

In today's Vatnik Soup, I'll introduce an American radio host and propagandist, Scott Horton (@scotthortonshow). He's best known for blaming Russia's genocidal war against Ukraine on the US, and for publishing a 700-page book full of Kremlin propaganda.

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Most of you probably remember Scotty from this recent episode of Piers Morgan Uncensored, in which he was schooled for his revisionist propaganda by Ukrainian volunteer and activist Anastasiya Paraskevova (@UkrainianAna).



Let's start with the obvious - Scott Horton is a hardcore Kremlin apologist who sees nothing wrong with what Putin does, but strongly condemns anything that Ukrainians do to defend themselves. For Horton, the enemy is the US and all of its allies. The way this works is that... 3/23



...whenever Scotty talks about a historical event, he somehow flips it so that the fault falls on the US. And he's been doing this for a LONG time - he's conducted over 5000 interviews since 2003 for various radio stations, including his own Antiwar Radio.

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Scott Horton is editorial director of <u>Antiwar.com</u>, host of *Antiwar Radio* on Pacifica, <u>90.7 FM KPFK</u> in Los Angeles, California and podcasts <u>the Scott Horton Show</u> from <u>ScottHorton.org</u>. He's the author of the 2017 book, <u>Fool's Errand: Time to End the War in Afghanistan</u>.

Horton is the editorial director of Antiwar . com - a website that claims to be devoted to "non-interventionism", but is somehow full of rambles from Kremlin apologists. It's promoted by John Mearsheimer and Roger Waters, and Scott's predecessor praised Putin as

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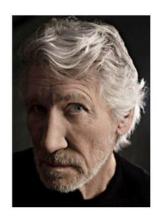
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A Personal Message From Roger Waters: Join Me in Supporting Antiwar.com

by Roger Waters / October 25, 2022

Today, we are standing on the edge of a precipice, staring into the abyss. The end of all life on earth is a very real possibility. The reins of power have been purchased by the oligarchs and ideologues and they are hell bent on the end of times. Make no mistake. This is not a drill.

Some say the Cuban Missile Crisis of 1962 is the closest we have come to a nuclear catastrophe, but at least then, JFK and Nikita Khrushchev were in communication. In our current crisis, our leaders are not even talking to each other. We human beings must communicate with each other if we are to survive. We here in the West are



drowning in a sea of pro-war propaganda and presumably the Russians are too. How are we the people to make sense in this maelstrom of misinformation? SUPPORT ANTIWAR.COM!!!!!!



"The Powers That Be," our "Masters," the self appointed "Ruling Class" want to keep us squabbling, at each other's throats, to be used us as cannon fodder or slave labor. When a great journalist and truth-teller like Julian Assange is imprisoned for sharing vital information, the time has come to man the barricades, to stand shoulder to shoulder with all our brothers and sisters all over the world in defense of our

beautiful planet home.

As I told the audience on every night of my recent tour of the United States and Canada and Mexico we will never sell out. We, and here I include my brothers and sisters at ANTIWAR.COM, will keep speaking Truth to Power.

Will you stand with me and support ANTIWAR.COM today? Let's remember what is important in this life. The time is now. This is not a drill.

Sincerely, Roger Waters

Roger Waters (co-founder of Pink Floyd) is offering \$20,000 in matching funds, dollar for dollar, for every dollar of donation this week. We thank him, please take advantage of this generous offer.

John Mearsheimer on The Case for Antiwar.com

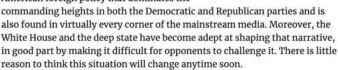
by John Mearsheimer / August 29, 2023

John Mearsheimer is the Wendell Harrison Distinguished Service Professor of Political Science at the University of Chicago and one of the leading foreign policy scholars in America. Here's what he has to say to you.

Dear Antiwar.com Reader,

One would think that in a venerable liberal democracy like the United States, there would be open and free-wheeling debate in the mainstream media about the key foreign policy issues of the day. One would certainly think that would be the case given the recent debacles in Afghanistan and Iraq, not to mention the unfolding debacle in Ukraine.

