



Independents Day. Let's Go Crazy.

iPolitics

Apple has turned the letter "i" into a very powerful brand. iPod. iPhone. iPad.

And taught us to **Think Different.**

1997 Winning Ad – Here's to the Crazy Ones: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tjgtLSHhTPg>

To the crazy ones.

Here's to the crazy ones.

The misfits.

The rebels.

The troublemakers.

The round pegs in the square holes.

The ones who see things differently.

They're not fond of rules.

And they have no respect for the status quo.

You can praise them, disagree with them, quote them,

disbelieve them, glorify them or vilify them.

About the only thing you can't do is ignore them.



Because they change things.

They invent. They imagine. They heal.

They explore. They create. They inspire.

They push the human race forward.



Maybe they have to be crazy.

How else can you stare at an empty canvas and see a work of art?

Or sit in silence and hear a song that's never been written?

Or gaze at a red planet and see a laboratory on wheels?



We make tools for these kinds of people.

While some see them as the crazy ones, we see genius.

Because the people who are crazy enough to think they can change the world, are the ones who do.



Think different.



Bernie Sanders has tarnished “I” political branding. **Neal Simon** will make **#Independent iPolitics** as cool for the Gen X-ennial Generations as **iTunes**.

Along with **Unite America**, a movement to elect common-sense, independents and endorsed Neal:

<https://www.uniteamerica.org>

The Artist Formerly Known as Prince and Whoopi Goldberg are both known for **The Color Purple**.

Whoopi’s far-left leanings are as well-known as **Prince**’s Christian Conservatism surprises:

*“Dearly Beloved, we are gathered here today to get through this thing called **Life**”*

Let’s Go Crazy: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aXJhDltzYVQ>

Untainted by **D** or **R** brand, **Neal “Think Different” Simon** is an **optimistic, unifying, empathetic** figure on a mission of **Disruptive Change to the Political Duopoly**.

Crazy Moderate.

Crazy Passionate.

Crazy Independent.

The core of Neal’s message is very simple:

- Change the divisive discourse that characterizes US politics every day and prevents solving problems festering now for 30+ years.
- Change from the Middle. Radical Centrist. Decisions based on Facts.
- **Independent Change**. The Fulcrum Strategy. In 49/49 Senate give or take, Neal will have disproportionate sway to choose Majority Leader and influence other Senate Committees.

D or **R** Legislation introduced today is most often **DeaD** on a **RRival** - neither side can give a “win” to the other party. **Today: #PartyOverPeople**

iPolitics Legislation introduced by **Neal Simon** will attract sensible **Ds** and **Rs** who can’t be vilified for siding with the middle. **Tomorrow: #PeopleOverParty**

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NEAL SIMON

PEOPLE OVER POLITICS



Neal Simon is a husband, father, philanthropist and business executive.

The son and grandson of immigrants, Neal graduated from Brown University with a bachelor's degree in applied mathematics and economics and a Masters of Business Administration from the University of Chicago.

In business, Neal has led four professional services companies, including Highline Wealth Management and Bronfman

Rothschild where he is on leave as CEO. Neal serves as chairman of the Greater Washington Community Foundation, which gives away more than \$70 million each year, making it the largest funder of local non-profit groups in the Washington, D.C. region.

Neal resides in Potomac, MD with his wife Jennifer Brown Simon and their three children Jake, Ike, and Sophie. The Simons love sports, the outdoors and volunteering in the community. In 2016, they received Interfaith Works' "Humanitarians of the Year" for their work helping vulnerable neighborhoods fight poverty and homelessness.

How Neal Wins

Only 25% of Marylanders approve of Congress

Marylanders believe that the direction of the United States has seriously gotten off on the wrong track.

Maryland voters would consider voting for an unaffiliated candidate for US Senate

“ There is not a first-tier candidate among them [Republicans]... the only candidate with potential to make Cardin work for a third term is philanthropist Neal Simon, who is running as an independent. ”
- The Cook Political Report

Three Reasons to Support Neal Simon

1 People First

Neal will focus on helping people get ahead by developing high-paying jobs and reducing health care costs rather than trying to win an argument, news cycle, or election. He will certainly put people ahead of any political party.

2 Change Washington

He will change the way Washington works. In Neal's company, he has about 100 people. Rarely do all of them have the same opinion about something, but they communicate, collaborate, come together, find the right answers, make decisions based on facts, and get things done.

3 Unite Us

The divisiveness in Washington has trickled into our greater society and it puts us at odds with each other. Our children believe that our government does not have their interests at heart and feel our leaders care more about their party's interest than their own interests.

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Nevada USA Lithium Independence?

My July 4th ritual of reading aloud the first verses of the Declaration of Independence have special meaning this year, not just because of Neal, but in the context of current **USA LITHIUM DEPENDENCE**.

