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"Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty." Wendell Phillips

More Government/Military Activities in Archuleta County!

The Free Press continues to receive regular reports of growing military activities in and around Pagosa Springs. The two pictures included herein were provided by a Durango resident who took these as the craft were doing touch-and-goes at the Durango airport on April 2nd. This is the same day similar aircraft were spotted landing and offloading men and equipment at Stevens Field in Pagosa, so this verifies that such aircraft were indeed in our area.

Other recent tips include: 1. A call May 18th from a retired business owner in Pagosa stating that 8 military trucks with government plates were spotted heading into Pagosa Springs, and when they were able to turn around to pursue in a few minutes, lost track of them. They did not pass through Pagosa but diverted to some other location. These trucks were all black, "brand new," with one carrying a satellite dish assembly on top and showing other evidence of electronic equipment.

2. A tip we received concerns military craft being spotted routinely flying in low roundabout circuits near Williams lake area, bypassing populated areas as they come and go.

3. A tip we received, and which we are trying to verify, stated that someone personally saw men and equipment passing into an underground bunker in the Williams Lake or North Mountain area.

4. A tip concerning the reported "weather" experiments reported in the Sun several weeks ago, one eyewitness stated they actually spoke with the people at the Bastille location where equipment, including a generator, and several cargo containers with electronic equipment were set up and working. Generator? What would that be needed for with power lines all over unless the type of equipment being used was a power drain and needed its own supply, or even

"type" of power not available here? When casually asked about this, the witness was nervously told, not once, but twice, that it was a "Department of Defense" project.

5. A call on May 18th told of a "jet fighter" spotted over Pagosa at "approximately 1500 feet," quite low for a craft traveling through the area. It



appeared to be doing reconnaissance flights over the area. This author heard this jet pass over his own residence.

On May 20th, two calls were received:

7. Two F-16's were spotted heading West to East flying fast at about 2500 ft.

8. A military truck with two personnel were seen at the Pagosa Hospital dropping of medical or other supplies. This same caller also witnessed an F-16 on May 19th.

9. May 20th; Call from witnesses stating that C-130's or C-7's... transport military aircraft, have been spotted making daily landings in Pagosa apparently making drop-offs of materials.

10. A call from a witness stating that the "Search and Rescue/Incident Command/fire departments/EMS" personnel have had at least two meetings in the past month... large meetings... at least one regarding the issues of swine flu.

11. A call from a woman who heard jets

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Mad Max Riding Across America! Jeff Maehr and Jeff Kelley

When you've worked hard all your life, believed the government, trusted them and believed in the American spirit... only to be served a two by four up side the head... well, that is how Jim Gafney felt when he watched the idiocy of the corporate bailouts. In fact, he was so incensed, he couldn't contain himself, and HAD to get involved. What did this mean for Jim? Well... packing some basic things, and hopping on his bike and setting off for the very steps of Congress.

"Mad as Hell Max" has had enough, as have so many other millions across America. He simply couldn't watch things continue to deteriorate. Jim Gafney, who lives in Chula Vista California, to his wife's chagrin, took off on his bike with 80 pounds of survival on board. He is determined to wake people up across America, and to get them involved sooner than it took him to realize the threats we face.



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I'm amazed at how many people really get it... but saddened by those that don't. Virtually every call, email and personal conversation we receive about the Free Press is very encouraging. It tells us that there are many people awake out there and joining forces. However, for those who have the courage to speak out, we get occasional statements like... "this paper is Republican, isn't it?" Or, "the paper is too negative."

First, as to this paper being "Republican." This is a sure sign that those who believe this are still caught up in the facade of choice... "Republican vs Democrat." This essentially is pitting Americans against Americans, creating just one of countless divisions that cause strife and misdirection.

How about black vs white, rich vs poor, left vs right... this is one of their best tools to keep people from coming together... from actually seeing what "the man behind the curtain" is really doing.

OK... so when a Republican was in office, how did things "change?" Bush? Responsible, along with many others, for 911 and the incredible trashing of the Constitution. How about Clinton Before him? Look at his legacy... any "change" there? No, just more lawbreaking.

Question: If a Republican is in office and violating the Constitution and rule of law... is this good or bad for America? How about a Democrat in office? What if they are violating their oath of office and the Constitution? Is that good or bad for us? Those manipulating the people... i.e, government and the media, are laughing at any of those who actually believe in the two-faced, sick-headed monster they have created that keeps Americans divided, in a false hope, and doesn't change a thing.

Are you Republican, Democrat or AMERICAN? What choice would you make? If we vote for someone who is violating their oath of office, making them a traitor by law... what does that make US? If any of us vote "party lines," and NOT the actual issues... addressing the actual threats... then we are still blindly playing the game the dividers want... believing in the illusion of choice. Do we vote for talk and theory, or for the actual laws and Constitution many hold so dear?

What will it take to make us ALL realize that the illusion we are all part of... the "matrix," is what the problem is. It is an issue of law. It is an issue of truth. It is an issue of understanding the enemy and the game they are playing against us all.

Second... "The paper is too negative." So, I ask, what part of an ongoing war is positive except winning? What part of lawlessness is acceptable for us? What part of unconstitutional do people not understand? If a disaster is approaching... do you prefer to listen to lies, songs of solace, getting patted on the head, or to hear the facts, realize the threat and simply say, NO? Any war in history... any disaster being warned about isn't good news, but it MUST be seen to have a chance at all.

That being said, people are missing the actual "good" news... because they are either listening to mainstream media... or don't bother to investigate for themselves the reality outside the matrix created for us all. Some think "any" bad news is not acceptable. If that is the case, I suggest they take a valium, drink a few beers, lay down on the couch and turn on

the mind numner boomtube... and allow yourself to be fed the lies, the distractions... the "fix" so you CAN'T wake up. They want us all like that... completely divided... asleep... distracted... ignoring facts... hoping for mindless "change."

