

Legal "Craft" Observer Hammers Nevada Corruption Sonnentag Felonies Dropped With Prejudice

By Curt Chanler and
Jeanne Wollman

Cries of outrage resonate throughout the country as government officials, both elected and hired, trample the rights of the citizen. The most common response when discussing their lack of attention to our rights is "No! They can't do that!" Unfortunately they can and are. Public officials are allowed to break the law through several legal avenues. They can simply ignore the law, pervert the law for their own agenda or make a law that perverts the law. It is the arrogance of unlawful power.

The most egregious cases with perhaps the most potential for damage to the American way of life are *Pierson v Ray*, *Imbler v Pachtman* and *Briscoe v LaHue*.

PIERSON v. RAY, 386 U.S. 547 (1967) establishes immunity for judges even when they are acting maliciously and corruptly in order that they are "at liberty to exercise their functions with independence and without fear of consequences." This is noted as per *Scott v. Stansfield*, L.R. 3 Ex 220, 223 (1868) as quoted in *Bradley v. Fisher*, supra, 349, note, at 350.

Do you really think judges are acting in the public's best interest when stifling or misconstruing the law? Or, if they are acting "maliciously and corruptly"? What about the judge that comes to court unprepared or dozes off during testimony? Do you think it is to the public's advantage to have a judge corrupted whether through intent, a basic meanness of spirit, or laziness?

In *IMBLER v. PACHTMAN*, 424 U.S. 409 (1976) the Supreme Court held that a state prosecutor acting within the scope of his prosecutorial duties was absolutely immune to civil suit for damages even if the allegations of wrongdoing were true.

Does this doublespeak mean that it is okay for the prosecutor to act illegally if

With dedication and resolve to fight for all citizens nationwide who have been falsely charged by a corrupt legal/justice system, the US~Observer staff has recently seen the fruits of their efforts pay off huge dividends in seeing the total vindication of Bud Sonnentag. By publicly exposing the facts to the world once again the truth has prevailed against corruption. Over our many years of publishing, the Observer's mantra remains unshakable... "Stand up to evil and it will flee from you."

By Investigative Reporter
Kelly Stone

Nye County, Nevada – On December 16, 2004, two false, manufactured felony charges against Bud Sonnentag of Gabbs, Nevada, each carrying a life sentence, were formally dismissed in Nye County Justice Court located in Tonopah, Nevada. The trumped up sex abuse charges were Nye County's last ditch effort in their

two year attempt to break Sonnentag.

According to Sonnentag, his attorney Dave Houston of Reno, Nevada stated, "This is the first time I have ever had a newspaper run one of my cases." Fortunately for Sonnentag (a 62 year-old war hero without even a traffic ticket on his unblemished record) he contacted the Observer in early May of 2003, and hired the hard-hitting investigative team of journalists to assure his vindication on the dangerous and "opportunistically motivated" felony charges filed against him.

An Unbelievably Corrupt Case History

Nye County's corrupted justice system held Bud Sonnentag hostage for two years before the Observer's media pressure finally placed Nye County District Attorney Robert S. Beckett's unconscionable office under enough exposure that they were literally forced to drop their malicious charges. At the same time and without even knowing

it, they would be exposing their facade before the entire country (see the in-depth case history through April 2003 at www.usoregonobserver.com).

Gabbs residents Christopher and Tracy Kephart originally obtained the help of deputy Pat Thyne in getting false charges filed on Bud Sonnentag because he was attempting to help their daughter. When Thyne questioned the daughter she repeated three separate times that Bud Sonnentag had done nothing to her, yet the corrupted deputy filed serious sex abuse charges anyway. Sonnentag told the Observer, "I believe the Kepharts were giving their daughter dope because I witnessed sores around her nose and I truly believed she was being molested at home. When I witnessed the sores I also saw that there was something seriously wrong with her behavior and I knew that it was the result of drugs."

Sonnentag was originally charged on December 27, 2002 with a felony that didn't match the false charges being leveled



Bud Sonnentag stands vindicated.

against him and a misdemeanor which had already been found to be unconstitutional by the Nevada Supreme Court (showing DA Beckett's incompetence). On January 1, 2003 a restraining order against domestic violence that didn't legally apply to Sonnentag was issued by Justice of the Peace Joe Maslach on the basis of an affidavit by "known drug users Christopher and Tracy Kephart."

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Sheriff Caught in Doggone Lie

By Investigative Reporter
John Taft

Grants Pass, OR -- A Bulldog firmly attached to one's hindquarters can prove to be difficult to shake off as the Josephine County Sheriff has discovered. On October 15, 2004, Dave Daniel was on a local AM radio station attempting to do just that. His success in doing so is questionable as the US Observer is still hanging on exposing Daniel's follies. Daniel used his radio time to dig up an old bone of contention in an attempt to discredit the Observer.



Sheriff Dave Daniel.

Nearly four-years ago the Observer published a story on the alleged beating of a police dog down in the JoCo jail. This has been digging at Daniel ever since. Daniel started off on the air with this line, "If Mr. Taft would ever report both sides of a story and certainly report the truth ..." Translated that means the Observer writer is mean spirited, doesn't get his facts right, and lies to boot.

Sheriff's Competency Questioned

In this issue we will reprint the story Daniel refers to with some explanation and let the reader decide who is kidding who.

Many have and are questioning Daniel's competency as a sheriff. Remember what former DA Tim Thompson wrote in his often-quoted letter to the editor; Thompson was of the opinion Daniel didn't have the qualifications to be a sheriff. In December Daniel caused

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Ingram – Weidner Hearing

By Investigative
Reporter
Edward Snook

Bend, Oregon – On February 7, 2005, at 2:00 p.m. Roger Weidner and others will once again face off in court with attorney Claud Ingram.

The Observer has published articles on Ingram and his numerous clients. The articles covered events and allegations, most of which are public record. In return for our coverage Ingram has sued us on behalf of three different clients. Each and every suit is frivolous. In the process of investigating Ingram, we find that he has made it a practice to file frivolous suits against often helpless people, unable to afford a defense. Ingram and his charades are carried out in a court/legal system in Oregon that is totally broken.

The Observer chooses to continue exposing Ingram's corruption whether he or his courts like it or not. We have a



Weidner right confronting Ingram left

constitutional right to publish public record, just as we have an absolute right to publish allegations which have been made publicly. Further, we have both a right and a duty to expose facts to the public such as Claud Ingram having twenty-plus complaints against him, filed with Oregon State Bar.

Roger Weidner has been battling Ingram for the past few years as he attempted to help protect victims of Ingram's frivolous suits.

Citizens possess the right to attend and witness any public hearing or trial. Individuals concerned with protecting their rapidly diminishing rights should attend the hearing in Bend on February 7, 2005. ■■■

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On June 27, 2003 Sonnentag was charged with violating the bogus restraining (for tipping his hat as he drove down the street to pick up his mail at the Post Office) and intimidation of a police officer. The violation never reached court and the false intimidation charge was quickly swept under Nye County’s well used carpet due to the fact that two witnesses were present who would expose Thyne’s false charge. This carpet is the place Nye County conceals all civil rights violations and it has worked very well for the so-called officials until they experienced the full exposure provided by the US Observer.

In response to Observer pressure the State of Nevada, via Nye County, charged Sonnentag with an escalated felony on August 21, 2003, thinking they could intimidate the Observer and Bud Sonnentag the way they have intimidated countless other victims over the years. Their bully tactics only served to cause the Observer to inform them we planned to escalate our efforts to expose their repeated violations of Sonnentag’s civil rights and that is a promise we have kept. The new felony didn’t match the manufactured false charges and this charge was eventually swept under the same carpet as the first charges.

On September 24, 2003 Sonnentag appeared in Nye County Justice court where his attorney Ken Ward informed him that all the charges were going to be dropped in ninety days. Ward actually struck the deal during a phone conversation with Edward Snook wherein according to Ward, Nye County agreed to drop the false charges if the Observer would stop publishing facts regarding the illegal activities of District Attorney Robert Beckett, Deputy District Attorney Donn Ianuzi, Justice of the Peace Joe M. Maslach and Deputy Patrick Thyne. Ken Ward told investigator Edward Snook, “the DA’s office wants to drop all charges, but they want ninety days to make sure everything goes right,” or in other words to make sure the Observer stopped publishing articles. In December 2003, Ward again spoke with Snook, informing him that the DA’s office was going to take an additional ninety days. At this point Sonnentag became fed up with the severe abuses leveled at him and he informed Snook that he wanted to expose all the corruption that had occurred in his case. Edward Snook, not wanting Sonnentag to enter a corrupted court room, was able to convince him to give the DA another 3 months as Snook believed they would finally keep their word.

In early March Sonnentag’s attorney informed him that the charges were being dropped, but that Nye County wanted to keep the restraining order in place a few more months “just to make sure everything goes ok.” In other words Nye County was obviously afraid of further exposure coupled with a possible federal civil rights lawsuit.

Sonnentag was furious at this juncture and in a meeting with Edward Snook they decided they had listened to far too many lies and that it was time to expose the entire conspiracy. According to Edward Snook, “I contacted our legal counsel about the case and they warned me that if Sonnentag sent tort claim notices to the corrupt officials and I published another article, they would most likely up the charges against him in an attempt to protect themselves. I then met with Sonnentag and explained this and told him I agreed with our attorney.” Sonnentag’s response was, “To hell with them!” Sonnentag went ahead and sent his tort claim notices (March 25, 2004) and at the same time we went to press with the complete story (see volume #1 – number 7 at www.usoregonobserver.com). Tort claim notices were sent to Nye County Sheriff Tony Demeo, Justice of the Peace Joe Maslach, Deputy District Attorney Donn Ianuzi, District Attorney Robert S. Beckett, Nevada State Attorney General Brian Sandoval, Nye County Legal Counsel Ron Kent, Deputy Patrick Thyne and Deputy Craig Barber.

Attorney General Sandoval was served because he has been informed of all the facts regarding the attempted false prosecution of Sonnentag and failed to act when he knew or should have known that the Nye County officials were using their positions of authority within the justice system to wrongfully inflict enormous pain, anguish and agony on Bud Sonnentag.

Sheriff Anthony Demeo was served because he knew or should have known that his deputies (Pat Thyne and Craig Barber) were wrongfully using their positions to falsely prosecute and persecute Sonnentag. It is puzzling why Demeo would allow such abuses, given the fact that he is well known among property rights circles for his stand against federal government intrusions on property owners in the West. It’s always disappointing when a public official appears to be legit and then allows corruption around him to taint both his image and his character.

Immediately upon reading the Observer and receiving their tort claim notices the Nye County officials - with help from state officials - openly furthered their conspiracy against Bud Sonnentag by filing two new felony

charges against him, each carrying a life sentence. This act by the conspiring officials topped all others to date and placed a nail in their coffin regarding Sonnentag’s ability to prove they violated his civil rights.

Sonnentag was arraigned on April 27, 2004 in Nye County Justice Court in front of a totally corrupted Justice of the Peace Joe Maslach. Sonnentag appeared without an attorney as Ken Ward had applied to the court to be allowed to withdraw and in one more of their back room deals, Maslach gladly allowed Ward’s request. Maslach informed Sonnentag in front of approximately 30 witnesses that he had two weeks to get another attorney and that he would be back in court before him for a trial. Sonnentag inquired about the insane, yet extremely serious charges and the rude and arrogant Maslach stated, “We can add charges all day long if we want to.” What a corrupted excuse of a Justice of the Peace. In this writers opinion, Maslach and those who have conspired with him to ruin Sonnentag’s life should be removed from office and sent directly to a federal prison. This would definitely occur if the officials in control of the justice system in Nevada were more concerned about ethics and corruption within their ranks than they are about greed, cover-ups and the facades they promote around the world, as they seek more tourism and gambling dollars and therefore more power and control.

On May 6, 2004 Sonnentag was forced to hire attorney Dave Houston out of Reno and the charade started all over again. When Edward Snook interviewed Houston he told him how Ward had malpracticed Sonnentag, how the State of Nevada had abused him in stripping him of every right imaginable and that Sonnentag wanted to have a trial without any plea bargaining or deals. Houston assured Snook that he would get right on the case and have his investigator go to Gabbs and speak with all the witnesses. Snook informed Houston that he already had all the facts and witness statements and that the investigator simply needed to speak with him. As soon as Houston received Sonnentag’s retainer he followed the same path as Ken Ward. His investigator never called and Houston never talked to one witness...

Our readership should keep in mind the fact that all charges would have been dismissed months before had Sonnentag chose to allow the State of Nevada to continue violating his rights in the form of a restraining order. In short, Sonnentag’s character and values cost him plenty of time and money.

After Houston and the DA had postponed the case several times, Nye County once again made a deal to drop

the charges. This occurred after a new threat of exposure by the Observer and after the people who had falsely accused Sonnentag were arrested on felony drug charges as well as child endangerment charges.

Running For Cover

Sonnentag appeared in Nye County Justice Court on December 16 where the felonies were dropped with prejudice, meaning they can never be brought up again. At the hearing Sonnentag was informed Nye County had another bogus restraining order violation (9464), which he was never informed of or formally charged with. The State of Nevada had to manufacture another false charge at this juncture because they had to have a charge in order to make their dismissals appear valid. Playing on Sonnentag’s forgiving nature, Houston took him aside and told him that if he would agree to go through an evaluation by one of Houston’s experts that Deputy District Attorney Donn Ianuzi wouldn’t lose his job over the case. Apparently District Attorney Beckett told Ianuzi he would be fired if Sonnentag wouldn’t agree. After Houston guaranteed Sonnentag it would turn out fine (meaning that the expert is simply a bought and paid for expert) the good-hearted Sonnentag agreed to go.

In the written agreement between Sonnentag and the DA, the only charge still on the books is the cooked-up restraining order violation and it will be dropped as soon as a positive evaluation is produced.

As we go to press Sonnentag is still waiting for the results of the test. Both the evaluator and his attorney assured him that the test would be positive, however Sonnentag was told he would have the results well over a week ago. This gives us some concern that the corrupt officials in Nevada State government might just have got to the evaluator. If this does happen our readership can expect yet another chapter in the Bud Sonnentag false prosecution case. However, the bottom line is that Sonnentag has been totally vindicated and all those involved have factually violated just about every right that Sonnentag once possessed.

Any good attorney will have a hay day with this case and hopefully one of the attorneys the Observer has dealt with will step forward and sue the hell out of Nevada for their well documented destruction of Bud Sonnentag.

The Observer sincerely hopes that God will have mercy on all the corrupted and vile individuals in places of authority in Nevada, who have taken part in the well-conspired assault on Bud Sonnentag, a true American hero. ■

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Sheriff Caught in ...

\$230,000 in insurance and county money to be spent to cover the lawsuit costs for improperly firing two sheriff deputies, Wayne Dykes and Carroll Huffman. In addition to the \$230,000 are the costs to defend Daniel and the suit against the county. The Observer has put in a request to the county for the actual amount of the attorney fees and expenses which will no doubt come in at tens of thousands of dollars. When you win in arbitration you usually have a better case than the other guy does.

Daniel ran for election as sheriff saying he could handle the job without an Undersheriff. Daniel recently appointed Lt. Brian Anderson as the new Undersheriff. Now Josephine County has two sheriffs at a cost of at least

\$160,000 a year for salaries and benefits. What does Daniel do all day now that he doesn’t have to be a sheriff but still gets paid for the job? Daniel is elected and has no one to oversee what he does. Apparently for good reason, he has been staunchly in opposition to a citizens’ review panel. Now he can do as he pleases and get paid to do it and no one is watching. Daniel wants personal loyalty from the deputies and those that give it are often well rewarded. Those deputies that give their loyalty to the public and the position are the cream of the crop. It appears that deputies that don’t give that personal loyalty to Daniel may be fired like Wayne Dykes and Carroll Huffman and others. Fortunately these deputies had legal recourse and were vindicated. Other

deputies improperly fired by Daniel were rehired. A few years ago the deputies association (union) cast a ballot of nonsupport for the sheriff. Daniel no doubt will spend a lot of his spare time following the county commissioners and baying at their heels begging for a bone. Is Dave Daniel worth \$160,000 a year?

Prior to the November election Daniel was a guest speaker in favor of a jail levy to fund more beds in the county jail. Previous guest speakers were critical of Daniel and he was given the opportunity to answer his critics who were opposed to a new jail levy and Daniel. Here is the text of a portion of that interview that brings up the dog story.

Sheriff Daniel: “Certainly I would love to comment on that. Mr. Taft calls

himself an investigative reporter and unfortunately he only investigates one side of the issue and reports on that one side. Let me give you an example of that. He wrote up a big article awhile back in the Oregon Observer that he writes for and he ah ah complained about ah canine handler beating his dog to the point of ah bloodying it all over the the jail. And and that was his investigative report ah ah they were doing canine training in the jail they have grates on the ah steps that go from the first to the second level. One of the dogs ah cut his paw on one of those grates and and certainly tracked some blood around. It had to be cleaned up by an inmate and and that’s the problem. If Mr. Taft would ever report both sides of a story and certainly report

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Known simply as "Judge" on Fox News Channel, Andrew Napolitano has released a blockbuster book on the misuse and abuse of power in the U.S. criminal justice system – and today, WND readers can get it at a very special 35 percent discount!

"Constitutional Chaos: What Happens When the Government Breaks its Own Laws" makes the case that there is a pernicious and ever-expanding pattern of government abuse in America's criminal justice system.

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It should be against the law to break the law. Unfortunately, it is not. In early 21st century America, a long-standing dirty little secret still exists among public officials, politicians, judges, prosecutors and police. The government – federal, state and local – is not bound to obey its own laws. I know this sounds crazy, but the events recounted in this book prove it true. "Constitutional Chaos" should be a wake-up call for every American who prizes personal liberty in a free society.

Because it breaks the law, the government is not your friend. When I arrived on the bench, I had impeccable conservative Republican law-and-order credentials. When I left eight years later, I was a born-again individualist, after witnessing first-hand how the criminal justice system works to subvert and shred the Constitution. You think you've got rights that are guaranteed? Well, think again. Because the government breaks the law and denies it, the government is not your friend.

Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty, particularly when it comes to the American criminal justice system. Nowhere else does the state have greater raw power over an individual's life, liberty, and property. And nowhere else are our constitutionally guaranteed rights and freedoms under such a relentless, subtle and ultimately devastating attack.

Because the government breaks the law and hides it, the government is not your friend.

An attorney, law professor, commentator and judge, Napolitano is Fox's chief legal analyst and substitute host of "The Big Story." In his new book, Napolitano gives specific examples of government agents figuratively thumbing their noses at the Constitution.

