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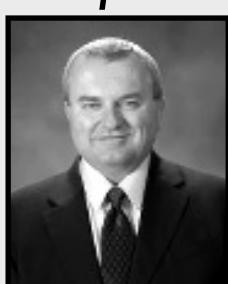
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By Devvy Kidd

"Give me control over a nation's currency and I care not who makes its laws." - Baron M.A. Rothschild

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"Report"



By Jim Raffenburg  
County Commissioner  
Nov. 2007

**"Introduction"**

Hello everyone. This month I am going to change the format of this Report. There are two reasons for doing so.

First, I originally underestimated the amount of time required each month to wade through all

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## Judge Cebull Directs Verdict **IRS – AUSA Forge Tax Return**

By Edward Snook  
Investigative Reporter

**Billings, MT** - Henry (Hank) and Judy Matthies were falsely convicted November 30, 2007, in a sham trial, run by a prejudiced judge, brought by a corrupt prosecutor and the deadliest terrorist organization on the face of the earth - the IRS. The IRS or others provided a fraudulent (forged) document to United States Attorney for Montana William Mercer that was altered either by the Tax Protestor Division of the IRS in Ogden, Utah, IRS in Billings, MT or Prosecutor Kurt Alme. Assistant U.S. Attorney (AUSA) Kurt Alme used the altered document during the trial to paint Hank as a liar to the uninformed jury sitting on their case. Given Alme's nervous and frantic state during much of the

trial, it would be nearly impossible to distinguish which entity committed forgery on the document – and we can say with great certainty that none will admit any wrong doing. Alme also twisted facts and threw his theories at the manipulated jurors, creating his own contorted perception of the Matthies' hiding their assets deceitfully, when all of their assets were not only known by those attacking them, they were out in the open for all to see.

### FALSE CHARGES

Hank and Judy Matthies of Laurel, Montana were served superceding indictments on April 25, 2007, by AUSA Kurt G. Alme, representing U.S. Attorney William Mercer. The indictments



An old picture of a bad judge - Cebull

falsely charged Hank with two counts of "Willful Failure to File Income Tax Returns" for years 2000 and 2001 and both Hank and Judy with "Conspiracy to Defraud the United States" for the purpose of impeding, impairing, obstructing, and defeating the lawful government function of the Internal Revenue Service of the Treasury Department (IRS) in the ascertainment, computation,

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## Time for a Charter Change? *Communication Company Upsets Consumers*

By Kelly Stone  
Investigative Journalist  
(Ron Lee contributing)

**USA** - Most people associate Paul Allen with his great philanthropic deeds through his several outstanding foundations. While some might only know Allen as one of the founders of Microsoft, still others know him as the owner of Oregon's Trail Blazers and Seattle's Seahawks, but, many upset consumers know him as the controlling stock owner of the country's fourth largest cable company (*according to ncta.com*), Charter Communications (*NASDAQ: CHTR*). Allen owns approximately 52% of the stock and controls around 90% of the voting power as chairman of the board since purchasing Charter in December 1998. Since June of 2007 Charter Communications had 5,376,800 cable TV, cable high-speed internet and/or voice over cable (phone) subscribers, and some subscribers are getting fed-up with Charter's service

outages, billing issues and poor customer service.

Subscribers in many states are so enraged with their "misdealing" with Charter Communications that they are posting complaints on legal web sites like medlawplus.com in hopes to spur a class-action lawsuit and others are filing complaints with the Better Business Bureau (BBB) causing the BBB to make this statement about Charter Communications (*this comment is regarding Charter Communications Corporate, for local ratings go to BBB.org and search Charter Communications in your area*):

*"Based on BBB files, this cable, digital TV, and high speed internet access provider has an unsatisfactory record with the Bureau due to a pattern of*



Charter Communications sign, Grants Pass

*complaints and has failed to correct the underlying reason for the complaints. Complaints concern that the firm had improper billing practices, referred customer bills to collection agencies in error, provided poor customer service, used misleading advertising, provided defective internet or cable performance, used improper sales tactics or misrepresented the actual costs of installation and service, failed to*

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## IRS: Justice for None



By Tedd Peck  
Investigative Reporter

**Atlanta, GA** - Sherry Peel Jackson, a former IRS Agent was tried October 29, 2007, on four counts of willfully failing to file federal tax returns. Each of these misdemeanor counts carried a maximum penalty of 12 months in jail and substantial financial fines. Her counsel for trial, Lowell Becroft, a trial attorney from Alabama had successfully defended others on the same charges as recently as three months ago.

I find it incredulous that

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## Medford's Mail Tribune Intimidates With Lawsuit

By John Taft  
Investigative Reporter



**GRANTS PASS, OR** - This lawsuit is about intimidation, potential identity theft, personal safety, and Second Amendment Rights. A small town newspaper goes hog wild. The Medford Mail Tribune is published in Jackson County in Southern Oregon and has an agenda

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Civil War to unite private citizens in improving the economic and social position of the nation's farm population. Over the past 137 years, it has evolved to include non-farm rural families and communities.

The Grange is also a fraternal order known as the Order of Patrons of Husbandry, hence the "P of H" on the organization's logo. Founding members determined that a fraternal organization would be best able to combine loyalty and democratic ideals to provide service to others. The National Grange was one of the first formal groups to admit women to membership on the basis of equality with men. It remains so today.

The 11-story landmark National Grange headquarters building in Washington, D.C. was dedicated by President Dwight D. Eisenhower on June 29, 1960, and is the only private edifice in a federal block across from the White House. It serves as a non-governmental headquarters for agricultural and rural families.

Each year, a listing of more than 1,400 issues of concern is published and distributed by the National Grange.

## Resolution

### U.S. Congressional H.R. 254, Entitled "David Ray Hate Crimes Prevention Act of 2007"

**Whereas:** Certain types of speech, writing, etc., about race, color, national origin, religion, sexual orientation and gender, will be considered a hate crime unless the "Thought Police" of the federal Government rules otherwise.

**Whereas:** House of Representatives bill 254 is unconstitutional because it violates Amendment #1 of the Bill of Rights which states that: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances."

**Whereas:** In some foreign countries, where hate crime laws exist, it is a hate crime to preach or to use quotes from the Holy Bible to support free enterprise, property rights, gun rights, to be a skeptic of the global warming theories, and to talk about illegal aliens, etc. The truth of any subject matter is thrown out the window for political correctness.

**Whereas:** The crime laws throughout the fifty different states of the union, known as States Rights are based on the Ten Commandments. When reviewing



Grange Headquarters,  
Washington, D.C.

the Statue of Lady Justice, you will note she is holding a balance scale and is wearing a blindfold to show that true justice will prevail in our courts of law for the crimes committed such as murder, stealing, kidnapping, etc. The crime isn't that you hated a person. The real crime is that you took action to kill, to cause bodily injury, etc.

**Whereas:** If H.R. 254 becomes law, it will preempt a lot of our state laws in violation of the 9th Amendment and the 10th Amendment of the Bill of Rights which states:

**Amendment 9 states:** "*The enumeration in the Constitution of certain rights shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.*"

**Amendment 10 states:** "*The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the states, are reserved to the states respectively, or to the people.*"

**These two Amendments make it quite clear that it denies the federal government any control over rights not listed in the U.S. Constitution.**

**Whereas:** When a congressman, president, and judges are elected or appointed to their offices of the United States of America to serve the people, they lay their hand on the Holy Bible and take an oath or affirmation to support the U.S. Constitution and laws made in pursuance thereof and then some of these elected representative turn right around and try to pass laws that overturn the people's Bill of Rights. These elected or appointed officials who violate their oath of office must be impeached, or a Writ of Mandamus filed in court against all violators of the U.S. Constitution in order to remove them from office.

**Whereas:** Alexander Solzhenitsyn, the great literary writer of Russia, was expelled from Russia in the year of 1974 for his writings on Freedoms of Life, Liberty & Property. This Nobel Prize-winning author stated that one of the first things the Communists did when they took over the Russian government was to pass hate crime laws that made it a crime to tell the truth about Communism and what they were doing in Russia.

**Therefore be it resolved:** That the Oregon State Grange, in order to protect our constitutional States Rights, oppose the passage of U.S. Congress H.R. 254 for its violation of the 1st, 9th & 10th Amendments to the Bill of Rights of the U.S. Constitution.

This resolution was adopted by the Deer Creek Grange #371 at its regular meeting held on May 14, 2007.

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## Jurors' True Duties

### Take back control before it's too late

By US~Observer Staff

**Editor's Note:** *The information in this article can and will make a difference. It is imperative that this knowledge finds its way into the hands of all potential jurors. We will be reprinting this article in upcoming editions.*

**America** - During the early years of the United States, up to the mid 1800s, you could get tossed in prison for failing to pay back your debts. Not only were you expected to come up with the money to pay back what you owed, but you also had to pay for your imprisonment!

Today, it is still possible to be thrown or remain in jail for debt. Debts of fraud, child-support, alimony, or release fines can land you in jail or prevent you from being set free. This is the government's goal when prosecuting income tax cases. Apparently we have become desensitized to incarcerating men and women in what should rightfully be called "debtor's prison."

Anybody who is called to be on jury duty for any court should know their responsibilities, rights and power. The jury has the absolute moral and legal power to judge all cases on the basis of the fairness and reasonableness of the law. Corrupt judges have suppressed this information so most of us are not aware of the jury's power. At the time of our nation's founding, when many judges were honest, this power was not hidden as it is today. The jury has the undisputed power to acquit, even if its verdict is contrary to the law as given by the judge and contrary to the evidence. The judges want to keep this power secret so they can continue to force all of us to obey unfair and unreasonable laws. The judge will instruct the jury that they must make their decision based on the facts as presented during the trial and in strict accord with the law as stated by the judge. The jury does not legally have to adhere to the judge's instructions. This is because in a jury trial, the real "judge" is the jury itself, and the judge in the black robe only has the power to oversee the orderly presentation of the case to the jury, while it is the jury that is the proper "judge" of both the facts and the law involved in the particular case at hand.

Every prospective juror has not only the right but the obligation to himself and his fellow Americans to see that justice is done and to remember that ignoring an unjust law or considering if the law is being applied for political reasons is sometimes the juror's only recourse to achieve a just verdict, which would be NOT GUILTY. Is the defendant being singled out as "an example" in order to demonstrate government muscle?

Much of today's "crime wave" consists of victimless crimes--crimes against the state, United States or political crimes. So, if you think that a guilty verdict would give the government too much power, or help keep a bad law alive, just do the right thing -- vote NOT GUILTY and stick to your guns. Remember that you can refuse to apply any law that violates your conscience.

Example: The year was 1670, and William Penn was on trial for violation of the "Conventicle Act." This Act made the Church of England the only legal church. The Act was struck down by a not guilty vote. Freedom of Religion was established and became

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part of the English Bill of Rights and later it became the First Amendment to the Constitution. William Penn most likely would have been executed if the jurors would have yielded to the guilty verdict sought by the judge and prosecutor.

It is an irrefutable fact that our system of justice has been stolen or better yet swindled from us by attorneys over past decades. Judges are part of this swindle in that they are also attorneys. The legal profession in America has denigrated itself from one of ethics to one of "legalized" theft.

Prosecutors often charge people with "multiple charges" so the jury will assume that the defendant must be guilty of something -- watch multiple charges very carefully and if you smell a rat -- do what -- vote Not Guilty. One of the great mistakes a jury can make is to betray both truth and conscience by compromising. If you are of the persuasion that the defendant is not guilty of anything, then vote NOT GUILTY on all counts.

The vast majorities of people in this country are petrified of attorneys, judges, prosecutors, the IRS and in many cases corrupt "law enforcement officers." In a free and just nation this would not be the case.

The answer to the problems with our "legal system" appears to be complex, when they actually aren't. Americans must bridle our out of control "legal system" or we are all in for a world of hurt.

We live in a land where hundreds of thousands of illegal aliens can march in our streets, right in front of law enforcement and where border patrol agents are imprisoned for doing their job in attempting to stop an illegal alien drug smuggler from bringing drugs across our border. U.S. District Court Judge Kathleen Cardone in El Paso, Texas, sentenced Jose Alonso Compean to 12 years in prison and Ignacio Ramos to 11 years and one day despite a plea by their attorney for a new trial after three jurors said they were coerced into voting guilty in the case, the Washington Times reported. Judge Cardone is corrupt and the jurors in this case were anything but "fully informed" regarding their true duties. As happens in court rooms across this nation every day, the judge actually instructed the jury to find these agents guilty.

Realizing that our justice system closely resembles a slaughter house where cattle are herded through chutes to their execution, something has to be done and the obvious place to start is with our juries. If a person is called to jury duty they need to realize that they are the real "judge" of the case. When the court excuses the jury to make private decisions that the court doesn't want the jury to hear (exclude evidence from them) then all responsible jurors should simply come back with a Not Guilty verdict. If the judge in any given case even hints at instructing the jury to find a defendant guilty, responsible jurors must deliver a Not Guilty verdict. And above all else, if the law purportedly broken by a defendant is presented to the jury and that law is vague, ambiguous, or appears to be a bad law, the jury must deliver a Not Guilty verdict. This won't be hard for jurors in income tax cases because they won't be shown any law since it doesn't

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For more on the Grange go to:  
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# Are You a Victim of False Prosecution?

If you are then you are aware of how the ‘justice’ industry (racket) in America works. You (**the innocent person**) are falsely charged with a crime. Most of the time you receive a myriad of stacked charges intended for the sole purpose of extracting a “plea bargain” from you.

You then rush to an attorney, pay him a retainer to cover the usual \$150.00 per hour (if not higher), which he/she charges, to supposedly defend your innocence. The attorney usually files some motions, writes some worthless letters and makes many unproductive (unless they pertain to you accepting a plea bargain) phone calls until you are broke. Generally you haven’t even started your trial and 99% of the time the attorney hasn’t completed any investigation.

All of a sudden your attorney is telling you that you can’t win your

case and you should accept the benevolent plea bargain that the almighty district attorney has offered you. “Do you want to take the chance on spending 30-40 years in prison when you can plea bargain for 18 months,” your attorney tells you. What happened to: “I think we can win this case, it’s a good case.” Remember? Isn’t that pretty close to what your attorney told you as he/she was relieving you of your money?

You then accept a plea bargain and go to jail or you have a jury trial, you’re found guilty (because your attorney hasn’t produced enough evidence-if any and because the judge directs the jury to find you guilty) and then you go to jail. When you finally wake up you realize that on top of now being a criminal, you are flat broke and incarcerated. You find that the very person (your attorney) you frantically rushed to retain, became your worst enemy.

## We come to the largest racket in history, the American Justice System.

There is only one way to remedy a false prosecution: Investigate the accusers, the prosecutors, the detectives and then watch the judge very carefully. In other words, complete an in-depth investigation before you are prosecuted and then take the facts into the public arena.

*The US~Observer* newspaper will not waste your time or your money. This is not a game, it’s your life and your freedom. We do not make deals. If you are innocent, then nobody has the right to steal what belongs to you, most of all, your liberty. Nobody! That includes your attorney—as well as your supposed public servants.

Why have a bad day when it’s still possible to force justice...right down their throats?

If you are innocent and there is conclusive evidence of your innocence, *The US~Observer* provides a 100% money-back guarantee on criminal cases should we fail to prove your innocence and achieve your total vindication. *The US~Observer* investigates cases for news and therefore we don’t print that which can’t be resolved. We want to win, just as you want to prove your innocence.

Do not contact us if you are in any way guilty and for justice sake, don’t wait until they slam the door behind you before contacting us if you are innocent.

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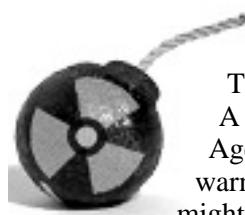
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# In The Nation

## IAEA: Terrorist might detonate a Dirty Bomb in a major city



(Zee News)

**Edinburgh,** -

The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) has warned that terrorists might detonate a "dirty bomb" in a major city sooner than later.

William Nye, Home Office director of counter-terrorism and intelligence, told delegates that al-Qaida is actively seeking high-grade uranium and plutonium in order to detonate a "dirty bomb" in major cities such as London or Washington.

"As the terrorists look for the next spectacular attack, we know that al-Qaida in Iraq is calling on nuclear scientists to join in the jihad. Combating this threat requires international cooperation," The Scotsman quoted Nye, as saying.

Peter Jenkins, Britain's chief representative to the Vienna-based

IAEA, told the conference that while it is not known if terrorists have acquired nuclear materials, the threat is real.

"Nuclear terrorism has been recognized as a genuine threat since the 1970s, and we have evidence that al-Qaida has been trying to acquire material since the 1990s. But since 9/11 the risk has become a widespread international concern," Jenkins said. Steven Aoki, a counter-terrorism official at the US Energy Department, called for improved scrutiny of radioactive material used for industrial and academic purposes, and to prevent it from falling into the hands of terrorists.

"This is a major problem with a potentially large amount of radioactive material out there and unaccounted for. We need to get hold of it and store it securely," Aoki said.

The IAEA warning came at a four-day international conference being held on nuclear trafficking at the Edinburgh International Conference Centre in

Edinburgh, Scotland.

Around 350 experts from nearly 70 countries are assessing anti-terrorist programs and discussing how to combat any threat involving nuclear material.

The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) conference also heard that the UN agency is helping China guard against attack at next year's Beijing Olympics.

In August, the IAEA reported that there were more than 250 reported thefts or losses of nuclear material around the world in 2006, an increase of about 200 percent from 2002.

Most of the increase was due to better reporting and understanding by member states, but the IAEA also said that of the 150 incidents of "unauthorized possession" in 2006, 14 involved



criminal activities, including illegal possession, movement or attempts to illegally trade these materials.

The conference also touched on fears that nuclear material could be supplied to terrorists from Iran, which is under Western pressure to halt its uranium enrichment program.

The conference is set to run until Thursday.

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## Feds Uncovered Plot to Kill JFK in Chicago, Says Ex-Secret Service Agent

By Chuck Goudie  
WLS-TV

A former Secret Service agent has told WLS-TV there was a plot to kill President Kennedy in Chicago three weeks before he was assassinated in Dallas.

Kennedy was murdered on Nov. 22, 1963. Thanksgiving was the 44th anniversary of JFK's assassination.

Lee Harvey Oswald would never have had the chance to kill Kennedy in Dallas, had an assassination plot in Chicago succeeded three weeks earlier, a plot that has been mentioned over the years.

Kennedy was due to arrive in Chicago the morning of Nov. 2 to attend the Army-Air Force football game at Soldier Field and ride in a parade. Newspapers had even printed JFK's detailed travel plan from O'Hare airport to the Loop.

Although police were preparing to line the motorcade route, Secret Service officials in Chicago were deeply troubled about the visit because of two secret threats.

Right-wing radical and Kennedy denouncer Thomas Vallee had arranged to be off work for JFK's visit; Vallee, an expert marksman, was arrested with an M1 rifle, a handgun and 3,000 rounds of ammo. But then there was the phone call to federal agents from a motel manager concerning what she'd seen in a room rented by two Cuban nationals.

"Had seen lying on the bed several automatic rifles with telescopic sights, with an outline of the route that President Kennedy was supposed to take in Chicago that would bring him past that building," said former Secret Service agent Abraham Bolden.

Bolden, 72, of Chicago, was a young agent in 1963. After a few years as an Illinois state trooper, Bolden joined he



John Fitzgerald Kennedy

Secret Service and was invited by Kennedy onto the prestigious White House detail. He was the first black agent assigned to protect a president.

Bolden recalled how agents bungled surveillance of those two suspected Cuban hit men. They disappeared and were never identified.