We don't make apologies for warning of the crisis we face and for blowing the trumpet trying to wake people up. I had to wake up at one point. I had to make a moral and legal decision about how I was going to handle the facts and the evidence. I don't want to be a traitor to my country. I don't want to abandon my fellow countrymen and women. I believe I am "my brother's keeper" to some extent, and I find peace and strength in those that also take that position. I NEED them because no one can do this on their own.

If there are serious problems we face as a nation, then focusing on sports or taking any other "distraction pill" won't change anything, and will actually support the destructiveness of the agenda. If some think the paper is "too negative," then I suggest you will not survive reality when it comes home to roost... and come home it will. It is a tsunami that is on its way, and unless stopped, and STOPPED it can be if we all work together on it, it will sweep our country into a cage that many will not survive. If we are not preparing... taking action... joining forces... we could fail. We must heed the warning in Proverbs...

"Go to the ant, you sluggard! Consider her ways and be wise, which, having no captain, overseer or ruler, provides her supplies in the summer, and gathers her food in the harvest. How long will you slumber, O sluggard? When will you rise from your sleep? A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep—so shall your poverty come on you like a prowler, and your need like an armed man" (Proverbs 6:6-11). This is all about liberty, freedoms, rights, truth, constitution...bill of rights, declaration of independence... we need to renew this declaration of independence from big government, tyranny, oppression, corruption, fraud, lies. If we won't help ourselves by taking action when we could, we can't expect others to help us when trouble comes and we find ourselves and our families in serious jeopardy. THAT is why we warn, and sound the trumpet. If you choose to not listen, that is a future YOU create!

"Most people prefer to believe that their leaders are just, and fair, even in the face evidence to the contrary, because once a citizen acknowledges that the government under which he lives is lying and corrupt, the citizen has to choose what he, or she will do about it. To take action in the face of corrupt government entails risks of harm to life and loved ones. To choose to do nothing is to surrender one's self image of standing for principals. Most people do not have the courage to face that choice. Hence, most propaganda is not designed to fool the critical thinker but only to give moral cowards an excuse not to think at all."

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It Is Getting Very Serious Now

By Chuck Baldwin
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First, it was a Missouri Analysis and Information Center (MIAC) report; then it was a Department of Homeland Security (DHS) report; now it is a New York congressman's bill. Each of these items, taken on their own, is problematic enough; taken together they portend "a clear and present danger" to the liberties of the American people. It is getting very serious now.

As readers may recall, the MIAC report profiled certain people as being potential violence-prone "militia members": including people who supported Presidential candidates Ron Paul, Bob Barr, and myself. In addition, anyone who opposed one or more of the following were also included in the list: the New World Order, the U.N., gun control, the violation of Posse Comitatus, the Federal Reserve, the Income Tax, the Ammunition Accountability Act, a possible Constitutional Convention, the North American Union, the Universal Service Program, Radio Frequency Identification (RFID), abortion on demand, or illegal immigration.

The MIAC report prompted a firestorm of protest, and was eventually rescinded, with the man responsible for its distribution being dismissed from his position. The DHS report profiled many of the same people included in the MIAC report, and added returning Iraq and Afghanistan war veterans as potentially dangerous "extremists."

As I have said before, it is very likely that when all of the opinions and views of the above lists are counted, 75% or more of the American people would be included. Yet, these government reports would have law enforcement personnel to believe we are all dangerous extremists that need to be watched and guarded against. If this was not bad enough, a New York congressman has introduced a bill in the House of Representatives to deny Second Amendment rights to everyone listed above.

According to World Net Daily, May 9, 2009, "A new gun law being considered in Congress, if aligned

with Department of Homeland Security memos labeling everyday Americans a potential 'threats,' could potentially deny firearms to pro-lifers, gun-rights advocates, tax protesters, animal rights activists, and a host of others--any already on the expansive DHS watch list for potential 'extremism.'

"Rep. Peter King, R-N.Y., has sponsored H.R. 2159, the Denying Firearms and Explosives to Dangerous Terrorists Act of 2009, which permits the attorney general to deny transfer of a firearm to any 'known or suspected dangerous terrorist.' The bill requires only that the potential firearm transferee is 'appropriately suspected' of preparing for a terrorist act and that the attorney general 'has a reasonable belief' that the gun might be used in connection with terrorism.

"Gun rights advocates, however, object to the bill's language, arguing that it enables the federal government to suspend a person's Second Amendment rights without any trial or legal proof and only upon suspicion of being 'dangerous.'"

WND quotes Gun Owners of America Executive Director Larry Pratt as saying, "By [DHS] standards, I'm one of [DHS Secretary] Janet Napolitano's terrorists. This bill would enable the attorney general to put all of the people who voted against Obama on no-gun lists, because according to the DHS, they're all potential terrorists. Actually, we could rename this bill the Janet Napolitano Frenzied Fantasy Implementation Act of 2009."

Pratt was also quoted as saying, "Unbeknownst to us, some bureaucrat in the bowels of democracy can put your name on a list, and your Second Amendment rights are toast." He went on to say, "This such an anti-American bill, this is something King George III would have done."

Now that DHS has established both a list and a lexicon for "extremists," it looks to Congress to confer upon it police-state-style powers through which these individuals may be disarmed and eventually done away with. Rep. Peter King is accommodating this goal with H.R. 2159.

Let me ask a reasonable question: how long does anyone think it would be, after being

profiled by DHS and denied the lawful purchase of firearms, that those same people would be subjected to gun confiscation? And how long do you think it would be before DHS began profiling more and more groups of people, thus subjecting them to gun confiscation?

This was exactly the strategy employed by Adolf Hitler. The Jews were the first people denied their civil rights--especially the right to own and possess firearms. Of course, after disarming Jews, the rest of the German citizenry was likewise disarmed. And we all know where that led.

