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Coach's Corner...

Fake News Alert

Many news organizations have stated over the last few years that America is one of the “biggest polluters” in the world. Furthermore, many on the left beat the same drum.

Recently, the President backed out of the Paris Climate accord, which is a non-binding agreement. This agreement committed the USA to pay huge sums and meet expensive levels of achievement relating to pollution control. In reality, the agreement seems to be a reallocation of resources from the USA to poorer countries. In fact, China signed the agreement because we allowed them to do nothing for decades, and they are one of the worst polluters on the planet.

Reality check... in a recent World Health Organization (WHO) report on air pollution, the USA was listed as one of the places with the cleanest air on the planet. Even greater than Germany, Italy, the UK, Switzerland, Japan, Austria and France. Indeed, the USA has cleaner air than all G7 countries, other than Canada. (They have very few people).

The report found that the USA is one of the most pollution-free nations of the world. The rankings place the USA well ahead of China (seven times higher), and Saudi Arabia (almost 13 times higher), the worst polluter.

The WHO report is corroborated by other such studies on air and water. In a recent list of the cleanest cities, the USA included three cities among the top 25 in the world: Chicago, Honolulu, and Portland. In a study of the 15 worst cities in the world, China placed three, Saudi Arabia placed three, and India listed seven! No USA cities made the naughty list.

So...how does the fake news get cooked up? One way is for the scientists who live the religion of Climate change to use a different measuring stick. Such as carbon dioxide emissions. The WHO has for many years used a different measurement, that being “particulate matter” of disease-causing pollutants. Carbon dioxide is completely non-toxic and humans need it for survival. Indeed, growers purposely pump it into greenhouses, raising levels to three times that of the natural atmosphere, thus, producing stronger, greener healthier plants. Hmmm.

At times in the past, the carbon dioxide levels have been more than 17 times more than they are now. Hmmm. A UN climate scientist, Dr Indur Goklany, defended the rising CO2 levels as a good thing. He said the rising levels of CO2 “is currently net beneficial for both humanity and the biosphere generally”. So...I thought “the science is settled”? Not so much. Not even at the UN, apparently!

As I started to look at this issue, I found where many of the scientists that are pushing global climate change have an ulterior motive. Here it is...money. Surprise! Some will even falsify their computer models to make the temperature change look worse than it really is. Some of them are financed by lucrative grants, but only if the outcome meets the dogma of their religion.

What does this have to do with money and investing? Nothing in the short-run. Everything in the long-run. Just remember, most of the news we see is fake news. It's been that way for a long time. Our world is in better shape than what the news portrays. I am not a Pollyanna. But, whether it is about money and investing or Climate change or American politics, much of it is lies—with the goal of separating us from our money.

~John Sklenar

Upcoming Events...

INVESTOR EDUCATION SERIES: PUTTING RISK TO WORK

Tuesday, July 11, 4:00 PM
TrueWealth Carroll Office

INVESTOR COACHING SERIES: MIND OVER MONEY

Thursday, July 13, 4:00 PM
TrueWealth Carroll Office

INVESTOR COACHING SERIES: MIND OVER MONEY

Tuesday, September 19, 3:00 PM
Omaha location TBD

INVESTOR COACHING SERIES: CHOOSING YOUR INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY

Wednesday, October 11, 3:00 PM
Ames location TBD

Register online at www.truewealthnation.net or call 866-792-6668

Financial Tip of the Month...

Track Your Net Worth

Net worth is simply what you are worth at any given point in time. List out your assets and subtract your liabilities. The result is your net worth. It helps to show us where we are at financially. If you prepare it on a regular basis, such as annually, it will give you a basis for determining whether you are progressing or losing ground to the goals you set as you live life.

If you want an easy way to calculate and monitor your net worth on a regular basis, see us about using software for this purpose. We give it to you for free.



POLITICS

Poli = 'many'

Tics = 'blood sucking parasites'

Chewey Peanut Butter Cookies

2-3/4 c. all-purpose flour
1 tsp. baking powder
1/2 tsp. baking soda
1/2 tsp. salt

1 c. butter or margarine (2 sticks), softened
1 c. creamy peanut butter
1 c. packed brown sugar
1/2 c. granulated sugar
2 T. dark corn syrup
2 tsp. vanilla extract
2 large eggs

Preheat oven to 375°. On waxed paper, combine flour, baking powder, baking soda, and salt. In large bowl, with mixture at medium speed, beat butter, peanut butter, and sugars until creamy, occasionally scraping bowl with rubber spatula. Beat in corn syrup, vanilla, then eggs, 1 at a time, beating well after each addition. At low speed, gradually add flour mixture; beat just until blended, occasionally scraping bowl. Cover and refrigerate dough 30 minutes for easier shaping. Shape dough by rounded measuring tablespoons into 1-1/2 inch balls. Place balls, 2 inches apart, on ungreased large cookie sheet. With floured tines of fork, press and flatten each ball, making a crisscross pattern. Bake cookies 12 to 13 minutes or until pale golden. Transfer cookies to wire rack to cool. Repeat with remaining dough. Makes about 5 dozen.



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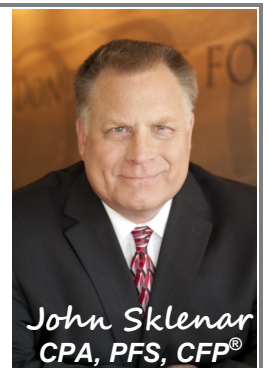
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