"No one was sent to the room to fingerprint it or get an ID. The case was lost and that was the end of it," Bolden said.

On Nov. 2, the president was about to leave the White House for Chicago and Bolden says a Cuban murder squad here was unaccounted for.

"The morning of the game, the special agent in charge of the Chicago office called the White House and recommended the president cancel his trip to Chicago," Bolden said.

News reports stated that Kennedy

didn't show because he was ill or because of a diplomatic crisis. Official investigations of JFK never determined why the president canceled Chicago Nov. 2. But in his first interview in 44 years, Bolden said JFK stayed away because of an imminent threat.

Bolden said the president didn't come to Chicago because he was basically waved off by the Secret Service, and it wasn't because he had a cold.

Information about Vallee, his similarity in appearance and background to Oswald and details of the Cuban hit squad in Chicago were never given to federal agents in Dallas.

Bolden said the information was not known to have been passed on to Dallas.

In a book that Bolden wrote with his wife, due out in the spring, he will cite another contributing factor in the JFK murder: on-duty drunkenness by Secret Service agents.

"I told the chief of the Secret Service this, that if anything happens, an emergency situation develops with President Kennedy, that their reflexes are going to be in a condition that they won't be in a condition to respond, and Dallas, Texas, proved I was right," he said. "The president's life was in grave danger because of the inefficiency of security around him, too many weaknesses."

"When that bullet struck the head of the president, it struck me too because I

saw it coming," Bolden said.

When the Warren Commission began investigating JFK's assassination, Bolden says, he attempted to inform members about the Chicago plot and misconduct by his fellow agents.

During that time Bolden was arrested and prosecuted for soliciting a bribe from a counterfeiter and served a six-year sentence. He says it was a setup to silence him. The main witness has since recanted, and Bolden hopes now to clear his name.

A spokesman for the Secret Service in Washington said that officials "would not have any comment whatsoever about Mr. Bolden's statements."



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# In The Nation

## Judge Blackmails Parents to Immunize Children

By Jim Kouri  
NewsWithViews.com



**State** deemed it necessary.

Most school requirements were passed in the 1960s-1970s as part of a national effort to eliminate measles. The force behind the enactment of vaccine requirements was the Joseph P. Kennedy Foundation, a Washington D.C. based charity concerned with mental retardation. The president of the Foundation was Senator Edward (Ted) Kennedy and its executive vice president was Eunice Kennedy Shriver. In January, 1968, the Kennedy Foundation sent letters, signed by Mrs. Shriver, to governors in numerous states, encouraging them to enact laws requiring measles vaccination prior to entering school. Interestingly, a Kennedy Foundation consultant, Dr. James Bowes, also worked for Pitman-Moore, the first manufacturer of the measles vaccine. In 1968, most states had marginally enforced school requirements. But with the push of the Kennedy's, requirements were in place and enforced in all 50 states by 1981. That translates into giving 56 doses of 16 different vaccines by the time children are 10 years of age. (REFERENCE: "State of Immunity: The Politics of Vaccination in the 20th Century," by James Colgrove, pg 176.)

Pre-teens and teens need several additional vaccines to be protected from potential disease. Then during the next 20 years, the number of recommended vaccines could triple. Yet, a new study from the Centers for Disease Control found that only 60.1 percent of 13 - 17 year olds are up to date on the Tetanus, Diphteria and Pertussis vaccinations.

Many concerned parents feel that judges, school officials and the health department administrators are nothing more than agents for big pharmaceutical companies.

School administrators, judges and healthcare officials feel they are protecting the children with mandatory vaccinations but Lorraine Tillman, a mother of two believes "if the school and county health officials are really concerned for the child's well being, why are they giving birth control pills to girls as young as 11, which encourages more promiscuity that leads to abortion not to mention hundreds of sexually transmitted diseases. Sex outside the institution of marriage, that leads to abortion and creates unwanted children is a lot more dangerous than not having a vaccination," said Tillman.

As these Maryland students prepare to return to school, their parents made sure they were equipped with all the school supplies -- books, backpacks, pens and paper -- needed for a successful school year. Their parents probably shopped for these essentials at stores over the weekend or at night.

"Unfortunately they didn't have the same flexibility and convenience with getting their children immunized as they did with getting their back-to-school supplies because vaccinations aren't always available during the convenient



night-time back-to-school shopping sales," said Jane Martin, school teacher from a township in northern New Jersey.

"They [the administrators] have us teaching sex education, handing out condoms, contraceptives for girls as young as 11 without parental consent, providing a lunch program, and other non-education activities. Now we're supposed to provide healthcare treatment in our schools," complains Martin, who holds two Masters degrees in Education.

Martin and other teachers believe forced vaccinations are a prime example of government intrusion in the lives of American families, but they fear voicing their reservations would result in loss of their jobs.

"The push for vaccinations is completely out of control. Mandates and requirements are passed by uninformed and under-educated State legislators who are sold a bill of goods by smiling pharmaceutical lobbyists pedaling their poisons," warned respected physician and lecturer Dr. Sherri Tenpenny during a telephone interview with NewsWithViews.com.

"Parents do not have an opportunity to vote on the necessity of mandates; they are shoved down their throats. They pay taxes to get their children into schools. Then they are required to inject their children with substances that could maim or kill them in order to be in compliance," she warned.

Dr. Tenpenny believes the vaccines that are being required in Prince George's County -- chickenpox, a totally benign disease and hepatitis B, a disease of drug-using homosexual adults -- are not necessary for the health of these children.

"Do parents know what is in these vaccines? The chickenpox vaccine is made from aborted fetal cells and contains sucrose, hydrolyzed gelatin, salt, MSG (0.5 mg), sodium phosphate dibasic, potassium phosphate monobasic, potassium chloride, trace EDTA, neomycin and serum from cows. The hepatitis B vaccines contains aluminum and yeast," she added.

During her interview with NewsWithViews.com, Dr. Tenpenny said she believes that the parents of these children need to band together and

revolt.

"Protest, march in the street, pay the fine and spend the time in jail on principle alone. When will this stop? When will we wake up and JUST SAY NO to mandatory injections?" she rhetorically asked.

"Those shots that are forced on the children contain additives and preservatives that could have harmful side effects. Who's going to pay for the doctor visits, hospital stays, or years of pain and suffering that those shots could cause? Not the schools, the judges, the county health officials, nor the vaccine manufacturers, because they are all immune from prosecution. The truth is, the parents and the effected child will, that's who," said Lorraine Tillman, a mother with two children.

NewsWithViews.com attempted to interview the Prince George's County Executive, Jack B. Johnson. We provided him with Dr. Tenpenny's allegations and comments, but Mr. Johnson did not respond to NWV's questions.

Some parents are wondering if the name "Prince George's County" is still owned by the British crown and the children are their subjects, and the judges are the crown's enforcers.

When certain officials were asked who's going to foot the bill for any side effects, they would not comment on record. But off the record, on the assurance they would remain anonymous, officials admitted that parents are paying the price. What the officials fail to tell parents is that they can opt-out for several reasons. One being on religious grounds.

Frustrated with the system, parents are removing their children from the public schools in record numbers around the country and home schooling them, rather than taking chances of endangering their children.

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# Oregon News

By John Sowell  
News Review

The U.S. Senate passed an energy bill Thursday evening that had been widely expected to be good news for Douglas County and other timber-dependent counties anxiously awaiting a four-year extension of the timber safety net.

Instead, the county payments plan was stripped from the bill before it came to a vote, placing more than 700 counties in 41 states in the position of losing millions of dollars in federal payments when the current one-year extension ends June 30.

The safety net plan had won bipartisan support but lost out after Democrats were unable to muster enough votes to end debate and force a vote on the energy bill.

Despite the support of Republican Sens. Gordon Smith of Oregon, Orrin Hatch of Utah and Lisa Murkowski of Alaska, who joined all Western Democrats in supporting the call for a vote, the Senate fell one vote shy of the 60 votes needed to end the filibuster.

Afterward, Senate Democrats agreed to remove tax breaks for a wide range of clean energy industries from the energy

## Senate approves energy bill, but without safety net extension

bill, making it acceptable to Republicans who resisted the measure in its original form. At the same time, the safety net extension was removed from the final bill because it was one of numerous other programs contained in the overall tax package.

Last week, the House approved a plan that would have provided \$1.5 billion in funding to extend the safety net through 2011. The bill would have provided \$554 million for the timber program in the budget year that starts in October, with payments decreasing each year until they reach \$202 million in 2011.

Douglas County, which receives about \$52 million a year under the safety net, would have seen its payments reduced by 10 percent in the first year and by 35 percent in the final year. Other counties in Oregon, Washington and California, the states with the highest safety net payments, would have seen the same reductions.

An additional \$350 million would have gone to mostly rural states through the Payment in Lieu of Taxes program that compensates states and counties for federal land within their jurisdictions.

"Congress had a golden opportunity to do what's right for rural America, but they chose to turn their backs on our Main Streets," said Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., chairman of the Senate Finance Committee. Baucus was among a group of Western lawmakers, including Oregon Sen. Ron Wyden, who negotiated the timber deal.

The House-backed plan would have authorized \$554 million for the timber program in the budget year that starts in October, with payments decreasing each year until they reach \$202 million in 2012.

Lawmakers from both parties have worked for more than two years to extend the safety net that was passed in 2000, while former President Bill Clinton was in office, and expired in 2006. The extension has remained the top priority for members of Oregon's congressional delegation and Douglas County Commissioner Doug Robertson has also played a vital role in efforts to reauthorize the safety net.

Oregon Rep. Peter DeFazio, who led House efforts for the safety net extension and who had fought for full funding rather than the ramped-down version pushed by the Senate, said he was disappointed by Thursday's actions.

"This is devastating news for rural communities that depend on this funding for critical services like schools and law enforcement," said DeFazio, D-Springfield. "This is must-pass legislation for those communities and I will continue to work to get a multi-year extension passed."

Idaho Sen. Larry Craig, who with Wyden co-authored the 2000 safety net legislation, opposed the original energy bill "because it contained a \$22 billion tax increase" that Craig opposes, Craig spokesman Dan Whiting said.

Rep. Greg Walden, R-Ore., called



Congressman Greg Walden

removal of the timber payments "one more in a long list of failures by the leadership of this Congress to get its work done and solve the problems real people are facing every day in our country."

Walden, in a statement e-mailed to reporters, went on: "No budget. No funding for our veterans. No county payments. No fix for the looming tax hike on the middle class. It's been all politics all year with no real accomplishment. Nothing. Zero. Zip. Zilch. This place is dysfunctional."

Josh Kardon, chief of staff to Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., said Wyden was extremely disappointed that the timber money was removed, despite support from what he called an overwhelming majority of the Senate.

"A minority of senators on the other side of the aisle are denying rural counties their lifeline," Kardon said. "In this case 40 senators supported President Bush in stiff-arming rural counties."

Baucus, who had identified unused federal revenues to pay for the safety net extension, said he would continue to push for the legislation.

"This fight is far from over," Baucus said. "We'll come back and try again and again until we make our counties whole."

*The Associated Press contributed to this report.*

## Guest Editorial Josephine County Sheriff

New Construction Asset Buy-In. This proposal would assess all new dwelling units built in Josephine County to proportionately match the investment in existing community assets such as roads, Fair grounds, Parks, bridges, buildings and equipment that existing residents have already funded. Existing residents' ability to remain in their homes would not be threatened, as their existing homes could be grandfathered in.

Two Separate Tax Districts for law enforcement. This would copy a system already implemented in Deschutes County by creating two tax districts. District One, would include everyone in the County – which would fund the lawfully mandated services to the community (i.e., Jail, Civil, Court Security, Search and Rescue). The second district would provide all "other" current services; including 911 response, patrol, investigations, records, etc. Only the residents directly benefiting from those services (everyone outside the City of Grants Pass) pay for district Two. We are currently developing this proposal.

Insurance Industry Program Funding. I have initiated discussions with several companies providing homeowner, and vehicle, coverage in our market to review with them how increased patrol presence might benefit them by reducing their claims losses; and provide an elevated level of safety to our community. So far, they have been receptive to the idea with more discussion on the horizon.

Deductible Contributions to Public Safety Trust Funds. The Sheriff's Office currently has several line item "Trust Fund" accounts, similar to a non-profit 501(c)(3) where tax deductible donations can be made directly to funding the Sheriff's Office obligations. Since this type of account is legally insulated from the County, public

confidence concerning how, and for what, the money is spent is dramatically enhanced.

Justice of the Peace (J.P.) System. A J.P. system would take over administration of minor civil matters arising in Josephine County such as traffic or parking tickets, code violations, etc, which would retain the related fine revenue that currently goes to the State of Oregon. By jointly occupying current building space owned by the County, and by staffing the J.P. position from the many well-qualified local retirees the accompanying costs remain low.

As you can see, these alternatives address the problem in a variety of ways. Some charge County residents for

services that directly benefit them. Others charge new arrivals for incremental demands placed on our community services purely by their joining the community. I don't expect any of these alone to solve our problems, and I don't expect a free lunch to last. Perhaps you have some ideas as good, or better than these. If you email your ideas to jocosheriff@co.josephine.or.us my office will forward them to the Sheriff's Advisory Council, who are open to any viable proposal and will appreciate your contributions and creativity.

It continues to be my honor and privilege to serve the people of Josephine County in these difficult times.



By Gil Gilbertson, Sheriff

During my campaign for Sheriff, among the commitments I made to the people of Josephine County was to seek out alternative sources of funding and to provide the best public safety environment possible with the funding available. Many of our citizens have expressed their dissatisfaction with the property tax solutions proposed to date. Practically speaking, there may not be a one-shot solution to our financial problems, but weaving together several different solutions could provide substantial benefits.

One of the first steps I took in this regard was the formation of a Sheriff's Advisory Council (S.A.C.) comprised of well-qualified volunteers with many years of combined service to Josephine County to help identify and develop ideas. I have asked this Council to look beyond funding the Sheriff's Office to considering solutions for the countywide issues. Some of the more promising ideas are:

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of the official minutes and condense them down to what you have been reading. Unfortunately I cannot continue to commit the amount of time I have up until now.

Second, since I started writing this report the way the Board of Commissioners keeps their official minutes has changed. Instead of having a staff member attend each meeting and writing down what is said, I have started the practice of audio recording each meeting. Both of my fellow commissioners were initially opposed to this change, for reasons of their own, but Commissioner Ellis finally saw the wisdom of the switch and Commissioner Toler soon followed suit.

Now, the only written documents from these meetings are the advance Agendas, any offered Exhibits and a Tracking page for motions and actions.

The next step is to start posting these audio records on the County's website under the Board of Commissioners page. Please watch for this new service to come online soon.

The benefits of this change are many. It frees up staff time for other work. Manually taking minutes is very time consuming. It allows interested persons to hear what is actually said in these meetings, bringing true accountability for what is said and done in the name of public service. It lifts the veil of mystery surrounding government actions. It also means that I will no longer need to include the same depth of information in the "Facts" section of this Report.

The "Facts" section will continue to offer the "Weekly Business Session Actions" as previously provided, but the only other information I will include are the Motions and Votes of the Board of Commissioners.

For this month only, I have not had the office time to prepare the "Facts" section for October's official actions. I will combine the October and November action items in next months Report.

**Disclaimer:** "The 'Facts' presented in this Report are based upon the official records of the Public Meetings attended by two or more Commissioners where decisions were made or official action was taken. The words in the "Introduction" and "Commentary" sections of this Report are my own and do not reflect the views or opinions of my fellow commissioners."

### "The Facts"

Weekly Business Session Actions - To be reported next month.

Motions and Votes - To be reported next month.

### "Commentary"

Many things have happened since my last Report, some of which I've explained above. But there are other very important issues being decided by the Board of Commissioners right now that are going to impact how Josephine County's government will be conducted in the future.

Recently, the Chief Operating Officer for Josephine County resigned. Commissioners Toler and Ellis have already decided to use this situation to reclassify the position of Chief Operating Officer into a Chief Administrative Officer position. In this situation, the job title name change is very important. Here's why:

1) Currently, both the Chief Financial Officer and the Chief Operating Officer report directly to the Board of Commissioners. This change in job title will have the Chief Financial Officer

reporting to the Chief Administrative Officer. The real and potential impacts of Commissioners not having direct oversight of the Chief Financial Officer are significant:

It will provide the new Chief Administrative Officer with the unprecedented ability to oversee all County operations and financial issues and to then filter that information before it reaches the Board of Commissioners for review. This change in oversight violates a very important aspect of financial accountability known as "separation of duties", which prevents mismanagement and fraud, and is why the existing Chief Financial Officer position was created in the first place.

2) This job title change also reflects the clearly stated intent of Commissioners Toler and Ellis to replace the current system of county government (the existing County Charter), with a new one. Commissioner Ellis bristles when this subject comes up, but the fact remains that both Toler and Ellis are on record as wanting our county to be managed by a County Manager form of government, similar to what is currently in place in the City of Grants Pass. In my opinion, this job title change is their first move in turning their desire into a reality. It is clear to me, from the various discussions which I have been included in, the intent of this job title change is to take active management responsibility away from the current Board of Commissioners and place it in the defined (and expected) job responsibilities of the Chief Administrative Officer.

3) When the Board of Commissioners created the Chief Operating Officer position last year, we tread very close to the letter of the law regarding the existing County Charter prohibition of delegating the Board of Commissioners authority to a new, appointed management position without a vote of the People. I believe we went as far as we could at that time without violating the County Charter, and this new change by Commissioners Toler and Ellis will cross that fine line and violate the existing County Charter and I have told them this several times. County Legal Counsel Steve Rich has said it will not, but what the issue comes down to is this, "Does this job title change violate either the letter or the spirit of the current County Charter?" It may violate the letter, but it will violate the spirit of the Charter. That alone is enough for me to oppose this action.

4) One important point to remember in this discussion is that there are "elements" in our County who are pushing very hard for these and similar changes, behind the scenes. Five years ago there was an effort by these same people to actually change our County Charter (along the lines that Commissioners Toler and Ellis have moved towards) and voters soundly defeated that effort by a 2 to 1 majority. Commissioner Ellis was an active participant in the earlier effort, along with local activists Harry Mackin and Jerry Smith. If my memory serves me, County Legal Counsel Steve Rich was also involved as I too was asked to participate and attended one meeting also attended by Steve Rich. I remember someone at that meeting telling me Steve actually helped write the proposed new Charter. I thought the direction they wanted to go was a bad idea then, and still do.

5) Appointed County Manager (as CEO) forms of government are much less accountable to voters than elected Commissioners (who are actually the

County CEO's) would be.

6) To further establish that the intent behind this reclassification decision is to move towards a County Manager form of government is that Commissioners Toler and Ellis have already acknowledged that the education and experience requirements of the new Chief Administrative Officer position will need to be raised, which will also require a higher pay classification (the current Chief Operating Officer position is topped out at \$96,000 per year).

7) If the intent behind this reclassification is just to have the Chief Financial Officer report to the Chief Administrative Officer, this is a not a typical business structure in corporate America. Typically, Chief Financial Officers and Chief Operating Officers are of equal stature in the management hierarchy of an organization, their focus is just different (one financial, one operations). Both positions typically report to a Chief Executive Officer, in the case of the County, the Board of Commissioners.

8) By creating this new position of Chief Administrative Officer, Commissioners Toler and Ellis will be distancing the Board of Commissioners from the Chief Financial Officer during a period of extreme financial difficulty. Not a good idea.