I'm not sure how many of the American people realize that it was the attempted confiscation of the colonialists' cache of arms in Concord, Massachusetts, that started America's War for Independence. Yes, my friends, it was attempted gun confiscation that triggered (pun intended) the "shot heard round the world." And now it would appear that, once again, a central government is on the verge of trying to deny the American people their right to keep and bear arms.

I am told that as of 2004, 50% of the adults in the United States own one or more firearms, totaling some 270 million privately owned firearms nationwide. I would venture to say that the vast majority of these gun owners would find themselves matching the DHS profile of a potential "extremist." I wonder how many gun owners realize the way they are now being targeted by their government, and just how serious--and how close--the threat of gun confiscation has become?

If one doubts the intention of the elitists in government today to deny the American people their right to keep and bear arms, consider what former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger is purported to have said just a couple of weeks ago. Kissinger attended a high-level meeting with Russian President Medvedev that also included

former Secretaries of State James Baker and George Shultz; former Secretary of Defense William Perry; and former Senator Sam Nunn. Included in the discussions was Kissinger's assertion that the American people were now ready to accept a "New Global Order." He is also reported to have told Medvedev, "By September we'll have confiscated all privately owned guns so it really doesn't matter what we do, we'll still be in charge." (Even though the national news media has not reported this statement, the Internet is abuzz with Kissinger having said it. Whether Kissinger actually made that statement or not, he, and rest of his ilk, have repeatedly called for a New World Order, in which there will be no constitutional protection for the right to keep and bear arms.)

This leads to a very serious question: how many of America's gun owners would allow their government to deny them gun ownership? Further, how many would passively sit back and allow their guns to be confiscated?

As humbly and meekly as I know how to say it: as for me and my house, gun confiscation is the one act of tyranny that crosses the line; debate, discourse, discussion, and peaceful dissent cease and desist at that point.

I say again, it is getting very serious now.

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Dr. Baldwin is front line in the fight for American freedoms, and is loudly warning people of the enemies we face along with so many others, and writes regularly for World Net Daily, a popular source for "real" news and facts most Americans are missing.

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Oath Keepers, not
traitors or domestic
terrorists. Jeff Maehr

Imagine you're driving down the road in the evening. Sun just went down. You are harmlessly thinking about the day, your kids, work... and suddenly you see flashing red and blue lights in your rear view mirror. Your response? You smile, feeling protected, comforted, safe and secure, knowing law enforcement is there to serve you... NOT!

What do any of us feel in that scenario? It is fear, anxiety, stress, discomfort, that sick feeling that you have just possibly become a victim of a predator, and we all are hoping beyond hope that they pass us by and are going for someone else.

How did this come to be this way? What happened to the "peace officer?" Where did it run the track to "law enforcement" officer, and seemingly "us and them?"

Concern has been growing across the country over the "militarization" of our Police and Sheriff Departments. This is not without an agenda. Throughout much of the 1900's, the Military, police, sheriff and other service agencies were guardians of the republic, but subtle changes have been introduced slowly as part of a larger plot.

It has been said that "if tyranny is going to come, it will come in the form of a uniform," and those powers that wish to subjugate us know that to succeed, they must seduce our people in uniform to be their attack dogs. They want people to fear, and cower down before corrupt or deviant law enforcement or military personnel. The "elite" believe law enforcement is their answer to controlling America... their puppets being trained to do their bidding... being hardened to violating their oath's of office to defend the Constitution and laws of the land.

Purposefully "militarizing" them

Across the country, in every state, we see this creeping seduction of those who swore an oath to defend the Constitution and Rule of Law. Whether Military, Police, Sheriff, Politicians, Judges and Lawyers... more and more are succumb to the corruption being taught and encouraged. Why?

Because it is the ONLY way governments and all those manipulating governments can have a hope of succeeding in their plans. It is their "ring of power" they are building, using our own countrymen and women in uniform, setting them up to support their agenda as they unfold it into action.

This is one million Americans...

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ARMED REVOLUTION POSSIBLE AND NOT SO DIFFICULT - By Bill Bridgewater

The only "newsies" that I have ever met that I didn't believe wasted oxygen by breathing were Dickey Chappell and Bernie Fall, both of whom were killed in Viet Nam because they believed that you couldn't report battles in the field from a bar in Saigon.

It is not easy to admit that a newsie stopped me cold the other day in the middle of one of their silly interviews. He had asked me to enumerate the reasons that I believed to be valid to support the private ownership of firearms.

We did not disagree over personal protection; he even admitted that hunting is legal in every state. But, when I stated that I believed that the founding fathers intended that we be armed against the possibility of our own central government overstepping its bounds, he quite bluntly asked me if I thought that an armed American citizenry had a snowball's chance in hell in an uprising against our own federal government.

Now, when was the last time you put some really serious thought into that proposition? Not counting the slaughter of the American Indians, we have not seen a serious effort to pit Americans against Americans since the end of the War Between the States that ended 130 years ago.

Is there even a shred of possibility that an armed citizenry could succeed against the strongest military power on Earth today? Perhaps we should review the years 1960-1975 again. The United States blindly stuck

its oar in the muddled waters of Viet Nam very shortly after the French got their heads handed to them on a platter and were invited not to be a colonial power in Viet Nam any more.

Finally, we found ourselves in the position of guaranteeing the survival of an independent South Viet Nam when the Northern part of the country made it clear that they were interested in reuniting the country under their particular brand of socialism.

For a decade and a half, we changed the leadership of South Viet Nam quite regularly; increased the pressure on the Johnson thumbscrews; bombed, quit, bombed, quit, ad infinitum; quantified the war; and finally turned it into an electronic war. At home we kept telling the citizens that we were just about to win decisively and elected another president to drive crazy with this goofy little war.