Industrial Minerals' 10th Annual Lithium conference in Las Vegas offered opportunities to examine more closely two large, promising, unconventional lithium projects that could be to lithium what fracking has been to US oil & gas. Or perhaps the Carlin gold trend – acid leaching low grade ore.

As part of my potential seduction by **Mrs. Robinson**, I flashbacked to **Sgt Pepper's Beatles** imagery:

\$500M Market Cap: Lucy in the Sky with Diamonds
Global Geosciences, Rhyolite Ridge

Click Here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=121MWiP2Ga0>

*Picture yourself on a train in a station
With plasticine porters with looking glass ties
Suddenly someone is there at the turnstile
The girl with the kaleidoscope eyes
Lucy in the sky with diamonds*

And to **The Who** at 1969 Woodstock touring **Tommy**:

\$ZERO Market Cap: Acid Queen
Lithium Americas, Thacker Pass

Click Here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C1rgF5hPwss>

*If your child ain't all he should be now
This girl could put him right
I'm the Gypsy, The Acid Queen
Pay before we start
The Gypsy
I'm guaranteed
To tear your soul apart*

The success of both **Rhyolite Ridge** and **Thacker Pass** will depend to a very large degree on dropping acid. From Lithium Americas' **Thacker Pass PFS** press release:

"The price of sulfuric acid is a major factor in the economics demonstrated by the PFS"...

*..."ore from the mine will be crushed, screened and then transferred as a slurry to the leaching circuit where **sulfuric acid will** be added to **attack the ore and liberate the lithium** from the clay..."*



Thacker Pass Site Visit Presentation

<http://lithiumamericas.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/LAC-Thacker-Pass-June-2018-Investor-Day-Presentation.pdf>

#Lithium #Trumps #Cannabis



Winnemucca, Nevada

This 2-liter graduated cylinder was about 75% empty. But with my glass-half-full outlook, I see potential for a Trump-loving venture capitalist like **Softbank** to place a big bet on another potentially disruptive North American lithium chemical processing technology. Trump's welcoming of **FoxConn** – and his direct, personal diplomacy with its billionaire CEO – could theoretically be replicated by **Ganfeng's** billionaire founders, which include NYSE-listed LAC board member.

FoxConn's from Taiwan. Ganfeng's from China. Does that make a difference?

I've referred to Lithium Americas as **Led Zeppelin Americas** and suggested earlier this year we were still in Led Zeppelin 3 mode, with Stairway to Heaven Led Zeppelin 4 soon ahead of us.



But as I watched Led Zep front man **Robert Plant** at **Forest Hills Stadium** last month, and then visited the **Sensational Clay Miners & Processors** at site last week, a more current image for LAC came to mind:



John Kanellitsas, Tom Hodgson, George Ireland, Tom Beron, Rene Leblanc, Alexi Zawidzki, Brett Rabe

LAC Hat's Off to swag-loving **Emily "Sheryl Crow" Hersh** for her **First Cut is the Deepest** LinkedIn Post...

READ EMILY HERSH:

<https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/cool-science-accompany-non-technical-readers-enjoyment-emily-hersh/>

...which complements her Episode 13 grilling of the Thacker Pass technical team and includes a hilarious pig dig roast of her podcast co-host:

HEAR EMILY HERSH:

<http://lithiumpodcast.com/podcast/e13-lithium-clays-smooth-jazz-and-soft-rock/>



Roger Waters, Us & Them

Sheryl Crow

The First Cut is the Deepest: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dK9eLe8EQps>

Leaving Las Vegas: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xkc-en0_LGY



I'll comment further on **Thacker Pass** and Global Geosciences' **Rhyolite Ridge** in future, as I will the dueling **Air Supply Morgan Stanley** vs. **"This Time it's Different" Goldman Sachs** lithium outlooks published just in time for **USA USA USA** Independence Day, July 4.

It was great to sit again in Las Vegas with **GSC** Chairman **James Calaway**, who stole the conference's opening presentation show from Galaxy, FMC and SQM speakers. **Global Geosciences** recently raised \$50M+ equity fully underwritten by Citi at ~\$500M valuation. Many large institutional investors globally have been convinced about the economic viability of this boron & lithium sedimentary deposit, and GSC management's ability to deliver a large, low capex, low opex project.

Young American Thacker Pass should be able to do the same – with help of its **China Girl** (ahh, the versatility of David Bowie). **Ganfeng: Made in China. Lithium Processing Superpower.**

Ganfeng's technical support has been highlighted by LAC and is no doubt a critical ingredient. But in the context of critical minerals **USA Lithium Dependence**, it bears mentioning that LAC is influenced meaningfully by its large Chinese creditor, equity holder and Cauchari off-taker.

Ironic. Don't you think?