My alternative for the County's near term administrative future would have the Board of Commissioners stepping forward and temporarily filling the operations management role vacated by the Chief Operating Officers departure. By law, Commissioners are the Chief Executive Officers of the County and in view of the financial difficulties facing the county today, there is no reason why the Commissioners should not relieve the burden on the General Fund and actually begin to do the job that I and most people think we should be doing anyway. The near \$200,000 saved annually could put two more deputy Sheriffs on the road each year. After we know for sure about our federal funding issues, we can then decide if we want to keep this highly paid management position or not. If my fellow commissioners feel strong enough about changing county government to the County Manager form, then they should put that matter to the voters and let People decide what type of government they want.

Regarding another matter of high importance, I want discuss why the dynamics within the Office of the Board of Commissioners have changed since the arrival of Commissioner Toler. A recent article in the Daily Courier newspaper quoted me as saying that Commissioner Toler and I agree on "virtually nothing". That reality has become increasingly clear as his months of service have moved forward.

### The most glaring differences are these:

First, I believe in limited government and minimal taxation.

Dave Toler has repeatedly shown he believes in bigger government and higher taxation.

Second, I believe our abundant, renewable natural resources, growing on our O&C forest resource lands, should be harvested at what the scientists at the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) say are sustainable levels and that County revenues from those sales should be used to keep property taxes and fees at a minimum.

Dave Toler, again by virtue of his actions, has shown that he is opposed to the use of this renewable natural resource in any meaningful manner.

Third, I believe in saving money. That means you have to be very selective in how you spend it in a situation where revenues are limited.

Dave Toler says he is a fiscal conservative, but in my opinion his actions as commissioner have been anything but fiscally conservative. A check of the official record will prove me correct. For example, check the number of personnel actions signed by my fellow commissioners and opposed by me. I believe we must cut back to sustainable employee levels now. Personnel costs are the single largest cost of government and if we don't control personnel costs we cannot control the cost of government at all.

Fourth, Dave and I have disagreed on the very simple concept of what type of government we actually have today in the United States of America. He calls our Country a Democracy. I say we are a Republic. The distinction here is very, very important. I like to use the following analogy to describe the difference between these two political philosophies:

"In a democracy, two wolves and one lamb vote on what is for dinner and the lamb has no recourse if it loses the vote."

"In a republic, the wolves cannot vote to have lamb for dinner."

In other words, in a Republic the rights of the minority are protected from an abusive vote by the majority.

Dave Toler said, on the record in a Board Discussion meeting after last May's levy failed, that he is not interested in convincing everyone in this County to support a tax increase, he only needs fifty percent plus one vote to get what he wants.

These types of disagreements between commissioners are not new in Josephine County, but today's disagreement comes at a time of decision regarding two challenges offering distinctly different pathways for the security of our County's administrative and financial future.

If the current path for the County's future administration, supported by Commissioners Toler and Ellis, is realized in full, the face of County government will be changed, perhaps forever, because once this path is walked and not challenged by the People, it will become the new norm.

If the path currently supported by Commissioner Toler (non-utilization of our natural resources and higher taxes) prevails, the window of opportunity to protect our very real financial interests in the O&C Lands will evaporate before our eyes and will truly be gone forever as well.

Those are the stakes at hand. That is why there is such a dramatically different point of view and effort by your current Board of Commissioners. That is why, even as the minority view member of the Board, I have no choice but to speak up. If you care about what happens, regardless of your point of view, the time to speak-up is now. If you don't, you very well could find yourself negatively impacted in the near future. Please get involved.

Thank you once again for taking the time to read this Report. ■■■

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# COMMENTARY

# Your Right to Speak Out

## AMERICA: The Fall From Grace and Power

By Greg Evensen  
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There can be absolutely no mistake when you read these compelling words from our Declaration of Independence. The founders had it absolutely right, they knew precisely what they were writing, and meant exactly what they wrote.

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their CREATOR with certain una-LIEN-able (cannot have a lien or mortgage placed against them) Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness. That to SECURE these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, DERIVING THEIR JUST POWERS from the C-O-N-S-E-N-T of the GOVERNED, that whenever ANY form of government becomes DESTRUCTIVE of these ends, it is the RIGHT of the people to alter or ABOLISH it, and to institute NEW Government" ... but when a long train of abuses and usurpations" ... evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their RIGHT, it is their D-U-T-Y!!! to throw off such government, and to provide new Guards for their future security." (Emphasis has been added)

Although hundreds of complaints could have been listed there, roughly 27 of them were included for a "candid

world" to read. We are living out--at this very moment--those grievances and many far more serious ones so extreme, that our original Declaration is now in its second application. Only this time, it need not go any farther than our own capital, Washington, D.C.

A few readers have recently been very critical of my governmental viewpoints as irresponsible and "incendiary." Some have accused me of racial intolerance regarding the illegal Mexican invasion in our southwest states. A few more have called me the worst type of homophobe because I do not accept the "gay agenda's" lies to justify, that are cross-dressed to appear as the "new truth." Well, you go figure these "sweetie pies" out. I can't, and I won't waste any time trying to, either.

I believe that America has been reduced to an island of tradition, sanity, morality and decency surrounded by an ocean of ignorance, stupidity, gross immorality and arrogance. Our nation as a whole is about to be further reduced in its domestic "leadership" by the implementation of a crackdown against Americans who have had enough of the government's constant application of tyranny through the courts and hundreds of governmental agencies. This will come through domestic "terrorism" legislation now before Congress that will attempt to put my views out of business and in jail.

Reject my warnings at your dire peril.

The day of unbridled, brutal, raw governmental power is at hand. If you support our Declaration and its clearly stated concepts of freedom, then you are an "enemy of the state." (When a poor argument fails, generally the side losing resorts to name-calling...racist, homophobe, red-neck, or...patriot) If you have believed in the legal premise that the Constitution is the one and only unchanging source for law and order, (the government doesn't) then you will have your chance to convince fellow believers from behind barbed wire in detention camps. ("Halliburton/US Army Hotels.")

Your one and only chance for freedom or survival will be to claim the right and the duty to throw out those in government who would reduce your status from "sovereign citizen" (the 14th amendment eliminated that) to prisoner. You will not reclaim America by reason, argument, Fox News debates or petitions to your congressional representative. (They don't listen anyway). It won't come because you voted, went to the candidate meetings or attended your local city or county council sessions. It will not happen because you volunteered to help with

Bible school or gave blood to the Red Cross. It still will not happen when you pay your taxes and use your zip code. It will only happen when you are left no choice but to exercise your second amendment right, (a natural right that cannot be taken away by anyone, ever, unless of course, you turned in your weapons for a \$50 keep our schools safe reward) and that day is virtually upon us.

You will be forced to plan how you will use your last resort option to the best advantage. Who will you join with in this last ditch effort to bring freedom back to our people? How will you free those already in custody? Can you bring yourself to the point where you will declare literal war on those who have masterminded your removal from our society because you actually believed that real, true, American freedom was worth fighting for?

Will you take the ultimate step and use the power in your hands to end the greatest threat to personal liberty on our soil since the war for independence round 1? Will you take the ultimate stand and expend the courage necessary to end the reign of brutal

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Former Fed. Reserve ...

"Whoever controls the volume of money in any country is master of all its legislation and commerce."

- President James Garfield

Through my various columns I have been attempting to bring the people's attention to the greatest swindle ever perpetrated upon the American people: the central bank dubbed "The Fed." If you don't understand the unconstitutional "Federal Reserve," you need to because in 1913, the banking cartel took over this country with the worst yet to come.

Since 1913, the American people and this republic have been under assault by the international banking cartel and all their tentacles – it was one of the most destructive years in the history of this republic as far as Congress is concerned. They passed the unconstitutional Federal Reserve Act of 1913. Secretary of State, Philander Chase Knox, declared the non-ratified 16th Amendment ratified to make the American people believe there would now be a personal income tax. He committed fraud.

And, the same year, the final blow came with the announcement that the 17th Amendment was ratified when it clearly was not. It is absolutely imperative that Americans understand this rather dry subject because the privately owned central bank has been bankrupting this republic (we are NOT a democracy) since 1913 – and it will continue until you don't have a dime left in your pocket. Always follow the money trail. Once you understand this money trail and the central bank, then you will know that all these dangerous

alternative taxing schemes will only continue to feed the cancer instead of cure it.

In January 1946, American Affairs reprinted a paper delivered to the American Bar Association by Beardsley Ruml, Director of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. The title of his paper was "Taxes for Revenue are Obsolete." Ruml was, of course, right on point. The only reason the shadow government made sure the 16th Amendment was fraudulently ratified was to ensure the international banking cartel would have a mechanism to syphon off the wealth of the American people. The states did not want a direct income tax. Phil Hart, an Idaho state legislator, wrote his fully documented book, "Constitutional Income: Do you have any?" based on his collection of hundreds of historical documents which prove this position of the states back in 1913. Additionally, research and document gathering from states archives proves this to be accurate.

Without the central bank, there would be no need for a direct tax, sales tax, flat tax or any other tax. The real problem is that Congress continues to spend beyond those areas so clearly defined in Article 1, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution and the people have allowed this plunder of the public treasury to go unchallenged for four reasons: (1) blind loyalty to their political party, (2) their Congress-critter brings home unconstitutional "bacon" to their district, (3) lack of knowledge about the hijacking of our monetary system and its relation to an income tax, (4) apathy.

Here's a little apathy to digest: In 1900, there was no central bank in these United States of America. There was no

direct income tax against we the people – our nation was flourishing and prosperous. As specified in the U.S. Constitution, only gold and silver was the lawful coin of the land. As clearly defined by those who birthed this republic, government services were paid for by excise taxes. In 1913, that fateful year, the national debt was \$2.9 billion, the income tax was imposed via the fraudulent ratification of the 16th Amendment. Only a half-million Americans were required to pay the 2.7 percent tax (the income tax does not apply to domestic Americans).

In 1933, banking cartel lackey, FDR unlawfully confiscated gold belonging solely to Americans and devalued the dollar. The national debt began to mushroom under FDR's Nazi style "New Deal." Then, 1965 saw the debt level skyrocket to \$320.9 billion. By 1968, "Federal" Reserve Notes (remember the definition of a note) were no longer redeemable for "lawful money," so we must assume we're all using "unlawful money," which we are!

By the year 2000, the Democrats and Republicans in Congress had spent you into \$1.67 trillion dollars worth of debt. As of December 2007, the ocean of unpayable debt was \$9,168,352,339,338.57. Since the people's treasury is over drawn more than NINE TRILLION "DOLLARS," every check Congress continues to write is a hot one (you and I would go to jail); the interest on that debt is slapped onto your back and your children and grandchildren. For what? Not a single penny of your income tax dollars funds a single function of the federal government: "With two-thirds of everyone's personal income taxes wasted or not collected, 100% of what is collected is absorbed

solely by interest on the Federal Government contributions to transfer payments. In other words, all individual income tax revenues are gone before one nickel is spent on the services which taxpayers expect from their government." President's Private Sector Survey On Cost Control - A Report to The President (Reagan) January 15, 1984 - Available from the Congressional Research Service.

Where does all that money go? To pay down this massive debt created by Congress and unconstitutional robbing of the people's purse for dues to the communist UN, the World Bank and hundreds of billions of dollars thrown around the world in foreign "aid" and unnecessary wars.

As a direct result of the unconstitutional "Fed" supported by the best public servants money can buy in Congress since 1913, the debt has increased 232,605 percent. The cost of living has increased by roughly 1,951 percent since 1913. The day of reckoning is rapidly approaching and the train wreck the American people are going to experience will make 1929 look like a mere blip on the economic radar screen. I invite you to visit my web site and read "Why an income tax is not necessary to fund the federal government" and "The right argument on taxes." Don't fall for these alternative taxing schemes that will only continue to feed the cancer.

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"Congress has not unlimited powers to provide for the general welfare but only those specifically enumerated. ... A wise and frugal government...shall not take from the mouth of labor the bread it has earned." --Thomas Jefferson

# COMMENTARY

## Why True Patriots Are Timeless American Heroes

By Greg Evensen  
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Is it possible to define the moment when the government began targeting real Lexington and Concord model patriotic Americans as recipients of government smear campaigns, investigations, and outright threats?

History shows that the great federalist Alexander Hamilton was one of the nation's first advocates for a strong central bank. In fact, Hamilton submitted the bill in 1790 that would become the Bank of the United States. It was an exact replica of the Bank of England. Jefferson argued heavily against it stating that "A private central bank issuing the public currency is a greater menace to the liberties of the people than a standing army." He also warned against letting the nation be saddled with great debt. On the other hand, Hamilton believed that a nation could not succeed long without the influence of the rich on the state's credit. He believed that debt was a good thing - "a national blessing" if not excessive. Rule by the few was an issue right from the start.

Some would argue that it began with the battles Andrew Jackson fought in 1832, against the national efforts to establish a banking monopoly through the chartering of the Second Bank of the united states. Nicholas Biddle as head of this bank held great power over the political landscape. He caused a banking panic and economic depression in his vicious attempt to blackmail the president and congress into accepting this forerunner of the central bank we suffer under today.

Others would argue that it began getting a head of steam when southern leaders began to threaten secession in earnest during the 1850's. I hate to tell you, but it wasn't really about slavery—the north held just as many slaves and most of the slave markets as well. It WAS about tariffs and the money that was leaving the agrarian south and not returning to improve roads, bridges, and infrastructure of all kinds. There were other needs the southern states had as well, but they were being financially strangled by the northern industrial states under Lincoln's boot. It was also about the united states move away from the founding ideals and toward a bureaucratic, paternalistic ever growing central government. The pre-war south remained true to the country of Benjamin Franklin's time—a constitutional republic.

Still others would point to the brutal westward American expansion, with a rail empire that brought industry which held no regard for the culture of the Indian tribes. The elitists saw only the phenomenal resources of that vast frontier. Industrialists have rarely seen real people with families and traditions, they only see working units to be exploited, herded, controlled, excluded from government, and silenced when awoken to their crimes.

I believe it was a "gathering storm" of issues including the never-ending exploitation and misery brought on by Mayer Amschel (Bauer) Rothschild's European banking model. These schemers invested in a grand cycle of war and business monopolies (by use of

fractional-reserve banking) that supported and prospered greatly from the profits of war after war after war. Rothschild forecast precisely what effect his money cartel would have on the United States. He said, "Let me issue and control a nation's money and I care not who writes the laws." What arrogance! What disdain for a republic's efforts to govern itself free from the corruption of the money changers! Biographer Frederic Morton stated, "The Rothschild family had, "conquered the world more thoroughly ...than all the Caesars before or all the Hitlers after them." (Creature from Jekyll Island, pg.218) Extreme secrecy has been the hall mark of these banksters since the beginning. That is why there has never been a public audit of the Federal Reserve in all of its history. That must be the rule; otherwise clear-thinking and honest people would burn them out.

It was conspiratorial efforts in the 1880's to crush American financial independence (read "The Coming Battle") that lead us into cycles of recession and depression that were later the catalyst for the establishment of the Federal Reserve banking system in the United States. This was of course the crown jewel accomplishment of Paul Warburg (a partner in Kuhn, Loeb & Company, he represented the Rothschild's), Nelson Aldrich (Republican "whip" in the Senate, chairman of the National Monetary Commission, and father-in-law to John D. Rockefeller, Jr.'s. family, and grandfather of Vice-President Nelson Aldrich Rockefeller), Benjamin Strong (head of JP Morgan Bankers Trust Company, first chairman of the federal reserve system), Henry Davison, Sr. (partner at JP Morgan), Charles D. Norton (President, 1st National Bank of New York), A. Piatt Andrew (Assistant Secretary of the Treasury), and Frank A. Vanderlip (president, of the National City Bank of New York, representing William Rockefeller). These seven men held an estimated one-fourth of the total wealth of the world in 1913. ("Creature from Jekyll Island," pages 24, 208-213) So, does this fit your definition of conspiracy, complete monopoly, and the absolute success of the world's banking elite over the sovereignty of the united states of America and its citizens? Do you understand why exposing this, fighting its influence, and demanding accountability from Washington, will put you high on the target list? Your nation was literally sold out 94 years ago. Since then, not a single credible effort has been undertaken by ANYONE in Washington to investigate, audit, explain, or attempt to undo the grievous damage to our country. Could someone in Congress even suggest that we should abolish the Federal Reserve as a criminal conspiracy? Doing so, would label you as a raging patriot.

It was the confluence of great personal fortunes of men like JP Morgan, Cornelius Vanderbilt, Andrew Carnegie, John D. Rockefeller, George Westinghouse, Pierre DuPont, the British diamond magnate Cecil Rhodes, (Rhode's Scholars fame), August Belmont, American investment czar for the Rothschild's, and Jacob Schiff of Kuhn, Loeb & Comp. Schiff was a

principal investor of the Russian Bolshevik revolution, a major Woodrow Wilson campaign contributor and backer of the Federal Reserve Act. Is it getting clearer, now? Edward Mandell House, the hidden "Phillip Dru" of Wilson's White House, was instrumental in working toward world government (in his fictional book and real life) and the Federal Reserve Act as well. The fledgling Council on Foreign Relations (founded in New York in 1921 as an offshoot of the Cecil Rhodes secret society bent on world financial domination) began with backing from nearly all of these players. It has grown to over 3,000 "elites" whose sole reason for existence is to direct the domestic policy, the foreign policy, the economic policy, the banking policies, the media's role in all of these efforts, the integration of the united states into world governance, and the removal of united states sovereignty from its citizens. They are a lethal group (many of whom serve in cabinet positions or are now running for president from both parties) whose mission has been highly successful and virtually unnoticed by most hard working Americans.

There was a great American conspiracy to rule our nation that centered hundreds of millions of dollars in late 19th and early 20th century financial markets on one empire building goal. It was the control of these markets, the use of their power and the resulting force of this influence to build an American financial kingdom with these treasonous conspirators in complete power. That goal has never changed. As a result, the ideals of personal freedom, self-reliance, private property, very small and limited government, and congressional "common sense" law-making standards have all been sacrificed to insure a continuation of tyranny. It is achieved through the courts, government, business, and a banking stranglehold over the American public.

With the artificial panic of the early 1890's, the final push was underway to complete a central bank that would have final and unequivocal power over all things governmental, political, financial and industrial. The so-called "Creature from Jekyll Island" (a landmark piece of documentation by G. Edward Griffin c. 1994, American Opinion Publishing) was the result. In 1913, the greatest financial coup in the history of this nation was codified by a treasonous Congress. The Federal Reserve Banking Act was passed and signed into law by Woodrow Wilson. It was followed in the same year by the 16th amendment that "established" the income tax. The Federal Reserve Act created a banking monopoly, (carefully avoided by President Jackson) allowed a PRIVATE bank to take the place of our Department of the Treasury with the issuance of Federal Reserve Bank Notes (a fiat currency with no gold or silver backing). This private bank with individual owners/shareholders is a "central" bank modeled exactly after the Rothschild banks of Europe.

The government has borrowed some \$8 trillion dollars from the Federal Reserve Bank since its inception and is currently paying roughly \$550 billion dollars per YEAR in compound interest

charged by the bank against the American people through a criminally complicit Congress. The Internal Revenue Service acts as the "enforcement arm" of the Federal Reserve and forces the American people to "voluntarily" pay tax that virtually all Americans absolutely do not owe, to a government hell-bent spending every last dime it can borrow. In so doing, the Federal Reserve shareholders guarantee that interest on an ever increasing national debt will continue on and on. Why should America be a debt free nation when paying compound interest on the national debt is so rewarding for so few? As long as the Federal Reserve Bank is allowed by our people and our criminally complicit congress to continue operating, we will be financial slaves to the central bank and its evil European allies. Needless to say, the Rothschild family's total financial coup has come to pass in our lifetime in our America.