Finally the president declared that all was over and the troops could come home. But they did not return home in triumph with the bugles blaring. They came home with their tails between their legs just like every other defeated army in the history of the world. And the reason that they did so, my friends, was that the world's most powerful nation got its backside severely whipped by a small, backward, agrarian nation who started the war against us with an assortment of ancient bolt-action rifles, no lines of support, no manufacturing base, and no infrastructure that the country absolutely depended upon.

It is not a joke that they made sandals from cut-up truck tires - it's the truth. They

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either our allies, or our enemies... and they have the choice of whether they serve lawlessness or serve the American people and Constitution.

People in uniform took an Oath to the Constitution, and more fundamentally, the People... they swore an oath to DEFEND the People. Military and law enforcement will lose as much if not more than the rest of us, so why are some making themselves the enemy of America?

If you remember the Lord of the Rings trilogy, there were mutant variants of the local population called "Orks and Uraki," both which served the "Dark Lord" and were mindless to the people of the land. They were lawless except to

serve their dark master and his agenda. Is this what some are descending to?

Churches are also a planned part of this ring of power. Pastors across the nation have been contacted regarding controlling their church members in events such as martial law, gun confiscation and more. They are leaving no stone unturned looking for those that would slither into their control.

The controllers want to create a divide... want police brutality, corruption, violence, abuses to be seen by us all so they are creating this "divide" between law enforcement and the People... creating this hating, loathing, despising of their roles... and trying to pigeon hole ALL law

enforcement and make American's more of the enemy because we are resisting the corruption of those who ARE traitors and domestic terrorists.

Good News!!! across the country, people in uniform are standing up... standing in the gap left by many others in uniform who have sold out to their masters. "Oath Keepers," growing across the country is being joined by thousands of men and women in uniform, re-affirming their oath to serve and protect America and Americans, and boldly stating what they will NOT do to serve the government's unlawful and manipulative agenda.

HR 1955... (Violent Radicalization and Homegrown

Terrorism Prevention Act of 2007) demonizes the people, including people in uniform who defend the Constitution... making us the enemy, then turns forces against us, creating further conflict and trying hard to bring law enforcement under their spell.

We, the People are now the "Enemy Combatants" that the government fears, and is attacking on so many fronts.

Well, here is a list of "Ten Orders We Will Not Obey" as attested to by all those joining the movement:

1. We will NOT obey orders to disarm the American people.
2. We will NOT obey orders to

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Jim began his trek on April 27th, just three days after his 44th anniversary being married to his wife, Nancy. Jim simply HAD to step out and “do something” to fill the gap in our national crisis.

Arriving in Arizona, he was welcomed by two separate incidents with thieves in two different towns who stole his tools, and then his tent. Not deterred at all, Jim proceeded, taking a northeastern route into Pagosa Springs, Colorado, where the Free Press caught up with him.

Jim told of meeting “Fred” at a rest stop once into the four corners area where Fred, learning of Jim’s mission, offered to bring him through the Rocky Mountains and get him on his way. Once in the Pagosa area, we received a call from a local patriot who happened upon a little bike accident Jim had.

He learned of his story and he thought it would make a good story for America and for the Free Press. We met with Jim for two days and discovered a true patriot who was in love with his country but sick about the direction it was going, and he simply HAD to do something about it.

His dream... have 500-1000 riders join him in Washington, DC where he is guaranteed a face to face meeting to hand deliver the collected and mailed petitions he has gathered along the way. Jim has a ready-to-go “T” shirt he plans to wear into Congress, and his grandkids have identical shirts which they refuse to take off as long as grandpa is on the road.

Jim left us on May 18th, riding south down Rt. 84, towards Chama, New Mexico, to continue his ride to DC. On the morning of May 21st, we contacted Jim and learned that there was an attempt on his life in the Chama



Jim Gafney, center, with copy of the Free Press. Jeff Kelley holds a copy of the Petition. Jeff Maehr, right

area. Two vehicles tried to trap him on the road and run him over, but Jim was able to dodge the attempt, and reported this attempt to the local police. He was warned by others that he should not continue along that route to Taos, NM, his intended destination, so he headed northeast and arrived safely in Alamosa. Talk about domestic terrorists. Don’t we have enough problems in this country without having Americans attacking other Americans?

If anyone knows anything about the thefts in



Jim Gafney with his Freedom “T” shirt he will wear into Congress.

Arizona or this attack near Chama, NM, please contact the Southwest Free Press right away and we will contact the authorities.

We will be following this exclusive story and reporting more in the next issue of the Free Press. For more information and details about this ride, and Jim, go to <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3nLhPMWGfNU>. If you want to join the protest, sign our petition by going to our website and download the pdf file at southwestfreepress.com/PDF/protest-petition.pdf, fill it out and send it to the fax number on the form, or mail it to Southwest Free Press at P.O. Box 2923, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147.

Jim also plans to give 2/3rds of the donation pledges to this ride to the Disabled Veterans Organization.

We applaud Jim, and admire his “reluctant” wife, Nancy, for standing by her man in his efforts to make a payment toward freedoms and rights.

We’ll be with you, Jim, all the way!

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conduct warrantless searches of the American people

3. We will NOT obey orders to detain American citizens as “unlawful enemy combatants” or to subject them to military tribunal.

4. We will NOT obey orders to impose martial law or a “state of emergency” on a state.

5. We will NOT obey orders to invade and subjugate any state that asserts its sovereignty.

6. We will NOT obey any order to blockade American cities, thus turning them into giant concentration camps.

7. We will NOT obey any order to force American citizens into any form of detention camps under any pretext.

8. We will NOT obey orders to assist or support the use of any foreign troops on U.S. soil against the American people to “keep the peace” or to “maintain control.”

9. We will NOT obey any orders to confiscate the property of the American people, including food and other essential supplies.