Continues Napolitano in the book's introduction:

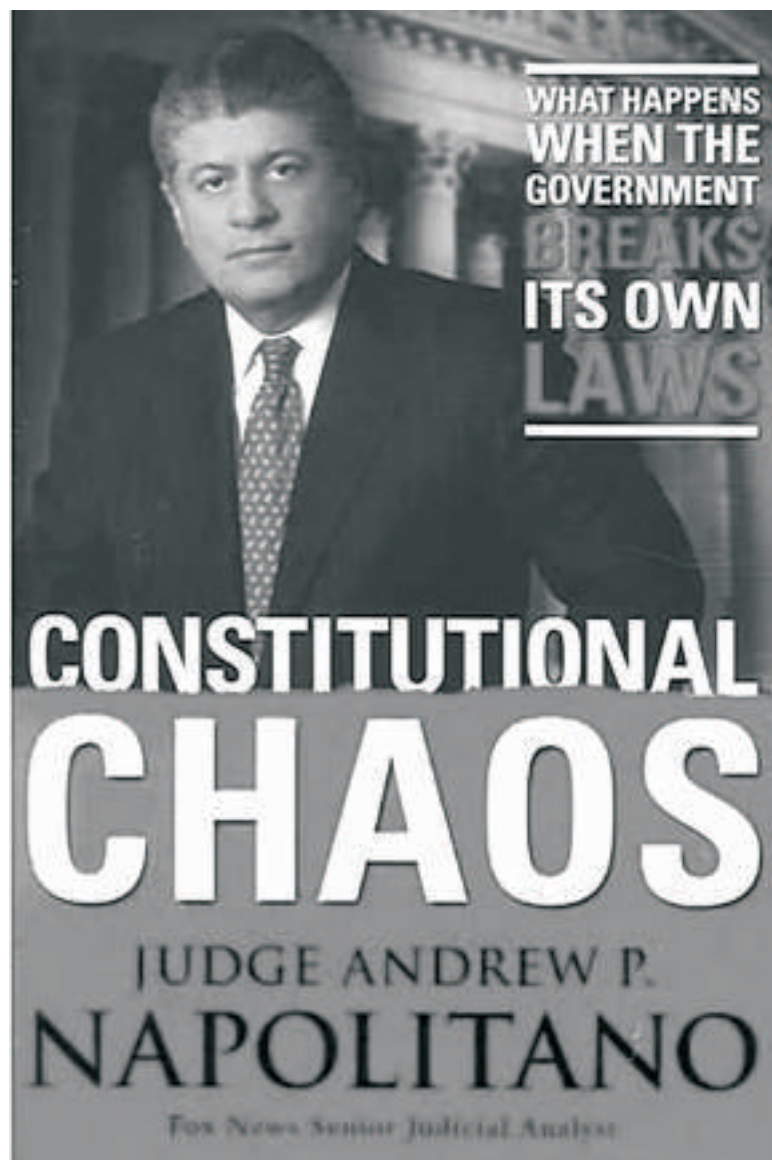
Even though the Constitution, through the First Amendment and 14th Amendment, commands that neither the federal government nor the state governments can abridge the freedom of speech, you will see shortly that the government regularly prosecutes Americans for speaking freely and punishes them when they say things that the government doesn't want to hear. Despite the government's duty to use its power to protect us, you will see how the federal and state governments have failed to protect us and have enacted laws which make it impossible for us to protect ourselves.

Despite the government's obligation to protect us from crime, you will learn that the government actually creates crime by setting traps for the ignorant, the naïve, the criminally inclined and those it hates.

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“Legal” Unaccountability

he perceives this to be within the scope of his prosecutorial duties? Prosecutors pledge to obey the Constitutions of the United States and the state and to faithfully and honestly perform the duties of the office. Yet, the Supreme Court decrees that the prosecutor is immune to civil suit even if the allegations of wrongdoing are true!

In BRISCOE v. LAHUE ET AL it states that Title 42 U.S.C. 1983 (1976 ed., Supp.V) asserts that a claim for damages cannot be made against a police officer for giving perjured testimony at the defendant’s criminal trial.

In other words when an officer of the law, under oath, gives perjured testimony which results in a defendant being convicted, there are no sanctions, but if Martha Stewart talks informally to an FBI agent she goes to jail. What is wrong with this picture?

There is case after case where the rights of the people are trampled while those in government are elevated to the status of superior beings in direct violation of our Constitution and the law. When the Laws of our nation are twisted to allow perversions such as these, why are there no howls of outrage or demands for change?

The first thing is recognition of the problem. The word must be spread that some within the government have contrived to seriously diminish the citizen’s rights to equal protection under the law.

Too many laws now fall under statutes, ordinances and codes which are dealt with administratively. Even though the laws are to follow constitutional precepts, they do not. In the interest of more money and control for the county or city the public has been sold a bill of goods that costs them greatly in time, money and loss of rights. Our commissioners, mayors, judges, officers of the law and some public employees have opted for more restrictive laws that diminish our rights in order to enhance their positions and powers. They are empire building!

Anyone involved with court watch

will quickly see that our courts are too often money machines that oppress the innocent as quickly as the guilty. There are instances where the system is far more lucrative for the attorneys than their clients. The administrative courts—probate, social security, forestry, IRS, etc.— often do not offer the full protection of a judicial court and can ruin the lives of those appearing before them.

At every level of government the citizen must ascertain whether each law does align with Constitutional dictates. Question whether your public servants are following the law. Read and know your Constitution. Many legislators have copies for their constituents.

While you are at your legislative office question your legislator and check his voting record. Do not assume he is working for you. If he is not courteous and willing to talk to you, remember that the next time you vote. Make sure your public official follows through on the promises made while campaigning. Remember that at every level of government you are the boss and they are the employee! If you hold their feet to the fire...

It must be noted that many, government employees are diligent and honest, doing the best job they can. They deserve our highest accolades.

What must be rooted out are those public servants who no longer believe in government by, for and of the people. Americans are not serfs! Our rights must be closely guarded and defended when necessary. The government should never be allowed to break the law in order to enforce a law. All statutes or case law dealing with immunity must be done away with and our legislative branches of government are the ones that can accomplish this. It is imperative that we re-gain control of our judiciary and justice system and put an end to judges who create their own laws, lawyers who swindle their clients and officials who act above the law. All public servants must be accountable, not immune.

It is your efforts that pay for this government. Are you getting your money’s worth? Ask questions. Demand answers.

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It Can't Happen Here

By Congressman Ron Paul

In 2002 I asked my House colleagues a rhetorical question with regard to the onslaught of government growth in the post-September 11 th era: Is America becoming a police state?

The question is no longer rhetorical. We are not yet living in a total police state, but it is fast approaching. The seeds of future tyranny have been sown, and many of our basic protections against government have been undermined. The atmosphere since 2001 has permitted Congress to create whole new departments and agencies that purport to make us safer- always at the expense of our liberty. But security and liberty go hand-in-hand. Members of Congress, like too many Americans, don't understand that a society with no constraints on its government cannot be secure. History proves that societies crumble when their governments become more powerful than the people and private institutions.

Unfortunately, the new intelligence bill passed by Congress two weeks ago moves us closer to an encroaching police state by imposing the precursor to a full-fledged national ID card. Within two years, every American will need a "conforming" ID to deal with any federal agency -- including TSA at the airport.

Undoubtedly many Americans and members of Congress don't believe America is becoming a police state, which is reasonable enough. They associate the phrase with highly visible symbols of authoritarianism like military patrols, martial law, and summary executions. But we ought to be concerned that we have laid the foundation for tyranny by making the public more docile, more accustomed to government bullying, and more accepting of arbitrary authority- all in the name of security. Our love for liberty above all has been so diminished that we tolerate intrusions into our privacy that would have been abhorred just a few years ago. We tolerate inconveniences and infringements upon our liberties in a manner that reflects poorly on our great national character of rugged individualism. American history, at least in part, is a history of people who don't like being told what to do. Yet we are increasingly empowering the federal government and its agents to run our lives.

Terror, fear, and crises like 9-11 are used to achieve complacency and obedience, especially when citizens are deluded into believing they are still a free people. The loss of liberty, we are

assured, will be minimal, short-lived, and necessary. Many citizens believe that once the war on terror is over, restrictions on their liberties will be reversed. But this war is undeclared and open-ended, with no precise enemy and no expressly stated final goal. Terrorism will never be eradicated completely; does this mean future presidents will assert extraordinary war powers indefinitely?

Washington DC provides a vivid illustration of what our future might look like. Visitors to Capitol Hill encounter police barricades, metal detectors, paramilitary officers carrying fully automatic rifles, police dogs, ID checks, and vehicle stops. The people are totally disarmed; only the police and criminals have guns. Surveillance cameras are everywhere, monitoring street activity, subway travel, parks, and federal buildings. There's not much evidence of an open society in Washington, DC, yet most folks do not complain-- anything goes if it's for government-provided safety and security.

After all, proponents argue, the government is doing all this to catch the bad guys. If you don't have anything to hide, they ask, what are you so afraid of? The answer is that I'm afraid of losing the last vestiges of privacy that a free society should hold dear. I'm afraid of creating a society where the burden is on citizens to prove their innocence, rather than on government to prove wrongdoing. Most of all, I'm afraid of living in a society where a subservient populace surrenders its liberties to an all-powerful government.

It may be true that average Americans do not feel intimidated by the encroachment of the police state. Americans remain tolerant of whatthey see as mere nuisances because they have been deluded into believing total government supervision is necessary and helpful, and because they still enjoy a high level of material comfort. That tolerance may wane, however, as our standard of living falls due to spiraling debt, endless deficit spending at home and abroad, a declining fiat dollar, inflation, higher interest rates, and failing entitlement programs. At that point attitudes toward omnipotent government may change, but the trend toward authoritarianism will be difficult to reverse.

Those who believe a police state can't happen here are poor students of history. Every government, democratic or not, is capable of tyranny. We must understand this if we hope to remain a free people.

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Judge ends order blocking immigration initiative

The Associated Press

A federal judge on Wednesday ended a temporary restraining order blocking enforcement of a voter-approved initiative to deny illegal immigrants some public benefits.

The order means the initiative becomes Arizona law.

U.S. District Judge David C. Bury temporarily barred the state from implementing Proposition 200 on Nov. 30, after the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund asked him to declare it unconstitutional.

MALDEF's lawsuit raised questions about the constitutionality of the initiative approved by voters Nov. 2, and Bury said in his order that he wanted more time to consider the issue.

Proposition 200 requires proof of immigration status when obtaining certain government services and proof of citizenship when registering to vote. Government workers who don't report illegal immigrants seeking benefits could face jail time and a fine.

Backers sold the measure during the campaign as a way to begin cracking down on illegal immigration in Arizona, the busiest illegal entry point on the U.S.-Mexico border.

Gov. Janet Napolitano, who opposed the measure during the campaign, signed a proclamation putting the initiative into effect but prohibited implementation of its provisions on public services until Bury made a decision.

Prior to the Wednesday ruling, Napolitano said the state was prepared to implement the law.

MALDEF's lawsuit argued that Proposition 200 is unconstitutional because it usurps the federal government's power over immigration and naturalization.

The group contends the law will harm families who depend on public benefits for basic necessities and could potentially cut them from all state services.

The measure wasn't intended to affect federally mandated services.

Arizona Attorney General Terry Goddard has concluded that Proposition 200 applies only to non-mandated welfare benefits.

Supporters of the measure, however, filed a lawsuit Nov. 18 seeking to broaden its scope to include benefits such as public housing, food assistance, college education and employment benefits. ■■

By Jerry Seper
The Washington Times

Illegal immigration costs the taxpayers of California — which has the highest number of illegal aliens nationwide — \$10.5 billion a year for education, health care and incarceration, according to a study released yesterday.

A key finding of the report by the Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR) said the state's already struggling kindergarten-through-12th-grade education system spends \$7.7 billion a year on children of illegal aliens, who constitute 15 percent of the student body.

The report also said the incarceration of convicted illegal aliens in state prisons and jails and uncompensated medical outlays for health care provided to illegal aliens each amounted to about \$1.4 billion annually. The incarceration costs did not include judicial expenditures or the monetary costs of the crimes committed by illegal aliens that led to their incarceration.

"California's addiction to 'cheap' illegal-alien labor is bankrupting the state and posing enormous burdens on the state's shrinking middle-class tax base," said FAIR President Dan Stein.

"Most Californians, who have seen their taxes increase while public services deteriorate, already know the impact that mass illegal immigration is having on their communities, but even they may be shocked when they learn just how much of a drain illegal immigration has become," he said.

California is estimated to be home to nearly 3 million illegal aliens.

Mr. Stein noted that state and local taxes paid by the unauthorized immigrant population go toward offsetting these costs, but do not match expenses. The total of such payments was estimated in the report to be about \$1.6 billion per year.

He also said the total cost of illegal immigration to the state's taxpayers would be considerably higher if other cost areas, such as special English instruction, school meal programs or welfare benefits for American workers displaced by illegal-alien workers were added into the equation.

Gerardo Gonzalez, director of the National Latino Research Center at

California State at San Marcos, which compiles data on Hispanics, was critical of FAIR's report yesterday. He said FAIR's estimates did not measure some of the contributions that illegal aliens make to the state's economy.

"Beyond taxes, these workers' production and spending contribute to California's economy, especially the agricultural sector," he said, adding that both legal and illegal aliens are the "backbone" of the state's \$28 billion-a-year agricultural industry.

In August, a similar study by the Center for Immigration Studies in Washington, said U.S. households headed by illegal aliens used \$26.3 billion in government services during 2002, but paid \$16 billion in taxes, an annual cost to taxpayers of \$10 billion.

The FAIR report focused on three specific program areas because those were the costs examined by researchers from the Urban Institute in 1994, Mr. Stein said. Looking at the costs of education, health care and incarceration for illegal aliens in 1994, the Urban Institute estimated that California was subsidizing illegal immigrants at about \$1.1 billion a year.

Mr. Stein said an enormous rise in the costs of illegal immigrants in 10 years is because of the rapid growth of the illegal population. He said it is reasonable to expect those costs to continue to soar if action is not taken to turn the tide.

"1994 was the same year that California voters rebelled and overwhelmingly passed Proposition 187, which sought to limit liability for mass illegal immigration," he said. "Since then, state and local governments have blatantly ignored the wishes of the voters and continued to shell out publicly financed benefits on illegal aliens.

"Predictably, the costs of illegal immigration have grown geometrically, while the state has spiraled into a fiscal crisis that has brought it near bankruptcy," he said.

Mr. Stein said that the state must adopt measures to systematically collect information on illegal-alien use of taxpayer-funded services and on where they are employed, and that policies need to be pursued to hold employers financially accountable.

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COWS

To the Editor

Is it just me, or does anyone else find it amazing that our government can track a cow born in Canada almost three years ago, right to the stall where she sleeps in the state of Washington. And they tracked her calves to their stalls. But they are unable to locate 11 million illegal aliens wandering around our country. Maybe we should give them all a cow.

CONSTITUTION

They keep talking about drafting a Constitution for Iraq. Why don't we just give them ours? It was written by a lot of really smart guys, it's worked for over 200 years and we're not using it anymore.

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Oregon News

ODFW Incompetence? Oregon’s controlled Mule Deer Hunting

By Greg R. Wilson

Central Oregon – I am writing in hopes that someone will take action to make some important and fair changes to the current mess that is the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife’s (ODFW) controlled Mule Deer Hunt Lottery System.

I believe I speak for the majority of Mule Deer hunters when I tell you that Oregon has the worst and most discriminating system on the West Coast.

I live, work and pay taxes in Central Oregon. In spite of this, I am often denied by a computer, the right to enjoy Mule Deer rifle hunting in my own area.

We are required to purchase a hunting license at a cost of \$22.50 before we can apply for a controlled Mule Deer hunt, which is non-refundable. Then we must pay a \$4.50 fee for a controlled Mule Deer hunt application, which is also non-refundable. If you are denied the opportunity to hunt Mule Deer, it has just cost you \$27.00 for nothing!

It doesn’t take a genius to know that there are a lot more Mule Deer in eastern Oregon than there are Elk. Yet, if a hunter applies for a controlled hunt for Elk, and is denied, there are two general seasons that will give residents a chance to hunt for Elk, not so for Mule Deer. If we get denied, that’s it for another year!

I am 51 years old and have hunted in Oregon as a resident most of my life. I have two adult sons that were raised around a campfire during deer season and know what it is like to enjoy hunting. Now, I’m raising my youngest son at the age of 13 and he has only been able to hunt Mule Deer one time. Last January I suffered a heart attack. I now find myself asking how many deer hunting trips my youngest son will miss because of this discriminating system? It is just not right that he should miss out because of Oregon’s mismanagement.

As for “First Time Youth Hunts,” what a joke. Your chances are 50/50 at the very best and it usually includes a long

distance trip in order to hunt. Once again we should be able to hunt Mule Deer in our local area.

The applications for Mule Deer controlled hunts are deceptive at best. They claim to give you five choices of hunt units to apply for, but if you’re declined on your first choice, that’s it. No one ever gets drawn for their second through fifth choices.

It seems the only way we can hunt Mule Deer anymore in Oregon is to be lucky in a computer drawing, a raffle, or to be rich enough to spend \$25,000 in Oregon’s infamous Big Game Auctions. Indeed, the ODFW doesn’t seem to manage game anymore, only money!

When the controlled system was first started it was required that those who were selected had to purchase their tags by July 31st. At least, ODFW officials could offer tags not purchased to other hunters who were denied in the original draw, now even this has been changed.

Indeed, now if someone is picked in the original Lottery for a controlled hunt, if they pass away, become ill, or for whatever reasons are unable to purchase or use their tag, no one else is given a chance for that tag. Furthermore, anti-hunter groups have no problems applying for tags just to keep as many hunters out of the woods as they possible can.

The ODFW has had its history of scandals, including the clubbing of hatchery salmon and the illegal obtaining of controlled hunt tags by its own employees and upper level staff.

Many other states have controlled hunt systems that have succeeded in managing big game in order to increase numbers and Buck to Doe, or Bull to Cow ratios, while allowing all that want to hunt to do so. It is not as complicated as ODFW would claim.

As it is now, other states such as Idaho laugh at ODFW, yet they treat Oregon hunters better and more fairly than their own state.

Some ODFW officials will see things differently, but even they have to realize that the current system promotes poaching of our Mule Deer. After all, local residents who enjoy hunting here are growing increasingly frustrated about spending their hard earned money only to learn every June that some computer in Salem tells them that they must stay home in October, while others hunt in their local area. Because of this, some will have a “Go to Hell” attitude and will simply kill a game animal anyway, which is the saddest result of

all. Please help myself and others to right these wrongs so that those of us who enjoy our hunting heritage will be able to create the memories we love for our children.

I believe that if the right people ask the right questions and talk to the resident hunters across Oregon, the current flawed system won’t stand the light of day.

I wrote letters in 1999, which stem from my petitions sent to Oregon State Representative Tim Knopp in an earlier attempt to have the system changed. The response from Oregon to Rep. Knopp show an arrogant ODFW claiming a strong support from the hunting public in creating the current system. I would like to know what public they talked about because it is sure as hell not the public I have been in contact with!

I challenge the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to engage in an honest public survey of Oregon hunters, of what we think of your system and our ideas on how to improve it. Make your survey results honestly public and act on them.

***Edward Snook’s Note:** As Mr. Wilson clearly points out, the ODFW is unaccountable and dishonest at best. All Oregonians need to wake up and realize that Oregon’s agencies have run completely amuck. They squander our tax dollars, they disrespect law abiding citizens and they falsely accuse innocent people of violating their bogus rules on a regular basis. There is absolutely no difference when an agency such as SOSCF steals a child or ODFW steals a hunting right. One may be more serious, but both examples should cause any taxpayer with half a backbone to start demanding and stop bowing down...*

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Klamath Falls farmers destroyed by illegal species listing

by, Devvy Kidd
NewsWithViews.com

Very few things render me speechless anymore, but the press release yesterday from the Pacific Legal Foundation left me mute:

Klamath River Salmon Protections Ruled Illegal - Federal Court says Endangered Species Listing of Klamath Coho is Bogus

Klamath Farmers and Businesses Driven to Bankruptcy - for Fish That Should Never Have Been Listed

"EUGENE, OR; January 12, 2005: Coho salmon in the Klamath River Basin region have been illegally listed under the Endangered Species Act as a threatened species, a federal judge declared yesterday. Ruling from the bench, Judge Michael Hogan agreed with Pacific Legal Foundation that the federal government violated the ESA when it failed to consider hatchery fish in its assessment of coho in southern Oregon and northern California rivers. ESA protection of coho in the Klamath River was a significant factor in the government's devastating decision to shut off irrigation water to Klamath Basin farmers in the spring of 2001.

"This victory came too late for the farmers who where pushed into bankruptcy and the businesses that were forced to close to protect fish that were never endangered," said Pacific Legal Foundation attorney Russ Brooks. "Our rivers and streams are teeming with salmon, yet the Klamath community was practically destroyed because of environmental politics run amok."

"The case, Grange v. National Marine Fisheries Service, had been stayed by Judge Hogan pending environmentalists’ attempts to appeal PLF’s landmark victory in Alsea Valley Alliance v. Evans (2001). In that case, Judge Hogan held that the government had illegally listed coho along the Oregon coast as threatened when it excluded hatchery coho from fish counts. The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals rejected the appeal in February, 2004.

"In yesterday's ruling, however, Judge Hogan did not set aside the illegal listing, but left it in place while the agency completes the review of 26 west coast salmon listings, which it agreed to undertake as a result of its loss in Alsea. In June, 2004, NOAA proposed a new hatchery policy, but simultaneously announced that it would result in the relisting—not delisting—of west coast

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The flag of Oregon is the only state flag with different pictures on each side. On the reverse appears a beaver the state animal. Both sides have a field of navy blue with design in gold. The front picture includes a heart shaped shield with an eagle on top, surrounded by thirty-three stars. (The number of states in 1859.)