This is the first test in whether or not you are a patriot or a conspirator. If you understand and detest the banking establishment and its purposes, then you are a patriot to be scorned, belittled, ignored politically, and silenced when possible by the government, its agents, and the "establishment."

The second test comes when you question publicly and write or speak against the influence of film, radio, newspaper or television syndicates, and their hostile, maligned, monopolistic, and dangerous lack of truth in bringing "news" to the American people. This includes the so-called "independently conservative cable outlets" that merely slants the reporting more convincingly to a hungry public hoping for REAL truth in the news. The united states of America does not have a free press or a responsible one. There is a trickle of news that is both truthful and accurate that escapes from the internet for now, but it is simply not capable of competing with a dumbed-down citizenry too impatient and in gross denial about virtually everything that deals with the true state of the nation. If you are a purveyor of the truth and willing to accept the withering blows from the big media conglomerates as well as the government, then you are a patriot in the cross hairs once again.

When you take on the public schools in America, you are up against the three hundred pound bully on the block. The schools that insist upon contraception dispensers, rejection of ideas (creationism) not on the ACLU's approved list, hatred for real US history, prohibition of common sense and family values, insistence on all things provocative and academically questionable, then you are dealing with a monster in every sense of the word.

To hold a communistic administration (in most districts) and untrained, agenda driven school boards to the task of real education is an exercise in absolute futility. You will be called a "fundamentalist whacko," or marginalized by a hostile community activist group that favors the illegitimate role education has been granted by the federal government. This has been done and is encouraged by state departments of education to complete the circle of

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properly install or maintain service, damaged customers' property, and failed to honor service appointments ... The BBB processed a total of 2193 complaints about this company in the last 36 months, our standard reporting period."

In the June of '07 article, "The Best and Worst ISPs" written by Jeff Bertolucci of PC World, Charter Communications Cable Internet Service (ISP) was rated as worst against other companies who provide similar services. In fact it scored below average marks in all but two categories.

One elderly couple living in Southern Oregon, who had recently added Charter's Phone service to their subscription, had their service disconnected for "line upgrades" two days before Thanksgiving. According to the grandson of the couple who spoke with the US~Observer on the condition of anonymity, Charter had told his grandparents that their service would be back on the next day, but when it wasn't, the couple contacted the company through someone else's phone service and they were told their service wouldn't be on until after the holiday weekend. The grandson was concerned because the Charter Phone service was his grandparents only way to get in touch with family members and emergency services should anything happen. The grandson also stated that he has had issues with his Charter Communications provided services saying, "If you sign-

up for a special promotion, they don't indicate that there will be any increase price. You just have to pay it when you get the bill or your service will be shut off." In a conversation with the grandson following the Thanksgiving holiday weekend, his grandparents' service had been reconnected.

A Wikipedia search on Charter Communications resulted in a page found with this history about the company:

"Charter Communications incorporated in Delaware in 1993. Through a series of acquisitions as well as internally financed growth, the company served one million customers in 1998, 3.9 million in 1999, and 6.8 million in 2002.

The company was involved in an accounting fraud in 2000/2001 (relating to the inflation of revenue and operating cash flow and cable subscriber numbers) for which four former executives were indicted in 2005. The company had been under financial pressure following a series of acquisitions; its stock peaked at \$27.75 per share in November 1999, before falling to under \$1 in 2002.

On March 22, 2006, Charter announced that it will sell cable systems serving approximately 43,000 customers in Nevada, Colorado, New Mexico, and Utah to Orange Broadband Holding Company.

Charter will also sell cable systems in West Virginia and Virginia to Cebridge Connections (now known as Suddenlink Communications) and cable systems in

Kentucky and Illinois to New Wave Communications.

In 2006, Charter accelerated sales of cable telephone services using Broadband Telephony technology (or VoIP). Charter suggests a battery backup to reduce the risk of being without phone service in the event main power is lost.

Customer service representatives are reported to recommend a traditional plain-old telephone system (POTS) access line for use with medical devices."

On a corporate financial note, in a story written by Rich Duprey titled "The Chatter About Charter" which was published in August 2007 on the Motley Fool ([www.fool.com](http://www.fool.com)), Duprey asserts that Charter has "nearly \$20 billion of debt that it can't service, \$81 million in cash, trailing revenue of \$5.7 billion, and losses of more than \$1.2 billion over the past 12 months."

According to some Charter subscribers this could be one of the reasons for their outrageous bills which are received after they have been "sold" by Charter personnel on upgrading their current level of subscription. They maintain Charter offers promotional rates for upgraded or new services and then doesn't make good on the promotions. In one case, a Southern Oregon subscriber upgraded his service only to find out later by Charter representatives that the promotion was never entered into their system and he was forced to pay an exorbitant bill. According to the subscriber, Ron Lee

(contributing writer of this story) Charter dealt with the situation by crediting his account and ensuring that his level of service was what he wanted, but this only occurred after Charter received notice that Lee was a member of the press and was going to be writing an article regarding their dissatisfied customers. Lee stated on his Charter customer service experience, "When I was just a customer I couldn't get any help and was met with a constant run-around. At one point I was chatting online with one of their customer service reps on their web site and I asked for a supervisor's direct phone number. They said that they couldn't give out that information over the chat function for the sake of privacy. I found this odd as it was okay for me to submit a payment through this chat function divulging my personal information, but they couldn't give me a phone number? It was soon after I responded with that exact question to the rep that my chat session was terminated."

Lee stated that this was hardly the first time he had contacted customer service regarding his Charter account. "I have had many conversations with customer service, especially regarding the outages I was continually experiencing. I was being told that the problems were for my benefit, because Charter was upgrading their system to make way for phone services and also doing routine maintenance. I explained that I wouldn't be upgrading to their phone service, because if they couldn't provide the

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service I was paying for, why would I add another? Interestingly, the representative, who I recorded under Oregon one-party consent recording laws, admitted that she thought Charter was going to lose all of their Oregon customer's because of outages and service interruptions. She said, and I quote, 'Oregon. Ha, ha, ha (laughing). Oh, poor people, Oregon. Oregon has had several, several, several issues with maintenance due to the fact that we are launching telephone in that area, and so the maintenance that is going on is us moving your head in from one place to another and splicing in new, um, (something said here) lines and things like that. All this stuff means nothing to you of course, but it is why your services are frequently down. ... Medford got hit so hard with maintenance that I thought for sure that all of Oregon was going leave Charter. We had a lot of irate customers.'unquote."

In the recording of the Charter representative, it is stated, "The poor services you are receiving now is, uh, what is, uh, it's, it's supposed to and and it's happening to, in fact better the service believe it or not, even though I know you don't see it that way. **And I know it's extremely frustrating when you pay for a service and you expect it to work the way we say it would, then it doesn't work that way.**"

When asked if the representative knew if consumers were supposed to be notified of maintenance she gave this response, "Here's another thing that is probably going to make you have a small little coronary. That little yellow paper or that little pink slip that you signed when you first accepted Charter services, in the really fine print that no one ever never reads, we included, it says that from time-to-time services will go down due to maintenance and you, you are aware of this fact, um, by signing that paper... Sorta, Kinda we tell you that we informed you that it may happen, um, but we kind of leave it to you to read those itty-bitty words with a magnifying glass."

In a conversation with a Charter's escalation officer and a VP of communications where Lee informed them of their representative's statements regarding the fine print they both said that Charter doesn't have contracts, and that the only thing Lee could have possibly signed was an initial work order. They also maintain that they are very concerned about the customer experience, but in Lee's opinion they are more concerned with the appearance of good customer service than actually providing it. Lee said about correspondence he received from one of the executives, "I got an e-mail saying that they had looked into service issues in my area and that customers with similar services had minimal trouble calls. It went on to say that many had none reported in the past five years. I found that to be very interesting. As part of my research I went around my area asking about their Charter experiences. I found the comments to be predominantly negative toward Charter. This was backed up by ratings both

locally and on a corporate level through the BBB where every Charter franchise that I looked at had an unsatisfactory rating and many customers with whom they hadn't even responded to."

According to Paul Walter of NewsWithViews.com, even Charter's corporate billing has issues. "We got a bill from Charter for commercials we ran and we paid it right away. Then all of a sudden we get another bill for the same thing!" Walter explained. He went on to say that he had to contact Charter to remedy the situation.

These complaints aren't just local to Oregon; they are nationwide in every market where Charter is the cable provider. For instance, complaints like those on the Class Action bulletin board titled "Charter Billing Practices" on the medlawplus.com web site include 42 posts since October 1, 2007 and include the following:

*Back in September we added telephone to our current cable and internet services and the bundle was supposed to upgrade us to high speed internet, add HBO and Cinemax and with the telephone be a total of \$119.97 per month plus taxes. It was going to add \$16 to my current charges which was about \$50 a month cheaper than having AT&T as our phone company. HOWEVER, we have yet to receive a bill for \$119.97. I have been paying \$125 a month which is close to what it should be with taxes, however now I have a past due bill around \$200 with service charges. I have called, emailed and even spoke with a customer representative who told me that the reason my bill is \$139.97 per month plus applicable fees is because I have HBO and Cinemax and some Movie View thing on my cable. I told her that it was part of the "Package" and she told me I needed to prove it by taking the original promotion card I received in the mail in early Sept. to my local office. Hello.... I don't have the original promotion card anymore. Why would I keep it?! So, from what I can gather, I'm stuck with a larger bill until "I can prove" what "their" promotion was. What a bunch of B.S.*

**Sherry**  
**Michigan**

*I signed up for an online special for \$14.99 for 5 meg for six months. When my bill came it was about \$130! \$65 for an overdue bill that I never received and another \$65 for the current month! (These are approximate numbers because I do not have the bill in front of me right now.) Keep in mind, I signed up for a \$14.99 special and this was the first bill Charter sent me so I am not sure how they can claim I was delinquent on a prior bill when there was no prior bill! Of course I called customer service and these people actually had the nerve to try and sell me other products while I was complaining. I was transferred to several different people who were of no help! Finally, an alleged supervisor got on the phone and told me that they never had a \$14.99 5 meg special. I know what I signed up for because I did a lot research before I purchased the internet service. I spoke with a rep on the phone and did an online chat with two reps. They made me look like I was crazy*

*because they denied ever having a \$14.99 deal. However, the supervisor did try to sell me the same internet deal for \$29.99. The nerves of these people, and why did they keep trying to sell me a bundle? Here I was, a pissed-off customer, and they were still trying to sell me stuff. Anyway, I have the email confirmation from my original order stating I would only be paying \$20/month...14.99 for internet and \$5 to rent the cable modem. I can't wait to go show them the email...I'm sure they'll make another excuse when I show it to them. Does anyone know of any class action lawsuit against them? After reading all of the comments on here, I am more mad. I think they are deliberately trying to rip people off.*

**Nancy**  
**California**

*My situation is I made a payment online 11/5 for my Charter bill due 11/1. I received a confirmation number and receipt from Charter for the payment of \$183.*

*A couple of days later I checked my bank account to see if the payment cleared the bank and found that TWO payments of \$183 (\$366 total) had been taken from my bank account. I went back online to check my charter account activity to see if I'd accidentally sent two payments by mistake. The activity log showed only ONE payment confirmation for \$183...BUT...it showed Charter received \$366.*

*I called Charter last week and the phone rep said he'd send a refund form to our local office and someone would call.*

*After receiving no call this week I called 888-438-2427 again and was told they would re-submit a refund request but it would take 6-8 weeks to get my money back. When I asked to talk to a supervisor I was put on hold for about 15 minutes and never did get to talk with a supervisor.*

*During the time I was on hold I logged onto Charter's online chat for assistance was only told to call 888-438-2427. When I asked for a phone number of someone who could actually help my session got terminated.*

*I called the phone number again and got a different rep who was actually sympathetic but could offer no further assistance than to re-submit the refund request.*

*The double hit of my bank account is Charter's mistake. There's no record I made two payments, even the Charter reps acknowledge that fact.*

*The reps tried to placate me by saying the extra payment was credited to my account. BUT, I needed that money to make other payments this month.*

*I don't understand how Charter can spend 5 seconds dinging my bank account but I have to wait 6-8 weeks to get it back.*

**Bill**  
**Washington**

*Oh my gosh I cannot believe that there are so many people that have had the same problem as I have. I too got my first bill to be charged over 250 dollars for long distance I had since 9/14/07 and on 9/27/07 I got a bill and although*

*everyone I talk to assures me they will help me I get transferred they have taken my number twice for someone to call me within 24 hrs and all of it are lies and now my bill just keeps growing and growing what will make them stop*

**Kristi**  
**Washington**

*I have been a Charter customer for 10+ years without any problems, so when the offer for phone/internet/cable tv for \$89.97/mo for 12 months came around, I signed up. This was the beginning of the end.*

*Prior to this, the only issue I had was with the internet dropping the connection, but this cleared up on its own earlier this year.*

*When the first bill arrived after the bundle was installed, I was shocked to see it was \$186.23. I realized that there would be some prorated charges in there, but this was way out of line. Upon inspection of the bill, I discovered that I was being charged \$39.99 for 384k internet as well as \$29.99 for 3M service. There was also a charge for a Modem lease, which I have owned for several years. A phone call to Charter seemed to clear things up for the most part, but the next bill was still about \$5.00 over the bundle price that I signed up for. Another call to Charter again seemed to take care of this, but again the next bill was about \$8.00 too high. Another call to Charter again seemed to do the job again, but the next bill would tell the story.*

*Half way through the next billing cycle, I called to cancel the 3 month free preview of the premium channels (before the 3 months was up). Somehow, this turned everything upside down again and the August bill was about \$25.00 over the bundle price. Again, another phone call to charter (which I recorded) seemed to leave everything in order after going over and over it again with them.*

*Well, I am on Autopay, and have been for several years. When the due date of the August bill came around, I started monitoring my checking account. I became concerned when 4 days had passed and Charter's withdrawal had not shown up. Again, another call to Charter, and they assured me that everything was in order and it just hadn't shown up yet. Six days later, I again checked my account and was horrified to find that they had taken \$216.63 out of my account. An immediate call to Charter got me no clear explanation, so I asked to speak with a supervisor. After being put on*

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assessment, and collection of the revenue; that is, income taxes.

**HISTORY**

In 1985, after hearing about the abusive ways of the IRS and that they may not be operating lawfully, Hank and Judy attended a meeting in Longview, Washington on this very issue. The speaker pointed out how this country was created and why the Constitution is so important. He stated that the Constitution is the chain that will bind the government, keeping it under control. He explained the many rights we have, God-given rights that are secured by the Constitution. We have the Right to Vote, Assemble, Speak, Keep and Bear Arms, the Right to Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness and to be Secure in Our Homes. According to the Matthies, "He asked if we knew of anyone who had ever been taxed on any of those rights. Rights cannot be taxed! He then pointed out that there is a Right that few people know about and that is the Right to Work."

After many years of research, studying Supreme Court cases, the IRS' own documents and reading books, Hank and Judy came to the conclusion that the income tax is voluntary and that Hank is not liable for it, therefore not required to file a return. They gathered from the IRS' own documents that the income tax is based on voluntary compliance and self-assessment. They looked up the word voluntary and found that it means: "To do something without legal obligation." The word compliance means: "To do something in order to please." They decided that they were donating to the IRS in order to please them and that they were actually contributing to the ridiculous waste of tax-payer dollars by big government. They have numerous Supreme Court rulings that back up their conclusion and after a close review of the rulings by this writer the cases say exactly what the Matthies' have concluded them to say.

In 1998, Hank was charged with 3 counts of willful failure to file an income tax return and he hired two tax attorneys from Billings who assured him that they would defend him. They charged \$15,000.00 and reportedly did nothing to prepare for trial. One of the attorneys assured Hank that she knew the issues involved in tax cases and didn't have any problem with the defense. According to the Matthies', "after the 15 grand was placed in her hand she suddenly changed her outlook on things and suggested that Hank should plea bargain. Hank very emphatically informed her that if they were building the gallows outside of her office and he would be hanged if he didn't plea bargain, then they would have to hang him because he would not plea bargain to something he didn't do." Hank subsequently fired the attorneys and was forced to defend himself because he was flat broke and had no faith in attorneys after that experience. He was not too concerned about a conviction because he had heard of many others who had been charged with the same "crime" and they were found not guilty by a jury of their peers. During that "railroad job" Hank was not allowed to present any evidence and the corrupt judge (Jack Shanstrom) presiding over that case cut his testimony after a few minutes on the stand. Hank was found guilty on the counts of willful failure to file. He was sentenced to one year and one day in a federal prison camp, one year supervised released, ordered to comply

with the IRS and he was ordered to pay for the cost of the prosecution. So, not only was he railroaded he had to pay to build the railroad!

**TRIAL COMMENCED**

On November 28, 2007, Judge Richard Cebull explained to the jury the difference between civil and criminal cases. Civil cases must be proven with a preponderance of the evidence whereby, criminal cases must be proven beyond a reasonable doubt. Cebull's explanation was that the Matthies' were innocent and that the indictment didn't prove anything toward guilt. This conniving judge was joking with the jurors and trying to make it look like he wasn't biased and didn't have a conflict of interest. This was all a deceptive plan that many vile judges use as they lure the jury into their evil clutches so they can direct them into a guilty verdict. This is a form of jury tampering. Federal judges are tax consumers and government agents therefore they have a severe conflict of interest and shouldn't preside on any tax controversies – in short, they obtain their huge and unwarranted salaries from the very people they help to convict in their courtrooms. Another conflict of interest pertaining to Cebull sitting on the Matthies' case is that Cebull had ruled against them twice in the past, once concerning an IRS matter and another on a state case that was transferred to federal court.

**THE GOVERNMENT'S CASE**

The government put on their case Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning. Oh, the lies, deception and trickery that took place. The true conspiracy was being unraveled before my very eyes. Much that came out of Alme's mouth was either spoken completely out of context or was a lie. During cross-examination, Alme had Judy read a sentence from a Supreme Court case (Flora v. US) that the defense wanted to enter into evidence concerning voluntary compliance and self assessment. Alme put his spin on the sentence above that statement, pulling it completely out of context as he tried to show that the income tax is based upon distraint. That sentence didn't state anything close to his deceitful interpretation. It stated that the courts can use distraint, but it said nothing about the income tax system using distraint. The statement they wanted entered into evidence said, "Our system of taxation is based upon voluntary assessment and payment, not upon distraint."

Alme also maliciously grilled Judy about not researching, reading and relying on inferior court decisions as if her research on Supreme Court decisions was wrong or unreliable. His spin on her not relying on Appellate and Tax court decisions was that Supreme Court cases don't matter. Then he changed his tune and said - "as long as they don't conflict with Supreme Court decisions." Judy's response was that she didn't bother reading, researching or relying on inferior court decisions because they are the cases that are appealed and overturned at the Supreme Court, so she went right to the top and relied only on Supreme Court rulings. She knows that the Supreme Court is the highest court in this country, even though Alme and Cebull ignore this fact.

Alme twisted everything – It was proven from testimony provided by Probation Officer Sean Lyle that the IRS and the United States Attorney, Alme knew about the Matthies' property and vehicles being transferred to Trusts, before Hank was sentenced in his last



**Judy and Hank Matthies**

case in 1998. This fact alone makes any conspiracy completely impossible. They also brought out the claiming of 9 allowances on Hank's W-4 and cashing checks in the previous trial. If it wasn't a conspiracy nine years ago how can it possibly be a conspiracy now? If Criminal Investigator, Jeffrey Obie, is such a good investigator he should have seen at a glance that nothing has changed since the last trial. It really makes one wonder how desperate the IRS is to silence people who know the truth about their deceptive practices and abusive ways.