10. We will NOT obey any orders which infringe on the right of the people to free speech, to peaceably assemble, and to petition their government for a redress of grievances.

If you have been in the military or civilian law enforcement, you took an oath. For those of you who have NOT taken the oath, now is the time to make YOUR commitment and join forces with millions across the country.

You guys are us, whether you like it or not. You are joined at the hip with the American people... and, like the Orks and Uraki... if you become an Ork or Uraki for the ring of Power and Dark Lord, your fate will be the same as theirs.

The Southwest Free Press calls upon all law enforcement, Military, politicians, etc., to make a commitment to Oath Keepers and to the American people. Join with Sheriff Mack... (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bLJgPuNAh60>) and many others to help take back our country.

We call upon Sheriff Pete Gonzalez, and all other sherif departments, retired or active military, and all those who took an oath... to publically state that they will support the 10 statements above. We look for your response to the People of the Southwest and all America, and we will print your response, or lack thereof, in a future run.

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Australian Shooter Magazine this week.

Quote: "If you consider that there has been an average of 160,000 troops in the Iraq theater of operations during the past 22 months, and a total of 2112 deaths, that gives a firearm death rate of 60 per 100,000 soldiers.

The firearm death rate in Washington, DC is 80.6 per 100,000 for the same period. That means you are about 25 per cent more likely to be shot and killed in the US capital, which has some of the strictest gun control laws in the US, than you are in Iraq.

Conclusion: The US should pull out of Washington."

Editor's note: The U.S..."A" should pull out of Washington... the United States... the corporate body which is completely different than the United (50) States of America has stolen state sovereignty through fraud and deceit. The 50 sovereign states were NEVER meant to be "one" nation, but a collective of nation/states united in freedom and rights. How far we have fallen... how much we have given up, and look what we are paying for this now!!!

Registration of all handguns

Senate Bill 2099

What the bill would require if it becomes law is the registration of all handguns. Its title is: "The Gun Registration and Safety Act of 2000." There is indeed a provision for a tax on all registered weapons,

GunRegistration.org, an association dedicated to enacting registration laws

35 Muslim terrorist training camps throughout US.

Fox News Reported recently that there are 35 Muslim military training camps across this country ranging from 35 acres to 300 acres in size. Muslims of America (or Jamaat-al-Fugra as they are called in Pakistan) who reportedly own each of these compounds follow one Sheikh Gilani (responsible for the eventual beheading of reporter Daniel Pearl) who Muslims believe is a direct descendent of Mohammed, and speaks for Mohammed, and

they will follow his every word as the word of "Allah." These camps, mainly concentrated in the northeast and southeast, but also one camp in Colorado, (somewhere west and south of Denver-north of Durango, CO), Oklahoma, Texas, Nevada, California and Washington.

<http://shock.military.com/Shock/videos.do?displayContent=185279&page=1>

NRA offering Free 1 Year Memberships

The National Rifle Association is offering Free, one year trial membership. This is a drive to increase the ranks of those interested in fighting against the gun-grabbers, and to show Congress how many people they will be fighting in any attempts to create unlawful restrictions to gun ownership or carrying.

Simply visit the following link...
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11250 Waples Mill Road
Fairfax, VA 22030
You can contact the NRA via phone at:
NRA Member Programs
1-800-672-3888

Swine Flu Fearmongering heats up!

<http://www.legitgov.org/>

"The World Health Organization (WHO) on Monday issued some preliminary observations about the A/H1N1 flu virus, which has caused dozens of deaths and infected people in some 30 countries..."

"Severity of Disease Could Change: Apart from the intrinsic mutability of influenza viruses, other factors could alter the severity of current disease patterns, though in completely unknowable ways, if the virus continues to spread."

"The US has more confirmed cases of swine flu than any other country, the World Health Organisation said as health officials announced the country's third death from the disease today. The Centre for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reported 2,254 confirmed cases across the US, and the deputy director for science and public health, Anne Schuchat, warned that the total could be an underestimate."

"Confirmed cases are only the 'tip of the

iceberg,' health official says. Swine flu is spreading so far and fast in the U.S. that state health officials may soon stop counting individual cases, a federal health official said Monday. The novel H1N1 virus accounted for 40 percent of flu viruses logged in the U.S. in the past week and helped propel an uptick in overall flu-like illnesses, said Dr. Anne Schuchat, a deputy director with the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention."

"The new [Fort Detrick] strain of H1N1 flu that has killed 56 people in Mexico and been carried around the world by travelers appears to be more easily passed along than the regular seasonal flu, researchers reported on Monday. As many as 23,000 Mexicans were likely infected with the swine flu virus, Neil Ferguson of Imperial College London and colleagues reported in the journal Science."

Editor's Note: Does something seem fishy about the above reports? Let's see. Just a week ago, the story from the WHO was that the flu was NOT spreading at all like they feared, and there were fewer reported cases than they originally reported... by 20 times, and now? Now, we have the complete opposite being disseminated across the world. Notice also that of all the "reported" cases, only a few people have died, while the rest, (something they don't point out, of course) obviously don't die and get over the flu and DON'T die. Sure don't want to soften the fear by stating common sense facts

Next, notice how they state... "Apart from the intrinsic mutability of influenza viruses, other factors could alter the severity of current disease patterns, though in completely unknowable ways, if the virus continues to spread."

"Other factors?" What "other" factors? Oh, you mean their continued genetic manipulation in attempts to force it to become much worse... and then they can blame it on "intrinsic mutability of influenza viruses," and, of course, the "other factors" which, like the war on terror," have no identity ("completely unknowable ways," - and these guys are the experts?) and are simply plugged into the situation to lend credibility to their schemes.