But sadly, that is not the case. There is a deeply entrenched and constricted narrative about American foreign policy that dominates the



This means that we need alternative media more than ever. We need a variety of first-rate outlets that invite dissent and help foster a vibrant marketplace of ideas. The reason is simple. All countries sometimes pursue foolish if not reckless policies, as the United States has demonstrated in recent years. One of the best ways to avoid disastrous policies is to have serious public debates where dissenters have free rein to speak truth to power. After all, isn't this the core reason why freedom of speech and freedom of the press are enshrined in the constitution?



This is where Antiwar.com comes into the story. It plays a critical role in spreading the views of individuals who are bent on challenging the conventional wisdom. It is a platform for dissenters, which the United States - and the West more generally - need more than ever.

In my experience, some people identify dissent with unpatriotic behavior. Purveyors of the conventional wisdom tend to make that

argument. The clear implication is that we are supposed to support our government no matter what. As the saying goes, "My country, right or wrong." Such a view is wrongheaded and dangerous. A true patriot should challenge American policy when he or she thinks that it is likely to do the country harm. It makes no sense to remain silent and let your country pursue a policy that you think will have disastrous consequences. Of course, the problem we face today is that it is hard for dissenters to get their voice heard in the mainstream media. In short, it is difficult to act responsibly.

That's where Antiwar.com comes in. If you care about the welfare of the United States and want to make it a better country, please give generously to Antiwar.com.

Sincerely, John Mearsheimer





Scotty is part of the US "Kremlintarian movement" and so-called Mises Caucus, a pro-Kremlin group who hijacked the real Libertarians to help with Trump's re-election. He's referred to as their "foreign policy guy".

The group's led by Angela McArdle:







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This site is devoted to the cause of non-interventionism and is read by libertarians, pacifists, leftists, "greens," and independents alike, as well as many on the Right who agree with our opposition to imperialism. Our initial project was to fight against intervention in the Balkans under the Clinton presidency. We applied the same principles to Clinton's campaigns in Haiti and Kosovo and bombings of Sudan and Afghanistan. Our politics are libertarian: our opposition to war is rooted in Randolph Bourne's concept that "War is the health of the State." With every war, America has made a "great leap" into statism, and as Bourne emphasized, "it is during war that one best understands the nature of that institution [the State]." At its core, that nature includes an ever increasing threat to individual liberty and the centralization of political power.

Antiwar.com is one project of our parent foundation, the Randolph Bourne Institute. It is a program that provides a sounding board of interest to all who are concerned about U.S. foreign policy and its implications.

In 1952, Garet Garrett, one of the last of the Old Right "isolationists," said it well:

"Between government in the republican meaning, that is, Constitutional, representative, limited government, on the one hand, and Empire on the other hand, there is mortal enmity. Either one must forbid the other or one will destroy the other."

This is the perception that informs our activism and inspires our dedication. Non-interventionism abroad is a corollary to non-interventionism at home. Randolph Bourne echoed this sentiment: "We cannot crusade against war without implicitly crusading against the State." Since opposition to war is at the heart of our philosophy, and single-issue politics is the only avenue open to us, Antiwar.com embodies the politics of the possible.

Our dedication to libertarian principles, inspired in large part by the works and example of the late Murray N. Rothbard, is reflected on this site. While openly acknowledging that we have an agenda, the editors take seriously our purely journalistic mission, which is to get past the media filters and reveal the truth about America's foreign policy. Citing a wide variety of sources without fear or favor, and presenting our own views in the regular columns of various contributors, we clearly differentiate between fact and opinion, and let our readers know which is which.



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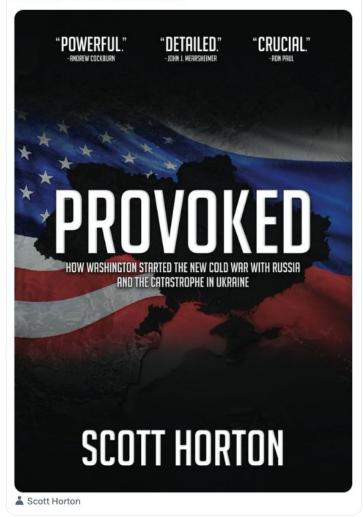


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As the #UkraineRussiaWar escalates toward WWIII, the regime assertion that Putin led an "unprovoked" invasion ignores the decades of US provocations which led to this war. Scott Horton's new book dismantles that lie.