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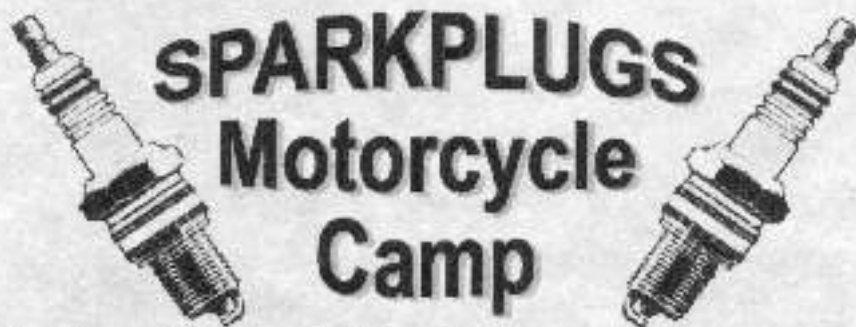


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salmon and steelhead populations.

"However, Judge Hogan also indicated that if a federal agency took a specific enforcement action on behalf of the illegal listing which caused harm, those harmed could go to court and ask to have the federal action stopped.

"In other words, as long as the federal government complies with Judge Hogan's ruling that the listing is illegal, there won't be a problem. But if they try to cut off the water again or take some other similar action, we'll be back in court," Brooks said.

"In November, 2004, PLF announced it will file a sweeping lawsuit challenging all 26 listings if NOAA enacts the proposed policy and continues to distinguish between hatchery and naturally spawned fish. The final rule is scheduled to be published in June, 2005."

Due to the corporate media apparatus censoring real news, very few people in this country even had a clue about the dire situation which hit the decent men and women of the Klamath Basin in early 2001. Out of the blue, and in violation of water rights agreements that had been in effect for a hundred years, the feds shut off life giving water to the Klamath Basin driving farmers into bankruptcy and an entire community into dire financial straits over what now turns out to be an illegal action by government employees. The desperate folks in that area immediately sought help from the federal court which denied their desperate pleas on April 27, 2001. The court said "...the Endangered Species Act clearly gives threatened and endangered fish the highest priority during this drought." Humans would just have to suffer. Some fish was more important than the livelihood of decent Americans.

I went to Klamath Falls in July 2001. It was a shocking experience. I stood face to face with armed federal coppers standing guard over the canal denying the precious water to our farmers. It was quite chilling. I saw a federal sniper sitting up on the hill just watching to make certain these desperate people - and desperate they were - didn't attempt to tear down the barbed wire fence and measures the federal coppers had taken to keep anyone from getting to the canal controls. I looked into the faces of my fellow country men and women and saw despair and rage beyond anything I had ever experienced in my life.

Words cannot describe what I saw and never would I have ever thought I would

see this type of deliberate government destruction against her own people in these united States of America. During the entire time this despicable situation was happening, George Bush, Jr., didn't lift a finger. Didn't direct Congress to act. He sat back and did nothing.

I went back up there September 7-9, 2001 with constitutional attorney Larry Becraft to talk with some of these farmers who had lost everything to give them a good overview of their legal options. What these beaten people were facing was a monstrous situation against a leviathan beast and ten or twelve different state and federal agencies - millions of dollars in legal fees. Money these people didn't have because the government had killed their ability to even grow their own food. That's right. The fields in the surrounding area were fallow with nothing but weeds growing, farmers were actually going hungry! Food was trucked in by caring Americans. Two days after I got home, 9/11 hit and any promise of help by the a few Congress critters and local politicians became dust in the wind.

The Endangered Species Act (ESA) has always been one of the most heinous mechanisms being used against the American people and once again, it's authority is derived from treaties. The Endangered Species Act of 1973 derives its authority and power from five international treaties most Americans have never heard of, and if it doesn't disturb their comfort zone, they could care less about what happens to their fellow Americans.

Examine Section 2, paragraph (4) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 and you will find:... "the United States has pledged itself as a sovereign state in the international community to conserve to the extent practicable the various species of fish or wildlife and plants facing extinction, pursuant to migratory bird treaties with Canada and Mexico; the Migratory and Endangered Bird Treaty with Japan; the Convention on Nature Protection and Wildlife Preservation in the Western Hemisphere; the International Convention for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries; the International Convention for the High Seas Fisheries of the North Pacific Ocean; the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora; and other international agreements; and;"

The Western Convention is part and parcel to this destructive ESA, yet few have any knowledge of this destructive

treaty. This is how the one world order agenda is being implemented: circumventing the U.S. Constitution by having the counterfeit U.S. Senate ratify treaties. Most Americans and few attorneys understand the issue of jurisdiction and treaties and whether enforcement under international treaties is incumbent upon domestic Americans. See Reid v Covert which retired Judge J.J. Boesel cited in his fine legal writings pinpointing why America's participation in the UN is unconstitutional.

Larry Becraft expressed to me during our phone conversation regarding this latest court decision that anyone in the Klamath Basin area impacted by this illegal listing of the coho salmon should get a lawyer and file a Federal Tort Claim against the U.S. Government. I hope they are awarded a billion dollars. I can also tell you with certainty: not one single federal employee will even be repimanded over their illegal actions. No one will be held accountable for the destruction. You can take money to the bank on that.

Is there any doubt in my mind this was no bureaucratic mistake? See: RICO lawsuit filed against U.S. Forest Service. A prime example of how government employees lie and falsify data. These are not isolated incidents. The Internet is full of stories of victims of this tyrannical government and yet Congress has never seen fit to bring these rogue agencies and the gangsters who work for them under control.

There is one final thing to note about this deliberate destruction of so many lives: during the summer of 2001, California was experiencing huge black outs, we found out later than ENRON had been cheating the power suppliers, driving my gas & electric bill up to \$300 a month. But, more importantly, there was a water shortage threatening the multi-billion dollar tourist and ag industries in this state. By diverting the water from the farmers, down came huge amounts of water from Oregon and suddenly California's water woes were over, tourism and the San Joaquin Valley were saved. While I don't have the resources to investigate this, I'd bet a great deal that this listing of the salmon was no harmless error by some government flunky. In a convoluted route, it was done to make sure California had the water it needed for the multi-billion dollar farm corridor and the billions of dollars Southern California gets during the summer in tourism.

The magnitude of the human tragedy which occurred in Klamath Falls is immeasurable and it will continue until this tyrannical government is brought to its knees and forced to return to constitutional principles and restrictions. That isn't going to happen until the House of Representatives and U.S. Senate is cleaned out and true constitutionalists with the guts to do what has to get done are elected. That isn't going to happen until all electronic ballot machines are tossed in the garbage where they belong.

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Oregon News

Grants Pass well records quakes world wide

GRANTS PASS (AP) — A well drilled 300 feet deep to study fluctuations in groundwater has proven extremely useful for monitoring major earthquakes around the world.

The well is especially sensitive because it's drilled into an underground rock formation of granite with fractures that all run the same way, channeling more water into and out of the well, said Evelyn Roeloffs of the U.S. Geological Survey's Cascades Volcano Observatory in Vancouver, Wash.

Roeloffs, who has studied the well for more than a decade, said the earthquake that unleashed the devastating Asian tsunami last month roiled the water for more than five hours in a monitoring well 8,429 miles away in Southern Oregon.

The well just north of Grants Pass near the town of Merlin has recorded every quake of magnitude 7.4 or greater throughout the world since 1989 as well as most smaller quakes in California, Oregon, Washington and Alaska.

It's not unusual for wells of all types to register fluctuations in water levels during quakes, but this well is more sensitive than most, geologists say.

In the case of the Dec. 26 tsunami quake, the well's water rose and fell every 20 seconds. The maximum change in water level during one of the cycles was almost 18 inches.

Earthquakes generate seismic waves that contract and expand the Earth, alternately squeezing out water stored in rocks and then allowing the water to flow back into fractures.

Water levels in wells also rise and fall with the Earth's tides — the daily expansion and contraction of the planet's crust caused by the gravitational pull of the sun and moon. Most wells respond to the tides and nearby earthquakes.

"The Earth is basically elastic so it can expand and contract when it's subjected to stress," Roeloffs said.

Employees of the state Water Resources Department noticed something strange on the paper chart that recorded the well's water levels with a pen after it began recording water levels in the late 1980s.

"What would show up on the paper chart was just a vertical line," said Ivan Gall, the state hydrologist who now oversees data collection at the well.

In the beginning, state water officials just clipped news reports of earthquakes to the well's data records and stuck them in a file, says Doug Woodcock, former Josephine County assistant watermaster, who now works for the state water department in Salem.


But after the Landers quake in California's Mojave Desert in 1992, when water levels fluctuated more than 30 inches in the well, they contacted Geological Survey scientists. Scientists went back over the records and matched quakes to water levels, including all big quakes since 1989.

Understanding the changes in the well water may help scientists understand the role of underground fluids in causing earthquakes, Roeloffs says.

"What we'd really like to know is: Do natural fluid pressure changes trigger natural earthquakes?" she said.

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Retired couple victims of predatory legal system

Observer Op/Ed

The following statement was prepared by retired airline pilot Phil Lane detailing his allegations of how attorneys, in and out of state government in Oregon defrauded him and his wife out of \$500,000.00.

In 1997 my wife and I purchased a small 20 acre parcel of land in Tumalo, a community NW of Bend, Oregon from the owner/real estate broker Barbara NicholSEN. After the purchase, NicholSEN's husband told me the adjoining land did not belong to BLM as advertised. Since we had requested land that either adjoined BLM or US forest lands we immediately tried to find out who owned the land. I contacted all the appropriate state and federal agencies that might have an interest in the land and none of them claimed an interest. Finally we found out that the Oregon Water Resource Department thought they might have an interest in the property, a 120 acre parcel of land, ten miles from downtown Bend.

In the meantime we discovered that the land came under a 1894 federal law titled the "Carey Act." This act provided land to eleven western states for homesteading. The states role was to act as trustee, holding the lands in trust for the benefit of the US Government and the eventual settlers. Eventually, approximately 78,000 acres would be deeded out to individual Carey Act homesteaders in the State of Oregon under this program through the 1990's. The Oregon Water Resource Department was the state agency charged with administering the Carey Act within the state.

In our case the two parcels of Carey Act land that we were interested in had not been deeded out or reconveyed to the federal government. The State of Oregon had no information on file about these two parcels. In fact the parcels had fallen off the state's radar scope and had I not become involved, the State would have been none the wiser.

After calling Washington D.C. to make certain the Carey Act laws were still in effect, and learning the true status of the land, I filled out an application with the Oregon Water Resource Department. To my surprise the state approved our application, at least as to forty acres.

The adjoining Carey Act land had been used by Rock Springs Guest Ranch LLC, a corporation owned by attorneys, who had claimed ownership since 1970. In 1971 Rock Springs filed a "roll change" document directing the Deschutes County Assessor's Office to divide off the 80 acre parcel from the master tax account for the state and direct the tax statements to Rock Springs. This particular document was neither signed by whoever prepared the document or the person receiving it on behalf of the county, but Deschutes County accepted it never the less. Then in the mid 1970's Rock Springs filed a bargain and sale deed indicating that Rock Springs was now the "owner" of the 80 acre parcel.

There were no underlying documents to support the transfer to Rock Springs. No contract between the state and Rock Springs has ever been uncovered and the State denies that a contract ever existed. Rock Springs in early 1990 built a large storage building on the 80 acres without a building permit or approval by the

County. The County Assessor's Office showed the building on the wrong parcel of land (land actually owned by Rock Springs). The tax assessment for this property was reflected on the home property rather than the 80 acre parcel. Rock Springs complained about the taxes and because of their connections, the taxes were reduced to \$2.80 a year on the 80 acres.

When we discovered the actual status of the land (Carey Act), Rock Spring's attorneys immediately and in our opinion, fraudulently filed as an intervener, claiming adverse possession (against Gov. land). The cases were consolidated and assigned to Marion County Judge Dickey. The case, at the request of Rock Springs and the State was set over 7 times and ended up never going to trial. Rock Springs attorneys and the State of Oregon attorneys cut a deal whereby Rock Springs Corporation, without making application, and in direct violation of Federal law, could buy the property even though the State of Oregon had no authority to sell the land. The State of Oregon as trustee of the lands, under the Carey Act only had authority to either convey the property to an individual or reconvey it to the Federal Government. It specifically could not convey to a corporation as was done in our case.

I hired Portland Oregon attorney Laura Schroader to recover the losses I had suffered as a result of the alleged fraud involving the State of Oregon and Rock Springs attorneys. When she stopped actively pursuing my claim and after I had paid her \$170,000.00 in legal fees, she started lying to me about attending court appearances she did not attend. I fired her. I then hired attorneys Margaret Fiorino and Julie Vacura and after paying them \$77,000.00 in legal fees and after 4 years of litigation and incurring losses of \$500,000.00 including legal fees, I was forced by Judge Dickey to settle for \$325,000.00.

I was then threatened by Oregon Assistant Attorney General John Urquhart and told not to try and contact the Federal Government to unravel the deal. Urquhart in a letter to my attorney indicated that the State would "reconvey" the land to the Federal Government before the State of Oregon would legally obtain the land, regardless as to how the court might rule. The state, then to add insult to injury, as part of a good-old-boy insider deal, financed the sale of the property to Rock Springs over 20 years at 6% interest.

When I refused to pay the \$32,000.00 that Schroeder said I owed her in legal fees, she sued me. Because neither Fiorino nor Vacura would pursue a malpractice counter claim against Schroader, I hired attorneys Gil Sharp and Tim Vanagas and paid them \$80,000.00 to defend me and pursue my excessive fee claim against Schroeder. After a 7 day trial, where the admission of my evidence was restricted by the court, Oregon State Bar Professional Liability Fund attorneys used former Oregon Court of Appeals Judge Jacob Tanzer to falsely testify against me. The jury awarded Schroeder \$16,000.00 in damages which entitled her as the prevailing party to attorney's fees. Schroeder and the Professional Liability Fund are now asking the judge to award them attorney fees in the sum of \$225,000.00.

So after having done nothing more

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Get Involved in 2nd Ammendment Rights... Or Lose Them!

The Oregon Appeals Court dealt a major blow to the rights of Oregon gun owners on December 8, 2004.

As you probably know, The Oregon Firearms Educational Foundation has been involved in a lawsuit against the City of Portland since 2001.

In December of 2001, the city sponsored a tax-payer funded "New Year's" Party at Pioneer Courthouse Square in downtown Portland.

They spent over \$49,000.00 of tax-payer money to hire "Entercom Radio" to provide "production" help with things like sound and lighting.

Persons with concealed handgun licenses were forbidden from coming to this free public event if they were in possession of their lawful concealed firearms.

On New Year's Eve, we sought a temporary restraining order to stop the city from enforcing this rule, which was clearly in violation of Oregon's pre-emption statute.

The Court refused to grant it and we sued.

The case finally reached the Appeals Court and they have rendered their decision. You can read it at the link below.

The short version is this: While the Court reaffirmed that the city may NOT restrict licensed, concealed carry, they MAY hire others to restrict it.

There is NO QUESTION that this ruling is faulty and wrong. No person or entity can give a right to someone else that they don't have.

We will be working on a detailed analysis of this decision, but two main points were discussed that should be mentioned here.

First, was this a public event, or a private event?

The City paid for the event, it was held on public property, advertised as "City sponsored and open, at no charge, to everyone (except license holders exercising their rights.)"

The Court decided that they would not address this issue, based on the novel notion that it didn't matter because the event was over.

The second issue was whether or not the city could allow someone who "leased" their property to restrict the rights of the public.

This issue may be even more nonsensical. If you "lease" property, you pay for it. In this case, the City was claiming that "Entercom" "leased" the property. However, the CITY paid ENTERCOM, not the other way around. So the discussion of whether a party that leases property can deny the public civil rights has no bearing on this case. Clearly "Entercom" was in no way a traditional lease holder.

The Court however, found that a lease holder COULD deny civil rights to the public. There are plenty of Federal Court decisions that flatly contradict this.

Using the Court's logic, the City of Portland could pay "Basic Rights Oregon" to hold a gay pride parade. Basic Rights could then forbid heterosexuals from being on the streets where the parade was being held.

There are instances in this decision where the Appeals Court flatly misinterpreted cases quoted, particularly where they discuss (in a footnote) the Gathwright case. Here they get the decision exactly backwards and interpret the Gathwright decision to mean the exact opposite of what it did.

We will follow up with a more detail analysis soon, including our future plans, but for now you can read this latest slam on your rights here.

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Tell a lawyer joke, go to jail?

The Associated Press

MEPSTEAD, N.Y. - Did you hear the one about the two guys arrested for telling lawyer jokes?

It happened this week to the founders of a group called Americans for Legal Reform, who were waiting in line to get into a Long Island courthouse.

“How do you tell when a lawyer is lying?” Harvey Kash reportedly asked Carl Lanzisera.

“His lips are moving,” they said in unison.

While some waiting to get into the courthouse giggled, a lawyer farther up the line Monday was not laughing.

He told them to pipe down, and when they did not, the lawyer reported the pair to court personnel, who charged them with disorderly conduct, a misdemeanor.

“They just can’t take it,” Kash said of lawyers in general. “This violates our First Amendment rights.”

Dan Bagnuola, a spokesman for the Nassau County courts, said the men were “being abusive and they were causing a disturbance.” He said he did not have the name of the lawyer who complained.

Americans for Legal Reform monitors the courts and uses confrontational tactics to push for greater access for the public. The pair said that for years they have stood outside courthouses on Long Island and mocked lawyers.

On Monday, however, Kash said he was due in court to answer a drunken driving charge from a year and a half ago. The men are due back in court on the disorderly conduct charge next month. ■■

The case for Commandments Ousted Alabama chief justice says separation of church and state is greatly misunderstood

By Bill Sherman
World Religion Writer

BROKEN ARROW -- Federal judges are distorting the First Amendment and the principle of the rule of law, the Alabama Supreme Court chief justice who was ousted for disobeying a federal court order to remove a Ten Commandments monument from public display told a crowd of 1,500 people Monday.

Speaking Monday evening at the First Baptist Church and in an earlier telephone interview, Roy S. Moore said the principle of the separation of church and state is greatly misunderstood.

"The separation of church and state is a godly doctrine," he said. "There would be no separation of church and state without God.

"But we've been fooled into believing" that the separation of church and state means that civil authorities cannot acknowledge God, he said.

The rule of law and the First Amendment to the Constitution provide for the acknowledgement and worship of God, he said.

Federal courts all the way up to the U.S. Supreme Court have distorted these principles by forbidding any government-sponsored acknowledgement of God, whether by prayer, Bible reading or public displays, he said.

"They're simply wrong -- historically, legally and logically," he said.

Moore illustrated his point with a history lesson that included the Mayflower Compact, the writings of George Washington and Thomas Jefferson, and a 1931 Supreme Court decision that said, "We are a Christian people."

"I feel divine law is, by definition, part of our moral foundation," Moore said.

"For example, you don't find the definition of marriage in the Constitution; you find it in Scripture."

Moore said he has traveled and spoken widely since losing his position as a justice more than a year ago and has found people supportive.

"When the truth is made known, it's very clear, and people can't argue with the truth," he said.

Moore tells his story in a book, "So Help Me God," to be published in March.

Paul Finkelman, a University of Tulsa law professor who was called as an expert witness in the Alabama lawsuit, said Moore is wrong.

The Constitution forbids the government from endorsing or supporting a particular religious viewpoint, and Moore's Ten Commandments monument was particular to Protestantism but not to Judaism, Catholicism or followers of other faiths, Finkelman said.

He said he also disagrees that the Ten Commandments are the basis of American law.

"Much of it has nothing to do with American law," he said, citing requirements to keep the Sabbath, honor one's parents and not covet a neighbor's possessions.

Moore drew national attention in 2003 when he disobeyed an order by U.S. District Judge Myron Thompson to remove the 2.6-ton stone monument from the rotunda of the Alabama Supreme Court building.