Mother's Act Assault Passes House

The Mothers Act passed the House

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TOUGH TIMES PRESENT TOUGH CHOICES

If America (not the government of America, but the nation that is America) is to survive, it must rediscover the fact that power does not reside in a White House, nor in a heartless Congress, nor in our cowardly courts, but in We the People, the fourth and most powerful branch of our system of government.

Unless we know this, and act on it, we are powerless!

Join us in learning the facts!
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sounds above her house which literally shook the very house she lives in.

What does it all mean? What are we on the verge of? Are these events friend or enemy activities? If the ruling government has named the American people as "enemy combatants," what can we expect from this, and what can we expect from our fellow Americans in uniform who have not committed treason already?

This activity has been increasing over the last 2 months and is not usual activity for our area. It is eerily reminiscent of "Close Encounters of a Third Kind" where they got the entire area to evacuate on the pretext of a "contagion" and could then do their thing with whatever it is they are preparing the world for. Remember there were those who didn't believe the smoke screen, and stayed around and even went to the source.

We certainly don't know what is being prepared for, but we just received information, (May 20 interview) face to face, from an X military guy working in top secret research who has quite a story for us, including underground bases he has worked in, with "about 12" in the area of Pagosa, UFO's, and more.

I'd be very cautious if we are suddenly told to leave our homes or this area for some "created" reason, including swine flu. Now is the time to be prepared in every way possible!

What you should know as a potential juror

It is the duty of the court to advise you of the law, and it is your duty to consider the instructions of the court; however, if you find that the law or the application which the court instructs you upon is unjust, you may vote to acquit the defendant or find him not liable for damages.

“It is not only [the juror’s] right but also his duty...to find the verdict according to his own best understanding, judgment, and conscience, though in direct opposition to the direction of the court.”

John Adams, Second U.S. President and signer of the Declaration of Independence

“It is presumed, that juries are the best judges of facts; it is, on the other hand, presumed that courts are the best judges of law. But still both objects are within your power of decision...you [juries] have a right to take it upon yourselves to judge of both, and to determine the law as well as the fact in controversy.”

John Jay, First Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court

The power of jury nullification is an important constitutional safeguard against bad laws, and is one of the most effective ways to prevent unconstitutional government intrusion into citizens’ lives—and your life. In the past, jury nullification has been used to oppose slavery laws, support the civil rights movement, protect private property, and defend religious activities.

The Judge and the prosecuting attorney will likely instruct you that, if the prosecution proves its case beyond a reasonable doubt, you must convict; however, if you feel beyond a reasonable doubt that something is wrong with the law itself, as applied in this case, then you have the power to acquit. According to the Constitution, the trial belongs to the jury, not the judge. Don’t let yourself be coerced into rendering a verdict you’ll regret!

For more information on this topic, visit www.fija.org.

The above ad error was in the original ad, and was missed by us, but is being corrected at FIJA.org

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overwhelmingly with only 7 Nays, including Ron Paul. The Mothers Act - S.324 - is now pending in the Senate. This act could force pregnant mothers to undergo psychiatric evaluation, take drugs or lose their babies.

COBURN AMENDMENT A WIN FOR COMMON SENSE, SAYS CCRKBA

BELLEVUE, WA – A key amendment that would allow national park visitors to carry concealed firearms in accordance with state statute is a common sense provision that deserves support, the Citizens Committee for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms said today.

Sponsored by Sen. Tom Coburn (R-OK), the amendment – added to House and Senate credit card legislation – was adopted by an overwhelming 67-29 Senate vote Tuesday, showing broad bipartisan support. If passed into law, Coburn’s amendment will essentially restore a new national parks concealed carry rule that became effective in January, but was challenged in court by the gun ban lobby.

In a statement, Coburn noted that, “If an American citizen has a right to carry a firearm in their state, it makes no sense to treat them like a criminal if they pass through a national park while in possession of a firearm.”

CCRKBA Chairman Alan Gottlieb agrees, noting that the rule change merely brought national parks in line with national forests and other federal lands, where citizens typically can carry firearms under the statutes of the state in which those lands are located.

“Opponents of this change,” said Gottlieb, “have wrongly suggested that allowing concealed carry in national parks will somehow lead to poaching and reckless target shooting, and diminish park safety. None of that alarmist rhetoric is true, but the rule has been challenged in court. By making this a provision of law, rather than an administrative rule, Senator Coburn’s amendment can put an end to that nonsense.

“One would think,” Gottlieb added, “that after the Supreme Court ruled on the Second Amendment last year, the individual citizen’s right to keep and bear arms would be respected everywhere, especially on federal park land. It looks like the majority in the United States Senate agrees with that concept.”

Feingold Bill Gives ALL U.S. Water To The Feds! (http://rense.com/general85/fein.htm)

In April, 2009, Senator Feingold introduced (and gathered 24 co-sponsors already) legislation, S. 787, to fundamentally change the definition of "water" under control of the federal government:

http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/bdquery/z?d111:S787:

SEC. 4. DEFINITION OF WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES.

Section 502 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1362) is amended--

- (1) by striking paragraph (7);
- (2) by redesignating paragraphs (8) through (25) as paragraphs (7) through (24), respectively; and
- (3) by adding at the end the following:
(25) WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES- The term `waters of the United

States' means all waters subject to the ebb and flow of the tide, the territorial seas, and all interstate and intrastate waters and their tributaries, including lakes, rivers, streams (including intermittent streams), mudflats, sandflats, wetlands, sloughs, prairie potholes, wet meadows, playa lakes, natural ponds, and all impoundments of the foregoing, to the fullest extent that these waters, or activities affecting these waters, are subject to the legislative power of Congress under the Constitution.'

SEC. 5. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.

The Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.) is amended--

- (1) by striking `navigable waters of the United States' each place it appears and inserting `waters of the United States';
- (2) in section 304(l)(1) by striking `NAVIGABLE WATERS' in the heading and inserting `WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES'; and
- (3) by striking `navigable waters' each place it appears and inserting `waters of the United States'.

