the government, under a previous administration, gave a tax incentive to companies moving jobs offshore and lower tax rates reimporting the finished product. Why is this never mentioned?

The Tea Party and its followers are loud and clear the voice of the Koch brothers who also are the financial foundation for the Americans for Prosperity, in addition to heavily supporting the Cato Institute and Heritage Foundation, acting in concert as their front, while the brothers stand behind the elephant in the room. Are you following or are you still thinking all this is just fiction, liberals are terrible, tomato soup does not go with a toasted cheese sandwich, things just happen and people like Glenn Beck are really smart and know what they are talking about?

D. Hoffman of Glendale, you are incorrect. The Tea Party stands for whatever the Koch brothers, Walden and the De Vos families tells it to do through the mouths of Michelle Bachmann, Rand Paul and Eric Cantor, to name a few.

It is interesting to read your comments that the liberals "...are chipping away at our rights and our freedoms...", "...changing America into a socialist country", "...using race and social issues."

You certainly have and use all the "right" buzz words, I do think however you could have used motherhood, apple pie and Chevrolet to really clinch your kind of ethereal argument. Then again, they are real.

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