The defense was not allowed various witnesses, crucial testimony, or hardly a mention of the Constitution and testimony regarding Supreme Court cases was extremely limited. Alme lied and said that the Matthies' were going to argue that the income tax is unconstitutional. How far from the truth that statement was. The Matthies' know that the income tax is constitutional, but simply mis-applied and they had no intentions of even saying the word unconstitutional, let alone inferring what Alme was dreaming about. Judy did get to state on the witness stand that she believed that it was constitutional, however Alme objected to this line of questioning and his partner Judge Richard Cebull made Alme's dream come true - SUSTAINED. Further mentioning of the Constitution was not allowed and talk of Supreme Court cases remained extremely limited. This vile judge had just "suspended the Constitution" in the Matthies' case, then and there.

According to one of the Supreme Court rulings entered into evidence on the doctrine of stare decisis, it states that we have every right to rely on Supreme Court decisions and not be penalized for such reliance (US v Mason). Is anyone wondering why Judge Richard Cebull wouldn't allow Supreme Court rulings to be dissected in the trial? Has jury tampering been mentioned?

**IRS OR AUSA PROVIDES FRAUDULENT, ALTERED DOCUMENT**

Hank had sent his 2000, 1040 tax return, with his affidavit and supporting

Supreme Court cases attached, to the IRS located in Ogden, Utah. The Ogden office clearly stamped the return "received" and then proceeded to make copies, one of which was sent to the "Tax Protestor Division." All of these copies were sent to AUSA Kurt Alme and subsequently to the defense as discovery. Kurt Alme had all copies right in front of him and he either knew or should have known that the original return stamped by the Ogden office didn't have any boxes marked, in fact all that Hank did was sign and date the return, thinking this would protect him from another charge of willful failure to file. Someone at the IRS or US Attorney's office marked the box titled filing status "single" on one of the copies. Instead of submitting the original, Alme conveniently chose to enter a fraudulently altered return into evidence and use it to call Hank a liar and to prove that he was trying to hide assets. Alme asked a witness from the IRS why a person would file single. He continued, "Wouldn't a person get a greater deduction if they filed married?" The witness looked at the jury and stated this was true. Hank obviously looked very suspicious to the jurors at this point. In fact, this one piece of evidence likely convinced them he was guilty and therefore his wife was guilty as well. Had the jurors only known that the "single" box on the return was forged they would have seen just how criminal and frantic the government was in their all out efforts to convict this outstanding couple. You see, the IRS and the U.S. Attorney knew that the Matthies' possessed the knowledge that the Individual Income Tax is factually a voluntary tax, even though the IRS, U.S. Attorneys, and evil federal judges continue to imprison scores of Americans for not filing and the masses continue to sit back and think they are free...

To add insult to injury, Judge Richard Cebull, under the "all seeing eye" of the Internal Revenue Service, took it upon himself to give the jury instructions before closing arguments, leaving the jury to focus on Alme's closing

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Americans stand for a form of jurisprudence, known to most as United States District Court but to an informed Citizen as a Court of Equity acting under the color of law. Why does this miscarriage of justice persist? Maybe it's the ignorance of what true Judicial Power is and how it is derived. The Sixth and Seventh Amendments of the Constitution protects an American's right to; "have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor," and the latter in its entirety mandates; "In suits at common law, where the value in controversy shall exceed twenty dollars, the right of trial by jury shall be preserved, and no fact tried by a jury shall be otherwise re-examined in any Court of the United States, than according to the rules of the common law." Sounds like a fair deal on the surface.

When these two Amendments are examined closely as to their application to cases similar to Jackson's it is evident that Americans are not being tried in courts with true judicial power. It is a common fallacy, parlayed by government, to have defendants think they are accessing Article III courts under the Constitution but are actually tried in Article IV courts that were ordained by Congress to enforce the law in the territories of the united States. Territories that are subject to Marshall Law contained the spirit of the Constitution but were void of the actual Constitution itself. Former Chief Justice William Howard Taft declared in; Balzac vs. The People of Puerto Rico that a District Court of the United States (Article III) is not the same as a U.S. District Court (Article IV) that is charged with judicial duties in the territories. The situation became more exacerbated after our conspiratorial leaders banned the ownership of gold in 1933 thus rendering the "Gold Clause" in contracts vestigial. Once gold was removed from commerce, common law was eviscerated by the courts in the Tompkins vs. Erie Railroad decision, thereby, relegating the Seventh Amendment to the trash heap.

These equity courts masquerading as District Courts of United States are

based on case law, with the exception of Supreme Court rulings or other case law that has gone against the government, making it near impossible for any Citizen to obtain justice without an attorney, although that is far from a sure thing under any circumstance. Without common law all Citizens are relegated second class citizenship without standing in the courts. That is exactly how you appear to be to the judge. The obvious manifestation, of this transformation, is the void of common sense that prevails in the courtrooms. Common sense is part and parcel with the common law. Logical deductions based on the whole truth derived from factual evidence, sworn testimony guarded by the penalty of perjury, published court cases substantiating verdicts of identical courtroom dramas and the defendants core beliefs that they were not intentionally committing a crime (Mens Rea) usually prevailed.

Now, with the knowledge that Ms. Jackson was not in a common law court, a constitutional deviation if there ever was one, but left to the tender mercies of a U.S. District Court judge acting as backup prosecutor for the "People" what chance could she have to prove their innocence? I have personally reviewed several court transcripts recently and the overwhelming theme present in these trials is the tag team effort between the Assistant U.S. Attorneys (AUSA) and the supposedly unbiased judge. Everything bodes well for the government, all the while the AUSA is the second coming of a Stooge, whether they be Curley, Larry or Moe makes no difference. The judge actually orchestrates the outcome from the bench, thus ensuring total compliance with "their law."

Meanwhile, any attempts by the defendant or counsel to interject facts that are exculpatory for the defense are summarily disallowed, as is any effort to show a lack of intent. Intent is proven in a grand jury; usually outside the preview of the defendant, without establishing jurisdiction, based on the illogical syllogism that a crime was committed because the government convened a grand jury and handed down an indictment and someone must pay for the crime. The infamous vehicle to

perfect this miscarriage of justice is the "Motion in Limine." Black's Law 6th edition defines this tool as: "A pretrial motion requesting court to prohibit opposing counsel from referring to or offering evidence on matters so highly prejudicial to moving party that curative instructions cannot prevent predispositional effect on jury." In effect this prevents defendants from entering evidence into trial that could prove their innocence because it is so logical that the judge's instructions to the jury could not overcome the effects of the evidence.

The aforementioned Supreme Court rulings are also barred as defense evidence since they are in direct contrast to the desired outcome expected through the efforts of the judge and prosecutors. These rulings collectively prove that the Congress was not granted additional powers of taxation that did not already exist prior to ratification of the Sixteenth Amendment. Submission of this concept into any case would cause total confusion for the jury and cloud the certainty of government's long skein of trial convictions by showing that the IRS is frivolous to the core.

No one possessing knowledge of how the equity courts operate was surprised to learn that on the business day prior to Ms. Jackson's trial on October 29, 2007, such a motion was presented to the court and granted by the judge. Jackson's witnesses and evidence contrary to the position of the prosecution was barred in direct violation to the Sixth Amendment. Game, set and match! Of course the defense counsel petitioned the court but to no avail. After all, the government has proven time and time again that everyone must pay taxes, usually through fixed proceedings, ergo why should anyone make waves and educate the jury regarding evidence to the contrary. Especially, when Mr. BeCraft defended an accused American in Shreveport, LA last summer and this defendant, Tommy Cryer, was found, by his jury of peers, to be not guilty for willful failure to file income tax returns because Cryer had researched and found that there was no such law just as Sherry Jackson did in her efforts, sole and separate from Cryer's. Astounding but true, since there have been similar cases against others (Kuglin and Banister) recently with the identical outcome. In fact some of these victors petitioned the IRS for years asking them to produce the law mandating the payment of taxes. Since you couldn't read about these victories in the main stream media, maybe there is a modicum of truth to the defendant's veracity. To some degree these outcomes may have been facilitated by honest judges that wanted the whole truth exposed or had an inkling of decency but I have my doubts.

Sherry Jackson was found guilty on the second day of her scheduled five day trial when the government moved to collapse the trial, thereby, depriving the jury of the essential evidence needed for an acquittal. The government dislikes acquittals and with the assistance of the court was able to extract a guilty verdict from a totally ignorant, uninformed and mindless jury. Excuse my redundancy! Their one excuse for this behavior may have something to do with the judge's exacting jury instructions that they find her guilty. The jury, surprisingly, was sequestered for forty-five minutes deliberating. With no evidence, other than pejoratives regarding Ms. Jackson's character, it hard to believe it took that long.

Let's examine the government's defamation of character against Sherry Jackson especially in prospective of the

motion for a new trial and evidentiary hearing, filled by Jackson's attorney last week. During her abbreviated testimony Sherry attempted to disprove criminal intent by introducing evidence she contacted five IRS employees with whom she once worked. These conversations concerned her belief in the material she had uncovered regarding personal liability for income taxes. In rebuttal, the government called three of the five IRS employees and asked them point blank if they had any conversations with the defendant. Their elicited testimony totally undermined Jackson's testimony as they denied any contact with the defendant. Assistant United States Attorney, Richard Langway then proceeded to tell the jury that since Jackson was now a proven liar they should not consider any of her testimony as to her good faith beliefs. According to the trial records Langway stated, "You heard her testimony throughout, I asked the IRS, I went to the Commissioner, I went here, there and everywhere. I even asked my friends over there and nobody could tell me the answer...well, these people were never even asked one thing." This tirade by Langway best exposes the motives of prosecutors' hell bent on promotion. "If you have a case argue the facts, if you don't have facts argue the law, and if you don't have either, attack the defendant." Does anyone need a map to comprehend Langway's strategy?

Actually, one of the persons Sherry contacted was a former college classmate, Carla Hendricks, who still works for the IRS. Since they were social friends, as well as fellow "professionals," Jackson solicited Hendricks assistance in finding the section of the law that makes anyone liable for the tax, as Jackson was trying to prove there was a law mandating the payment of taxes, thereby winning a \$50,000 bet offered in "USA Today." When questioned by the prosecution regarding conversations with Jackson, Hendricks said, "I don't recall having that conversation." Again, when asked by the defense regarding receiving a disk containing Jackson's research she said, "I don't recall," a time tested "Hillary" defense if ever there was one.

Now comes Jackson's attorney Lowell BeCraft with evidence that there was indeed perjured testimony presented to the court. Contrary to Langway's assertions, it was the government agents that lied under oath and not Ms. Jackson. There is substantial evidence that proves one of the rebuttal witnesses received the research disk from Jackson by mail with the mailing label clearly indicating the addressee, Carla Hendricks. Who is lying now Mr. Langway?

Two other agents denied ever talking to Jackson but their lies will be uncovered during evidentiary hearings as will their telephone records proving many conversations and contacts with Jackson. Did these three rebuttal witnesses commit perjury under orders from their superiors, did they lie out of fear for their pensions or was their perjury suborned by prosecutors for joint personal gain? As rhetorical as this question may be, it clearly shows that government employees will readily lie if it is mandated by our true masters.

According to the case law, "Conviction by means of perjured testimony requires a new trial in the interest of justice." It's now up to the USDC judge to do the right thing if justice is to be served. In any event, shouldn't the time be at hand to start terminating government agents that lie in an effort to save their portfolios in exchange for someone else's freedom? ■

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exist. And above all, do not let any judge dictate anything you, period.

You can't be punished for voting according to your conscience. Jurors (and judges) often pressure hold-out jurors into abandoning their true feelings and voting with the majority to avoid the expense of a hung jury and mistrial, or because they are tired of deliberating and want to go home. You do not have to give in. Why? Because hung juries are okay!

Voting your conscience may lead to a hung jury. Don't worry you are doing the responsible thing. There is no requirement that you must reach a unanimous verdict. The jury you hang may be significant as one of a series of hung juries sending messages to the legislature that the law you are working with has problems and it's time for a change.

It is a fact that we have some down right dangerous criminals living among us and when bad people commit crimes they need to be properly punished, however, far too many innocent citizens are falsely prosecuted in our courts and it is up to all of us to make sure we are fully informed regarding the rights and

duties of being a juror. It is the juror's duty to protect the rest of their fellow Americans from dangerous criminals, unjust laws and power hungry lawyers and judges.

Credit or blame for the verdict will go to you. Be sure to ask the judge how you can pose questions to witnesses so that you can learn the complete context should the lawyers fail to bring it out. If the judge doesn't allow the jury to ask questions then a NOT GUILTY verdict should result.

The government is working hard to "dumb down" the American public. They want all people reliant on it for everything including the ability to think. The government controls the people by controlling their thought processes. This welfare society it's creating is a far cry from the God fearing, independent, hard working, productive, family oriented people God created us to be. Who says we should stop thinking for ourselves and use common sense in making decisions? In reality and if we don't change the course we are on, it won't be far down the road that we won't be allowed to think or make decisions, because government is rapidly taking these rights from us. Jurors had better wake up before the jury itself is gone... ■

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terror brought to us by enemies foreign and domestic? What is this great struggle worth to you? Giving up your home? Being separated from your families? Experiencing cold and hunger to fight for a goal that should never have been taken in the first place? Are you willing to fight to the finish against illegals who would take your home, job, benefits, and US social security from you because they think they have some undeniable right to invade our sovereign land?

Who justified the "policy" that gave international politicians the authority to write our laws, influence our courts, and take our income through foreign aid, taxes, and entitlements? Who voted to change our moral standards and culture because a committee dreamed up new "rights" that did not ever constitutionally exist, and in the eyes of a righteous God should never have even been discussed? It was US Senators and Representatives ... that's WHO "justified" it.

Who said it was all right to give away your nation's traditions, rewrite it's brave, bold and at times deeply flawed history to some power broker in Washington? Who said our national treasure should be squandered by a private banking cartel masquerading as the "Federal Reserve Bank" and "authorized" to do the monetary business of the American people? Why was the income tax falsely called ratified, to rob the fruit of our labor? Who gave blanket permission for our property to be seized without compensation, and who gave the state the right to deny me the absolute authority to do with my property as I see fit, as long as I do not injure anyone else or their property? The United States Congress did all of these things to you for your "well-being" and to prove the benevolence and necessity of big government.

Who were the socialist, Alexander Hamilton "central government rules" advocates who insisted that our nation could not exist without federal bureaucratic wasteland agencies, sucking up billions of dollars to operate enforcement, regulatory, and idiotic rule making bodies that do nothing but create bad policies we don't need, and that are NOT constitutional? It was the Congress of these United States, again.

When were our police agencies turned into law enforcement commando units that rule and abuse rather than protect and serve? And why was this done? To more effectively serve warrants? That's what our police agencies were told. Take the government money while you can they said. Build a better SWAT team to take out the frustrated mom protecting her children who can't take anymore drug induced beatings by her criminal husband. Why do we insure that the roadside DUI stop becomes a killing field for the latest "mission essential" military type state police roadblock? Who started all of this and WHY?? It was the FBI, the Justice Department, and law enforcement lobbies along with U.S. socialists and one world bullies that want to create a centralized police state to eventually take all freedoms from us.

When you begin to dig down through all of the smoke and mirrors thrown up by the government, then you will find answers you are not going to like---at all. All of these have one source. It is POWER. It is the kind of power that only a government can command. It is the kind of power that people fear and

have every reason to fear. It is the type of control that has no end, no reasoning level, no compassion and no compromise. Power that is more desirable than money. Power that corrupts completely and leaves nothing but destruction in its wake. This is the kind of power that drives men and women to sell out their nation. It is the kind of force that justifies any laws like the Patriot Act, or Executive Orders, and Presidential Directives, and agencies (CIA, FBI, IRS, BATFE, FDA, Homeland Security, NSA, NSC, DIA, NRO, and FEMA) none of which are constitutional nor it can be argued, necessary for freedom and liberty.

Corrupted individuals with hidden agendas for socialized power, and the total subjugation of free people is the goal. It will be achieved through a series of regional world power "unions" (European, African, North American) so that entire sections of the planet can be maintained by "owners" of the world. It is Satanic in design, evil to the core, and virtually complete. We have allowed this to happen and in some cases encouraged it to happen because these same elitist rulers offered us a crumb or two under the table of governance, and we took it like starving dogs.

Well, the dogs are about to be butchered and eaten. To this point, world rulers like David Rockefeller, the Rothschild's, the Council on Foreign Relations, The Bilderburgs, the Trilateralists, the Rhodes Scholars, the Bush dynasty, the Clinton Horror Show, and all the other bad guys are constantly winning and we are continually losing. Why? Because we would rather talk than really fight against this takeover.

The time for talk is over. More talk will just mean more power grabs for the elite. It's less time to prepare for the American liberation teams. Look, for those of you who will now write and complain that I didn't spell it out more clearly for you, quit relying on me and others to do your work. To those of you who claim to know the mind of God in this, stop saying that resistance to this kind of evil is not a Godly endeavor. It sure won't be if that is all you believe, and please excuse our trying while you hide, because you see America as Babylon. Get to the task of real preparation. Quit lecturing me about how this is not a Christian endeavor and God will never sanction our working to correct a deeply flawed American culture. Just admit you would rather be "Raptured" than have to really do something that would require some courageous action. If you want to feel good, then go to one of the many smiley, "believe in nothing Godly" churches who agonize over where this year's manager scene is going to go. May God forgive and deliver us from such Laodicean abject spiritual cowardice.

Plan for your own personal changes and preparation, instead of reading NWV columns like they were fictional stories written to entertain you.

When you finally realize that all of the major issues in the world, economics, war, banking, business, politics, power and control are in the hands of a few who will not rest until it is ALL their own, then you will see why there can be no outcome except conflict. It is Biblical and it is real. If you choose to place your fate in the hands of God, believe in His righteous plan for your life, and who believe in the ultimate victory through Jesus, then you cannot lose, no matter what! The Rockefeller crowd will lose and we will ultimately win. However, in the meantime, I am not willing to let them enslave and imprison patriots

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statements as if they were testimony. Proof, once again, of more jury tampering. Cebull, after he had the jury in the palm of his hand violated his judicial canons when he cut off testimony, absent of an objection by the prosecutor and when he angrily snapped at both Hank and Judy as they testified. In essence, the venomous Cebull was letting the jury know that he didn't like the Matthies' and that they were guilty – how cunning Judge Cebull.

On December 6, 2007, the Matthies attorney Lowell Becroft Jr. filed a "Motion for New Trial" with the court in Billings. Judge Cebull will surely deny this motion and pass the issue on to the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. In so doing, this disgusting individual will insure that his name goes down in history (and Google) as totally vile.

We should note that Judge Richard Cebull is a "died in the wool" conservative, and U.S. Attorney for Montana William W. Mercer, who falsely prosecuted the Matthies', is as Republican as it gets. Mercer has had little time during his present term in office to represent his constituency or oversee his assistants as he has been too busy in Washington D.C. assisting George Bush and Alberto Gonzales in their efforts to get rid of other U.S. Attorney Generals around the country. It would appear to any prudent on-looker

that the judicial and justice conservatives in America are the main culprits behind the insidious number of false and malicious prosecutions currently taking place – and let's not forget jurors who stupidly allow corrupt judges to direct them. Lock em' all up, throw away the key and forget about right, wrong, facts, common sense, state of mind, intent, willfulness and most of all justice.

This writer has witnessed literally thousands of hearings/trials to date, but never one more directly from the pit of hell than this. Cebull and his cohorts instilled in my mind the fact that they are actually petrified of the almighty IRS and that they are dedicated to keeping our out-of-control federal government's "rice bowl" full.