His fellow justices overruled him, and the monument was locked in a nonpublic area.

New Report Declares Los Angeles a ‘Judicial Hellhole’

Insurance Journal

A report released by the American Tort Reform Association (ATRA) identifies Los Angeles as one of the nation's nine "judicial hellholes," further emphasizing the need for passage of civil justice reform legislation in 2005, according to the American Insurance Association (AIA).

Judicial hellholes are those jurisdictions across the country where the law is not applied fairly to all parties. ATRA defines judicial hellholes as places that have a disproportionately harmful impact on civil litigation. "Judicial hellholes are a nightmare for businesses and consumers, but a dream come true for trial lawyers," said Ken

In November 2003, the U.S. Supreme Court refused to hear Moore's appeal of the case, and that same month, Alabama's judicial ethics panel removed him from office for defying a federal judge's order.

http://www.tulsaworld.com ■■

Judge Not for Sale, Despite eBay Listing

Associated Press

NEW YORK - A Manhattan housing court judge said he was not amused by an advertisement on eBay that listed him for sale - with worldwide shipping included - posted by a disgruntled litigant.

The ad criticized Judge Jerald R. Klein for the way he dispensed justice and showed a photograph of him smiling, seated in the courtroom. It drew 6,400 and 21 bidders over four days.

"I'd like to know their rules for this," said Klein, who first learned about the posting from a reporter who called him at home.

"I'd like to know what investigation they did before they put this out there," he said in Monday editions of The New York Times.

An eBay spokesman said the company never investigates listings before they are put up for auction on its Web site. There are more than 30 million listings on eBay and 3.6 million are added daily, making it impossible for the company to screen advertisements, the spokesman said.

However, after eBay was made aware of the listing, it took the posting down, citing a number of rules that it said the ad violated, including misleading description, unauthorized use of a photo and unauthorized use of a name.

The ad, entitled "Judge for Sale," was posted last Wednesday by Janet Schoenberg, a disgruntled litigant in a landlord-tenant dispute in New York City Civil Court who said Klein was mishandling the case and that she had exhausted other ways of drawing attention to her case.

"In today's world, this is how people who are not celebrities can get their voice heard," said Schoenberg. She maintained, however, that she meant the ad as a joke. "I didn't expect anybody to actually bid on this," she said. "It was satire, it was parody."

She said that the judge himself was never for sale. In fine print, after accusing the judge of lying and breaking the law, she explained that her posting is a "work of art" and what was actually for

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sale was an audiocassette of the judge's proceedings, which are public record. She said the tape provided proof that she was being wrongly evicted from her rent-controlled studio.

After four days on eBay, the best offer for the judge was \$127.50.

Klein declined to comment on the potential libel issues, saying that he would discuss his next action with court administrators. ■■

Judge's Robe Bears Ten Commandments

Associated Press

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — A judge refused to delay a trial Tuesday when an attorney objected to his wearing a judicial robe with the Ten Commandments (search) embroidered on the front in gold. Circuit Judge Ashley McKathan (search) showed up Monday at his Covington County courtroom in southern Alabama wearing the robe. Attorneys who try cases at the courthouse said they had not seen him wearing it before. The commandments were described as being big enough to read by anyone near the judge.

Attorney Riley Powell (search), defending a client charged with DUI, filed a motion objecting to the robe and asking that the case be continued. He said McKathan denied both motions.

"I feel this creates a distraction that affects my client," Powell said.

McKathan told The Associated Press that he believes the Ten Commandments represent the truth "and you can't divorce the law from the truth. ... The Ten Commandments can help a judge know the difference between right and wrong."

He said he doesn't believe the commandments on his robe would have an adverse effect on jurors.

"I had a choice of several sizes of letters. I purposely chose a size that would not be in anybody's face," he said.

The case raised comparisons to former Alabama Chief Justice Roy Moore, who was removed from office in 2003 for refusing to remove a Ten Commandments monument from the rotunda of the Alabama Judicial Building in Montgomery.

Moore said Tuesday he supports McKathan's decision to wear the Ten Commandments robe.

"I applaud Judge McKathan. It is time for our judiciary to recognize the moral basis of our law," Moore said.

Powell said if he loses his case, he expects the judge's wearing of the Ten Commandments robe to be part of an appeal. ■■

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Open Letter To Deschutes County Sheriff

Dear Sheriff Stiles,

I spoke with your secretary Mary on November 28, 2004 to set up an appointment to speak with you and Deputy Sheriff Blanton about the obvious racketeering scheme being carried out against me by attorneys and judges in Deschutes County. The organized criminal activity by this group is there attempt to steal, through fraudulent legal proceedings, properties that did belong to me and now belong to my daughter Jamie Wheeler and Roger Weidner. The attempted theft of my properties, and those now belonging to Jamie Wheeler and Roger Weidner, has been carried out in shamelessly corrupt “Star Chamber” type proceedings completely devoid of either the “equal protection of law” or “due process of law” guaranteed to all citizens, under both the Oregon and the United States Constitutions.

When I found out my former attorney Anthony Albertazzi was working against my interest I fired him. Even though fired, he continued, without my knowledge or consent, to take legal action against me in my name in furtherance of a conspiracy with my estranged husband Santiago Torres and Torres’s attorney Linda Hasse. When I found out about Albertazzi’s treachery and deceit and double dealing with Santiago Torres and Linda Hasse, Torres’s attorney and live-in girlfriend, I filed suit against them all. When Claud Ingram started representing Linda Hasse and Santiago Torres, Claud Ingram was added to the lawsuit because he had joined in the “on-going” conspiracy to defraud me.

Santiago Torres, Linda Hasse, Anthony Albertazzi and Claud Ingram have been repeatedly confronted in and out of court, on and off the record not only by myself, but by Roger Weidner, former prosecutor and 1998 Oregon Reform Party Candidate for Governor and Wilbur Gaston, head of a political activist group known as a Voice for Children. None of the defendants have challenged the truthfulness of any of the repeated charges of Bribery, Theft, Perjury, Fraud, Collusion, Corruption and Racketeering leveled against them by either myself, Wilbur Gaston or Roger Weidner.

In the instant case my husband, Santiago Torres married me solely for my property, then after we were married he began to severely beat me, once so badly that I feared for my life. Because of the beating, Santiago Torres was arrested and prosecuted and in a plea bargain to avoid a long prison sentence, he plead guilty and served 6 months in jail. I told my former attorney Anthony Albertazzi that Torres, because of the fraud in getting me to marry him and the vicious way that he abused me after the marriage, was to get none of my property. Instead of following my instructions Mr. Albertazzi turned on me and completely deceived me and actively began to work with Torres and Linda Haase to defraud me out of \$150,000 of my property.

Under our constitutional form of government every public official takes an oath of office, including you Sheriff Stiles, to uphold and defend the constitutional rights of the citizens of not only Deschutes County but the State of Oregon. It is your sworn responsibility as the elected Sheriff of Deschutes County to see that my rights to “equal protection” and “due process of law” are observed at all times by the judges, prosecutors and police officers in Deschutes County.

I am scheduled to appear in court in Deschutes County on February 7, 2005 at 2pm to testify under oath about the criminal conduct of attorneys Claud Ingram, Anthony Albertazzi, Linda Hasse and my estranged husband Santiago Torres, in attempting to steal property left me by my late husband. To insure that I am not interfered with I’m asking that you and Deputy Blanton meet with me and others to discuss that appearance and to explain to you why I will be arresting Claud Ingram, Anthony Albertazzi, Linda Hasse and Santiago Torres on Fraud, Conspiracy and Theft charges if any of them appear in court on February 7, 2005. Please have Mary confirm that you will be meeting with me and my supporters on February 6, 2005, at 2:30pm. Because of the magnitude of the judicial corruption involved in this case I am sending copies of this letter to the following listed individuals (not listed in this published letter).

Sincerely,
Patricia Wishon
LaPine, Oregon

"Whose Bread I Eat - His Song I Must Sing" "The Wild Hogs of Horse-Shoe Bend"

By J.G. McDaniel, M.D.

I remember, as a small boy in knee britches, going with my father to hear an address given by the Honorable Stephen Pace, then Congressman from the old Georgia 12th District. It was on the banks of the Ocmulgee River. There was a barbecue, and citizens, especially farmers from all the counties, gathered - this was before the second World War.

It seemed that someone in the Congress had introduced a bill that would give the farmers some money provided they did something. The Congressman vigorously opposed it. I have no idea what it was, because I was watching a "dirt dobber" making a ball of mud. The Congressman snapped me back to attention, however, when he said "I'm going to tell you a true story about the wild hogs that once lived about forty miles down river."

"Years ago," the Congressman said, "in the great Horse-Shoe Bend down the river, there lived a drove of wild hogs. Where they came from no one knew, but they survived floods, fires, freezes, droughts and hunters. The greatest compliment a man could pay to a dog was to say that he had fought the hogs in Horse-Shoe Bend and returned alive. Occasionally a pig was killed either by a dog or a gun as a conversation piece for years to come."

"Finally, a one-gallused man came

by the country store on the river road, and asked the whereabouts of these wild hogs. He drove a one horse wagon, had an axe, some quilts, a lantern, some corn and a single barrel shot gun. He was a slender, slow moving patient man - he chewed his tobacco deliberately and spat very seldom."

"Several months later he came back to the same store and asked for help to bring out the wild hogs. He stated that he had them all in a pen over in the swamp."

"Bewildered farmers, dubious hunters and store-keepers all gathered in the heart of Horse Shoe Bend to view the captive hogs."

"It was all very simple," said the one-gallus man, "First, I put out some corn. For three weeks they would not eat it. Then, some of the young ones grabbed an ear and ran off into the thicket. Soon, they were all eating it. Then, I commenced building a pen around the corn, a little higher each day. When I noticed that they were all waiting for me to bring the corn and had stopped grubbing for acorns and roots, I built the trap door. "Naturally," said the patient man, "they raised quite a ruckus when they seen they were trapped, but I can pen any animal on the face of the earth if I can just get him to depend on me for a free hand-out."

We have had patient men in our central government in Washington for years. They are using our own dollars instead of corn. I still think about the trap door

and the slender, stooped man who chewed his tobacco deliberately, when he spat and turned to the gathered citizens many years ago and said, "I can pen any animal on the face of the earth if I can just get him to depend on me for a free hand-out."

~End

The Price Of Free Corn

The allegory of the pigs has a serious moral lesson. This story is about federal money and lies (promises) being used to bait, trap and enslave a once free and independent people.

Federal welfare, in its myriad forms, has reduced not only individuals to a state of dependency. State and local governments are also on the fast track to elimination, due to their functions being

subverted by the command and control structures of federal "revenue sharing" programs.

The Truth, that will set us free, is in knowing that with so-called "free handouts" lies the beginning and end-all of the whole mess in government that we see today . . . but wild hogs will be pigs 'til the end . . . and sheeple are easier to bait and trap . . . don't even have to use corn or money or anything but hot air, myths, half-truths and outright lies . . . and it all began a whole lot longer than 2000 years ago, and has continued ever since.

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Bush renews malpractice fight

By Scott Lindlaw
Associated Press

COLLINSVILLE, Ill. -- President Bush on Wednesday opened a new drive for caps on medical malpractice awards, contending the limits would lower health care costs. Opponents said such ceilings would merely shield doctors and others who provide poor health care. "I believe the voters made their position clear on Election Day on medical liability reform," Bush said, citing his re-election as evidence of support for a proposal that has passed the House but failed in the Senate.

The renewed battle revived a partisan debate about whether Bush's victory in November gave him a second-term mandate to push his big-ticket items through Congress.

Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., criticized Bush's medical malpractice proposal as well as the president's claim of having new political capital.

"Barely two months after promising to unify and heal the country after a bitter election, the president's again pushing for legislation that will further divide it," Kennedy said.

"The president's medical malpractice plan is nothing but a shameful shield for drug companies and HMOs who hurt people through negligence," Kennedy said.

Bush made his case in Madison County, across the Mississippi River from St. Louis. The county has been called the "judicial hellhole" of the nation by the American Tort Reform Association last year because of a reputation for huge awards won by plaintiffs.

Lawyers in the area say the legal situation has been exaggerated and that large malpractice awards have been scarce.

"The United States Congress needs to pass real medical liability reform this year," Bush said, slapping his lectern with an open palm to emphasize his point.

He warned of a crisis, but said it could be averted if the Republican-controlled Congress adopts his plan.

"This liability system, I'm telling you, is out of control," Bush said. While his proposal has stalled in Congress, Republicans expanded their majorities in both houses in the November elections.

The president wants to place a limit of \$250,000 on noneconomic damages, or the pain and suffering portions of malpractice awards. Caps on damage awards of varying types have been put in place in 27 states; Bush and his critics disagree on their impact.

Bush would impose no limits on economic losses suffered at the hands of bad doctors.

Bush wants to limit punitive damages to "egregious cases where they are justified" and cap damages to

"reasonable amounts," according to White House documents that did not elaborate.

He would allow malpractice awards to be paid out over time, instead of in a lump sum, and limit the time over which such suits could be filed after the claimed malpractice.

"Because the system is so unpredictable, there is a constant risk of being hit by a massive jury award," Bush said. "It's a system that's just not fair. It's costly for the doctors, it's costly for small businesses, it's costly for hospitals, it is really costly for patients."

According to a recent study that Bush did not identify, "frivolous litigation" has helped push "the total cost of our tort system to more than \$230 billion a year," he said.

But Democratic lawmakers and consumer watchdog groups cited a Congressional Budget Office analysis that said malpractice costs represented less than 2 percent of overall health care

spending in 2002.

Doug Wojcieszak, a spokesman for Victims and Families United, an Illinois advocacy group, said Bush was "playing with the facts for political purposes" in singling out Madison County.

The group said that out of 720 medical malpractice and wrongful death cases filed in Madison and neighboring St. Clair counties from 1996 to 2003, just 14 cases resulted in jury verdicts, and six of those verdicts favored the plaintiffs.

According to the group, there has been only one medical malpractice lawsuit in Madison County that produced a verdict in the past seven years that would have been affected by Bush's proposed \$250,000 cap on noneconomic damages.

Lawyers who represent malpractice victims and other opponents say the real problem is insurers who look to raise premiums and, consequently, the companies' bottom line.

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Your Right to Speak Out

"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

There is no man-made global warming

By Tom DeWeese
NewsWithViews.com

There is no scientific evidence to back claims of man-made global warming. Period. Anyone who tells you that scientific research shows warming trends-be they teachers, newscasters, Congressmen, Senators, Vice Presidents or Presidents-is wrong. In fact, scientific research through U.S. government satellite and balloon measurements shows that the temperature is actually cooling-very slightly-.037 degrees Celsius.

A little research into modern-day temperature trends bears this out. For example, in 1936 the Midwest of the United States experienced 49 consecutive days of temperatures over 90 degrees. There were another 49 consecutive days in 1955. But in1992 there was only one day over 90 degrees and, in 1997, only 5 days. Because of modern science and improved equipment, this "cooling" trend has been most accurately documented over the past 18 years. Ironically, that's the same period of time the hysteria has grown over dire warnings of "warming."

Changes in global temperatures are natural. In fact, much of the recent severe weather has been directly attributed to a natural phenomenon that occurs every so often called El Nino. It causes ocean temperatures to rise as tropical trade winds actually reverse for a time. The resulting temperature changes cause severe storms, flooding, and even drought on every continent on earth. It's completely natural. El Nino has been wreaking its havoc across the globe since long before man appeared.

How about the reports that the polar ice cap is melting? On Election Day the Financial Times of London carried the hysterical headline: "Arctic Ice Cap Set to Disappear by the Year 2070." The article stated that the Arctic ice cap is melting at an unprecedented rate. The article is based on a report titled: "Impacts of a Warming Arctic," submitted by a group of researchers called the Arctic Climate Impact Assesment(ACIA).

It must be understood just who makes up this so-called group of researchers. The report is not unbiased scientific data. Rather, it is propaganda from political groups who have an agenda. The report was commissioned by the Arctic Council, which is comprised of a consortium of radical envionmentalists from Canada, Denmark, Iceland, Finland, Norway, Russia, Sweden, and the United States. All are nations that possess land within the Arctic Circle. Many of these countries, through the Kyoto Protocol, have a financial stake in pushing the global warming agenda. One of the groups providing "scientists" to the ACIA "researchers" is the World Wildlife Fund, one of the leading chicken-little scaremongers who create junk science at the drop of a news

release to terrify us all into proper environmental conduct.

The report is now being used at the global warming meeting currently underway in Buenos Aires to rally the troops and bully the United States into accepting the discredited Kyoto Protocol.

We are being warned of killer heat waves, vast flooding, and the spread of tropical diseases. Ocean levels are rising and America's coastlines are doomed, they tell us. Hurricanes and tornadoes have already become more violent, we are warned. Floods and droughts have begun to ravage the nation, they cry.

Any change in temperatures, or an excessive storm, or extended flooding is looked upon as a sure sign that environmental Armageddon is upon us. Diabolical environmentalists are using the natural El Nino phenomenon to whip people into a Global Warming hysteria.

Two Kinds of Scientists

We are assured by such groups that scientists everywhere are sounding these warnings, and that we may only have one chance to stop it. Well, as the debate rages, we find that there are really two kinds of scientists.

There are those who look at facts and make their judgements based on what they see and know. Their findings can be matched by any other scientist, using the same data and set of circumstances to reach the same conclusions. It's a age-old practice called "peer review." It's the only true science.

And then there are those who yearn for a certain outcome and set about creating the needed data to make it so. Usually you will find this group of scientists greatly dependent on grants supplied by those with a specific political agenda who demand desired outcomes for their money.

Let's just take NASA, for example-the most trusted name in American science. A lot of NASA scientists have fallen into the money trap. Environmental science has become the life-blood of the space program as the nation has lost interest in space travel. To keep the bucks coming, NASA has justified launches through the excuse of earth-directed environmental research. And the budgets keep coming. At the same time, many of NASA's scientists have a political agenda in great harmony with those who advocate global warming. And they're not above using their position to aid that agenda whenever the chance is available.

This was never more clearly demonstrated than in 1992 when a team of three NASA scientists were monitoring conditions over North America to determine if the ozone layer was in danger. Inconclusive data indicated that conditions might be right for ozone damage over North America-if certain things happened.

True scientists are a careful lot. They study, they wait, and many times they test again before drawing conclusions. Not so, the green zealot. Of this three-member NASA team, two could not be sure of what they had found and wanted to do more research. But one took the

By Ron Lee

Ah the holidays have passed us again. Another year of commercialized giving and hard-pressed-to-achieve resolutions fall away into the reality of this new year. Me, disillusioned? Maybe. Reality often seems pessimistic.

So let's turn now toward the unknown and what could be. I mean really where is it we will find ourselves in 2005? Many will make their predictions through supposed psychic intuition, educated guesswork, and/or just wild made-up fantasies of what they would like to see. And I want to be one of them. "Why?" you might ask yourself. Well, I'll be honest here ... If my predictions come true maybe people will listen to me more often (I think they should listen to me all the time, but I digress) and perhaps if they come true I can cash-in once a year and not have to work.

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1. The US~Observer will gain nationwide notoriety by investigating and reporting on a very high-profile criminal case. The outcome will be the exoneration of all charges for the Observer client and a high civil case payout to them.

2. Star Wars Revenge of the Sith will smash box office records but will fail to impress loyal fans and George Lucas will once again be pressed into a teary apology on National TV for traveling down the "dark side". Face it George. You should have had someone else direct. You're great with CGI but lousy with people.

3. Israel will change its mind about pulling out of Gaza. Their excuse will be continued attacks on Israeli citizens. Israel will be faced with more than just Palestinians this time. Expect Egypt and Syria to get involved.

4. The West Coast of the United States will suffer a slew of huge earthquakes.

Expect a 6.9 to hit Southern California. To the Northeast near Qualeys Camp, NV (East of Mammoth Lakes) a 7.2 tremblor is heading your way and the caldera will heat up significantly.

From San Francisco North to Eureka, CA expect moving and shaking of 6.7 to 7.

Farther to the North, Portland, OR will be hit by a 6.2 and Seattle, WA will be displaced by a 7.1.