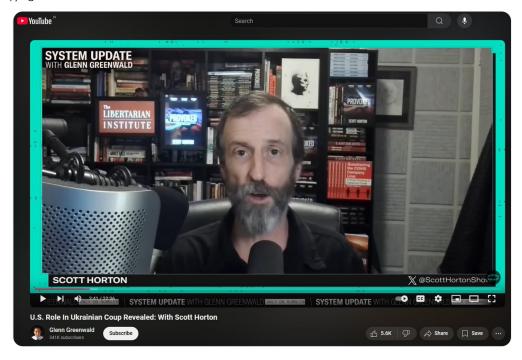
#NoWar with #Russia over #Ukraine





Horton's "anti-war" stance seems to be that countries like Russia can invade other sovereign nations, whereas their victims' allies should not be able to help in any way because that would "provoke" or "escalate". This crowd sometimes does condemn barbaric murderers like...

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...Putin & Assad, but then comes the "but": "BUT here's how it was actually our own fault and Putin HAD to invade Ukraine because they wanted to integrate into EU/NATO and it was the US who meddled in Ukraine's domestic issues not Putin", shifting the blame from the Kremlin.



In this worldview, 1 bag of low-grade cookies and a phone call between 2 Americans somehow constitute a coup and "provoke" (justify?) a genocidal invasion, whereas the arming&training of separatists and dioxin poisoning of the Kremlin's puppet's opponent is just "bad sushi".

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The CIA backed and funded coup

The independent freedom fighters not backed by Russia





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In the on-again/off-again poisoning story of Viktor Yushchenko, the verdict of the moment is **dioxin poisoning**, a condition which, it is reported, "usually results from occupational exposure to compounds in fungicides, insecticides and herbicides."

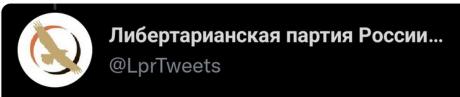
Call me crazy, but that sounds more like "bad sushi" than a criminal conspiracy.

Posted by: Franklin Harris on Dec 11, 04 | 8:14 am

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Replying to @LprTweets @libertarianneko and 6 others

As far as we know, Russia started training separatists to split Ukraine back in 2006.

then Russia's relations with NATO were still excellent



11:12 PM · 29 Sep 22 · Twitter Web App

And that's exactly what Scotty's new book titled "Provoked: How Washington Started the New Cold War with Russia and the Catastrophe in Ukraine" is all about. He shifts all the blame of the Russo-Ukrainian War on Obama & Biden, and claims that Russia simply "had to invade".



Horton falsely claims that the US spent 100 million USD on the "coup" in Ukraine, but never explained why massive, months-long, anti-Yanukovych and pro-EU protests erupted all over Ukraine in freezing winter temperatures, even in Donbas & Crimea.

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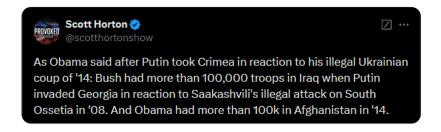


On Piers' show, Scott was trying to be a bit more careful with his words, but with vatnik-friendly Judge Napolitano, he parrots all the classic Kremlin narratives: US sponsored 2014 "Ukraine coup d'État", the West "wanted the war to happen" and Ukraine is "full of Nazis".



According to Scotty, Putin decided to invade Crimea as a reaction to Obama's "illegal Ukrainian coup of '14". He's also claimed that "Russia took Crimea without firing a single shot" & somehow suggests that this move wasn't "aggression". Truly a libertarian, antiwar figure.

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He was one of the speakers & sponsor at the first RATWM "antiwar" event in DC in Feb 2023 (featuring warmongers like Hinkle and Reade). The event demands were a Putin's wishlist of (among other things) ending aid to Ukraine & disbanding NATO.







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Former Congressman of Ohio and Mayor of Cleveland.

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Former Congresswoman of Georgia and former Green Party candidate for President.



Scott Horton

Editorial Director of Antiwar.com, radio host, and author of several best-selling anti-war books.



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Peace activist, diplomat, and former U.S. Army Colonel. Resigned in opposition to the Iraq War.

