

Yankee Steve's Column

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Timely Talking Points

- Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg had to de-plane the other day by sliding down an emergency chute. I think she should de-planet. In Ginsburg we have someone who is to the left in outer space.
- The sun has set on Solyndra, a solar panel manufacturer, which received \$500 million in stimulus money. The Green people know how to waste taxpayer green. It has just filed for Chapter 11. Representative Ted Poe [R-TX] said it was a case of "Chicago cronyism" because one of its supporters was an Obama campaign contributor. The FBI raided Solyndra taking its files. Four other companies supported by stimulus money have also failed.
- AP "The number of U.S. homes that received an initial default notice - the first step in the foreclosure process - jumped 33 percent in August from July, foreclosure listing firm RealtyTrac Inc. said Thursday. The increase represents a nine-month high and the biggest monthly gain in four years. The spike signals banks are starting to take swifter action against homeowners, nearly a year after processing issues led to a sharp slowdown in foreclosures."
- The Cherokee nation speaks with forked tongue. It has just gone back on a pow-wow agreement made back in 1866. From its headquarters in Oklahoma, Cherokee officials informed the Bureau of Indian Affairs that it will limit voting to Indians. That means that its 2,800 Freedmen (descendants of black slaves they took with them when they were ousted from Georgia in the infamous Trail of Tears) have been exiled from their nation. Will they have to apply for a green card?
- You already have noticed this – AP - "Consumers paid more for a range of goods and services last month, pushing up inflation and squeezing Americans' purchasing power."
- UPI lists 29 celebrities that have filed for bankruptcy. One of these gives me some satisfaction, communist dupe and Castro lover, film director Francis Ford Coppola. The Trump organization has filed for bankruptcy three different times in the last 20 years. And he wants to be President? "Donald, you're fired!" Socialist radical George McGovern filed, too, and also ran for president in 1972 on the Democratic ticket. I should add John Connally, Texas Democrat and Secretary of the Treasury who pushed the Nixon administration in the direction of socialism, also filed for bankruptcy.

- From Frank Quaratiello's pen at the Boston Herald - "The Bay State's controversial 2006 universal healthcare plan - also known as 'Romneycare' - has cost Massachusetts more than 18,000 jobs, according to an exclusive blockbuster study that could provide ammo to GOP rivals of former Governor Mitt Romney as he touts his job-creating chops on the campaign trail. 'Mandating health insurance coverage and expanding the demand for health services without increasing supply drove up costs. Economics 101 tells us that,' said Paul Bachman, research director at Suffolk University's Beacon Hill Institute, the conservative think-tank that conducted the study."

Ever yours,

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