Alaska will erupt in further volcanic activity and the Aleutian Island Chain will be the site of the largest registered quake in recent history at magnitude 10.

5. A huge ice shelf will be displaced from the Arctic and scientists will debate wether or not it will indeed raise water levels and effect the salinity (ph) balance in the Oceans.

6. There will be another planet discovered beyond Pluto on an intense elliptical orbit heading back toward the center of our solar system. Its size, massive.

7. A break-through in medical research will result in the drastic reduction of cancer cases in the coming years. This will be in the form of a natural enzyme supplement given like a vaccination at birth.

8. The U.S. will again fall prey to a terrorist attack on our own soil. Expect this to be dirty.

9. Look for Burger Giants Jack and Ronald to unite and fight back with a documentary on vegetarians called "Vegan me!" showing that the effects of an all vegetarian diet leads to psychosis and, in some cases, waifism.

10. Taiwanese President Chen Shui-bian will push for independence from China. This will cause China to take the province militarily. Against the wishes of our military commanders, the United States will do nothing. At least for that moment.

11. Expect a Presidential assassination attempt.

12. Angelina Jolie will find her soulmate in a little known writer-fortune teller from the US~Observer. (Okay, wishful thinking.)

13. North Korea will follow its status quo and push off talks on its nuclear weapons. They will, however up the ante by testing a nuclear device. This will put intense pressure on our administration to quash this dilemma.

As a side note ... should China take Taiwan or move on them militarily, look for North Korea to militarize against the South. This will throw us into this conflict. The Asian Wars begin.

14. The computer and tech industry will flourish with the consumer release of chemical processors, crystalline storage and paper thin displays. Of course Microsoft will release a new version of Windows to run these new technologies called Windows NGen (next generation ... yes, you can use it, Bill.) But don't expect it to ship in 2005.

15. Star Wars Revenge of the Sith will NOT be nominated for any best acting categories. This has nothing to do with the wonderfully talented cast.

16. A bill allowing "Male Abortion" will be introduced causing much debate. The law would give a man the right to abort all ties to a child before it is born. The man would never have any legal rights to the child nor would he have to pay child support.

17. At the end of the year look for the first fully commercial space flight to take place with at least 3 paid passengers. This will usher in a new era of travel.

18. Gold will hit record highs when the Asian Wars erupt. Look for it to go up before then, too!

19. Due in part to the incredible accuracy of its 2005 Predictions article, the US~Observer will distribute its first full-color paper. (20.) The featured photo on the cover will be a wedding picture. Looks like I get Angelina after all! (LOL It could happen.)

As for me, I'm already looking forward to next years holiday season, watching my daughters' eyes light up on Christmas morning. Commercialization or not, it's all about giving.

I truly hope, more than anything, yours is a wonderful year.

Editors Note: The US~Observer makes no claim to the accuracy of these predictions, unless of course, they come to be.

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data and rushed to the microphones with all of the drama of a Hollywood movie and announced in hushed tones that NASA had discovered an ozone hole over North America.

Then Senator Al Gore rushed to the floor of the Senate with the news, and drove a stampede to immediately ban Freon-five years before Congress had intended-and without a suitable substitute. He then bullied President George H.W. Bush to sign the legislation by saying the ozone hole was over Kennebunkport, Maine-Bush's favorite vacation spot.

Two months later NASA announced-on the back pages of the newspapers-that further research had shown there was no such damage. But it was too late. The valuable commodity known as Freon was gone forever.

Flawed Computer Models

Then there are those computer models. Night after night Americans watch the local news as the weatherman predicts what kind of a day tomorrow will be. These meteorologists, using the most up-to-date equipment available, boldly give you the five-day forecast.

But it's well known that even with all of their research and expensive equipment it really is just a "best guess." There are just too many variables. If the wind picks up here, it could blow in a storm. If the temperature drops there, it could start to snow. The earth is a vast and wondrous place. Weather does what it wants.

Yet those who are promoting the global warming theory have the audacity to tell you they can forecast changes in the global climate decades into the future. The truth is computer models are able to include only two out of 14 components that make up the climate system. To include the third component would take a computer a thousand times faster than we have now. To go beyond the third component requires an increase in computer power that is so large only mathematicians can comprehend the numbers. Moreover, even if the computer power existed, scientists do not understand all the factors and the relationships between them that determine the global climate.

So it's an outrage for the World Wildlife Fund or the Sierra Club to tell you that man-made global warming is a fact and that we Americans must now suffer dire changes in our lifestyle to stop it.

Scientists are Not on the Global Warming Bandwagon

And so too is it an outrage for the news media to tell you that most true scientists now agree that man-made global warming is a fact. What it doesn't tell

you is that roughly 500 scientists from around the world signed the Heidleburg Appeal in 1992, just prior to the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro, expressing their doubts and begging the delegates not to bind the world to any dire treaties based on global warming. Today that figure has grown to over 4000 scientists. Americans aren't being told that a 1997 Gallop Poll of prominent North American climatologists showed that 83 percent of them disagreed with the man-made global warming theory.

And the deceit knows no bounds. The United Nations released a report at the end of 1996 saying global warming was a fact, yet before releasing the report, two key paragraphs were deleted from the final draft. Those two paragraphs, written by the scientists who did the actual scientific analysis, said:

1. "[N]one of the studies cited above has shown clear evidence that we can attribute the observed climate changes to increases in greenhouse gases."

2. "[N]o study to date has positively attributed all or part of the climate change to...man-made causes."

Obviously, those two paragraphs aren't consistant with the political agenda the UN is pushing. So, science be damned. Global warming is the greatest hoax ever perpetrated on the people of the world-bar none.

The Kyoto Climate Control Protocol

Those who have been fighting against the radical green agenda have been warning that modern-day environmentalism has little to do with protecting the environment. Rather, it is a political movement led by those who seek to control the world economies, dictate development, and redistribute the world's wealth.

They use the philosophical base of Karl Marx, the tactics of the KGB, and the rhetoric of the Sierra Club. The American people have been assaulted from all directions by rabid environmentalists.

School children have been told that recycling is a matter of life and death. Businesses have been shut down. Valuable products like Freon have been removed from the market. Chemicals and pesticides that helped to make this nation the safest and healthiest in the world are targeted for extinction. Our entire nation is being restructured to fit the proper green mold. All of it for a lie about something man has nothing to do with.

But the lie has grown to massive proportions-and the game is about to get very serious indeed. Pressure is building again to impose the Kyoto Protocol worldwide. Only a few years ago, this treaty appeared dead when President George W. Bush refused American participation. Now, however, Russia has signed on and the UN has enough

support to begin implementing its dire consequences-even on the United States. Senator John McCain (R-AZ) has called the White House stance on global warming "terribly disappointing." McCain is now using the ACIA report to convene hearings on the "human effect on climate and what to do about it." McCain intends to help build pressure on the President to accept the Kyoto Protocol.

In fact the Kyoto Protocol is a legally binding international treaty through which industrial nations agree to cut back their energy emissions to 7 percent below 1990 levels. That means that all of the energy growth since 1990 would be rolled back, plus 7 percent more. Such a massive disruption in the American economy, particularly since it has nothing to do with protecting the environment, will devastate this nation.

To meet such drastically-reduced energy standards will-in the short run-cost the United States over one million jobs. Some estimate it will cost over seven million jobs in 14 years. If the treaty sends the economy into a tailspin, as many predict, it will cost even more jobs.

It will cost the average family \$1,000 to \$4,000 dollars per year in increased energy costs. The cost of food will skyrocket. It has been estimated that in order for the United States to meet such a goal, our gross domestic product will be reduced by \$200 billion-annually.

To force down energy use, the Federal government will have to enforce a massive energy tax that will drive up the cost of heating your home by as much as 30 to 40 percent. In all likelihood there will be a tax on gasoline-as high as 60 cents per gallon. There will be consumption taxes and carbon taxes. The Department of Energy has estimated that electricity prices could rise 86 percent-and gasoline prices 53 percent.

The purpose of these punitive costs is to drive up the cost of modern living in order to force you to drastically change your lifestyle. That is the diabolical plan behind this restructuring scheme. Cars banned. Industry curtailed. Housing smaller. Family size controlled.

Every single product that is produced with the use of energy will increase in price. This includes items such as aspirin, contact lenses, and tooth paste. A study by the Department of Energy's Argonne Laboratory finds that the treaty will cripple six U.S. industries including paper, steel, petroleum refining, chemical manufacturing, aluminum, and cement. That about sums up the economy.

Global Raid on American Wealth

But perhaps you still are not convinced. Maybe you still cling to the idea that such drastic action is

necessary-that those pushing the global warming agenda are truly in a panic over global warming and are just trying to find a solution.

If you are one of these people, as yourself: Why does the Kyoto Protocol only bind developed nations to draconian emission levels?

Undeveloped Third-World nations will be free to produce whatever they want. These will include China, India, Brazil, and Mexico. Yet 82 percent of the projected emissions growth in future years will come from these countries.

Now ask yourself: If the Kyoto Climate Change Protocol is all about protecting the environment-then how come it doesn't cover everybody? The truth, of course, is that the treaty is really about redistribution of the wealth. The wealth of the United States is, and has always been, the target. The new scheme to grab the loot is through environmental scare tactics.

And international corporations, who owe allegiance to no nation, will bolt America and move their factories, lock, stock, and computer chip to those Third World countries where they will be free to carry on production. But that means the same emissions will be coming out of the jungles of South America instead of Chicago. So where is the protection of the environment? You see, it's not about that, is it?

Still not convinced? One more thing. Hidden in the small print of the treaty is a provision that calls for the "harmonizing of patent laws." Now, robbing a nation of its patent protection is an interesting tactic for protecting the environment, don't you think?

And there's still more looting of the U.S. treasury planned. Supporters of the Kyoto Protocol also want industrialized nations to subsidize poor countries' adaption to global warming to the tune of \$73 billion per year. Obtaining such subsidies will be an interesting trick after the U.S. economy has been destroyed by the treaty. Looters rarely have the ability to think that far in advance.

Don't think this devastation can't happen. The UN and the European Union have exposed their hatred for the United States. They envy our wealth and think that legalized theft, rather than sound economic policy, is the way to obtain it.

The fact is that one person now stands between the global warming jackals and economic sanity-George W. Bush. Will he stand firm in his opposition to the Kyoto Protocol? Or will he capitulate to massive international pressure and sell America's soul?

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Why Americans pretend to be Canadian

By Elaine Monaghan

Travellers adopt new identity to escape scorn abroad.

For some Americans, to be mistaken for a Canadian is the ultimate humiliation, yet hundreds of US citizens travelling abroad have willingly acquired a disguise of a T-shirt with a Canadian flag. Traditionally, Americans

have looked down on their northern neighbours and Canadians are the butt of a thousand American jokes. But faced with hostility on their foreign holidays, some Americans are going to great lengths to conceal their nationality.

Those prepared to make the switch can now buy maple leaf stickers for their luggage. The truly adventurous can even learn the dialect and replenish their knowledge of the adopted homeland with the help of the quick reference guide How to Speak Canadian, Eh?

Relations between the two countries have been strained by Canada's refusal to back the US-led war on Iraq. President Bush did not help matters

during a recent visit to Ottawa. Confronted by protesters, he said that he was grateful to those Canadians who came out to wave "with all five fingers".

However, Mr Bush's election victory last month prompted a flood of inquiries on Canada's main immigration website. Sensing a business opportunity, an American company is selling a "Go Canadian" package for \$24.95 (£13) after an employee heard of someone being harassed over US politics during a recent trip overseas.

"It was not meant as a slight against the US or Canada," Bill Broadbent, president of T-shirtKing.com, said. "Some people might not mind, but

others just want to be on vacation. So we were joking that they could just go as Canadians, and that just kind of evolved."

The package's quick reference guide offers tips in case an American in disguise gets quizzed on Canada. On sports the guide suggests: "This is easy to remember. There is only one real sport in Canada and it is called hockey. Regardless of any trivia question, the answer is 'Wayne Gretzky'." If a Canadian had to "deke out of a meeting", it means he avoided the meeting. If someone is headed to "Hogtown", that is Canadian for

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Toronto. A trip to “Cowtown” means that the person is going to Calgary.

Talk like a native:
an Ah to Zed guide

- Allophone:** someone whose first language is neither English nor French
- Chesterfield:** a sofa
- Eh?:** an utterance regularly injected into conversations which has the meaning “don’t you think?”
- Elevator:** lift
- Homo milk:** full fat (homogenised) milk
- Housecoat:** dressing gown
- Keener:** sycophant, an overly keen person
- Lineup:** queue
- Loonie:** one dollar coin, on which appears a Loon: native Canadian bird
- Pogey:** unemployment benefit
- Poutine:** a dish typical to Quebec consisting of fries, cheese curds and gravy
- Runners:** trainers
- Tap:** the same as in British English, rather than the US faucet
- The States:** the USA
- Toonie:** two dollar coin
- Tuque:** knitted hat
- Washroom:** toilet
- Zed:** the final letter of the alphabet. ■■■

Excuses

By Devvy Kidd
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“Those who profess to favor freedom, and yet depreciate agitation, are men who want crops without plowing up the ground. They want rain without thunder and lightning...” --- Thomas Paine, Common Sense (1776)

Each time one of my columns appears on NewsWithViews.com or WorldNetDaily.com, my e-mail box instantly fills up with excuses. If I had a nickel for every excuse I have received over the past decade or so, I'd be a millionaire. It doesn't matter what the subject matter is, everyone has an excuse why "it" can't be done. This is one of the reasons I wrote my "Where have all the men gone" column several years ago - because I continue to see a whole lot of people with excuses about how this or that can't be done. Don't people realize that this defeatist attitude is exactly what the shadow government wants? They want to beat people down until they grow so weary, they simply give up and that's how slaves are made.

The most common question people ask is what can I do? Then, when I make recommendations and suggestions, the response, as I said, is more excuses. Why is this? I can tell you why:

First, the freedom movement has been doing the same thing for decades that doesn't work. How many times are you going to ask the same member of your state legislature or Congress to do something and they continue to ignore you, i.e. close the borders?

Second, no one wants to be the stuckee, they would rather I fight for their freedom and take the risks involved with standing up for everyone's rights.

Third, very few are willing to sacrifice their fun time or financial resources. It's easier to call talk radio and complain. It's easier to say you "can't fight city hall." It's easier to let Devvy stick her neck out. It's easier to write a check to the RNC or

We all know Dick Lamm as the former Governor of Colorado. In that context his thoughts are particularly poignant. Last week there was an immigration-overpopulation conference in Washington, DC, filled to capacity by many of American's finest minds and leaders. A brilliant college professor named Victor Hansen Davis talked about his latest book, "Mexifornia," explaining how immigration - both legal and illegal - was destroying the entire state of California. He said it would march across the country until it destroyed all vestiges of The American Dream.

Moments later, former Colorado Governor Richard D. Lamm stood up and gave a stunning speech on how to destroy America. The audience sat spellbound as he described eight methods for the destruction of the United States. He said, "If you believe that America is too smug, too self-satisfied, too rich, then let's destroy America. It is not that hard to do. No nation in history has survived the ravages of time. Arnold Toynbee observed that all great civilizations rise and fall and that 'An autopsy of history would show that all great nations commit suicide.'"

"Here is how they do it," Lamm said: "Turn America into a bilingual or multi-lingual and bicultural country. History shows that no nation can survive the tension, conflict, and antagonism of two or more competing languages and cultures. It is a blessing for an individual to be bilingual; however, it is a curse for a society to be bilingual.

"The historical scholar Seymour Lipset put it this way: 'The histories of bilingual and bi-cultural societies that do not assimilate are histories of turmoil, tension, and tragedy.' Canada, Belgium, Malaysia, Lebanon all face crises of national existence in which minorities press for autonomy, if not independence. Pakistan and Cyprus have divided. Nigeria suppressed an ethnic rebellion. France faces difficulties with Basques, Bretons, and Corsicans."

L a m m w e n t o n : " I n v e n t 'multiculturalism' and encourage immigrants to maintain their culture. I would make it an article of belief that all cultures are equal. That there are no cultural differences. I would make it an article of faith that the Black and Hispanic dropout rates are due to prejudice and discrimination by the majority. Every other explanation is out of bounds. "We could make the United States an 'Hispanic Quebec' without much effort. The key is to celebrate

the DNC and let them pick the rotten, corrupt candidates to shove down everyone's throat for the next election. It's easier just to go into a voting booth every few years, punch a few holes in a card and go about your business, after all, you've done your civic duty and voted a straight party line. It matters not to most that the ballot box is completely compromised because of electronic machines.

Fourth, too many Americans are still stuck in the mode of blind loyalty to their political party and win at all costs. It's always the "other side" who is at fault when there isn't a dime's worth of difference between the two parties when you examine where they have taken America over the past fifty years.

So, the excuses just continue to come in and America continues to slide down the razor blade of tyranny. However, for those who are sincere about "giving it their all" to save this Republic, here are

diversity rather than unity. As Benjamin Schwarz said in the Atlantic Monthly recently: 'The apparent success of our own multiethnic and multicultural experiment might have been achieved not by tolerance but by hegemony. Without the dominance that once dictated ethnocentrically and what it meant to be an American, we are left with only tolerance and pluralism to hold us together.'" Lamm said, "I would encourage all immigrants to keep their own language and culture. I would replace the melting pot metaphor with the salad bowl metaphor. It is important to ensure that we have various cultural subgroups living in America reinforcing their differences rather than as Americans, emphasizing their similarities."

"Fourth, I would make our fastest growing demographic group the least educated. I would add a second underclass, unassimilated, undereducated, and antagonistic to our population. I would have this second underclass have a 50% dropout rate from high school."

"My fifth point for destroying America would be to get big foundations and business to give these efforts lots of money. I would invest in ethnic identity, and I would establish the cult of 'Victimology.' I would get all minorities to think their lack of success was the fault of the majority. I would start a grievance industry blaming all minority failure on the majority population." "My sixth plan for America's downfall would include dual citizenship and promote divided loyalties. I would celebrate diversity over unity. I would stress differences rather than similarities. Diverse people worldwide are mostly engaged in hating each other - that is, when they are not killing each other."

"A diverse, peaceful, or stable society is against most historical precedent. People undervalue the unity it takes to keep a nation together. Look at the ancient Greeks. The Greeks believed that they belonged to the same race; they possessed a common language and literature; and they worshipped the same gods. All Greece took part in the Olympic games. A common enemy Persia threatened their liberty. Yet all these bonds were not strong enough to overcome two factors: local patriotism and geographical conditions that nurtured political divisions. Greece fell. "E. Pluribus Unum" -- From many, one. In that historical reality, if we put the emphasis on the 'pluribus' instead of the

Americans must be armed with the intellectual ammunition to fight. I don't mean the neutralizing drivel spewed by Shawn Hannity and other GOP cheerleaders, I mean getting a full and complete understanding of how the mind changers have subverted the way Americans think and how they are unwittingly accepting communism. This may sound like a strong indictment, but I believe once you do the hard homework as I have done over the past fourteen years, you will agree.

I can't strongly recommend enough that everyone read the works of Jeri Lynn Ball, probably the foremost expert on how Americans have turned from being a self-reliant, independent people to accepting the communitarian/alturistic mind set. Please start with these articles: The powerful secret weapon of global communist totalitarianism and

'unum,' we can balkanize America as surely as Kosovo."

"Next to last, I would place all subjects off limits ~ make it taboo to talk about anything against the cult of 'diversity.' I would find a word similar to 'heretic' in the 16th century - that stopped discussion and paralyzed thinking. Words like 'racist' or 'xenophobe' halt discussion and debate." "Having made America a bilingual/bicultural country, having established multi-culturism, having the large foundations fund the doctrine of 'Victimology,' I would next make it impossible to enforce our immigration laws. I would develop a mantra: That because immigration has been good for America, it must always be good. I would make every individual immigrant symmetric and ignore the cumulative impact of millions of them." In the last minute of his speech, Governor Lamm wiped his brow. Profound silence followed. Finally he said, "Lastly, I would censor Victor Hanson Davis's book Mexifornia. His book is dangerous. It exposes the plan to destroy America. If you feel America deserves to be destroyed, don't read that book."