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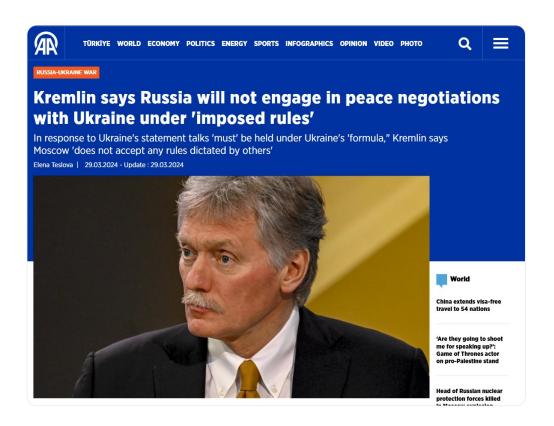
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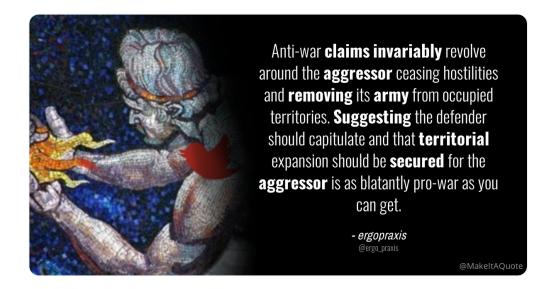
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Naturally, suggesting total capitulation of the defender without calling for the aggressor to cease hostilities and remove their army from occupied territory is hardly an "antiwar" stance. It's actually a sign of support for imperialism and as pro-war as you can get.

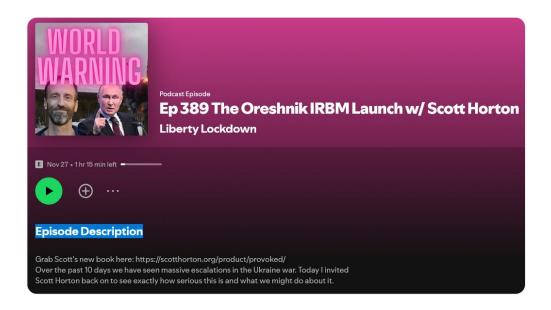


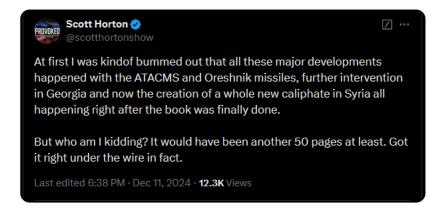




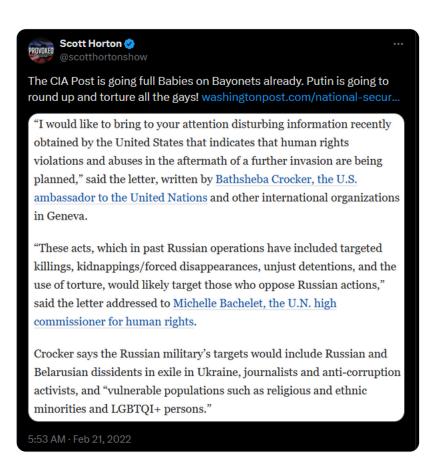


Like a good Kremlin lapdog, Scotty has also been promoting Russia's new "superweapon" Oreshnik, blaming Joe Biden for "escalating the war" by allowing Ukraine to hit legitimate military targets inside Russia with long-range missiles such as ATACMS.





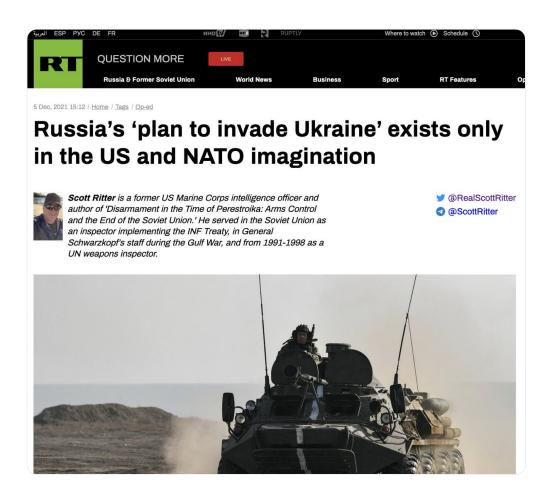
Scotty also has a funny way of ignoring all the human rights violations in Russia & he's for example called Washington Post's report on torture and persecution of ethnic&sexual minorities "CIA propaganda". He also has a hard time believing the genocide against Ukrainians.