Judge Cebull can rest assured that before I'm finished with my exposure of the attempted destruction of the Matthies family, his name and position will be known in every household throughout this country.

The time is at hand to start prosecuting and then terminating government agents that lie and commit forgery in an effort to save their portfolios in exchange for someone else's freedom.

***Editor's Note:** Anyone with information regarding either Judge Richard Cebull or AUSA Kurt Alme is urged to contact the US~Observer at 541-474-7885.*

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Is it in your heart and soul to even try? ■



**By Susan Jones**  
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(CNSNews.com) - A federal judge in Tulsa has blocked an Oklahoma law allowing employees to keep guns in their locked cars on company property.

In a written order issued last Thursday, U.S. District Judge Terence Kern issued a permanent injunction against the law that was passed in 2004.

According to the Tulsa World, Kern said the law (a series of amendments to the Oklahoma Firearms Act and the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act) conflicted with the federal Occupational Health and Safety Act, which is intended to protect employees in the workplace.

Parties to the federal lawsuit included (at various times) Whirlpool, the Williams Cos., and Conoco Phillips, all of which objected to the Oklahoma law on the grounds that it violated their private property rights -- and interfered with corporate policies intended to protect workers.

According to the National Rifle Association, the issue arose in 2002 in Oklahoma, when the Weyerhaeuser

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company fired eight employees for having guns in their cars on company property.

In response, the Oklahoma Legislature passed a law -- unanimously in the House and by a 92-4 vote in the Senate -- prohibiting "any policy or rule" that barring law-abiding people from "transporting and storing firearms in a locked vehicle on any property set aside for any vehicle."

## Safety vs. self-defense

"The judge made the right decision in this case," said Paul Helmke, president of the Brady Center to Prevent Gun Violence. "The safety of American workplaces should take precedence over allowing individuals to rapidly arm themselves with dangerous weapons."

The Brady Center said similar laws should be repealed in other states, "based on Judge Kern's clear findings in this case." (Similar laws have been passed in Alaska, Minnesota, Kentucky and Kansas; 13 other states have rejected such laws.)

The Brady Center to Prevent Gun Violence issued a report in November 2005 arguing against "the NRA's campaign to force businesses to accept guns at work," and that report was cited prominently in the judge's decision last Thursday, the Brady Center said Wednesday in a news release.

The National Rifle Association supported the Oklahoma law, arguing that most gun-related crimes in the workplace are committed by non-employees. It also noted that people bent on violence will not be prevented from opening fire by a company policy against having guns in cars.

The Tulsa World last week quoted the Oklahoma bill's sponsor, Democratic State Rep Jerry Ellis, as saying that Judge Kern's ruling will do nothing to protect workers, but will erode employees' self-defense capabilities.

Ellis said the judge's decision increases the chances that a disgruntled person will be able to kill a lot of people at their workplace before police can respond to a 911 call.

"I guess federal judges can do anything they want. They don't have to worry about the voters," the newspaper quoted Ellis as saying. ■■■

## The Second Amendment

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husband. Jackson County Judge Philip Arnold recently ruled the Medford School Board could set policy on CHL on the school grounds, thus denying Katz the right to protect herself. Katz intends to appeal the ruling.

### What You See is What You Get

Crime is rampant across the United States. Murders, rape, assaults, burglaries, and various kinds of theft including identity theft are always in the news. The daily police reports in local newspapers show thousands more graduating into the criminal status and ready to take up residence in a prison near you. Those already locked in concrete and steel facilities in the US total over 2.2 million as of mid 2007. One in 32 US adults is in the prison system including jail, parole, and probation. Oregon has a state prison population of 13,508 and growing. Almost one-third of released Oregon prison inmates find their way back into prison again within three-years. Those on felony probation total 20,479; this means over 6,000 return to prison within three years. The cost for this recidivism is reportedly about \$200,000 per returned inmate. The U.S. has more convicted criminals than any country in the world including China, (with over a billion people) according to available information. Law abiding citizens are at risk of a "Clear and Present Danger."

### Disarming Citizens Agenda of Left

The law abiding citizen is not a predator, and he has many enemies besides the criminals on the street that

commit crime for profit, pleasure, and thrills. Those who actively work to take away Second Amendment Rights are just as dangerous to law abiding folks as the criminals. Our Bill of Rights gives qualified citizens the legal and moral right to own a weapon to protect family, home, and friends. The so called elite in government and the media are generally arrogant socialist liberals, and they regard the ordinary citizens as incompetent bumpkins. Those espousing this totalitarian philosophy, though always couched in benign terms, are fearful of an armed citizenry. Their intention is to steal the gift of freedom the founding fathers bequeathed this nation. We find gun banners all through government and the private sector. This includes Congress, the court system, the media, and the resident who does not understand the US Constitution. The carrier of this anti-gun plague is the media. Small town or big towns, the newspapers generally beat their drums to the same rhythm of "ban the gun." To say this bluntly, these people are enemies of the US Constitution, the principles the founding fathers set down to guide this republic across the vast sea of time, and a defined hazard to the health and welfare of all law abiding citizens who claim Second Amendment Rights.

### Who's going to Protect You, the Mail Tribune?

The police aren't there to protect you as an individual. They investigate crime after the criminal act has taken place. Police are mostly reactive, not proactive. If this is leaving the reader feeling vulnerable like a game animal

during hunting season, that's the intent. In our society the criminal with evil intent is the predator, and you the honest citizen become his prey. According to the statistics cited above, your chances of meeting a predator are higher than they should be. Remember the state does not care about your personal safety. For example, when an Oregon sheriff's department runs short of money the sheriff pulls the plug on public patrols and emergency calls. The state has mandated by law that the sheriff's office protect the courtrooms, serve warrants, and run the county jail. There is no law saying the sheriff is required to protect the public. You can't sue the police department because you were assaulted, raped, or robbed. Every man and woman without a felony conviction and mentally sound should have a CHL permit and the training to protect their family and friends from the large number of criminals in our society. Criminals know there are no guns at South Medford High School. The Medford School Board has willingly decreased the personal safety of Shirley Katz, other teachers, and students. At the same time the school board has not increased security at the school to counter its act. The fact is individuals trained in the use of a weapon and having a CHL are the cream of the crop in our society. They have no felony convictions, they are mentally sound, they don't use illegal drugs, and they could save lives during an emergency situation at a school. The ones the school board should be concerned about are those who have guns and no CHL on school grounds.

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**Pastor Ryan Wonderly's  
False Prosecution**

**By US~Observer Oklahoma Staff**

Pastor Ryan Wonderly took his commitment seriously by choosing to make a difference in his community and in the lives of those around him. Wonderly's position as Children's Pastor at Bethany First Church of the Nazarene in Bethany, Oklahoma was more than just a job, it was his mission. He labored 60 to 80 hours per week performing the unsung but compelling duty of helping to nurture and shape the character of the church's youth. Now, Pastor Ryan Wonderly is a ward of the Oklahoma Department of Corrections because of a church that cowered to threats, a judge who abused her authority, a lawyer who did nothing beyond cashing checks, and a justice system that allowed a calculating man to manipulate it.

After four and a half years of service Wonderly made the decision to resign and take a sabbatical from the ministry to weigh his future. Parents begged him to reconsider because of the powerfully positive change they had seen him help bring about in their children. Kids tearfully pleaded with him not to leave. The church threw a sorrowful farewell party to thank Ryan Wonderly for his efforts and sacrifice. Almost a year later Wonderly found himself embroiled in a scandal of life altering proportions - allegations of sexual misconduct with the same youth who had, the year before, begged him to stay on as their pastor.

At one time, Dentist Larry Olsen and his wife Lanell fawned over Mr. Wonderly and sang his praises from the rooftops. They had children in Wonderly's ministry and never hesitated to describe the positive results of his leadership. Being active members in the church the Olsen's never once voiced concerns regarding Ryan's integrity. They never once observed anything questionable in person or in the emotional or physical welfare of their children - at least not while Ryan Wonderly was involved in their lives. Larry Olsen has told sources that he

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began to worry about his daughter's lack of weight gain. When consulting a doctor he was told that one of many reasons could be stress and that one of many stresses listed was possible molestation. According to Mr. Olsen, this is what initiated the discussion with their daughter regarding the possibility of having been molested and the ensuing questioning of who it was that did these things to her. However, his wife tells a contradictory story. Mrs. Olsen has said to sources that the conversations came after their daughter was found lying on the couch crying. When asked why she was so upset her reply was, "Ryan." According several close sources, Mrs. Olsen felt that crying over Ryan having left was inappropriate. Two parents, two stories, the first inconsistency.

Numerous sources have told the US~Observer Oklahoma that over the following several weeks Mr. Olsen proceeded to intimidate parents with threats of DHS referrals should they NOT find their children to have been "assaulted" by Wonderly. Olsen sent bullying letters to a doctor he felt should lose his license for not reporting the hypothetical abuse the doctor strongly, to this day, believes never happened. He knowingly perpetuated false rumors about church members regarding Wonderly. Olsen then began to seek criminal charges for something he believed occurred 4 years prior, and that Olsen was sure was the cause of his child's "lack of weight gain."

Scared parents then allowed their children to be interviewed by a clandestine organization known as the Care Center with direct ties to the District Attorney's office. Not only did the Care Center work directly with then DA Wes Lane, but Wes Lane held ties to the Care Center's training through his own mother's organization The Burbidge Foundation, where he had been Vice-President and a Board Member. Experts who have reviewed the taped interviews have revealed how Care Center employees broke with interviewing protocol and used leading

questions and tactics to extract results. They also went so far as to be confrontational with children who maintained nothing ever occurred, repeatedly asking them if anyone had told them to say nothing happened. These coercive methods only produced accusations which have documentedly changed with time and telling as to make them more reasonable. District Attorney Wes Lane had NO physical examinations done. There has never been one shred of physical evidence suggesting any truth behind the allegations. A noted physician who has been used as an expert witness in molestation cases for both prosecution and defense reviewed the allegations in this case and has stated emphatically, "It could not have happened." Psychologists have stated that children having been subjected to this type of abuse would have avoided their abuser, but instead they sought Ryan out for another four years and mourned his leaving. Moreover, the Olson's and prosecution claim Wonderly perpetrated these acts and then abruptly stopped, only to remain in his role as Children's Pastor for several more years with no other offense - a truly laughable argument.

Ryan Wonderly's own attorney did not interview or conduct a defensive investigation, feeling it was a lose/lose situation. As the trial neared he told a shocked family to expect no more than a couple of years. Judge Twyla Mason Gray told Ryan while in chambers and in front of witnesses, "I believe you're guilty, and I'll see to it the jury finds you guilty!" According to those present, Judge Gray informed Ryan if he did not accept a plea for 35 years she would sentence him to over 600 years - an abuse of power and a direct violation of judicial ethics. He was told his options were a 35 year Alford Plea or a guilty verdict with no chance of seeing the light of day and he had 10 minutes to decide. His own lawyer recommended he take the plea. A lawyer who checked into an alcohol abuse program shortly

after the trial. A lawyer who, to this day, refuses to release Wonderly's files to his new lawyer after months of direct requests from both the new attorney's office and Wonderly's family. Ryan Wonderly has never wavered to profess his innocence even though he entered an Alford Plea. As defined by Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia: In the law of the United States, an Alford Plea is a plea in criminal court. In this plea, the defendant does not admit the act and asserts innocence, but admits that sufficient evidence exists with which the prosecution could likely convince a judge or jury to find the defendant guilty.

There is no greater responsibility we have than the protection of those who cannot protect themselves. Sadly, it is only with the loss of our own youth that we begin to see children as our greatest hope for the future. To err on the side of caution is wise, yet no accusation destroys like that of molestation. Even those vindicated have found their lives shattered. In Oklahoma nearly 78% of divorces involving custody of children result in accusations being made against the father. The accusation can be wielded with great devastation.

Ryan Wonderly's life and the lives of his family have been turned upside down. Wonderly isn't asking for a "golden key", rather, he is seeking his right to a trial where he can face his accusers; his right to a judge who isn't intent on obstructing justice and judicial ethics, and a trial where evidence (and the lack of evidence) can be presented and a verdict can be duly read by a jury who has heard it ALL. He simply wants due process and impartiality; things our justice system are supposed to provide, but in cases like Wonderly's, where an accusation is evidence enough, innocence seems to be utterly unprovable and the system and society treat all as absolutely guilty - an unfortunate byproduct of such an emotionally charged allegation.

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## Caught in the Coils Atty. John W. Coyle's Abuse of Ryan Wonderly

**By Barry Jon  
Investigative Reporter**

**Oklahoma County, OK** - John W. Coyle callously destroyed his own client's future. Everything Coyle did and did not do directly led to the triumph of lies over Ryan Wonderly. A complaint letter to the Oklahoma Bar Association points out that "in Mr. Coyle's own words he states that his counsel was ineffective." Yet, to date the Oklahoma Bar Association has done nothing to either sanction or respond to the allegations and admissions of John W. Coyle.

John W. Coyle squeezed cash out of Ryan and his family. Coyle never discussed fee schedules, never sent a statement and never accounted for a single hour of his time to Ryan. Coyle would simply take aside a vulnerable client and family and ask for more and more money. Coyle so overcharged and idled his defense of Ryan that as he has begun to fear investigation Coyle pledged to Ryan's appeal, "We will pay

the lawyer from the funds we have previously received." The OBA's own rules state that a lawyer "...is obliged to return any unearned [fee]." Yet, to date Coyle has returned not a cent and the Oklahoma Bar Association has done nothing.

John W. Coyle stepped in front of the judge wholly unprepared. Coyle waited to inform Ryan until court that his strategy was, "We will take the lightest sentence we can get and win it on appeal." The prosecution had No physical evidence, no medical evidence, inconsistent testimony, pro-defense witnesses that were intentionally suppressed, and a defendant who passed grueling lie detector and pedophilia tests. Yet, Coyle counseled Ryan to take an Alford Plea - a plea of innocence that accepts an inability to win. Coyle did not fully explain this "plea of innocence" but for that plea the judge gave Ryan 35 years. Yet, to date the Oklahoma Bar Association has done nothing.

John W. Coyle admitted himself into

alcohol rehab following the trial. Coyle refused contact with the Wonderlys following the trial. Coyle moved offices and intentionally did not inform the Wonderlys. Coyle walked away with large sums of money and did not speak to the Wonderlys for two years. When the media became interested in the false accusations against Ryan and the impotent counsel of John W. Coyle, he filed an appeal without either the input or consent of the Wonderlys. Only after the appeal was denied due to the inept John W. Coyle did he even tell the Wonderlys that it had been filed. Before Ryan could seek the counsel of another attorney Coyle filed an additional appeal without consent, this time ignoring the guideline advice for a second appeal given by one of the appeals judges. Yet, to date the Oklahoma Bar Association has done nothing.

John. W. Coyle refused to turn over Ryan's records to his new attorney, Scott Adams, for more than two months. Coyle vowed to pay for the appeals attorney, but thus far has not turned over any of the unused funds "already received." Coyle admitted to being ineffective counsel and stepped into rehab after Ryan's plea. Coyle deceitfully extracted money from the Wonderlys and then ignored repeated request to account for even one hour of

his services. Coyle unlawfully filed two appeals on behalf of an unknowing defendant. Yet, to date the Oklahoma Bar Association has done nothing to either sanction or respond to the allegations and admissions of John W. Coyle.

The Oklahoma Bar Association dedicates an entire section of their Rules for Professional Conduct to Maintaining the Integrity of the Profession; however, if these "rules" are not upheld then the Association becomes nothing more than a quid pro quo good ol' boy's system. The Bar Association exists in part to regulate and discipline its rogue members. Yet, to date the Oklahoma Bar Association has done nothing.

Ryan is now represented by attorney Scott Adams. Our eyes and ears are now turned in Adams' direction as Ryan waits for the twisted web woven by deceit, ineffective counsel and judicial misconduct to slowly untangle. Become a part of the growing voice of opposition to those caught in the cogs of the American Injustice System by reading more of Ryan Wonderly's case at [www.usobserver.com](http://www.usobserver.com) and [www.usobserverok.com](http://www.usobserverok.com) and let the Oklahoma Bar Association know we are waiting for their investigation into the contemptible conduct and disbarment of John W. Coyle.

# Buy a Gun

By Chuck Baldwin

**"He that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one."**

(Luke 22:36 KJV)

Most of us are aware that the heroic actions of a brave woman at the New Life Church in Colorado Springs, Colorado a few days ago saved the lives of perhaps scores, or even hundreds, of people. However, her bravery would not have counted for much had she not been armed.

On that fateful December Sunday, a man by the name of Matthew Murray entered the church armed to the teeth. According to press reports, he was armed with a semi-automatic rifle, two handguns, some smoke grenades, and more than 1,000 rounds of ammunition.

By the time Murray arrived in the Colorado Springs church, he had already killed four people: two at a missionary training center miles away, and two in the church parking lot. He had wounded several others. No one realized it at the time, but the man was a serial killer in the midst of a rampage. He doubtless planned to kill as many people as he could, as there were thousands of people inside the church. Had there not been an armed citizen in the church house, the death toll would have been massive.

According to church spokesmen, the congregation has over a dozen members who volunteered to serve as security personnel for the church. Jeanne Assam was one of those volunteers.

A former police officer, Assam said, "I saw him [Murray] coming through the doors, and I took cover, and I waited for him to get closer. I came out of cover, I identified myself and engaged him and took him down." Murray died in the exchange. Although Assam shot him several times with her 9mm pistol, the coroner's office said that Murray actually succumbed to a self-inflicted gunshot wound. After being incapacitated by Assam's gunfire, Murray apparently turned one of his weapons on himself.

Chalk one up for the good guys, or in this case, good gals.

Have you noticed how the media dropped the Colorado story as soon as it was discovered that a lawfully armed citizen ended the potential massacre by using her own handgun? Had the killer been successful in murdering scores of people, however, it would have been at the top of the news for weeks. As it is, the story is already buried in the dungeon section of the news, if it is in the news at all.

One thing the national news media will always ignore is the practice of lawful self-defense. For example, most people are probably not aware of the fact that American citizens use a firearm to defend themselves more than 2.4 million times EVERY YEAR. That is more than 6,500 times EVERY DAY. This means that, each year, firearms are used 60 times more often to protect the lives of honest citizens than to take lives. Furthermore, of the 2.4 million self-defense cases, more than 192,000 are by women defending themselves against sexual assault. And in less than eight percent of those occasions is a shot actually fired. The vast majority of the time (92%), the mere presence of a firearm helps to avert a major crime from occurring. That is what Congressman Roscoe Bartlett (R-MD) concluded after extensive research. According to Rep. Bartlett, the number of defensive uses is four times the number of crimes reported committed

with guns.

John Lott, senior research scientist at the University of Maryland, agrees with Bartlett. His book "More Guns, Less Crime" documents the fact that--instead of being a cause of crime--firearms in the hands of private citizens are actually a major deterrent to crime.

Another fact conveniently ignored by the major media is the connection between wanton killings and so-called "gun-free" zones. For an example of this, look no further than the Virginia Tech massacre. In spite of Virginia state laws that allow citizens to carry concealed weapons for self-defense, Virginia Tech forbade its students and faculty from carrying weapons for self-defense on campus. Had a student or faculty member been armed--as was Ms. Assam in the Colorado Springs attack--no doubt many, if not most, of the Virginia Tech victims would not have died. Obviously, bad guys do not pay any attention to "gun-free" zones, except to note that such zones create a free-killing environment.