There was no applause. A chilling fear quietly rose like an ominous cloud above every attendee at the conference. Every American in that room knew that everything Lamm enumerated was proceeding methodically, quietly, darkly, yet pervasively across the United States today. Every discussion is being suppressed. Over 100 languages are ripping the foundation of our educational system and national cohesiveness. Barbaric cultures that practice female genital mutilation are growing as we celebrate 'diversity.'

American jobs are vanishing into the Third World as corporations create a Third World in America - take note of California and other states - to date, ten million illegal aliens and growing fast. It is reminiscent of George Orwell's book "1984." In that story, three slogans are engraved in the Ministry of Truth building: "War is peace," "Freedom is slavery," and "Ignorance is strength."

Governor Lamm, walked back to his seat. It dawned on everyone at the conference that our nation and the future of this great democracy is deeply in trouble and worsening fast. If we don't get this immigration monster stopped within three years, it will rage like a California wildfire and destroy everything in its path, especially The American Dream.

Beguiling Americans Into Slavery and Self-destruction. At a minimum, read her four books, which are quick reads, thoroughly documented and researched. Read them as soon as you can. I know reading is time consuming, but essential in learning how we must fight back before the iron fist is brought down on this Republic.

Up in Fort Jones, California this past November, the people got active, they got very serious and booted out a district attorney, a sheriff and a bad judge. Americans in Josephine County, Oregon have been systematically cleaning out elected public servants and otherwise showing them for the weasels they are through coordinated, dedicated citizen activism. It can be done, it just takes numbers which means Americans giving up their play time and working together instead of against each other.

First and foremost is getting rid of

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electronic ballot machines in every county in this country. Unless this happens, we will continue to see crooks, cowards and outright traitors elected to public office at every level. You do this by showing up in numbers at every county board of supervisor meeting and demanding they tell the state legislature that their constituents demand paper ballots. You bombard your state capitol everyday with the demand that all electronic machines are dumped into the trash bin where they belong. Quit wasting hundreds of millions of dollars on machines that have no integrity. Just look at what has happened in the last two elections. I've been on this issue since 1993 and it gets worse every election. Enough is enough.

If this is your government, then you have to become part of it

As I asked in a recent column: Whose government is this anyway? It is ours. A government of the people, by the people, for the people. Unfortunately, over the decades career politicians backed by the two major party machines have taken over this Republic. It is no longer a government of, by and for the people, it has become a tyrannical government.

If we are to truly be a government of the people, by the people and for the people, then the people themselves must take it back and the only way to do that is for the millions of Americans who see this Republic and our Constitution hanging by a very slim thread, make the sacrifice to run for public office at all levels in every state of the Union. If you can't run, then please help constitutional candidates get elected by working for their campaigns.

In the aforementioned column, I also asked these questions: Who makes the laws in this country? City council, county board of supervisors, members of the fifty state legislatures and Congress. Local school boards and water districts make rules and regulations. Who enforces these laws,

rules and regulations? The courts at all levels, district attorneys and sheriffs. All elected officials.

We can take back this country county by county by replacing bad sheriffs, county board of supervisors, judges at the county level, county recorder. At the city level it's city council seats, mayor. Miscellaneous but important elected offices: school board, water board and other municipal categories. All politics are local and most of America's ills can be cured at the local and state level. Not all, but most.

In November 2006, we will have elections for the entire House of Representatives, a third of the Senate, some governor ships and offices at all levels throughout the Union. In 2008, if we're lucky, there will be national elections which include the office of the president. We the people cannot wait until the last minute to find out which new world order facilitator will be our only choice. Haven't the people had enough of "hold your nose and vote?"

With the exception of Ron Paul and Tom Tancredo, the entire House of Representatives must be removed. No exceptions. This entire body has been in office for over a decade. They have done nothing to seal off the borders, but have passed unconstitutional legislation like the USA Patriot Act, national IDs and driver's licenses and the massive, colossal waste of money called Homeland Security. Collectively they have been busy destroying this Republic while bribing the American people with "free" prescription pills, and promises of even more money for the unconstitutional Federal Department of Education.

We the people cannot wait until six months before the election in 2008 to see which new world order facilitator the Democrat and Republican parties will once again force party faithful to vote for just to keep the other party from winning. Complaining about the serious problems plaguing America isn't going to solve them - only removing those who are responsible is going to save our Republic and our freedoms.

I wish to make a special appeal to the talented constitutional attorneys all over this country who work for public

advocacy groups and foundations besides being in private practice. Please, our Republic needs you to make the sacrifice to run for Superior and District Court judges and district attorneys in every state. What good does it do to keep filing lawsuits and going up against the same judges who continue to slap the Constitution?

The same applies for those who qualify to run for county sheriff - the highest law enforcement officer in a county. A county sheriff can hold constitutional classes (I would highly recommend each sheriff take the course on the founding of America and constitutional government offered by the Institute on the Constitution) for deputies and the general public. My God, just think of how much could be accomplished and how many Americans a sheriff could reach in weekly Saturday classes!

We need to get all these bad judges off the bench. We can't do anything about the federal judges or the U.S. Supreme Court until all 100 U.S. Senators are replaced and strict constitutionalists are appointed by the state legislatures who have the guts to do what needs to be done. That will not happen until the fraud of the Seventeenth Amendment is exposed.

I'm also making a special appeal to our 33 million veterans and retired Americans: your country needs you with all your years of experience, courage and talent. There is no more time for fun and games. Get out of the casinos, park the Winnebago and put purpose back in your life! Your children and grand babies need you. America needs you. If the Senate ratifies the Free Trade Area of the Americas, Bush will sign it and America as a sovereign Republic will finally be gone. Even the AFL-CIO is fighting this mechanism for world government. The FTAA will be the final death blow and Bush is pushing hard for it. If you can't run for office, please help constitutional candidates in your area get elected.

Freedom is not a spectator sport or past time. I used to go fishing 50-75 times a year. In 2004 I didn't go once and in

2003, I went twice. I miss it, you can be sure of that. It is my passion and I love it, but freedom comes first, play second. With new world order facilitator, George Bush, Jr., back in office for four years pushing for the FTAA and fighting hard to give a free pass to 15 million plus illegal aliens, we are in great peril.

We are the people of this government and now the people must put their actions where their mouths are and begin the process of running for office. Freedom is not a spectator sport. Click here for guidelines on how to run for public office at all levels.

Let "Operation Clean Sweep" be our battle cry and begin today - because every day counts from now until the elections. All the money in the world will not protect you from the hell coming to America courtesy of the architects of a one world government. They are more powerful than individuals like Mel Gibson or Bill Gates and they crush those who get in the way without a second thought. Get involved and use the resources you're blessed with to help elect constitutionalists and not more party puppets. For those in a state of denial, God speed. It is regrettable that the truth is too painful for you to accept.

"If ye love wealth greater than liberty, the tranquility of servitude greater than the animating contest for freedom, go home from us in peace. We seek not your counsel, nor your arms. Crouch down and lick the hand that feeds you. May your chains set lightly upon you; and may posterity forget that ye were our countrymen." -- Samuel Adams

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Christians Face 47 Years in Prison Because Judge Calls Bible Verses "Hateful"

Appeal to the Supreme Court last hope for Christians

"First, symbols of Christianity are removed from the public square; now, Christians are facing 47 years in prison because they preached the gospel in the public square. Stalin would be proud," said Brian Fahling, AFA Center for Law and Policy Senior Trial Attorney.

TUPELO, MS - After a federal appeals court denied an emergency appeal to stop prosecution of 11 Christians on Tuesday, Philadelphia Municipal Court Judge William Austin Meehan ordered four of the Christians to stand trial on three felony (criminal conspiracy, ethnic intimidation, and riot) and five misdemeanor charges. If convicted, they could face up to 47 years in prison.

The Christians were arrested on October 10 for praying, singing, and reading scripture during an annual "gay

pride" event known as "Outfest" in Philadelphia.

Since the federal courts did not intervene to halt the state prosecution, the last route for the Christians would be an appeal to the Supreme Court says the Christians' attorney Brian Fahling, senior trial attorney for the American Family Association Center for Law & Policy.

"First, symbols of Christianity are removed from the public square, now, Christians are facing years in prison because they preached the gospel in the public square. Stalin would be proud," Fahling said.

The federal appeals court in Philadelphia denied emergency relief despite video footage Fahling calls "undisputed evidence" that shows the Christians cooperating with police and continually being harassed by the Pink Angels, a group of homosexuals organized to impede the gospel message. Philadelphia city prosecutor in

the case, Charles Ehrlich, attacked the Christians as "hateful" and referred to preaching the Bible as "fighting words," the judge agreed.

Charges were dropped against the remaining seven apparently because they were not seen quoting scripture on the videotape.

The Philadelphia case represents another example of discrimination toward Christians," said Tim Wildmon, president of the American Family Association national headquarters. "The past month has poured forth cases of Christian persecution seen in the higher education institution, public school systems, and the judicial court system." Center for Law and Policy www.afa.net/clp/

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Millions for Nichols' defense

At least \$4.2 million was spent for items ranging from postage to books and cable TV.

By Barbara Hoberock
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OKLAHOMA CITY --The Oklahoma County Court Fund paid at least \$4.2 million to defend convicted bomber Terry L. Nichols, records released Monday show.

The fund paid to clean his clothes, provide him postage stamps, clean the office of his attorney, purchase him books and provide him a new shirt.

On his state-funded reading list was "American Terrorist: Timothy McVeigh and the Oklahoma City Bombing," for \$28.04, and a law dictionary.

McVeigh, Nichols's co-conspirator and Army buddy, was put to death in 2001 for his role in the April 19, 1995, Oklahoma City bombing.

Nichols' defense also billed the fund \$26.95 for "The Secret Life of Bees," a story about a young girl.

Ponca City attorney Brian T. Hermanson, Nichols' lead defense attorney, could not be reached for comment on Monday.



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In a Feb. 6, 2004, letter to former Pittsburg County District Judge Steven Taylor, who presided over the state trial, Hermanson wrote, "It is obvious that there will be thousands of hours that will be spent by this team that will not be reimbursed. I only wish the public, who think we are so vastly over paid, would understand this fact."

Oklahoma County District Judge Noma Gurich allowed reporters to review the itemized defense bills on Monday following a request by the Tulsa World, The Oklahoman and The Associated Press.

The \$4.2 million includes lawn care for two attorneys assigned to defend him during their stay in McAlester for the state trial, which was moved from Oklahoma City.

It includes coffee and creamer for Hermanson's office, as well as utilities, rent, cell phones taxes, an alarm system, storage and other items. The Oklahoma County Court Fund was tapped for thousands in computer equipment, some of which was returned to the state.

It was also billed for subscriptions to the Tulsa World and The Oklahoman.

The Oklahoma County Court Fund paid to send his lawyers to conferences and put them up in hotels.

The figure includes cable television for Hermanson, an amount some auditors questioned.

"Brian Hermanson pays the bills for his landlord," according to a note in the file. "His landlord has every movie

package available! The total cable bill is \$59.95." Hermanson apparently assumed the utility bills of the McAlester residence he was renting from the homeowner during the state trial.

Other defense team members rented houses in McAlester. Prosecutors also rented homes and office space.

The released records also showed other expenses paid for by the court fund.

The fund was tapped for \$11.46 to pay for hemorrhoid medicine for an ailing juror and \$427,392.24 for security provided by Pittsburg County officials.

The payment record includes fees for attorneys, investigators, a jury consultant and witnesses. It also includes costs to feed and house jurors.

The figure includes the wages of personnel working security, as well as equipment needed to modify the courthouse.

Oklahoma County District Attorney Wes Lane said he did not have a figure for how much prosecutors spent.

On Aug. 9, Taylor sentenced Nichols to 161 consecutive no-parole life prison terms for the deaths of civilians and a fetus killed in the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building. The sentences came after the jury could not agree on punishment.

Nichols was already serving a federal life sentence.

The attack left 168 people dead. The federal case dealt with law enforcement officers killed. The state case dealt with civilians killed.

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pregnancy. Out of pure meanness she was required by DHS, as part of her probation, to move from our home in Sumpter, Oregon to Baker City. When she was not able to make the move she was ordered to serve two days in jail for contempt. The state then used “custodial incarceration” to justify taking my grandchildren.

At the time the police and DHS arrived I had been cleaning up after a serious flooding problem caused by water pipes breaking. The DHS workers said they would help by taking the children while the clean-up continued. I let them take the children and we did get them back for a while, but then the state moved for custody and Judge Baxter, on false, fabricated and confidential evidence used against us, on December 18, 2002 granted their request. I was dumbfounded because we had done nothing wrong. We had the baby with us in court. The state agents took the baby right out of my daughter’s arms on the courthouse steps.

They came and picked up my 7 year old grandson at our home in Sumpter, Oregon the same day they took our baby. There were numerous Sheriff’s Deputies along with DHS cars all around our house. It was the most horrid display I have ever witnessed. My grandson was terrified. To see my daughter try to explain to him why he had to go with these strange, smiling faced women, whom he did not know, was almost more than I could take. Trying to be brave and console them was impossible. The police were wearing their guns. They acted as if I wasn’t even there. My grandson was not allowed to take any personal items or toys. We did not know where they were going. There are no words to describe the situation

Permit required to collect rainwater in Washington State

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Elected public servants in the Washington State Legislature have introduced a bill that will require an individual to obtain a permit to collect rainwater on their own property for their own use. (Search). Senate Bill 5113 sponsored by Senators Shin, Rockefeller, Kline, Keiser, Rasmussen and Berkey has some constituents questioning their sanity, "These people continue to mismanage the budget and to make up for the constant shortfalls, it's either more taxes or ridiculous ideas like requiring a permit to collect rainwater on your own property," says Dick Boxlightner. "What's next," says Boxlightner, "a permit for collecting strawberries off plants in your garden?"

Seattle resident Peg Milner had equally harsh words about this bill saying, "When are the voters going to start paying attention to what's going on in our legislature and boot these (expletives) out of office? I'm sure this bill is to please the greenies who put money in their campaign coffers, but as far as I'm concerned, these idiots have been drinking spiked kool aid."

It's unclear how the State of Washington is going to enforce such a law, i.e., how many state employees will it take to monitor every private land owner's property when it's raining to see who is collecting the rain in rain barrels or cisterns? Washington State is a large state with many forests and lots of rural communities. Will the State of Washington have an army of rainwater permit police driving around the state each time it rains to stop and check to see if the land owner has a permit and are they collecting rainwater that day? How will they be able to tell if the rainwater was collected or simply fell from the sky into a rain barrel?

Washington State isn't alone in taxing the taxpayer without actually raising taxes. In Sacramento, California, individuals who have a home alarm system installed are required to pay a yearly permit fee of \$40.00. Not only

does the home owner pay the monthly fee to the alarm company, but the city also gets another \$40.00 per year per alarmed home. One such resident, Cal Thromby, says this alarm permit is just another tax and home owners who choose to protect their property by having an alarm system are being unequally taxed, "These professional bureaucrats think they're fooling the people. They don't want to raise taxes because they think it will cost them the next election, so they slap certain home owners with permits, same thing. I think it's against the Fourteenth Amendment and our state constitution for equal taxation, but who has money to hire a lawyer anymore?"

In Oregon, Members of the Road User Fee Task Force saw the results of their 30-month expedition to develop an alternative revenue source to the fuel tax on gasoline: charge drivers for each mile they drive. On May 14, 2004, the RUFTF members toured the wireless technology that is the backbone of the preferred alternative—the mileage fee.

The FUFTF stated: "As well as the gas tax has served the road needs of Oregonians in the past, it will soon become a declining revenue source. The Road User Fee Task Force is charged with the duty of designing a new revenue collection system for road funding to ultimately replace the gas tax. Oregon will be well served in finding a solution to this concern before it becomes an emergency."

The Road User Fee Task Force was established through HB 3946, passed by the 2001 Oregon Legislative Assembly. To date, this plan has remained a pipe dream.

Ms. Milner did go on to state in the interview that the people of Washington State should vote against those senators who have sponsored SB 5113 in the next election for wasting taxpayer dollars during the legislative session on such "idiotic garbage."

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except for sheer terror and an emptiness I cannot put into words. We had no control over the abduction. My daughter and I slept together and cried all night long, many nights and we still do.

While in foster care, my 7 year old grandson reported to his mother that he had been improperly touched by another boy. My daughter and I were livid and confronted DHS. From the DHS workers own notes it was learned that DHS had trivialized the activity as “age appropriate exploration” since the other boy was less than 3 years older than our grandson. DHS said they would remove our grandson from the foster home yet they have not. My grandson was baptized without our knowledge or consent into the foster parent’s religion. And my baby grandson was given a live virus inoculation which I know as a nurse he should never have been given. Then this wonderful foster parent couple divorced and my two grandsons were taken by the foster mother and moved 75 miles from our home into a house with another woman who we know nothing about.

DHS is trying right now to have my grandsons adopted out. This is because of the federal and state money they will receive in doing so. I am literally afraid I will never see my grandsons again. I can’t believe this kind of thing can be

happening in our state or our country. It is an outrage.”

Edward Snook’s Note: DHS has raised it’s ugly head one too many times and the Observer has decided to once again take on this corrupted state agency in the very same manner we did in the 1990’s. We exposed so much abuse and corruption on the agency that they were forced to get rid of their administrator Kay Toran and change their ruined name (CSD).

DHS can start getting ready to experience the same level of exposure and our readership can rest assured that it is well deserved. If DHS has any intelligence among its 10,000 member agency they would be wise to stop stealing children, follow due process rights and clean up their act before they are forced to.

A bit of prudent thinking:

I've learned that it takes years to build up trust, and it only takes suspicion, not proof, to destroy it.

Prosecuting the Victim

By Larry Pratt
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Bill and Kathy Hosack had no premonition on a February morning in 2004 that their entire world would come crashing down upon them.

Hosack had been coroner of Coos County, Oregon, until his retirement in 2004, and a pathologist in a local hospital. He had put four children through college and graduate school on his salary.

Out of the blue, a day in the country turned into a nightmare of violence. Hosack's rural property was invaded by four angry young men. Hosack's sister (Candace Upchurch), his nephew (Sam Upchurch), and his friend (Don Wyatt) had inadvertently splashed the four as they drove up the mountain dirt road.

The four assailants went looking for a fight and tracked down Upchurch and Wyatt on the edge of Hosack's property. Josh Andrade, 19, attacked Wyatt, 54, and began beating him -- breaking several bones. Not surprisingly, Andrade has a record of prior assaults.

Hosack, 63 at the time, came upon the scene in response to the ruckus, but he was unable to disengage Andrade orally. Andrade was pummeling Wyatt and trying to drown him. At this point, Hosack took out his .45 pistol and fired two warning shots. Andrade was probably on drugs because, rather than backing off, he charged Hosack.

Rather than shoot the assailant, Hosack struck him with the butt of the gun (actually, Andrade may have struck Hosack's gun as he charged), causing a round to discharge which hit Justus Cloud, 22, who was standing nearby. Cloud has a record of several prior convictions and was wanted at the time of the attack for failure to appear in court on a drug charge.

Wyatt commented that had it not been for Hosack's intervention, he would

have been dead. Cloud tested positive for several drugs, but Andrade, strangely, was never tested - even though Andrade was in violation of probation on drug charges at the time of his assault. Andrade was found to be drunk when his blood was tested. In addition to the beating from Andrade, Wyatt saw another of the assailants coming at him with a knife.

Wyatt called in a 911 report, fearing that the four assailants would make good on their threat to return - not what one would expect of a group where one of their number had been shot. Anger sustained by drugs may well have been responsible for the threats.

While this initial threat was over, Wyatt, unfortunately, did not report that one of the assailants had been shot.

After over an hour, Hosack, his nerves quite rattled, drove his wife and mother home to Coos Bay. They passed a police car on the way down the mountain, but had no way to know that the cops were interviewing the assailants and forming an initial impression that the assailants were the victims - an opinion the authorities never changed.

Hosack, reacting as do many victims of assault, drank some alcohol after returning home. He was still rattled when a state trooper came to his door and interviewed him. It was then that Hosack said that he had been drinking - without qualifying that he had not been drinking before the attack. (Is it OK to drink as long as one knows that there will be no attack?)