Ironic - Alanis Morissette – <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jne9t8sHpUc>



Joe Reagor at **Roth Capital** was the analyst most pleasantly surprised with the Thacker Pass PFS, suggesting Mr. Market should value it today at some 20% its \$2.6B NPV, or \$520M – as much as LAC's current market cap.

- **Increasing price target to \$13.00.** Although the PFS returned a NPV8 of \$2.6 billion, we believe a single asset company would be valued at 30-50% of the NPV given the stage and future capital needs to reach production. Additionally, we believe it is likely LAC will pursue a similar course of action to its JV development of its South American asset. Thus, we believe the market should assign 15-25% of the NPV to the project in the near-term or a midpoint valuation of \$520 million. We are increasing our price target from \$9.50 to \$13.00 to reflect this valuation and reiterating our Buy rating

MacMurray Whale at **Cormark** shared this perspective on Thacker Pass valuation...

Previously, we included \$2.21 per share (C\$2.83) in our target of LAC, which uses \$25/t of the Measured, Indicated and Inferred resource. Global Geoscience (GSC-ASX) is trading at \$75/t on its inferred resourced of its Rhyolite Ridge project in Nevada, while Bacanora Minerals Ltd (BCNB - London) is trading at \$20/t for the resource on an M, I & inferred basis. This suggests on a comparable basis that the Thacker Pass project is worth between C\$2.20 and C\$6.60 per share, on the lithium in the ground.

...Or, at the low end on NYSE, about USD 2 – or 40% uplift to no longer Hamilton but Honest Abe **LAC**.





Displacing **Freebird** as a nickname for Thacker Pass may be premature as Mr. Market has yet to tell me otherwise, but I will begin using **Acid Queen**, among others, in anticipation that by the end of **Lynyrd Skynyrd's Farewell Tour** this fall, Roth and Cormark will prove correct and that epic encore song should no longer be appropriate.

But there's something else to which I must bid farewell. When I hear "**sulfuric acid will...attack the ore...and liberate the lithium...**" it is not **Soft Rock** and **Smooth Jazz** that comes to mind.

FEEL FREE TO JOIN ME SEPTEMBER 22 TO BID FAREWELL TO THIS SOFT ROCK LEGEND!

Paul Simon to Stage 'Unique' Farewell Concert at Queens' Flushing Meadows Corona Park

By Jem Aswad | [@jemaswad](#)



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UPDATED: Paul Simon announced today he will perform the final concert of his Farewell Tour in the borough of Queens, where he spent his formative years. On Saturday, September 22 at Flushing Meadows Corona Park — site of the World's Fair in 1939-40 and 1964-65 — Simon and his band will bring to the stage a career-spanning setlist of hits and classics, as well as a unique selection of songs the artist has selected for this once-in-a-lifetime show.

Simon will be donating all personal net-proceeds from the event to a previously selected cause, which will be announced at a later date, according to the announcement.

I can see Paul Simon in Chile, maybe — "Me and Julio," (Uncle Scrooge McPonce) Down in the Schoolyard.



But East Coast Simons don't belong in Western USA desert folklore. Burning Man proximity. Johnny Depp.

Excellent read by Bloomberg's @LiamDenning

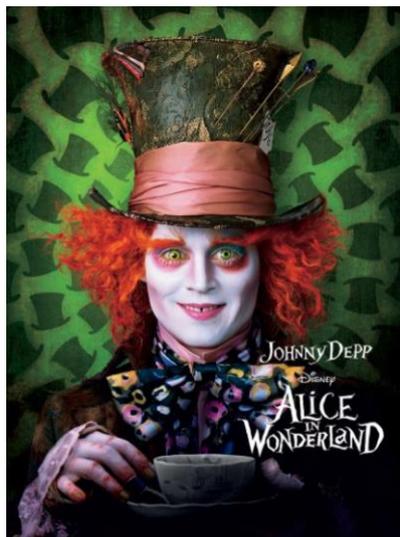
Fear & Lithium in Las Vegas

<https://www.bloomberg.com/view/articles/2018-06-29/lithium-s-long-term-outlook-is-bright>

(great artists steal)



Because LAC's clay and GSC's boron/lithium searlesite sediment need to take an acid trip to achieve lithium liberation, I believe these non-brine, non-hard rock **Alice in Wonderlands** need an entirely new genre.





Wikipedia: **Acid Rock** is a loosely defined type of rock music that evolved out of the mid-1960s garage punk movement and helped launch the psychedelic subculture. The style is generally defined by heavy, distorted guitars, lyrics with drug references, and long improvised jams.

The term is sometimes used interchangeably with "**Psychedelic Rock**" but may also refer to a more musically intense subgenre or sibling to the psychedelic rock style. **Acid rock** distinguishes itself from other psychedelic styles by having a harder, louder, or heavier sound.

Thacker Pass



Jefferson



Airplane



White Rabbit?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=2&v=WANNqr-vcx0



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