

SO — WHAT'S NEW, RICK? PAUL? FRESH INDICTMENTS TODAY ON BANK, TAX FRAUD

Open thread for you folks to talk about the latest developments in the Trump-Russia investigation, including Manafort's rejected bail package and fresh charges filed today.

OPEN THREAD: ALL IN THE FAMILIES?

This is an open thread dedicated to this morning's news – Team Mueller's charged Alex van der Zwaan with false statements, a 17th name pops up, and look, a father-in-law in the mix, too!

ILLIBERAL HOLLYWOOD: KICKED IN ITS PANTS BY A PANTHER

Though conservatives love to disparage the American entertainment industry as liberal, Hollywood's business practices have been anything but, evident in its continued racism. Disney/Marvel Studios' Black Panther gives Hollywood a solid kick in its racist ass.

OPEN THREAD: GUNS, GUNS, AND MORE BLOODY GUNS

Bring your discussions about guns here. Keep them out of other threads so that others can have uninterrupted discussions on topic.

NOTHING HAPPENS IN A VACUUM: DIPLOMATIC SCUFFLES AND ACADEMIC SPEECHES IN MOSCOW

A 2016 scuffle in Moscow between an American diplomat and a FSB guard didn't occur in complete isolation. Rather, an academic speech by an erstwhile foreign policy adviser to the Trump campaign didn't happen completely independent of other political events in Russia.

RUIN A MOVIE WITH A NAME: GET CARTER (PAGE)

Erstwhile Trump campaign adviser Carter Page comes off looking sketchier than ever after TIME reported last evening that Page characterized

himself as an informal adviser to the Kremlin back in 2013. Let's take a step or two back and take a look at the bigger picture surrounding Page.

ANOTHER KIND OF RECOVERY: POST-MARIA PUERTO RICO AND HEALTH CARE CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Hope you don't need an IV soon. I'll be thinking of people who do while Trump bloviates tonight about the state of our disunion.

LET THE PRO-OPRAH RESISTANCE BEWARE: SCAM IN PROGRESS?

A majority of Americans are really frustrated right now but they shouldn't let their guard down at the first sign of hope. They're at risk of being harvested by unscrupulous entities.

A BIT ABOUT DOSSIERS:

YOU'VE BEEN EATING THIS FUD FOR YEARS

Some thoughts about dossiers from a former dossier writer.

10 YEARS OF EMPTYWHEEL: MANY HAPPY RABBIT HOLES

Wow, it's been ten years! Time sure flies when you're having fun – and yes, some of us have a rather perverse sense of amusement, contributors and readers alike. What do you think was the best of this ten years of emptywheel?