Actually, he even had a hard time believing in Russia's full-scale invasion just a week before it actually happened (a classic among alleged vatnik "experts"). He looks so proud in the video below, when he could say it on live television!







George Galloway 🤣

@georgegalloway

← Russia state-affiliated media

Y'all said #Russia was about to invade #Ukraine. I told you it wasn't. You were wrong. I was right. Again. Show some bloody humility. Especially if they're not even paying you to act like an idiot.

17:54 · 14 Feb 22 · Twitter for iPhone



As is tradition, Horton's takes on Syria are just as bad as his takes on Ukraine and Russia. He claims that Assad's sarin attacks against his own people were "hoaxes", and he's even suggested that Assad is "probably a better leader" for Syria than Al-Jolani.

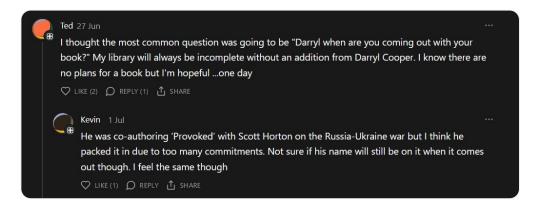








Considering that Horton claims to absolutely despise Nazis, it is strange that he's decided to cooperate with and befriend one of the US's biggest Nazi apologists, Darryl Cooper (@martyrmade). Scott and Darryl were at one point even supposed to author "Provoked" together.



My friend Scott Horton asked me to co-author a book with him about the history of the war in Ukraine and the conflict between NATO and Russia since the end of the Cold War. Basically an expanded, heavily-footnoted, 40-page bibliography version of the Thoughts on Ukraine episode I did a few months ago. We really want to do this right, so I'm going to be spending a lot of time reading (and re-reading) material on the topic. Since the war in Ukraine is literally the most important thing in the world these days, and since it's already stealing a lot of my attention even without the book, I figured I'd let the spirit take me, and report to you along the way. So, over the next few months, I will still be doing pieces on other topics (the big Hatfield-McCoy post/episode is still coming), but we're going to spend some time deep-diving on the new Cold (and increasingly hot) War. Obviously, at the end of the day, I work for you guys, so if I'm going too heavy on the topic, feel free to let me know, but I think that over the next few months we'll be getting into many interesting things you might not expect.



Hitler tried again, going on the radio to broadcast a call for peace directly to the British people. He would give back the parts of Poland that were not majority German, and would work with the other powers to reach an acceptable solution to the Jewish problem. He was ignored. /21

Readers added context

Grossly misleading.

The tweet refers to the "appeal to reason" by Hitler in July 1940. By this time Hitler had invaded two direct Allies of Britain, Poland and France, broken multiple treaties and Einsatzstaffeln were killing Jews, Poles and others.

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This may be putting it too crudely for some, but the picture on the left was infinitely preferable in virtually every way than the one on the right.





🌑 Cernovich 🤣 @Cernovich · 13h

After the Paris opening ceremony, which I put on for my daughters, I don't care what happens to France. Can't get any worse than the few minutes we saw. Insulting to Christians and secular people alike. Go to Hell, Paris.

I have a hard time understanding why @piersmorgan has decided to add Horton as a regular panelist, but it probably has something to do with getting better ratings through ragebaiting. I mean, he also platforms vatniks like Sachs, Benny Johnson and George Galloway.







Interestingly, Scott's wife Larisa Alexandrovna is a Ukrainian who has a much less glamorous picture of Russia: "Russian occupation is worse than death. Let's not forget that Russia has starved Ukraine and committed mass genocide on purpose...Nobody wants to live like that."

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To conclude, Horton is as antiwar as Vladimir Putin, and his only argument is "US bad" with anger issues. For some reason,he's invited by the MSM to discuss ongoing conflicts, even though he defends authoritarian states like Russia and Assad's Syria and lacks any expertise. 23/23



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