Is it any wonder that those states and cities with the most restrictive gun control laws tend to also be home to the highest crime rates? The old saying is still true. "When guns are outlawed, only outlaws will have guns." There is another saying I like even better. "When guns are outlawed, I will be an outlaw."

Even our Lord understood and validated the right of every person to arm themselves for personal self-defense. He said, "He that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one." (Luke 22:36 KJV) The old Roman sword was the First Century equivalent of a modern handgun. It was the most practical and convenient form of self-defense available at that time. Also, please note that at least two of Jesus' disciples (one of whom was Simon Peter) were in the habit of carrying their own personal swords, and Jesus never rebuked them. (See Luke 22:38.)

Jesus also acknowledged, "When a strong man ARMED [emphasis added] keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace." (Luke 11:21)

Furthermore, the Apostle Paul said, emphatically, "But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel." (I Tim. 5:8) Does "not providing for his own" include not providing protection? Of course it does.

The right and, yes, obligation of personal self-defense is entrenched in both Christian and American tradition. People who would deny citizens the right to arm themselves are either naïvely ignorant or deliberately duplicitous. As Robert Heinlein said, "An armed society is a polite society."

America's Founding Fathers agreed with Heinlein. Thomas Jefferson said, "No free man shall ever be debarred the use of arms." He also said, "Laws that forbid the carrying of arms . . . disarm only those who are neither inclined nor determined to commit crimes . . . Such laws make things worse for the assaulted and better for the assailants; they serve rather to encourage than to prevent homicides, for an unarmed man may be attacked with greater confidence than an armed man."

Samuel Adams said, "[T]he said Constitution [shall] be never construed to authorize Congress to infringe the just liberty of the press, or the rights of conscience; or to prevent the people of the United States, who are peaceable citizens, from keeping their own arms."

James Madison said, "To preserve

liberty, it is essential that the whole body of people always possess arms."

Thomas Paine said, "[A]rms discourage and keep the invader and plunderer in awe, and preserve order in the world as well as property . . . Horrid mischief would ensue were the law-abiding deprived of the use of them."

George Washington called the private collections of arms "the people's liberty's teeth."

America must always preserve the right to keep and bear arms. To do any less is to invite oppression and tyranny, not to mention acts of violence.

Some years back, Alan Rice of the Jews for the Preservation of Firearms Ownership (JPFO) wrote, "Since 1900 at least seven major genocides have occurred resulting in the murder of 50-60 million people:

\*Ottoman Turkey, 1915-17; 1-1.5 million Armenians murdered;

\*Soviet Union, 1929-53; 20 million anti-Communists and anti-Stalinists murdered;

\*Nazi Germany & Occupied Europe, 1933-45; 13 million Jews, Gypsies, and Anti-Nazi murdered;

\*China, 1949-52, 1957-60 & 1966-1976; 20 million anti-Communists murdered;

\*Guatemala, 1960-1981; 100,000 Mayan Indians murdered;

\*Uganda, 1971-1979; 300,000 Christians and Political

Rivals of Idi Amin murdered;  
\*Cambodia, 1975-1979; 1 million murdered."

Rice continued to say, "In all seven of the genocides summarized above, gun control laws were in force before the genocide occurred, in some cases decades before. In five of the seven genocides, the lethal law, the gun control law was in force before the genocide regime took power."

Rice also said, "Gun control laws are usually enacted during a crisis or a perceived crisis." He then said, "Government officials, not hate groups or common criminals, were responsible for these seven genocides. In most of these cases the murder victims outnumbered their murderers; yet they were powerless to defend themselves because they were disarmed."

Do the math yourself. Absent an armed citizen, 32 innocent people lost their lives at Virginia Tech, while the presence of 1 armed citizen resulted in 2 innocent deaths in Colorado Springs. Furthermore, the presence of over 200 million firearms in the possession of the American people has done more to keep America free than any other human element--bar none!

Therefore, to help keep your family safe and your country free, go buy a gun.

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# Letters to the Editor



## No, Thank You!

**US~Observer:**

I was so happy for the subscriber of the year award, thank you. After I have read the Observer I take it to a café and leave it, or a barber shop, or a waiting area at ODOT, or a public library. That way many people will see it. The last issue that made me subscriber of the year I won't give away, I will always keep it with pride.

Once more thank you. I really want to say thank you!

**Howard Campbell  
Winston, Oregon**

## DA Eric Nisley

**Hi Ed,**

How have you been. I enjoy reading the Observer. I get the idea you don't think alot of DA Campbell. I would like to give my buddy Eric Nisley the same kind of recognition. I would like to do it around the time he is to be running again for DA. I can't find anything on the internet as far as what year he must be reelected to the position. Do you have access to that information?

I do know that he was never elected. He was appointed and has run unopposed ever since. When I plugged his name into the internet I did find another group very upset with the way he handled a case regarding putting a dog to sleep. It was interesting, basically it said that he did an end around the law to accomplish what he wanted to accomplish. I'm very familiar with that strategy. I also found several articles regarding Kulongoski's endorsements which Nisley apparently strongly supports. In other words, I think he has the protection of the governor when it comes to abuse of his position and power. The governor controls the attorney general and he controls the OSB, and therefore the corrupt DA's in Oregon are immune to any repercussion from the OSB for attorney misconduct as long as they are jumping through the governor's hoop and supporting his agenda's.

Have you ever wondered why Nifong got busted? I think it is as simple as he didn't realize those college kids had some influential parents with some influential friends. Otherwise he wouldn't have had anything to worry about. His corrupt cohorts (Bar Association) simply said, "To much publicity....we aren't going down with you, you'll have to take the fall on this one."

I would really like to read an investigative report on the particulars of how Nifong went down. I really believe

it was like any political embarrassment where action is taken to stop further investigation and exposure of further corruption.

I am glad to see alot of articles on the responsibility of jurors. I would only add that false prosecution cannot be stopped other than by pleading "not guilty" and insisting on a speedy trial. It is the only way to prevent manipulation and abuse by oppressive DA's.

I will go so far as to say, hiring an attorney will do no good if your case goes against the agenda's of the people in power. Attorneys know that the BAR will find a reason to lean on them if they aren't one of the players. Houze wanted me to plea bargain and even refused to take my case to a jury. Simply, that would have been in direct opposition to the governors agenda regarding discipline and children. Houze knew better.

It's ugly out there ED!! Keep up the good work.

Thanks Again,

**Gary West**

## Let the Bullies Have it!

**To the Editor:**

In the news there is a lot of talk about the latest possible attack at the Plymouth Whitemarsh High School. With reminders of past shootings in other schools.

They blame the firearms, the parents and students. But, never the "Bullying" that goes on in the schools. The school systems have done little or nothing about "Bullying" that goes on in the schools. Untold hundreds of students go to school every day in fear of being a victim of the "Bullies" at their school.

The schools always want more money to do more of the same. However, it is not working!

It is long past time to hold the "Education Industrial Complex" responsible for their shortcomings!

**John Sweeney  
Portland, Oregon**

## Daily Courier Letters Not Published

*Editor's Note: The next letter to the editor was sent to the Daily Courier but was not published. We invite everyone who has sent a letter to the Daily Courier and had it refused, or if it was edited by the Courier to the point it lost*

*its true meaning, send them to us for publication.*

**Dear Editor,**

The NAFTA Superhighway is reality. A cursory web search will reveal the Feds have given 2.5 million to NASCO's plan, who says "There are no plans to build a new NAFTA Superhighway - it exists today as I-35." However, they claim that 65% of it will "require major upgrades", but no plan. Meanwhile, Ports To Plains site says "spur the construction of 4-lane divided highway, associated reliever routes and rail along the length of the corridor". The Federal Highway Administration is promoting it, but there is no plan. The US DOT has material on their website, but there is no plan. Oklahoma has partially passed legislation to block it, but it doesn't exist. The Texas corridor site itself states, "a preferred corridor no more than 10 miles wide", but they have no plan. Texas Legislators have made several attempts to block it, but all have been vetoed by Gov. Perry who intends to take all the land by eminent domain. Just how many acres is 600 miles by 10 miles? All documented fact from the very people that have no plan. When you use an entire page on a subject, investigate and give us facts, not a half page clip art and theorist drivel.

Best regards,

**Jeff Bradshaw**

## Socialist Green?

**To the Editor:**

I am writing regarding Josephine County Commissioner Jim Raffenburg and his uncanny ability to stand up to those who want to turn our community into a green, little socialist one. There are plenty enviro-whacko's here and Commissioner Dave Toler is top dog.

Commissioner Dwight Ellis just seems to champion whatever cause is the most popular in that moment in time. Unfortunately, the little green spin machine is hard at work and the socialist agenda just got the go on a new manager.

Where is the voice of the people in that decision? Dave Toler needs to go.

Thank you,

**Mike Hall  
Josephine County**

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injustice being done in the name of "quality teaching management." This insures that your child is both illiterate and in-line to accept all dictates coming from the state or Washington. To question this and fight its inclusion in your local schools is to be a confirmed patriot.

The list goes on and on. When you choose alternative natural therapy to pharmaceutical poisons, you are exercising freedom of choice—you are a patriot. When you eat naturally raised foods and drink non-fluoride laced water, you may be a "nut" but you are also a spot-on patriot. When you refuse to jump on the taxpayer subsidized entitlement train, then you have chosen the way of liberty and you are a patriot of the first order.

If you have demonstrated against the well-documented invasion of illegals, fought the good fight opposing the North American Union or Security and Prosperity Partnership linking Canada, the u.s., and Mexico, then you are on your way to membership in a new patriot's club.

Be assured, that if you question the scandalous loss of life by our military while fulfilling the role of mercenaries for oil, business and ultimately the banks, then you are fulfilling George Washington's admonition to avoid foreign entanglements. It is NOT about freedom (our buzzword to justify all

military interventions), but it is about keeping fuel in the engine of industry.

If you agree with President/General Washington, you MUST be a patriot.

If Agenda 21, the horrible re-ordering of private property and the elimination of our national use of lands for purposes WE deem important, is an issue you detest and protest against, then guess what, you are definitely an American patriot.

You are a patriot because you believe in truth, honesty, national purpose that reflects real freedom, personal liberty and sovereignty for the individual and the nation. You are independently minded, yet of one mind with those who pursue the same moral, virtuous, above board values that began this great homeland. You have been proud to serve your community and for righteous causes, your nation, during times of justified conflict. You worked for honest people who followed the laws and served you in government. You helped those in need and became volunteer firemen, deputies, food pantry workers and Sunday school teachers. You did this for God, for family and for country. A noble purpose pursued by noble people.

Finally, if you believe that conspiracy extends to JFK, Flight 800, 9/11, and far too many other events, then you have found yourself in the middle of a virtual firestorm of disdain and vicious treatment by radio, TV and newsprint "professionals" who are in the

employment of national co-conspirators. Their only mission is to protect the really guilty people in and out of government who have murdered thousands of your fellow countrymen for greed, and the continuation of a circle of power that will stop at absolutely nothing to insure they win everything and the rest of us lose it all.

Many of you have chosen not to be corrupt, selfish, elitist, traitorous, or a criminal against your city, state and nation. Clearly, others have chosen to be moral failures, or support those who are, and have literally sold out their country. I find no forgiveness for that. I find no excuse for that. I find moral justification to go after these situations and these individuals with everything at my disposal and rid my nation of the last vestige of these scurrilous bastards.

If you fit the description of a patriot, then wear your label proudly. You must get used to the laser imprint on the front of it, for the government has you in their sights. Make no mistake, they will eventually make their move and we will be literally hunted and in the crosshairs for real. They will not and can not ignore us forever. A government that has been sold out from top to bottom has not only lost its moral authority to lead, it has defined those who have held it to account as the enemy. As a result, they must live the lie forever, or try to silence those who speak the truth. Those named above and their political family descendants are THE enemy. Those in

government who support them and their agendas are the VERY definition of tyranny. Those who have accused them of high treason ARE American patriots. America has every reason to be very afraid of and unrelenting towards its government and those who have sold us out. America has every reason to be grateful to and take strength from God for giving the wisdom and courage of the ages to men and women who have joined the ranks of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Samuel Adams, Benjamin Franklin, George Mason, Patrick Henry, John Paul Jones, Andrew Jackson, Robert E Lee, Stonewall Jackson, John Pershing, Douglas MacArthur, George Patton, Joe McCarthy, and thousands more who even today, wear the title of PATRIOT proudly, and know EXACTLY what it means. They also know what it will cost to continue to speak out on behalf of those who cannot or will not stand and fight.

I believe that the next monument in Washington D.C. will not be built to honor these corrupt and evil people. It will instead be built for Patriots of this generation, who against all odds and against all the power a dictatorship can bring to bear gave their all for posterity. I do understand what John Quincy Adams said, when he admonished our young Republic that posterity would never know, how much that (patriotic) struggle cost his generation.

...Yes sir, I believe I do. ■■■

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hold, the line went dead for 30 minutes, after which I hung up.

The next day, I went to see if my September bill was available online yet, and it was. What I discovered there was a Past Due notice that said the August amount was past due and the September bill was due immediately along with the August portion. I again called Charter and explained that I was on Autopay, and asked how this could happen. After arguing several minutes back and forth about this, and explaining to them that this is not my fault, I finally told them to GET THEIR EQUIPMENT OUT OF MY HOUSE IMMEDIATELY.

I am done dealing with a company that has no clue what they are doing. I then went and filled out a complaint with the

Better Business Bureau. I can't believe they took September's bill out of my account without even notifying me! As I write this 3 days later, I still do not have the paper copy of the September bill. I will NEVER deal with this company again.

**Mike  
Wisconsin**

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While Lee is satisfied with the final outcome to his issues, he maintains his opinion that the solution was only due to his status as a journalist.

Lee said of his research into Charter, "Obviously there are a lot of people out there who have serious issues with Charter Communications, and many are making what could be considered accusations of criminal conduct against the company. You only have to do an online search to find it."

On a solution Lee said, "Hopefully Charter can turn things around before there is another class-action suit filed or the Attorney General gets involved. But,

I hope Mr. Allen, who I have a great deal of respect for, will hear just how hurt so many feel by a company he is a part of that he will change Charter for the better. Only time will tell. Until then, a great many people will continue to feel they are stuck with their Charter experience."

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# Immigration

## How US Atty. Sutton Stacked the Deck Against 2 Border Patrol Agents

By Michael Cutler  
NewsWithViews.com

William E. Gladstone, former Prime Minister of Great Britain from 1868 to 1894 is famously remembered for his quote, "Justice delayed is justice denied."

An article appears in today's edition of the Washington Times written by a staff reporter Sara A. Carter. She was also awarded the Eugene Katz Award for journalism by the Center for Immigration Studies, a Washington-based think tank with which I have been associated for a number of years.

The news report in question discusses the arraignment of Osvaldo Aldrete Davila, a Mexican citizen who has been charged with conspiracy to distribute hundreds of pounds of marijuana in the United States between June 2005 and November 2005. What makes this seemingly routine matter anything but routine is the fact that Border Patrol Agents Ramos and Compean were involved in an incident in which they fired a number of shots at the alleged smuggler after they attempted to stop him when they found him on the U.S. side of the Mexican border and he resisted arrest and then, according to the agents, spun around and pointed an object at them. They stated that they believed that he was holding a weapon and was about to shoot them. In short, they claim that they were acting in self defense. This is a reasonable concern that they articulated and it is my opinion that it is entirely likely that Aldrete Davila was armed because after the incident the vehicle he was observed driving just before the encounter was found to have hundreds of pounds of marijuana concealed within it. In my many years of experience in dealing with drug traffickers, it is virtually unheard of that a drug trafficker or smuggler would be moving a significant load of illicit drugs or cash and not be armed to protect his cargo.

According to the account of the Border Patrol agents, they did not believe that they had struck him with their bullets and therefore they did not file a written report of the incident to their superiors but believed that their boss who showed up minutes after the incident knew that shots had been fired. While it may well be that these two agents committed an administrative infraction where the failure to file a report is concerned, the incredible thing about this event is that they were charged with using firearms in the commission of a crime. It is my understanding that the intention of that law was to provide additional punishment to any criminal who uses a weapon in the commission of a crime. An example of this would be an alien smuggler who is armed at the time he is smuggling illegal aliens into our country or perhaps smuggling drugs into the United States. Other such crimes involving a firearm come to mind, but the point is clear, the law was obviously meant to punish armed criminals. This is a strategy that makes good common sense. In the case of Ramos and Compean, however, the weapons that they carried on the day of the incident were weapons that they were authorized to carry inasmuch as they were Border Patrol Agents and are required to carry firearms while on duty for obvious reasons.

What is even more disturbing is that the jury that heard the case against the

Border Patrol Agents was never told that Osvaldo Aldrete Davila had been subsequently arrested with a load of narcotics several weeks after the incident in which he was purportedly shot by the agents.

When United States Attorney Johnny Sutton appeared before a Senate Judiciary Committee hearing he made a number of statements that I could dissect but will, for the sake of brevity focus on one particularly disturbing statement that he made. To quote from the transcript of the hearing:

"Some critics have claimed that all drug smugglers like Aldrete carry guns, and that my prosecution of Agents Compean and Ramos had a chilling effect on other Border Patrol agents, causing them to fear using their firearms. I believe both assertions are mistaken. From January 2004 through March 2005, there were 155 drug seizures at the Fabens Border Patrol Station, totaling over 43,000 pounds of marijuana. In none of those seizures was a gun found. Over the longer period between October 1, 2001, and February 15, 2006, the Fabens Border Patrol Station reported the seizure of only one firearm from a total of 496 drug seizures, totaling more than 131,000 pounds of marijuana. This is not to say Border Patrol agents' jobs are not difficult and dangerous, or that drug smugglers are never armed, but it is inaccurate and misleading to assert that all drug smugglers are armed. The fact is that drug mules in El Paso almost never carry guns." [emphases added]

I would ask you to pay particular attention to the last sentence of the paragraph above that I have highlighted. The sentence is extremely important because it represents the sort of misleading statements that, in my experience, the bad guys often use in order to alter perceptions of reality by stating something that is but itself true, but represents a distortion of reality. Aldrete Davila was a smuggler and not a mule. In the parlance of illegal aliens, smugglers and law enforcement officials, mules are illegal aliens who are, in one way or another coerced into carrying narcotics on their bodies. They are never armed because they themselves are a part of the cargo or load that the smuggler or coyote is paid to move across the border into the United States. Smugglers are not mules. By making that statement, Sutton stated a fact that is true when taken by itself, therefore he was not committing perjury before the Senate Judiciary Committee. This is important because had he openly lied, he could have himself been prosecuted for perjury. So he uses an inappropriate term that does not truly describe the nature of Aldrete Davila's activities, comparing him to a mule rather than a smuggler or coyote which is in reality what he was on the day of the incident. Smugglers would no more provide a mule with a gun than would a law enforcement officer provide a prisoner with a gun. This is a point that, to my knowledge has never been made before but is one that is well worth considering.

Now we come to the Washington Times news article. It is amazing that just three weeks before the appeals for the convictions of Ramos and Compean are to be heard that Sutton suddenly indicts Aldrete Davila. Why did he wait nearly two years to do this? Only he truly can answer that question. The point

is that while Ramos and Compean may have mishandled the incident, in my judgement, they should never have been prosecuted for criminal violations and certainly they should never have been charged with the additional charge of possessing a firearm in the commission of a crime. Many members of the United States Congress and Senate are in agreement about this.

