

LaRouche Youth Movement Congressional Campaigns Drive for NAWAPA Now!

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In his last two appearances on the LaRouche PAC-TV Weekly Report (*EIR*, Aug. 6, 2010; and this issue, p. 13), Lyndon LaRouche has presented what properly can be described as the equivalent of a Presidential address to the American people.

As the already-collapsed financial system barrels toward complete disintegration over the next two months, as LaRouche has forecast, President Barack Obama has been on a manic flight-forward destructive path, lying that he has “saved” the financial system, and is now creating millions of new jobs. With the numbers of those Americans who believe him plummeting, and with the approval rating for the Congress falling in polls toward single digits, LaRouche has stepped in to fill the role, which should be taken by the President.

This has been reinforced in the organizing drive of the three campaigns for Congress of leaders of the LaRouche Youth Movement (LYM), who are mobilizing to bring the American people into battle-ready condition, to rebuild the nation in the soon-coming post-Obama era.

In his appearances on the LPAC Weekly Report, LaRouche is serving two functions. First, it is essential that the American people be told the truth about the actual state of the economy. Although there is great nervousness expressed in comments from the likes of Federal Reserve chairman Ben Bernanke, who is warning of great “uncertainty,” or from the financial pundits, who say that the “data”—which is highly unreliable, as it are mostly a statistical fiction produced by rigged computer programs—“may suggest” a “double-dip recession,” no one, other than LaRouche, is prepared to face reality. With his impeccable forecasting record,



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Rachel Brown, who is running for Congress in the Democratic primary in Massachusetts against “Bailout” Barney Frank, is inspiring constituents with Classical music and a fight for the future, based on LaRouche’s recovery policies.

LaRouche’s credibility is now broadly acknowledged, including by leading economists, as well as by a growing section of the population, which no longer trusts politicians, or media commentators and talking heads.

Second, as more people become desperate, with unemployment, foreclosures, bankruptcies, and all categories of debt continuing to rise at alarming rates, the mood of the population shifts erratically, between explosive anger and deep demoralization. This is typical of a mass-strike process, as growing numbers reject the lies they are being told, but do not yet know what to do. Without calm leadership, which provides solutions to the crisis, and organizes the people to fight for these solutions, it is likely that we are living in the last days of the American Republic.

Three Steps to Recovery

In his two presentations, LaRouche laid out a three-step solution to the present crisis. The indispensable first step is the removal of Obama from office. Second is the reimplementation of the Glass-Steagall regulatory principles, which would allow a reorganization of the present bankrupt system. With Glass-Steagall, the cleaning out of the toxic assets still on the books of, and traded by, banks and financial institutions, will be carried out.

This will open the way for the infusion of the Federal credit required to fund the construction of the greatest development project in history, the North American Water and Power Alliance (NAWAPA), which is the necessary third step presented by LaRouche (see p. 4, for the Basement Team's report on NAWAPA).

In private discussion with associates, LaRouche emphasized that not only are these three steps essential to prevent the disintegration of the financial system, and the collapse of the planet into a Dark Age, but they are the unique answer to the problems faced by the tens of millions of Americans, who presently see themselves as victims of the Obama Administration's failed policies. This is not just a matter of creating jobs, through building necessary, productive infrastructure—which, of course, NAWAPA would do, on a scale beyond even that of President Franklin Roosevelt's Tennessee Valley Authority—but it provides the means by which those Americans can regain their dignity, by offering a multi-generational project, which will allow the presently unemployed, to intervene at the highest level, to transform the Biosphere.

As such, it is not merely a jobs program, or a water project, but becomes the entry point into the post-Obama era, in which mankind may undergo an "identity shift." Such a shift, from the present impotent anger, or despondent mood of the population, requires Presidential leadership, which LaRouche is now providing, with his weekly appearances.



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Kesha Rogers (center), the Democratic Congressional candidate in the Texas 22nd C.D., has challenged her Republican opponent, Rep. Pete Olson, to join her call for the impeachment of Obama, and for saving NASA. So far, Olson has ducked.