FIND OUT WHAT THIS MEANS - WATCH THIS SHORT VIDEO
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aqHaUadsapc

Editor’s Note: Just another step in Federal encroachment into State Sovereignty, and in stealing what actually belongs to The People. When will we end this?

Russia warns of war within a decade over Arctic oil and gas riches

Russia raised the prospect of war in the Arctic yesterday as nations struggle for control of the world’s dwindling energy reserves.

The country’s new national security strategy identified the intensifying battle for ownership of vast untapped oil and gas fields around its borders as a source of potential military conflict within a decade.

“The presence and potential escalation of armed conflicts near Russia’s national borders, pending border agreements between Russia and several neighboring nations, are the major threats to Russia’s interests and border security,” stated the document, which analysed security threats up to 2020.

The United States, Norway, Canada and Denmark are challenging Russia’s claim to a section of the Arctic shelf, the size of Western Europe, which is believed to contain billions of tonnes of oil and gas.

Russia argues that the ridge is an extension of its territory, which justifies its ownership of 1.2 million sq km (465,000 square miles) of the Arctic. It plans to stake its claim in a submission to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

The strategy document predicted that the struggle over energy resources would increasingly dominate international relations. It identified the Barents Sea and Central Asia, where Russia and China are vying for influence, as further areas of friction.

Anti-Gun Senate to Ban Private Gun Sales - www.ccrkba.org

Despite the lies and fraud being foisted upon Congress by anti-gun lobbies and groups,

Mexico is NOT receiving even a small fraction of weapons from American gun shows.

The Bureau of Justice Statistics report entitled "Firearms Use by Offenders" found that less than one percent - 0.7%, to be exact - of guns used in crimes originated at gun shows.

Yes, the irrational yet calculated attempts by government to continue to violate the 2nd Amendment rights of millions of Americans and prevent them from defending themselves against not only criminal civilian elements, but government itself. THAT is their greatest fear as more and more Americans are waking up to the fraud and lies that government are involved in, and their clear agenda of conquering the American people.

George Soros a Hungarian-born billionaire bank rolling efforts with his check book and spending more that \$100 million to destroy the Constitution.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein (CA) admitted that "guns would be banned and confiscated" if she could have her way.

The United Nations actively pushes globalism seeking to disarm all Americans.

Take a stand for your children and grandchildren. Support TEA (Taxed Enough Already) Party day, July 4

On April 15, concerned and caring individuals held TEA Parties in over 2,000 cities. Hundreds of thousands of Americans participated in the TEA Parties. Despite those numbers, the liberal media practically ignored the event. When asked if he knew about the TEA Parties, President Obama said he was unaware of them.

Another TEA Party day is scheduled for July 4. Our elected officials in Washington continue to lead us down the path of heavy debt. The massive spending spree will leave a mountain of debt to be paid by our children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

I’m writing asking you to help by organizing a TEA Party rally in your community. You pick the time and the place for your rally, then publicize it and get others to help you promote it. Under “Locations” on the TEAPartyDay.com web-site you can find if others in your community are participating. If so, get with them and try to work together.

Our children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren need you to support this movement. Please support, attend and/or help organize a TEA Party rally in your community. Please encourage others to do the same.

Editor’s Note:

Momentum is growing in resistance to our government’s insane spending and destruction of our country and way of life. It takes voices united, along with actions, to make them hear us. The Southwest Free Press would like to hear from anyone interested in joining in with others for a July 4th rally, perhaps as part of the parades in various cities. If there is anyone who would like to be a contact point for a rally/walk in their town, please contact the Free Press and we will print information in future issues. This is our time to be heard. Create small handouts with details... educate our citizens... make a float, decorate a truck or car... walk as a unified group with posters and banners on freedoms and our

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LETTER POLICY: Letters need to be typed so we can scan them in. We will try to edit letters for grammatical errors, but no guarantees. We will print your letter but need your name and phone number on file to do so. Anonymous letters will be printed depending on content, but don't be afraid to step up and voice your personal opinion. Email letters to letters@southwestfreepress.com, or mail to P.O. Box 2923, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

Obama missing the point.

President Obama; Thank you for the e-mail on your health care proposal coming in July, but i feel that i have to tell you, you still don't get it.

You have provided health care to 11 million children, but that would not have been necessary had you concentrated on reducing the unemployment rate, the bailouts that you and President Bush administered were without "stop layoff" clauses and I just fail to see where that money went, if not for helping Americans keep their jobs.

This also affected the economy and increased the burden on entitlement programs, which also forced the government to borrow, as there is less tax revenue going to the treasury from lack of jobs.

In the health care crisis, you are talking to the wrong people, just as the wrong people are advising you on the economy, bailout's, illegal immigration, war on drugs, terrorist's, the two wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, the national deficit and trade deficit. There are many American's who can become productive with surgery and implants for hearing, etc, but as usual they are ignored and the burden on the American taxpayer is infinite because that type of health care is not addressed.

I also fail to see how you cannot find the error of not addressing the economy at it's core, the consumer and credit rate failures of those who simply could not keep up with rising inflation, lost jobs and obligations to family. You cannot but wonder how your plan to help the housing industry will work, when million's of American's are not in the position to buy a house, much less feed and give proper care to their families when government refuses to install an economic security law.

Taxes will continue to rise, the middle class will become the next low class and poverty class no matter what you do, because the basic need is ignored, and that is the currently unemployed are draining every government resource to the point where the tax base must rise and the draw will be, trickle up.

You also seem intent on giving our tax money to foreign country's, granted that is needed in some cases, but as you in your personal life must base your charity on your budget and needs of your family.

You must also use that common sense towards the taxpayer's you represent, or you simply don't represent them from your heart.