I have been to the Mexican border and it is a perilous place to be. There are numerous reports of armed criminals and indeed, members of the Mexican military who are heavily armed moving significant distances into our country apparently shepherding significant loads of narcotics into our country. We also know that our nation is the focus of terrorists who would want to enter our country, possibly with weapons of mass destruction to carry out attacks on our nation and our citizens. The outrageous prosecution of these two valiant Border Patrol agents did more than put these two men and their families through a living hell, it also served a message to their colleagues in the Border Patrol that when they go to work each day, they may not only lose their lives to the violent smugglers and criminals that easily cross our nation's borders, but they may lose their jobs and their freedom to the very government that employs them.

The apparently malicious prosecution of Border Patrol Agents Ramos and Compean represents a threat to the safety and security of the United States and its citizens, because it has to have a chilling effect on the other valiant members of the United States Border Patrol.

The administration has had an abysmal track record where the security of our nation's borders and the enforcement of our nation's immigration laws are concerned. Johnny Sutton is a long-time friend of the President going back to the days before George W. Bush even ran for the Presidency. This administration has consistently failed to take common sense steps to secure the borders and provide the resources to get this critical job done.

I have no direct knowledge about the final sentence in that Washington Times article concerning a statement attributed to a defense attorney for Ramos: "David Botsford, an attorney for Ramos, said that based on Mr. Sutton's news release and Aldrete Davila's testimony, it appears Aldrete Davila was smuggling "large quantities of marijuana into the United States" with a visa issued by the Department of Homeland Security." Certainly if this is accurate it raises extremely disturbing questions about integrity at DHS, an agency I have unfortunately seen fit to refer to as the Department of Homeland Surrender.

It is time that Ramos and Compean were released from prison and that they be pardoned and compensated by this clear miscarriage of justice.

We the People should make our concerns known to our elected representatives and to the White House as well!

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# Leading presidential candidates on immigration

# Immigration

**(Reuters)** - With just three weeks before Iowa kicks off the state-by-state battle to choose the Republican and Democratic candidates for the November 2008 presidential election, politicians are walking a careful line between appeasing anti-immigration sentiment and trying not to turn off a growing segment of Hispanic voters.

Following is a summary of the leading 2008 U.S. presidential candidates' positions on immigration reform.

## DEMOCRATS:



New York Sen. Hillary Clinton

Supports a guest-worker program for immigrants if it does not undermine U.S. workers' wages and favors giving undocumented workers a way to become legal workers. Backed building a border wall. Urges development of an employer verification system and higher penalties for employers who exploit illegal immigrants.



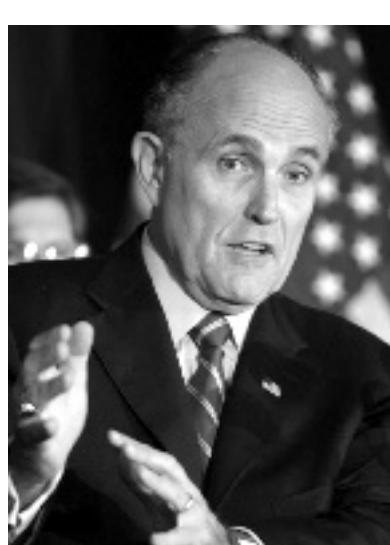
Illinois Sen. Barack Obama

Backs additional personnel, infrastructure and technology to safeguard U.S. borders and ports. Urges reducing application fees and improving speed and accuracy of FBI background checks for immigrants. Supports a program in which illegal immigrants pay fines, learn English, do not violate the law and go to the end of the line to become citizens. Favors creating a program for employers to verify an applicant's immigration status.



Former North Carolina Sen. John Edwards

Urges doubling the number of Border Patrol agents, installing surveillance technology to police the border and increasing enforcement against employers who hire illegal immigrants.



Former New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani

Supports building the border fence and maintaining 20,000 Border Patrol

## Joke of the Day

Jose and Carlos are panhandlers.... They panhandle on different areas of town. Carlos panhandles just as long as Jose but only collects 2 to 3 dollars every day.

Jose brings home a suitcase FULL of \$10 bills, drives a Mercedes, lives in a mortgage free house and has a lot of

agents. Urges issuing a single biometric identification card to foreigners, creating a national database and removing those immigrants who have overstayed their visas. Backs deporting illegal immigrants who commit felonies and requiring immigrants to read, write and speak English. Opposes driver's licenses or similar identification for illegal immigrants.



Former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee

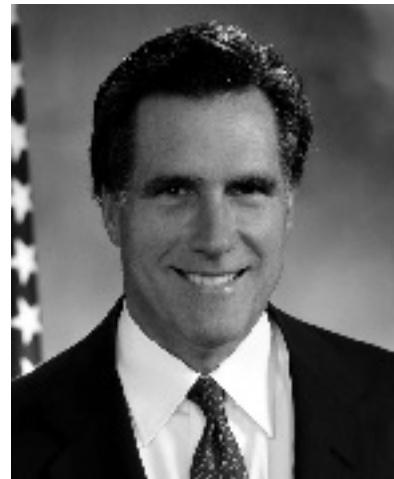
Says securing borders must be a top priority and has reached the level of a national emergency. Supports the \$3 billion the Senate has voted for border security. Says people caught trying to enter the United States illegally must be detained, processed and deported. Opposes giving driver's licenses to illegal immigrants and supports legislation to prevent states from doing so.



Arizona Sen. John McCain

Initially supported temporary guest worker program for illegal immigrants but has since shifted his position to emphasize border security first.

(Editor's Note: Where's Ron Paul?)



Former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney

Backs securing the border with a wall, fence or electronic surveillance. Urges creating a biometric documentation program and establishing a verification system. Supports an increase in legal immigration into the United States and opposes compromise on immigration amnesty. Against driver's licenses for illegal immigrants.



Former Tennessee Sen. Fred Thompson

Opposes providing any legal status to illegal immigrants and urges tougher enforcement against them and their employers. Backs cutting off federal funds to cities that try to restrict communications with the Department of Homeland Security about an individual's immigration status. Urges finishing border wall by 2010, expanding Border Patrol to at least 25,000, making English the official language and improving the legal immigration process.

**SOURCES:** campaign Web sites and appearances.

To read more about the U.S. political campaign, visit Reuters "Tales from the Trail: 2008" online.

(Writing by Jeremy Pelofsky and Paul Grant) ■■■

money to spend.

Carlos says to Jose "I work just as long and hard as you do but how do you bring home a suitcase full of \$10 bills every day?".

Jose says, .... "Look at your sign, what does it say?"

Carlos sign reads 'I have no work, a

wife and 6 kids to support'."

Jose says "No wonder you only get \$2-3 dollars" Carlos says... "So what does your sign say"? Jose shows Carlos his sign.....

It reads, "I only need another \$10.00 to move back to Mexico."

(Author Unknown)

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# Health



By Kim Dixon

**GAITHERSBURG, MD (Reuters)** - The safety of influenza drugs is under scrutiny as advisers to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration on Tuesday analyzed abnormal psychiatric behavior seen in some patients, especially children.

Medical experts are reviewing cases of patients taking Roche Holding AG's <R O G . V X > Tamiflu and GlaxoSmithKline Plc's <GSK.L> Relenza experiencing hallucinations, delirium and other abnormal behavior. In the case of Tamiflu, several cases resulted in erratic behavior, including jumping from buildings, resulting in death.

It's the third time health officials are publicly discussing flu drug safety, originally prompted by reports two years ago of a dozen deaths, including suicide, of children in Japan who had been taking Tamiflu.

Japan in March warned against prescribing Tamiflu to those ages 10 to 19 when more than 100 people, mostly young, showed signs of strange behavior after taking the drug. It also broadened its probe to other flu drugs, Relenza and amantadine, after additional reports of abnormal behavior.

FDA staffers are recommending a stronger label warning for Tamiflu to note patient deaths and suggest close monitoring children for behavioral changes. For Relenza, addition of a warning about hallucinations and delirium is recommended.

Although there is still no evidence of a direct link, the contribution of the drugs cannot be ruled out, FDA safety reviewer Dr. Adrienne Rothstein told the panel, which will vote later on Tuesday on whether to beef up labeling warnings.

Known generically as oseltamivir, Tamiflu is a pill, while Relenza, generically known as zanamivir, is inhaled. Makers of both drugs have stood by their safety, citing no direct

evidence of cause and effect.

Two earlier FDA panels found no evidence of a direct link between Tamiflu and the deaths, although the FDA did ultimately update Tamiflu's label to add a caution urging close monitoring of patients for abnormal behavior such as delirium or self-injury. Relenza's label has no such warnings.

About 48 million people have taken Tamiflu worldwide, including 21 million children, since approval in 1999, according to Roche. Relenza is much less widely used, by about 4 million people since its launch in 1999.

The Japanese have adopted the drug much more broadly than the United States, with a large majority of the worldwide use of Tamiflu occurring in Japan.

Tamiflu had lackluster sales as a drug to prevent and treat seasonal flu, but got a second life when it was the first drug to show real efficacy in fighting a strain of bird flu that raised fears of a human pandemic. Since then, Tamiflu has been



stockpiled by governments preparing for a potential flu pandemic.

The influenza virus is a major cause of death and illness in the United States. Complications from the viral illness kills about 36,000 people a year in the country, a government expert told the panel. Children and seniors are especially at risk.

Four drugs are approved for influenza, but generic amantadine and rimantadine are no longer recommended for use as many strains of the virus are resistant to them.

(Reporting by Kim Dixon; editing by Andre Grenon)

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## 3 Common Drugs Trigger Most ER Visits by Seniors

By Randy Dotinga  
HealthDay Reporter

**(HealthDay News)** - Side effects from just three drugs are responsible for a full third of all U.S. emergency room visits by senior citizens who had adverse reactions to medications, a new study found.

In 2004 and 2005, the blood thinner warfarin, the diabetes drug insulin and the heart drug digoxin caused about 58,000 emergency room visits a year in those 65 and older, the researchers found.

The major problem is that it's hard to determine the correct dose for each drug, said study lead author Dr. Daniel Budnitz, a medical officer with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

"It's challenging," he said, "and it takes work between the patient and physician to get the dose just right."

Budnitz and his colleagues undertook the study to determine the danger posed to senior citizens by a long list of drugs that have been deemed "potentially inappropriate" for use in the elderly.

The researchers looked at several surveys of emergency room visits from 2004 and 2005. The study findings are published in the Dec. 4 issue of the Annals of Internal Medicine.

Forty-one drugs are on the list -- called the BEERS criteria -- of medications considered inappropriate for the elderly. But they accounted for just 3.6 percent of a total of about 177,000 annual emergency room visits.

Warfarin (also known as Coumadin), insulin and digoxin (which has a number of trade names) posed many more problems. (Digoxin is also on the list of potentially inappropriate drugs for the elderly, but it's only listed as a potential problem if taken in certain situations.)

All three medications are well-known,

commonly used drugs and all can create problems in some cases.

Warfarin, often prescribed to heart patients, prevents blood clots by thinning the blood, but can cause excessive bleeding if the blood becomes too thin. Insulin treats diabetes but can sometimes cause blood sugar levels to drop to dangerous levels. And digoxin, a long-used drug, can cause a variety of problems from nausea to erratic heartbeats.

In some cases, there aren't good alternatives to these three drugs, although some doctors consider digoxin to have outlived its usefulness, the study authors noted.

Doctors can monitor the levels of all three drugs with blood tests, Budnitz

said. Simple finger-prick blood tests allow testing of blood sugar levels, and similar tests measuring clotting ability are now available in some clinics for people taking warfarin, he said.

The study results are "a reminder that doctors and patients need to work on doing the best job we can managing these medicines," Budnitz said. "The answer isn't to take away medications."

Dr. Knight Steel, head of geriatric medicine at Hackensack University Medical Center in New Jersey, said the study results aren't really surprising. Doctors have long known the risks of the three drugs in question, he said, adding that the research doesn't provide any new information.

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**Medford's Mail Tribune ...**

**It's Time to Push Back**

Meanwhile Bob Hunter continues his lawsuit to get access to private information on 6,500 CHL permit holders. Does he expect these permit holders to wring their hands exclaiming, "Oh dear, what shall we do? Big Bad Bob is suing the sheriff." Well, Big Bad Bob and his Publisher James Grady Singletary may have a case of acid reflux when they read this.

The Mail Tribune, like all newspapers, is profit motivated and has payrolls to meet. If they can't pay, they can't play, and the presses roll to a halt. No money to fund a law suit to sue the sheriff and carry out their antigun agenda. The money they get comes from advertisers, and there are lots of them during the holiday season. For example, recently Crater Lake Ford had a full page colored

ad, Lithia Toyota had a full page colored ad, Sherm's Thunderbird Market had a full page colored ad, Peterson Cat had a full page ad, each of which cost over \$1,000. The Mail Tribune has lots of ads, and each dollar paid helps support a newspaper that is antagonistic to gun rights. Now if a few of the 6,500 CHLs feel threatened that Bob Hunter could have access to their personal information, they could quite easily make Hunter the Hunted. A letter could be sent to Hunter's advertisers explaining they felt the advertiser was funding and enabling the Mail Tribune to carry out an antigun agenda and intimidation of CHL holders and future applicants. The advertiser should certainly be encouraged to stop funding the paper until Hunter dropped the lawsuit against Sheriff Winters affecting 6,500 CHL holders. If the businesses disagreed, they could be picketed. Drastic measures are required in an

issue this important. No business wants picketers outside its doors, especially thousands of CHL holders in Jackson County during the holiday season or for that matter any time. It's a good bet gun owners around the state would be glad to make a trip to Jackson County and help with the picketing if they were invited. However, it's highly probable that the letter would take a toll on the ad dollars used to fund the Mail Tribune lawsuit against Sheriff Winters, and picketing would not be necessary. This same tactic can be used against any newspaper in the country which needs to become attuned to Second Amendment Rights.

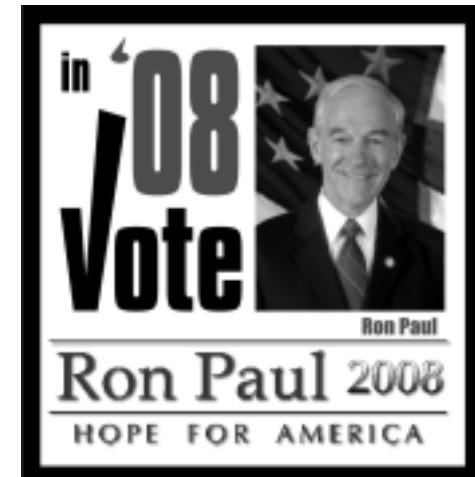
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## NORTH AMERICAN UNION

### Major Media Now Dismissing, Rather Than Ignoring, NAU Threat

By JBS Staff

Regular readers of THE NEW AMERICAN know that we have repeatedly warned that our political and academic elites hope to merge the United States, Canada, and Mexico into a North American Union (NAU) modeled after the European Union. But the unfolding plans to create a supranational government in our own continent have been almost totally ignored by our mainstream media — until recently.

On November 25, for instance, the Boston Globe published in its Sunday

edition a major-length article ridiculing the existence of any plans to create the NAU while acknowledging that “we surely haven’t heard the last of it.” Entitled “The amero conspiracy,” a reference to a future North American currency which the Globe claims “appears to be purely theoretical,” the article noted that the NAU is a common question raised by voters in Iowa (the first presidential caucus state), that GOP presidential candidate “Ron Paul has made the North American Union one of his central issues,” and that this

magazine has devoted an entire issue to the NAU.

Three days later, Ron Paul was asked during the CNN/YouTube Republican presidential debate if he really believes there is a plan to create a North American Union. He answered in the affirmative and cited as an example the NAFTA Superhighway. The Los Angeles Times then devoted an entire article to dismissing Paul’s response as well as the John Birch Society’s warnings about the NAFTA Superhighway. Entitled “Paul believes

in threat of North American superhighway,” the article claimed: “As alarms about NAFTA’s illusory highway have spread across the Web, the issue’s whiff of paranoia has ignited sparks of humor.”

In truth, the NAU threat is based on solid evidence, not mindless paranoia. For the facts, see our “Merger in the Making” special issue on the NAU.

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### Birching Congress on the North American Union

By Jim Capo  
John Birch Society

Members of the John Birch Society around the nation have worked hard to warn their fellow citizens, and legislators at the local, state, and national levels, of the danger posed by the effort to build a North American Union. Those living within a day’s round-trip drive of Washington, DC are lucky enough to be able to personally deliver timely and important information on this and other subjects directly to members of Congress.

Previous days of member action in Congress have included distribution of information in the battles over the Oman Free Trade Agreement, the SPP, and the Ramos-Compean travesty of justice. This Wednesday we added to our growing list of Congressional activities the distribution of copies of The New American special issue on the NAU as part of our 1 Million x 2 campaign. (As a talking point to prove the existential threat posed by the NAU, we also included info on the recent claim by NAFTA tribunal judges that they have the authority to over-ride federal circuit and state supreme court rulings.)

Every American citizen who can should spend a day in the halls of Congress. You never know what experiences await you. In earlier action we ran across the Columbia Free Trade deal delegation going from

Congressional office to Congressional office — escorted by M-16 toting security officers!

This time we were taken aback in the opposite direction. While taking a picture of one of our groups outside the Cannon Office Building, we inadvertently blocked the sidewalk. The result was that we gave a gentleman waiting behind us the chance to overhear our conversation about the North American Union. After waiting patiently for our picture to be completed, he approached our team of patriots and introduced himself as Congressman Paul Broun. Dr. Broun is our newest member of Congress. He won the special election to replace recently deceased Congressman Charlie Norwood of Georgia — one of the champions in Congress who fought valiantly against CAFTA.

Now here is the pleasant surprise part: While remarking to us that he is well aware of the dangers these so-called trade agreements pose to our sovereignty, Congressman Broun reached into his breast pocket and produced his copy of the US Constitution which he carries with him at all times. He went on to relate how his office has been instructed to follow his four-way test in determining the merits of all legislation:

“Is it Moral/Right? And, by that I mean Biblically sound.”  
“Is it Constitutional?”

“Is it necessary?”  
“Is it affordable?”

Congressman Broun also said he was familiar with another JBS member, former Congressman Larry McDonald from Georgia. In taking his copy of The New American and closing our brief sidewalk chat, he invited JBS members in his district to instruct his office how best to resist the move to merge our country into a North American Union. We are certainly following up on that offer!

Thanks to Congressman Broun, we were off to a great start delivering our message on the NAU to Congress. We went on to be both warmly or politely received by all offices of our representatives. The single exception was the office of Maxine Waters. There, her staffer, either recognizing The New American cover or the North American Union issue, quickly refused our material saying something to the effect of “I’m sure we will have no interest in that.”

As for the offices whose staff were most receptive towards our message, as you might guess, they were Virgil Goode’s, Duncan Hunter’s, Walter Jones’, Tom Tancredo’s and several others.

If you would like to help create grassroots pressure on Congress to block the North American Union, please click here to donate to our “Million x Two, Block the NAU!” campaign to

raise one million dollars to distribute one million copies of the special “North American Union Edition” issue of The New American magazine to opinion molders throughout the U.S.

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**“The global challenges faced by North America cannot be met solely through unilateral or bilateral efforts or existing patterns of cooperation. They require deepened cooperation based on the principle, affirmed in the March 2005 joint statement by Canada, Mexico, and the United States, that ‘our security and prosperity are mutually dependent and complementary.’**

**Establishment by 2010 of a security and economic community for North America is an ambitious but achievable goal that is consistent with this principle and, more important, buttresses the goals and values of the citizens of North America, who share a desire for safe and secure societies, economic opportunity and prosperity, and strong democratic institutions.”**

*--Council on Foreign Relations conclusion in their 2005 report “Building a North American Community”*