Hosack's behavior is quite typical of victims suffering post-traumatic stress. Amazingly, the police wanted to test Dr. Hosack's blood alcohol, but never tested two of the four assailants. Since the authorities already "knew" that the senior citizens were the assailants, they only looked for evidence to convict the victims.

Anti-self defense Judge Richard Mickelson heard the case and found

Hosack guilty of recklessly shooting Cloud. Mickelson said that Hosack had had time to "safe" the .45 during the attack. He based that opinion on the assailant's testimony and on the judge's own assumptions as to where the spent casings were located.

Hosack had fired two rounds in the air, then had accidentally discharged a third round after hitting his attacker on the head. Naturally, the casings were in two different areas. The judge assumed that some period of time had passed during which Hosack had moved and would have had time to put the .45 on safety.

One has to wonder at the degree of expertise Judge Mickelson has with guns since he referred to the .45 as a semi-automatic revolver. Revolvers, of course, do not discharge spent casings. Semi-auto pistols eject casings all over the place, even when the gun is fired at the same target at a range. This is especially true if two rounds are fired in the air followed right away by an accidental discharge which has the gun in another position.

Mickelson then concluded that Hosack had taken a gun to a fist fight - a fist fight conducted by a group of young men who may all have been on drugs, but only Cloud had been tested. Evidently older men should disregard the danger to themselves and their womenfolk and be sporting enough to duke it out with assailants a third of their age. For the offense of inappropriate force -- used irresponsibly (according to the judge's expert opinion about firearms) -- Hosack was sentenced to 30 days in jail, three years probation, loss of his right to own a gun, assessed \$20,000 in restitution to Cloud and fined \$5,000.

At sentencing the judge opined that Wyatt, an ex-longshoreman, should be ashamed of himself to have allowed a smaller man (Andrade) beat him up. Would the judge have had the same opinion about a taller woman raped by a shorter man?

Happily, Hosack is retired, because he is likely to lose his medical license which would have cost him his job. The legal expenses have wiped out his meager savings (remember, he bore four sets of costly college tuitions). Hosack faces retirement broke, unable to practice his profession - and a lawsuit from Cloud who has subsequently been arrested since the assault.

Judge Mickelson's decision was wildly unjust, and the personal harm to Dr. Hosack has been devastating. All of this because the Judge had a prejudice against self defense with a gun, and a willingness to believe assailants who invaded another's property and who attacked older people with no provocation. Incredibly, these assailants were untested for drugs even though there was plenty of reason to do so.

Coos County District Attorney, Paul Burgett, is just as politically correct. In other cases, he chose not to prosecute two police officers for shooting a man with one arm in a sling and another man for brandishing a marking pen. The D.A. believed the cops' lethal action was justifiable, but Hosack's non-lethal action was felonious. Double standard anyone?

For those wishing to communicate with Judge Richard Mickelson and District Attorney Paul Burgett can do so as follows:

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For those wishing to defray the costs of Dr. Hosack's appeal, tax-deductible donations may be sent to Gun Owners Foundation at 8001 Forbes Place, Springfield, VA 22151.

Please be sure to write "Dr. Hosack" in the memo line if sending a check.

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Josephine County - a place to strip? Legislator targets adult businesses

Sunny Valley, OR - An adult entertainment spot "Club 71" is due to open on February 4th and has county residents up in arms or just plain ready for it to open.

Residents in the Sunny Valley and Wolf Creek areas have been calling their County Commissioners who just recently held a closed door session to address the "strip club issue." According to information received, the commissioners will not allow the club to open, but Club 71 managers state that everything is in order and they will be open on schedule.

Many residents in Grants Pass are ready and excited for it to open and see nothing immoral with the "strip club" industry. According to Larry Lacey, owner of the Dirt Bike Diner, now Club 71, "We are providing a place that will entertain and we aren't just focusing on our dancers to do this. It's not going to be like any other club." The debate has been long and has been fueled by several articles written by the Daily Courier who, according to Lacie and others involved in the club, have been "on the verge of stalking" for a story.

One thing is for sure, there are those for it, ready to spend money at a local business, and there are those against it, who are protecting the moral fiber of their community.



Angela Affleck checks out the place while applying for a bartender position

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JEFFERSON CITY (AP) - First Missouri banished sexy billboards and young strip dancers. Now a state senator wants to force adult entertainment businesses out of the Show-Me State by stripping them of their profits.

Legislation pending in the Senate would impose a 20 percent tax on revenues of all "sexually oriented businesses," charge a \$5 fee for each person entering their doors and prohibit the businesses from staying open late at night.

"The goal of the bill is to make Missouri inhospitable for these businesses," said Republican Sen. Matt Bartle of Lee's Summit.

Adult-entertainment executives question whether the legislation violates constitutional free-speech and expression rights and warn it could hurt the state's economy.

"It's a small-business killer, and it's a job killer," said Dick Snow, owner of Bazooka's Showgirls in Kansas City and a board member of the Missouri Association of Club Executives, the industry's trade group.

As many as 1,000 Missouri businesses could be affected by the legislation, said Snow, who suggested the proposed taxes also could hit mainstream video and book stores that carry a few adult titles.

Two years ago, Missouri passed a law banning nude dancers younger than 19. Last year, Missouri enacted a phased-in prohibition of most billboards for sexually oriented businesses.

Bartle, who sponsored the billboard law, is chairman of the Senate judiciary committee, which held an early hearing this session on his latest attempt to curtail adult entertainment businesses, which are common along Missouri's rural interstates and in its big cities.

If passed, the new taxes and admission fees would go to schools, but Bartle acknowledged his true purpose is to limit the industry.

The proposal is similar to the way Missouri regulates its gambling industry. Riverside casinos pay a 20 percent revenue tax and a \$2 fee per customer.

Bartle's legislation would also prohibit adult entertainment businesses from being open between 10 p.m. and 10 a.m. or on Sundays and holidays and would prohibit anyone younger than 21 from working at such businesses.

Angelina Spencer, director of the national Association of Club Executives, estimated that adult entertainment clubs already generate about \$12 million a year in Missouri tax revenues. She said similar ideas have cropped up a few other states. ■■

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Anywhere, USA All too often today innocent people are convicted or wrong rulings are handed down from incompetent or corrupt judges, in concert with incompetent or corrupt attorneys, which literally ruin the lives of those on the receiving end of the injustice.

The US~Observer has a “Hall of Shame” for the corrupt or incompetent. This section of the newspaper will be permanent, meaning that once a corrupt or incompetent official, judge or attorney is listed, they will remain there until they reverse their corrupt or incompetent acts and write a sincere letter of apology to their victim. This is unlikely to ever occur, so those listed can look forward to the public seeing their picture in each future edition under the “Hall of Shame” heading.

Our first inductee was Judge Lane W. Simpson of Lake County, Oregon. Judge Simpson issues false findings of fact from his office in Lakeview, Oregon. Our most recent inductee is Josephine County, Oregon Sheriff Dave Daniel (see his corrupt or incompetent actions on the front page of this edition).

We could literally fill the entire paper with pictures and stories based on accusations. This won't happen. Our readership should (as always) know that we are speaking first hand and factually when they see an Observer reporter’s name attached to the by-line.

In Oregon a defendant can have a judge recuse him/herself for the simple reason that the defendant believes he/she can't receive a fair and impartial hearing from the judge appointed to their case. If a judge or attorney is listed in our “Hall of Shame,” don't dare use them. They are there for a valid reason and therefore should be shamed instead of paid. If a politician is listed, don't vote for them and be sure that you inform as many voters as possible that the politician is corrupt and/or incompetent.

If a corrupt or incompetent judge or attorney has damaged you, please send their name and picture along with the proof of their corrupt or incompetent acts against you and we will do everything possible to see that they receive “Hall of Shame” status.

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Sheriff Caught in ...

the truth I would have no problem in allowing him access to everything down there.”

Carl Wilson: “So really you’re saying that the issue really is between you and Mr. Taft and not you and the truth or anything like that.”

Sheriff Daniel: “Well it’s ... I can tell you that Mr. Taft and Ed Snook and ah ah took a antagonistic attitude ah towards the sheriff’s office and the entire criminal justice system ah following their attempt to have ah ah Judge O’Neil recalled. Do you remember that about five years ago and ah ever since then they have been antagonistic towards the entire criminal justice system and once again they pick jist what they want to report on and not report the facts.”

The Observer is republishing the alleged beating of the police dog article (following this article) as it was originally written. In reading the article compare Daniel’s comments of Oct. 2004 to those made nearly four years earlier.

1. Daniel claims the dog snagged a claw on a grate hence the blood. Daniel reportedly told Editor Dennis Roler of the Daily Courier that the dog had broken a tooth. Daniel isn’t getting his facts straight. Daniel complains we don’t tell the truth. That reminds me of the time I asked him if he called former DA Tim Thompson a SOB because he wrote a letter to the editor opposing Daniel for sheriff. Daniel simply told me he didn’t remember. What a dodge. My witness remembers quite well when Daniel made the SOB comment to him. Daniel also is reported to have used the same phrase about a Sgt. he fired for disloyalty. This may be a favorite phrase Daniel uses to take care of deputies, DA’s, and reporters.

2. Daniel complains both sides of the story are not reported. In reading the past article a number of sources were checked. The sheriff’s office was uncooperative and at times didn’t return calls as discussed in the article. Information had to be obtained through Commissioner Harold Haugen. Under Daniel’s administration he has proven to be reluctant to release any information that that could cause him embarrassment.

3. As far as being antagonistic towards the entire criminal justice system the Observer demands honesty in government and gives respect when it’s earned. Daniel is using the old cloak trick to cover himself while attempting to make everyone believe the entire Criminal Justice System is under the cloak with him. Again Daniel fails to get his point. A recent article about the Grants Pass City Police in the Observer was favorable. Daniel has not earned that respect. There is no doubt that many good deputies are employed by the sheriff’s office. Both the courts and the district attorney’s office have had problems, but new people are now in place and they bear watching for improvement.

4. The cost of buying and training a police dog is reported to be \$15,000. The reader needs to ask why a \$15,000 dog with a bleeding wound was not taken to the veterinarian. Pathogens can be found anywhere and especially on floors in a jail. Flesh eating bacteria are always a concern. The dog’s life could have been in danger. Why wouldn’t a quick trip to the vet be in order as insurance to protect the dog’s life and the investment? A trained police dog is a valuable asset to any police department, and normally

these dogs are especially well taken care of. If the dog had been struck out of anger and had bruise marks, that would be reason enough to stay away from the vet. If that indeed took place and the public was aware of it Daniel and the deputy may as well have left town. A trip to the vet could have cleared this matter up. This was not done and nearly four years later the issue is unresolved and it’s still bothering Daniel. A troubled conscience can keep a man from his rest, while old secrets dance through the night.

5. As any prudent person can see after reading the following article (April 2001) Dave Daniel is a liar and a master at deceiving the public. It was factually reported to the Observer by an inmate that the dog was beaten. John Taft immediately turned this “factual information” into an allegation as any responsible reporter would do and he began investigating. The article in question, republished below shows clearly that Taft never accused anyone of anything...period. Why would Daniel then turn it around on his recent radio talk show and make it appear to the public that John Taft had lied nearly four years ago in his Observer article? Daniel clearly stated (on tape) that Taft had accused the dog handler of “beating his dog to the point of ah bloodying it all over the jail.” Daniel told his blatant lie on talk radio here in Josephine County in his attempt to silver tongue the taxpayers into approving his jail levy, just as he lied to voters in order to get elected. The levy failed and now Daniel is factually exposed as a deceitful liar. All citizens of Josephine County would be wise to take anything this Sheriff says “with a grain of salt” in the future...

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Was a Police Dog Beaten Bloody in the JoCo Jail?

By Investigative Reporter
John Taft

Grants Pass, OR, April 20, 2001 – The Oregon Observer and Strobezone have been investigating an allegation that a police dog named Pico was abused, and or beaten bloody in the Josephine County jail. To find out if the story was factual, I called the sheriff’s department and talked to Lt. Gordon Williams. At the time Williams claimed he hadn’t heard of the April 5th incident, but he was aware that dogs had been taken down into the new jail for training exercises. I also contacted Dennis Roler, Editor of the local Daily Courier newspaper, and Commissioner Harold Haugen. Mr. Roler said he had talked to the sheriff who told him the dog had injured a tooth. These facts provided enough reason to further this investigation.

Bloody Jail Cell

Was there blood from the dog in the jail cell? The official position voiced by Daniel is the dog broke or sustained some type of tooth injury. Now we know the dog left some of his blood in the jail cell. My report is that there was quite a bit of blood smeared around the cell, more than should be expected from an injured tooth. My report says that the cell inmate was given a water spray bottle and a rag to clean up the blood

spill. The inmate was reported to be allergic to dogs, and was upset that he was forced to clean up the blood in his cell. Since that time a mop bucket of water was also used to clean the cell.

The sheriff’s department is holding with the tooth story. There may be another explanation for the blood. My inside source claims the dog was failing to obey the commands of the deputy in charge. The deputy was reported to have used a police club to prod the dog and then hit and kicked the dog when he failed to obey commands.

Why Didn’t Lt. Williams Return Taft’s Call?

A very important question this investigation hinges on is was the police dog Pico taken to a veterinarian? I left a voice mail message for Lt. Williams with this question on Friday, April 13th. Mr. Williams chose not to respond to me. This kind of response is typical of the JoCo sheriff’s department. I had left the same question for Commissioner Haugen. Mr. Haugen, who has been very cooperative, did call back Saturday evening and told me he had asked Lt. Williams this question. Williams told him the dog was not taken to the vet. I had also inquired as to who the dog’s vet was. Williams said, "Off the top of my head I think it’s ____." Williams’ answer appears to be correct. My observation is that the Daniel’s JoCo sheriff’s department is uncooperative and it wants to keep information from reaching the public.

Was Pico Put at Risk?

The new jail has had a few sewage overflows since it was opened. Sanitary conditions in a jail are always a concern of the employees. Bacteria and Viruses can be found on an apparently clean home kitchen counter. How many more can be found in the environment of a jail? Any type of open injury that allows blood to flow will also allow pathogens into an animal or human body.

Expert Questioned on Professional Dog Handling

I asked renowned dog trainer Edward Snook and a former writer for Dog World if Pico should have been taken to a vet. He responded with one word, "Absolutely." Mr. Snook has trained hundred of attack and self-protection dogs. He said, "Never once using my training methods was there a need to cause an injury to a dog. I’ve never had a dog bleed. It’s a bad dog handler that would injure a dog during training. There is literally no need for that." Common sense would dictate that the dog should have gone to a vet. Any kind of injury that would cause an open wound and allow blood to flow will put any dog at risk of an infection or disease.

Here are the Facts

We know Pico was taken into the county jail. We know there was blood in the cell, from the dog because of the broken tooth story. This wasn’t denied. According to the information that Lt. Williams gave to Commissioner Haugen, we now know that Pico didn’t go to the vet. We know that a dog trainer indicated that under the described conditions Pico should have gone to a vet. We know these are very valuable dogs costing thousands of dollars to purchase and train. The Elks are reported to have donated \$5,000 for the purchase and training of a dog. We know a bleeding wound of any kind could easily put Pico at risk of bacterial

infection or a disease. Why wasn’t this expensive dog professionally taken care of? Why wasn’t Pico taken to the vet?

A Conclusion from Deductive Reasoning

Some conclusions can be drawn from the evidence presented. The injury could have been minor. But the necessity of supplying a water spray bottle and rag to clean up and then using a mop later would tend to dispel this theory. The public’s perception is that the deputies love those dogs and take great care of them. Perhaps the K-9 dog trainer’s public image doesn’t match how the dogs are really treated when they are being trained. Regardless, If Pico were cared for wouldn’t he have been taken to the vet? Last we have to consider the unthinkable. And this is the theory that the dog was actually abused and beaten because he didn’t obey the trainer’s commands. Perhaps the deputy lost his temper. Or could it be that abuse by prodding a police dog with a club, hitting and kicking is a normal training procedure used by some deputies in Josephine County?

Unfortunately this last conclusion appears to carry the most credibility. Injuries to Pico would have shown up during an examination by a vet. Explaining the cause of such an injury would be embarrassing to the entire sheriff’s department. Deputies are supposed to be the good guys that investigate and cite others for animal abuse in Josephine County. For one deputy to investigate and cite a K-9 deputy for animal abuse would make newspaper headlines and raise community eyebrows. It’s doubtful the department would ever let such a story out.

Are There Reasons to Conceal a Dog Beating?

It has been said that attitude is everything. A visitor to the Josephine County Jail was recently told, "What goes on behind these walls is none of the public’s business." The allegations involving Pico would tend to confirm this statement. A police dog beating in the jail would be politically embarrassing to Daniel. It would also show the unprofessional attitude of deputies in the JoCo sheriff’s department Sheriff Daniel is attempting to obtain more money for the sheriff’s department budget. He is asking for another \$850,000 when he already has a budget of almost \$9 million for next year. This type of bad exposure could cost him hundreds of thousands of dollars in new revenue and affect his public image. If the dog was beaten and had bruises and wounds, these would be very powerful reason not to take the dog to the vet. An offer to take the dog to the vet now would be most likely a worthless gesture as the alleged beating and bloodletting took place on April 5. A documented trip to the vet could have resolved this entire issue.

Sheriff is Accountable

Unless the sheriff’s department can supply some new compelling evidence that Pico wasn’t beaten or abused during this training exercise then the fact remains this issue is still wide open and isn’t going away. The sheriff’s department under Dave Daniel is accountable for its actions whether they are officially investigated or not. ■■■

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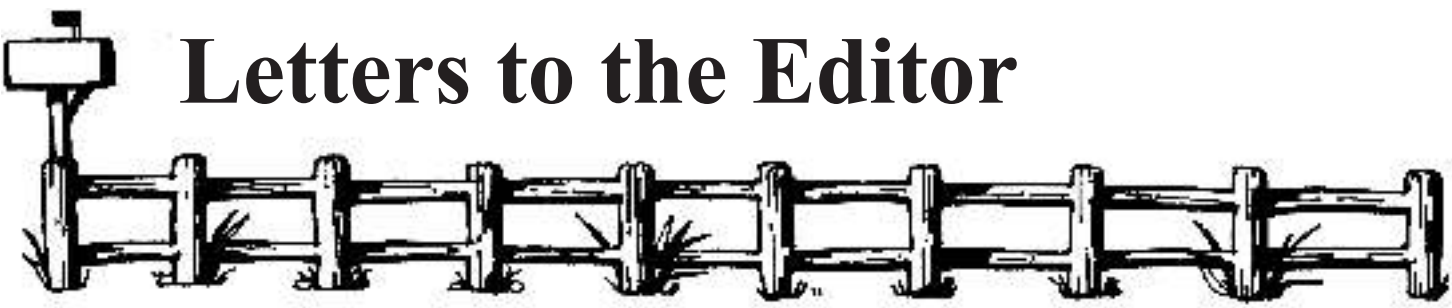
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John,

I read your story about discrimination by the Elks Lodge. It is my understanding that discrimination exists when a person is treated differently based on an immutable characteristic (something with which they are born and cannot change: sex, skin color, etc.). How is this case "discrimination?" I would think it is rather a case of petty politics gone awry. Any insight you can provide would be helpful.

Thanks for your consideration.

Jon Ryan

Reply to above letter:

Hello Jon,

Thanks for your interest in the Elk's article. The answer to your comment is in the definition of the word. The word discrimination appears to be broader in scope than the way you are using it. Wordweb dictionary defines discrimination, as a noun: "Unfair treatment of a person or group on the basis of prejudice." Prejudice as a noun: "A partiality that prevents objective consideration of an issue or situation" Prejudice as a verb: "Influence (somebody's) opinion in advance." It appears the sheriff did all these things, so we can plug in the word discrimination.

John Taft

To The Editor,

During 2001-02 I was the topic of numerous articles and letters published in the Observer. At the time I was an admittedly frightened and confused man. I had been unexpectedly arrested, jailed and charged with Child Sex Abuse. No experience in my life, including serious times of combat in Viet Nam could have prepared me for that de-humanizing and threatening experience.

