

Thought Leader Interview: President Jimmy Carter

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Family Life

- Grew up on a family farm in Plains, GA.
- Had three siblings, one brother and two sisters.
- He was gifted in academics as well as sports.
- He is married to Rosalynn Carter and they have four children together.
- He was the very first President to be born inside of a hospital.

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Presidential Campaign

- Carter's slogan: "A Leader, For a Change"
- Carter seemed relatively unknown, compared to the nine other people going for the nomination.
- Each of the other Democrats dropped out until only Jimmy Carter remained.

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Carter 49,012,581 (50.09%)	297 (55.2%)
Ford 39,481,601 (40.02%)	240 (44.8%)
McCarty 710,460 (0.91%)	0
Other 130,028 (0.98%)	0

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Foreign Policy

- Carter had a firm belief against any human rights violations but refused to get involved militarily.
- He believed in self determination of other peoples.

Foreign Events:

- Panama Canal
- Camp David Accords
- Soviet Union
- China
- Iran Hostage Crisis

Schooling and Career:

- After graduating from high school, he attended Georgia Southwestern College and eventually, the Georgia Institute of Technology.
- Before his presidency, Carter served in the navy, working on one of the US's first Nuclear Submarine projects.
- He was a peanut farmer, Sunday school teacher and Governor of GA.
- He did not fight in any wars.

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After

- Carter received the Nobel Peace Prize in 2002 for his efforts bringing about a peaceful end to the Vietnam War in 1975.
- He built a house with Habitat for Humanity and his work with the Carter Center have helped nearly eradicate the Guinea Worm Disease in Africa.
- He has authored books on the Bible, American Revolution, and the Middle East and foreign diplomacy.



Interesting Facts:

- Carter has successfully panned for gold in Northern Georgia.
- He was supposedly attacked by a rabbit on a fishing trip in Georgia in 1979.
- He collapsed during a 10K race in 1979 leading press to believe that symbolized his presidency.

Thanks for listening!

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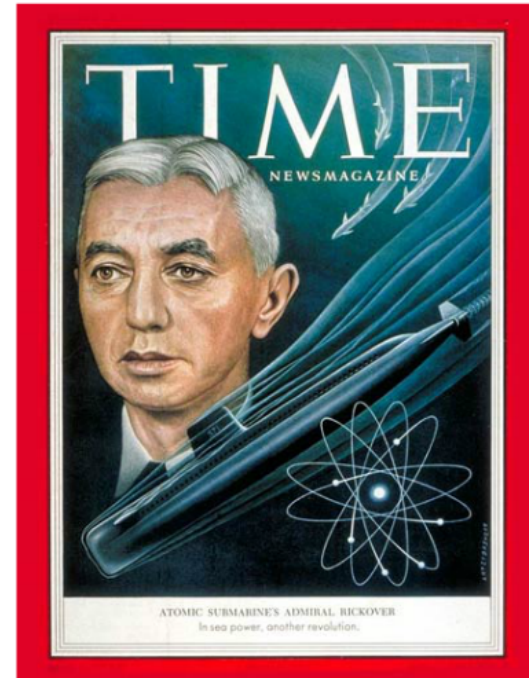
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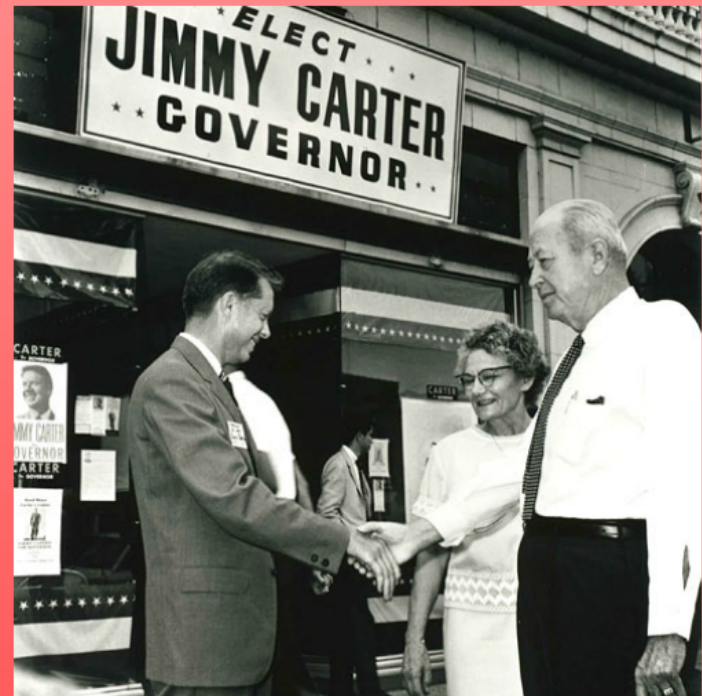
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