Organizing for a Human Future

Backing up LaRouche's leadership are the three LaRouche Youth Movement campaigns for Congress, which are moving into high gear, well before the traditional Labor Day campaign take-off. In each case, the campaigns have added to the ongoing, high-visibility organizing to remove Obama and restore Glass-Steagall, with initiatives to put NAWAPA in the forefront of political discussion, while generating the optimism in the population required to move beyond random motion.

In Boston, where Rachel Brown has so terrified incumbent Rep. Barney "Bailout" Frank, that he has opened a campaign office in Newton, in the heart of his district, for the first time, her campaign held a highly successful concert on Aug. 5 in Brookline, just outside Boston. In addition to inspiring those attending with the performance of Classical music, including songs composed by Robert Schumann, whose 200th birthday is being celebrated this year, the event sparked lively discussion of precisely the type needed to energize the voters (see <http://rachelforcongress.com/> for a video of the event). The primary is scheduled for Sept. 14.

Much of the discussion centered on the question of



LPAC video

In California, Summer Shields' (shown here in Oakland) write-in campaign against House Speaker Nancy Pelosi is drawing blood, by exposing Pelosi's role in promoting the racist attacks on African-American Congressional leaders Maxine Waters and Charlie Rangel.

why Brown sponsored a Classical music concert as part of her campaign: Many asked, "Why mix politics and culture?" Rachel answered this question in her short presentation, when she spoke of how she is backing NAWAPA, which takes up the same question that is implicit in much of the great Classical repertoire of Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, and Schumann: the nature of man, and why we must act for the future, for our immortality.

Organizers of the event reported that even those who came for the music alone, and not the politics, were moved by Brown's impassioned speech. There could be no greater contrast between her appeal to them to act for the future, and her opponent's support for such measures as legalization of marijuana and online gambling, the appeal to degenerate momentary pleasures, which is totally consistent with the other part of Barney Frank's public record, his full support for bailouts, and his opposition to Glass-Steagall.

Likewise, Keshia Rogers, who is the Democratic Party nominee for the 22nd Congressional District in Texas, has challenged her opponent, incumbent Republican Rep. Pete Olson, to drop his defense of Obama and join her in saving NASA and building NAWAPA. Once again, Olson failed the test, at a town meeting on Aug. 5, when he responded to calls from the audience to back Rogers' call for Obama's impeachment, by ducking, as

usual. Rogers' campaign is circulating a statement in which she accuses Olson of making a deal with Obama: Instead of fighting to expand NASA's mandate, with a full commitment to manned space exploration and colonization of the Moon and Mars, he is asking Obama for a piddling amount of funds to help place fired NASA scientists and engineers in non-existent jobs (for Rogers' statement, see her website, <http://keshiaforcongress.com/>).

Challenging Pelosi's Racist Agenda

In California, LaRouche Youth Movement leader Summer Shields has been escalating his write-in campaign against House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, challenging her, especially for her racist, anti-Constitutional assault against U.S. Representatives Charlie

Rangel (D-N.Y.) and Maxine Waters (D-Calif.). Shields identifies Pelosi as being at the center of an operation based on the old method of racial targeting used by the perverse former FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover, called "Operation Frühmenschen," to remove African-American leaders who are vocal opponents of elements of Obama's fascist policies (see <http://summerforcongress.com/> for his statement).

Shields is also taking the point on NAWAPA, as California is a state which has the most to gain from its implementation, as well as an historic record for economic growth, which can fuel expansion of the entire nation's economy. He is taking this plan to the large ethnic communities in his district, which include Chinese and Russian Americans, showing them how NAWAPA can link up with major infrastructure projects across the Pacific, through the Bering Strait tunnel project.

In each case, the LaRouche candidates are providing their constituents, as well as those who are watching nationally, the kind of Presidential leadership which is seen coming from Lyndon LaRouche. At this moment, when the entire world depends on the dramatic change embodied in the adoption of LaRouche's program for the United States, these campaigns are acting as an extension of that Presidential leadership.