During that trying and troubling time in my life many of my so-called friends turned their backs on me. I was left feeling lost and abandoned by humanity. Then I contacted Ed Snook of the US~Oregon Observer. Things started to change almost instantly. Ed Snook took on the job of investigating my case and he soon found out that the charges leveled at me were false and malicious. Thanks to Ed Snook's devotion and dedication to my case I was able to get rid of my highly questionable Attorney Pat Wolke of Grants Pass and employ Attorney Richard Cohen of Portland. Mr. Cohen is another dedicated professional, like

Ed Snook. With Mr. Cohen on one side and Ed Snook on the other, I was able to ferret out the corruption and sloth in our court system and prevail. I was acquitted in October of 2002 and finally vindicated thanks to the professionalism and dedication of two men who are both truly committed to truth and justice.

This letter is a Thank You to these men and to all you readers who kept me in your thoughts and prayers during that very troubling time. Thank you and may God bless you all for seeing that this innocent man was able to retain his freedom.

Steve Andrews
Portland, Oregon

Dear Editor,

Josephine County voters were outraged over the nine-week paid leave for county managers. This one issue was a key factor in Commissioners Harold Haugen and Jim Brock losing their positions. The county is revenue short and the people want efficient use of every greenback available and no new property taxes. .

The man who calls himself the sheriff just lost two lawsuits. \$230,000 plus legal fees is a lot of money to pay out for the firing of two good deputies because the sheriff wanted to dump them. The money came from insurance paid with tax dollars and taxpayer county funds. This is like the nine-week paid leave fiasco, bad decisions by elected officials. Some may say incompetence. The fact is Dave Daniel is not an administrator as he has repeatedly shown. Former DA Tim Thompson warned the voters about him in a letter to the editor dated October 29, 1998. Too bad we didn't listen.

Daniel spent over \$20,000 dollars to have Steve Kent show him how to be a better sheriff. Wasted money! Daniel spent several thousand dollars remodeling his office when the sheriff's office was underfunded. Daniel played big shot by sending deputies to the Olympics. Editor Roler said, "It's the fact the sheriff chose to spend local taxpayer money to protect strangers when facing a huge budget deficit that has hurt his case."

As treasurer for Friends Protecting Family Homes I would like to invite Daniel to a going away party, his.

John Taft

Dear Editor,

What is it with you and Gabbs? You seem to spend a lot of time “investigating,” and I use the word loosely. I remember in our past e-mails your “reliable sources” couldn't even find out who I was or where I lived,

even with all the hints I gave you! You refer to Gabbs as “the little forgotten town.” Obviously you haven't forgotten it. I haven't either. I grew up here and returned in retirement, along with my husband of 43 years. So have a couple of other people. More are on the way.

Yes, we have some bad guys here. So does Grants Pass, so does every other town in the world. But in Gabbs, they are far outnumbered by decent, caring intelligent people who are working to make our town a better place. And we'll succeed, in spite of them, and you.

I notice that you print whining letters to the editor. You print letters from people who care little for personal hygiene or the condition of their homes or anything else besides blaming others for their lot in life. Will you print a letter that carries hope and optimism and states that you are for sale to the highest bidder?

I also notice that you love to blow your own horn, even where no horn is evident. You take partial credit for the recent narcotics arrests. You shouldn't do that. How do you know when the investigation started, or in which direction it proceeded, or who contributed? You also state that your newspaper is Gabbs' only hope to clean up “this drug racked and immoral community.” What is wrong with you? How can you possibly and fairly define Gabbs like that when you've only met the worst of us? I invite you to come to my home, if you are ever in Gabbs, and determine for yourself if I am drug “racked” (you used the wrong word; in this instance the word is “wracked”) and immoral, or if my husband and brother are, or my friends, or the people who have lived here for most of their lives. Be fair (fair is defined as free from bias, dishonesty or injustice). I challenge you to live up to that definition. I know it'll be difficult, but you must try.

Sincerely yours,
Jan Basinger
Gabbs, Nevada

To the Editor

There once was a man who was brought to the hospital, dead on arrival. An Autopsy revealed he had internal organs of an 80-year-old man, but he was only 28. He had been doing methamphetamines for the past twelve years. The drug methamphetamine (meth) is Hitler's legacy. Hitler used a form of it to make soldiers of the Third Reich work harder, faster and longer. Never mind that it eats away the mind, body and soul.

These days it's not uncommon for children to be hooked on the stuff. To those supplying meth to kids, well, you might as well line up the kids and shoot

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them. You’re destroying innocent lives. Stop it!

To the kids: You don’t know with what substance that stuff is cut. It could be rat poison, who knows. At any rate, that stuff is bad, bad, bad. Be very scared.

To the adult user: Respect your body. You’re the one living in it. Or, are you the one dying in it? Be good to yourself. Take time to heal. Help is out there.

Janene Rayburn
Tonopah, Nevada

Edward Snook’s Note: Well put Janene. To bad others, like Jan Basinger of Gabbs don’t practice concern and positive action as opposed to hypocrisy. If there were more Janene’s out there we would see a much greater decline in drug abuse among both children and adults. Thank you.

Open Letter To Oregon Legislators

Dear Oregon Legislators,

Below please find a resolution sent recently to California House and Senate. The same problems exist here in Oregon. We need a similar resolution. Thank you for taking the time to read the California proposed resolution regarding CPS abuse, and considering its implementation by Oregon House and Senate.

Susan Detlefsen
Portland, Oregon

California House and Senate Resolution:

WHEREAS recognition of the inherent dignity and of the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world,

WHEREAS disregard and contempt for human rights and parental and children's rights have resulted in barbarous acts which have outraged the conscience of mankind, and the advent of a world in which human beings shall enjoy freedom of speech and belief and freedom from fear and what has been proclaimed as the highest aspiration of the common people,

WHEREAS it is essential if a mother is compelled to have recourse, as a last resort, to rebellion against tyranny and oppression, and if after five years the judicial system has failed to resolve a gross injustice inflicted upon Mother and Child, and that human rights and parental and children's rights should be protected by the rule of the law,

BE IT RESOLVED,

I That Motherhood and Childhood are entitled to special care and assistance. All Children, whether born in or out of wedlock, shall enjoy the same social protection;

II That Parents have a prior right to choose the kind of education that shall be given to their Children;

III That Parents have a prior right to choose whether or not psychotropic pharmaceuticals be administered to

their children;

IV That every Parent and Child has the right to life, liberty and security of person;

V That no Parent or Child shall be subjected to torture or to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment;

VI That no Parent shall be subjected to arbitrary arrest, detention or imprisonment;

VII That every Parent should have affordable access to quality child care in order to make a living and provide for her child;

VIII That every Parent charged with a penal offense has the right to be presumed innocent until proved guilty according to law in a public trial at which he/she has had all the guarantees necessary for his or her defense; That DIANE BOOTH was never afforded the opportunity to have a trial or even a fair hearing;

VIII That no Parent shall be held guilty of any penal offense on account of any act or omission which did not constitute a penal offense, under national or international law, at the time when it was committed. Nor shall a heavier penalty be imposed than the one that was applicable at the time the penal offense was committed.

IX That no Parent shall be subjected to arbitrary interference with his or her privacy, family, home or correspondence, nor to attacks upon his or her honor and reputation. Every Parent has the right to the protection of the law against such interference or attacks.

X That every child has a human right to have contact with his biological parent and must not be separated from his family, heritage, cultural traditions or religious values;

THE UNDERSIGNED, finds that Child Protective Services, The State of California and the United States Government which oversees said Agency has violated the human rights of DIANE BOOTH and VINCENT BOOTH and has subjected them to indignities, abuse, terrorization, and have violated the sacred bond of Parent and Child by illegally kidnapping and illegally detaining VINCENT BOOTH AND DIANE BOOTH without probable cause or without due process of law.

THE UNDERSIGNED does hereby Petition the government of the State of California and the United States Government for Relief and remedy to have VINCENT BOOTH returned to his natural parent, DIANE BOOTH, consistent with the laws of the U.S. CONSTITUTION, the laws of God and Nature.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that Restitution be appropriated in a monetary sum comparable to the amount of pain and suffering endured by said gross injustice to DIANE BOOTH and VINCENT BOOTH.

Judicial Cannons

Dear Editor,

The following are some of the rules from the Revised Oregon Code Of Judicial Conduct. Can anyone name a

judge that has not violated all those rules?

JR 1-101:

A judge shall not engage in conduct that reflects adversely on the judge’s character, competence, temperament or fitness to serve as a judge.

JR 1-101 (d):

A judge shall not engage in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation.

JR 2-104 (A):

A judge possessing knowledge that another judge or lawyer has committed a violation of the rules of judicial or professional conduct or law that raises a substantial question as to that individuals honesty, trustworthiness, or fitness as a judge or lawyer shall inform the Commission of Judicial Fitness and Disability or the Oregon State Bar Disciplinary Counsel.

JR 2-107:

A judge shall be faithful to the law and shall decide matters on the basis of the facts and applicable law.

Roger Justice
Portland, Oregon

Ten Steps To Freedom

To the Editor,

Most Americans are growing extremely weary of the malgovernance, ineptitude, and legalized corruption perpetuated by the legal profession, bureaucracy, & lobbyists. However, only a few are focused on the core problems causing this sickness.

Too many patriotic Americans concentrate on treating particular symptoms rather than curing the disease. If the patient has AIDS, he/she does not need to be treated for sores only. When the fascists, monarchs & communists ruled nations, the people had to make the removal of its system of governance their number one priority. Yet the whole nation is immersed in a maze of issues, however important, without addressing these basic matters simply because everything has been unnecessarily complicated.

Listed are probable solutions.

1. America needs verifiable and traceable elections which are tabulated on a grassroots level. Paper ballots should be used. Preferably, the secret ballot process should be abolished.

2. The United States is not an unbridled democracy. Practicing judicial advocates should not serve in legislative and executive branches due to obvious conflict of interest. It is highly unconstitutional because it flagrantly violates the Separation of Powers and Checks and Balances concepts.

3. Non-attorneys should be eligible for judgeship at the state and local level. Judges and prosecutors should be banned from belonging to private organizations, comprising solely of advocates, in which its purpose will obviously be the advancement of its agenda.

4.All bar associations should be stripped of their authority to license

counsel. No permission from a private organization should be necessary for a truly private sector citizen to assist another citizen in any manner on any legal matter. Judicial advocate organizations should be excluded from the judge-selection process.

5. All regulatory agencies should be abolished and all regulations repealed. Only lawmakers or the people through direct referendum should regulate society with laws. Laws should be written in plain English and it should not be exclusively written by judicial advocates in "legalese". All enforcement of laws should be borne by state and local police. The only exception should be issues involving vital national security interests, which includes espionage.

6.All contributors and contributions to political campaigns should be made public record. Only American citizens should be allowed to contribute. While reasonable limits can be placed on direct contributions, any other restrictions would be a blatant infringement on an individual's First Amendment Right.

7.Repeal the Federal Reserve Act and abolish the Federal Reserve. The printing and coining of currency should be the sole responsibility of a U.S. government agency, the U.S. Treasury.

8.Allow the military to manage the military. Civilian legislators and the Commander-In-Chief should only decide when to use the military and how much funds it should receive.

9.America must protect its sovereignty by restricting the role of the U.N. as a meeting place for all nations to voice their opinions. All taxpayer funding of the IMF & World Bank must be stopped. If government wishes to contribute foreign aid and loans, it must do so on an ad hoc basis. No member of the three branches of government can belong to any private organization that is foreign based five years before and five years after public service.

10.The United States Constitution must be reinstated as the supreme law of the land. Portions of the 14th Amendment must be repealed along with subsequent legislation, executive orders, and court decisions which reaffirm the gold-fringe flag in all government(including the courts).

The threat of instant bankruptcy and poverty due to outrageous healthcare, education and legal costs will erode civility/trust and has promoted panic and social tensions. As more people are working two jobs and longer hours just to make ends meet, the ability to earn an honest productive living will decrease significantly. This has already adversely affected the family structure. With recession, joblessness, and even war looming on the horizon, it is imperative these proposals are implemented.

Harsha Sankar
Covington, Virginia

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Health

Health Warning:
Smoking may be
good for Parkinson's

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STOCKHOLM - Tobacco may have at least one virtue - that of providing some protection against the onset of Parkinson's disease (news - web sites), according to a new Swedish study.

Researchers at the Karolinska Institute, Sweden's leading medical research center, looked at the medical and death records of sets of Swedish twins, in which one smoked and the other did not.

"Many studies have shown a protective effect of cigarette smoking on Parkinson's disease," said the study published online this month by the Annals of Neurology -- but many have argued that this may have been due to genetic factors.

By studying twins with different life styles, the researchers said they sought to exclude the genetic factor.

They found no association between Parkinson's disease, a degenerative neurological condition, and alcohol, coffee or place of residence.

But smokers appeared to be less affected, which the researchers said, confirmed "the protective effect of smoking on Parkinson's disease" and established that the association "is only partially explained by genetic and familial environmental factors." ■■

Health Tip:
Housework Will
Keep You Fit

HealthDayNews

If you're stuck with housework when you'd really rather be at the gym, you'll be happy to learn that you're getting the same workout either way.

According to an article a few years back in the American Journal of Occupational Therapy, vacuuming and cleaning the bathroom both increase the heart rate and produce as much circulatory strain as a period of moderate aerobic exercise at the gym.

And while the amount of strain varies from person to person, vacuuming generally causes more strain than bathroom cleaning does. ■■

By Dr. James Howenstine
NewsWithViews.com

Removal of stomach acid has serious long term consequences over time. The resulting poor digestion is the genesis of all sorts of significant health problems.

A recent study from Holland revealed that patients using acid suppressing drugs had a quadrupled risk of developing pneumonia when compared to patients not using these drugs. There are two classes of drugs that interfere with acid production by the stomach:

•Proton Pump Inhibitors (Nexium, Prilosec, Prevacid, Protonix, Aciphex) are used primarily to treat stomach acid refluxing into the esophagus.

•H2 Receptor Antagonists (Pepcid, Zantac, Tagamet, Rotane, Axid) are used primarily to treat heartburn.

Many physicians have become accustomed to ordering one of the above drugs when a patient is placed on a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory NSAID drug for arthritic symptoms because of the well recognized risk of ulcer formation and internal bleeding that can occur with NSAID therapy. This decision is based on the incorrect assumption that stomach acid is bad and decreasing this acid production should help prevent ulcer formation and subsequent bleeding episodes. Stomach acid is critical to digestion of food and the long term loss of this beneficial acid causes a myriad of health problems.

In the study from Holland the medical records of 360,000 patients were surveyed for usage of Proton Pump Inhibitors and H2 Receptor Antagonists. The risk of developing pneumonia increased the most in the patients receiving the highest doses of these drugs. Dr. Allan Spreen[2] relates that when stomach acid production is decreased by these drugs there is also diminished tightness in the muscular contraction of the gastroesophageal sphincter during digestion. This lack of a trap door effect permits gastric fluid to have an easier time in refluxing up into the esophagus where it can drop into the lung. One of the functions of gastric acid is too kill infectious bacteria in the stomach. The loss of maximal acid production by the stomach might make it easier for this regurgitating stomach fluid to contain living infectious

organisms when it drops into the lung and thus facilitate bacterial pneumonia. The actual development of stomach and duodenal ulceration is related to lack of digestive enzymes and mucous which protect the stomach lining against ulceration. Stomachs that are not producing adequate amounts of acid also tend to be low in their production of digestive enzymes. These stomach enzymes and mucous act to protect the normal stomach lining from being digested by acid and thus can protect from ulcer formation. In normal digestion the high stomach acid content causes no problems with reflux of acid into the esophagus because the gastroesophageal sphincter is able to become tight enough so that no acid regurgitates into the esophagus. The appearance of regurgitated acidic gastric fluid on the esophageal lining is what produces the pain seen in this condition (reflux).

Health Problems Related To Lack of Adequate Amounts Of Gastric Acid Over Long Periods Of Time.

There are a multitude of health problems related to deficiency of gastric acid production. Lack of hydrochloric acid causes failure of digestion in the small intestine, inability to breakdown fiber, flawed enzyme activity and inability to assimilate minerals. Lack of gastric acidity causes disappearance of electrolytes (sodium, potassium, chloride, calcium, magnesium, bicarbonate) from the body. This electrolyte lack causes an inability to maintain body pH in an appropriate level and also leads to nearly complete failure to produce enzymes. Persons lacking gastric acid are unable to digest protein which is responsible for 50 % of the body's sugar production so there is a tendency to low blood sugar (hypoglycemia) with symptoms reflecting low blood sugar values (shakiness, sweating, hunger, confusion, headaches, dizziness, palpitation). A serous problem occurs when vitamin B complex is not absorbed. This results in lack of enzyme function which is responsible for nearly every bodily function that keeps us alive.

Thyroid function becomes flawed because of lack of vitamins B2, B3 and B6 along with the minerals iodine, zinc, selenium, magnesium, copper, molybdenum, essential fatty acids and the amino acid tyrosine.

Lacking these substances thyroid hormone can not be constructed.

Magnesium deficiency tends to raise blood pressure and interferes with normal dilatation of arteries. Lack of folic acid and pyridoxine (B6) results in elevation of homocysteine values which accelerates arteriosclerosis.

Lack of gastric acid causes bacterial infections in the intestines to flourish, nutrients become wasted in the stools, undigested substances become able to penetrate the injured intestinal wall (leaky gut syndrome) and auto immune reactions develop against these abnormal ingested foreign blood proteins. Lack of the vitamins A, B, and C impairs the normal protection against developing malignancies. The missing electrolytes, vitamins and minerals leads to impaired liver performance (zinc and manganese deficiency cause deficiency of the key liver nutrient choline). Muscle wasting follows impaired protein ingestion.

Histamine is important for proper immune function and the lack of hydrochloric acid prevents histidine from being converted into histamine. This histamine lack causes the mast cells in the stomach to fail to stimulate the production of hydrochloric acid. Chronic stress depletes the body of B vitamins and minerals which are already lacking.

Eighty percent of healthy 85 year old adults test positive for hypochlorhydria (not enough stomach acid). At least 50 % of persons over 50 years old have diminished stomach acid production.

Zinc is absent or nearly absent from all the major farmlands in the U.S. Zinc is needed for over 200 enzyme reactions in the body. This review has only touched on a few of the significant problems which result from decreased gastric hydrochloric acid production.

The mere presence of heartburn does not prove that the patients symptoms are caused by stomach acid as persons regurgitating bile onto the esophagus may experience similar pain. The seriousness of the health problems resulting from lack of stomach acid makes other methods of handling the symptoms of heartburn and regurgitation an important issue.

Therapy For Impaired Gastric Acid Production.

Any patient exhibiting any of these signs of absent acid production by the stomach should consider stopping H2 blocker or proton pump therapy. Dr. Allan Spreen states that about 66 % of patients suffering from heartburn, indigestion and reflux have responded well to the use of frequent acidophilus powder[3] which relieves the pain without altering acid production by the stomach. The bacterial preparation may need to be taken frequently. Stomachs that are low in acid production are also low in production of digestive enzymes. Treating with acid and digestive enzymes along with the acidophilus tends to be beneficial as long as stomach acid fails to reach the esophagus. Dr. Spreen likes the formulation Super Enzymes by Twin Lab taking two capsules in the middle of the meal. This product contains betaine hydrochloride, a plant based form of acid like that in the stomach. Acidophilus seems to work better if the capsule is opened so the saliva carries the bacteria down the esophagus into the stomach. Acidophilus can be found in health food stores and over the internet. Refrigerated varieties of acidophilus in either capsule or powder in dosage of billions of CFU (colony forming units) ¼ to ½ teaspoon before meals and bedtime as well as whenever needed during the daytime. Swallow with saliva or a few sips of water.

The English product Potter's Acidosis contains meadowsweet, charcoal, and rhubarb which often works to stop internal bleeding from ulcers, cancer and gastritis when all other therapies have failed may be quite helpful. This can be obtained by calling 011-44-1942-405100 or herbal-direct.com in England. Individuals who fail to improve with these measures will need consultation and possibly even surgery to tighten the esophageal gastric sphincter.

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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 countless, 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.

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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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