

Pat Paulsen runs for President from the Great Beyond

CONCEPT: Pat speaks to me, and therefore to all of us, through the Internet. His mystical metaphysical comments come from the great beyond. The cyber medium, in essence, has become a channeling vehicle for him. Pat was, after all, the first Presidential Candidate to ever have a Website! To help solve the issues of today, Pat taps into the wisdom of the greatest minds and leaders of history who dwell with him in the realm great beyond.

Campaign Slogan - Since Pat has access to all the great minds of history, he has asked Shakespeare to come up with a campaign slogan for him. Shakespeare is happy to oblige.

“It’s to be or not to be stupid.”

Position on issues - Pat’s solutions are all bargains of wisdom “two-fer.” as he calls them. (As in two for the price of one.) He promises to solve two problems at once with one solution... two birds with one stone, or more for your money. For example:

Education vs. The escalating cost of putting young people in prison - We need to spend more money and effort to provide a better education for our young people. A great many of today’s high school student’s drop out early only to begin a life of crime. We need to convince kids that if they stay in school and get smarter they’ll be less likely to get caught, This obviously means fewer kids going to prison. This will take a lot of pressure off of the costs of running our prisons. The smarter kid is a fiscally responsible crook for us all! Who knows, they could even go on to have a career on Wall Street.

Pro-Life vs. Pro-Choice - Since it’s the Republicans who are, for the most part, anti-abortionists. Republicans have no qualms about butting into your personal life, but, they do have the basic philosophy of staying out of private business affairs. Therefore, I’d recommend passing a law to have all of the women in America become corporations. This way, if the hypothetical Jane Doe Corporation got pregnant & decided to “downsize” it would be strictly her “business” and the Republicans, being honor-bound to abide by their tradition of staying out of people’s business affairs, would have to make her business decision none of their business. And here’s the “two-fer”, since there are approximately 250,000,000 women in the United States, this would provide an enormous business opportunity for the lawyers of America.

Drugs and Social Security - I’d solve our nation’s drug problems & our Social Security problems in one fell swoop. I’d propose that only Senior Citizens deal illicit drugs! (They could certainly use the money!) Think of the big load this would take off of the Social Security Reserves. They’d probably even be willing to report their income and pay taxes on it! It would also probably stop much of the violence associated with drug dealing. Who’s going to blow away somebody’s grandmother? Sure, there might be a walker-by-swatting with a handbag once in a while, but I’m sure the cops could handle it. I also think that older, wiser people would be more apt to show a little concern for their clients. “Now sonny boy, don’t take too many of these at once!” Or, “No downers with alcohol.” “These together will kill you.” So there’s an extra, additional bonus here! The users won’t overdose and cost us, the taxpayers, a fortune in treatment and rehabilitation. In this case you get three solutions for the price of one!

