



## **Donald Trump and the Back of the Tiger PART ONE**

I've recently written a book entitled, *Are They Crazy* a detailed look at the 26 presidential candidates for 2016. The more the days move towards the election the more convinced I am that my provocative title was probably an understatement.

Here we have the Democrats being pulled uncomfortably to the left by socialist leaning Bernie Sanders. Mainstream democrats panic as they contemplate Sanders presidency writing checks with words that the treasury couldn't cash, even if it was law!

The Republicans don't have it any better. As the RNC pencil comes to a point there is a faction within the leadership who cringe at the thought of the words of Donald Trump inscribed as the RNC author.

Trump is the wild hair up in the republican caucus as I initially characterized him in my book. First the mud wrestler, then the foul-mouth jester full of trumped up assertions that did however, guaranteed high TV ratings.

If the RNC had done a cost-benefit analysis when "The Donald" first stepped on the political stage perhaps things would have been different. JFK approximately four minutes into his inaugural speech (January 21, 1961) gave this warning, "Those people who foolishly sought power by riding the back of the tiger ended up inside."

The Trump Tiger has groaned, growled and consumed the lesser pray who longingly eyed the White House. Now he is a mortal threat to the GOP, as we have known it in the past. It shall never be the same.

Tonight March 3, 2016 will be another debate where the remaining candidates will attempt to fatally wound the Trump Tiger. Megyn Kelly and her pack of Fox friends will gleefully assist them.

What can we expect from the Republican front-runner? You will see three things, *caution, containment and courtesy*. There's probably nobody who will appear on that stage tonight that know 1/10 of what Donald Trump knows about power.

Some might call *fear*, some might call *containment* timidity, and some might mistake *courtesy* for calculation. There will be a modicum of truth in this assessment there will however, be a lesson considered.

The hackneyed expression, "Be careful what you ask for because you're wishes might come true" may unfold before millions of viewers. Wishing and watching the Trump phenomenon first thought to implode and now tonight explode.

It will not happen! This seasoned veteran of confrontation and negotiation has been in similar situations all his adult life. If the RNC really wants to slow down the Trump train the smart thing would be to get on board, understand and except the new direction of its passengers as opposed to derailing this barreling behemoth.

If there is fear it is not in the camp of Donald Trump. It is the old guard of the Republican Party who would do well to remember another JFK quote, "Never negotiate out of fear, but never fear to negotiate."

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