Sir; you can only make so many

decision's that amount to nothing in the interests of American's before you realize you are working in the wrong direction and need to change course. I have written you before to ask for a job. I will work for minimum wage and no benefits if you desire, but you need to seek advise elsewhere before you are consumed by party politics and turn into that which you promised to change in your campaign, so in essence, it is up to you. As you were a Constitutional professor, I can only wonder at your actions that work in the opposite direction of," We the People."

John Hargis Sr
Nel Norte, Colorado

Mexico Swine Flu Scam

On Saturday, April 25th, my wife, Karla and I, arrived in Cancun Mexico to enjoy our scheduled 2 week vacation. Upon arrival at the Cancun Airport on Saturday afternoon, we were impressed with the extremely large number of visiting tourist. The lines getting through customs were the largest we have even seen in the last 15 years that we have been traveling to Cancun Mexico. We witnessed no indication that the alleged "Swine Flu" problem was a concern in the Cancun area.

On Sunday morning at our resort orientation meeting which is provided by the activity staff, there was no mention of the alleged "Swine Flu" problem. However, on Sunday evening, we began to see CNN reports regarding the alleged Swine Flu problem in Mexico City. On Monday morning, my son, Aaron, called in a panic from New York City indicating that a travel advisory had been issued in the USA recommending that all "non-

essential travel" to Mexico be cancelled. His concern was predicated on the fact that he and his brother were scheduled to join us in Cancun on Saturday, May 2nd. We advised him that there was no problem regarding this flu epidemic in Cancun and that they would have to decide if they would join us on May 2nd.

On Tuesday, April 28th, my wife and I went to the Galenia Hospital for a scheduled dental appointment. Our dentist office is located in this state-of-the-art hospital complex. While there, we noticed that none of the doctors and nurses were wearing protective masks. The only individual we saw with a mask was the elevator guard. When we questioned him, he indicated that he was wearing it as a precautionary measure only. When we questioned our dentist regarding the swine flu problem, she indicated that to date, there were no cases in this hospital nor in Cancun proper.

On Wednesday morning, April 29th, we began to see an exodus of the tourist from the resorts. Approximately 50% or more of the guests at our resort made arrangements to leave Cancun because of the USA scare tactics that were being televised on CNN. On Wednesday afternoon, we spoke with an elderly couple who had just arrived from Michigan and they informed us that there were a total of "7 passengers" in their 757 airliner that brought them to Cancun.

On Wednesday morning, our concierge provided us with a copy of an e-mail which she received from a colleague in Mexico City. It addressed the alleged swine flu epidemic report however, it questioned the validity of the official storyline. I will summarize

some of the key points outlined in this e-mail for your review.

It questioned the decisions of the G7 Summit in regards to the manipulation of the world economy. It also questioned the closed door meeting between President Obama and Mexican President Felipe Calderon on April 16 and 17. They consider it quite coincidental that 3 days after this meeting the flu epidemic was announced in Mexico City. In addition, on April 23rd, the Mexican Government initiated action to begin closing public buildings, schools and other businesses. They further questioned the fact that the pharmaceutical company Sanofi Aventis announced that it was injecting 100 million Euros in order to build a new plant and provide Mexico with 236,000 doses of vaccine to combat the epidemic. A process that will take numerous months to accomplish.

The email further questioned, why, if this swine flu virus originated in the countryside, why were the people in Mexico City getting sick? It also questioned where were the alleged dead victims being kept, if indeed this virus was so contagious, why were their families not being quarantined, and why wasn't the government providing the public with the specifics on how they were attempting the control of the spread of this alleged deadly virus. They further questioned, why were they not releasing the name of the medical institution that was providing the medical care for these alleged victims.

In summary, the email questioned the multi-billion dollar gain the pharmaceutical companies were about to earn as a result of this

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Trial by Jury



- ☞ Did you know that the trial jury was intended by America's Founders to be a political institution?
- ☞ Did you know that jurors under our system of justice have the responsibility to protect our rights from infringement by the government?
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Has the “tea bag” has become a modern day opiate of the masses? By Teddy Herzog

The April 15th “tax revolt” was based upon a premise that the budget of the federal government is paid for by public tax dollars. As with all opiates, the feeling may have been great but no true journey was taken.

The Federal income tax collected in 2008 totaled \$1.2 trillion. The October 2008 Bank Bailout alone cost \$0.8 trillion. The total cost of collecting these income taxes is estimated to be \$68 billion. Our expenses related to maintaining the defense of our military empire costs about \$1 trillion per year.

So, let’s add up the numbers above. Income taxes collected in 2008 came to about \$1.2 trillion. The expenses for 2008 noted above come to almost \$1.9 trillion.

Did I leave anything out? Oh yeah -- the cost of operating the federal government, social security, social programs, and interest on our debt. So....wait a minute. The federal government spends a whole heck of a lot more than it takes in? How does that work?

Let’s go back to 1971. President Richard Nixon signed an executive order stating that the currencies of the world would no longer be tied to the value of gold sitting in their vaults. From that point on, the value of most of the currencies of the world became “pegged” or tied to their relative value compared to the U.S. dollar.

In short, that meant that the U.S. no longer was restrained by the amount of gold sitting in vaults in Fort Knox. Now we could create money out of thin air. A measure of the amount of money being “created” was a Federal standard known as “M3”. Don’t worry about what “M3” means because as the US money supply continued to grow exponentially, President Bill Clinton simply decided that the Federal government would no longer report the “M3” measure of how much money we are “creating” out of thin air.

So, here is the “opiate” part. Daily public conversation about the national economy is punctuated by extensive arguments about who is good or bad -- the Democrats or the Republicans. Who are the good people who require less taxes from the population and who are the bad people that require more taxes from the population?

But the “conversation” about the philosophical differences amount to watching TV and drinking beer and fighting over the remote while your house burns down. It doesn’t really matter who has the TV remote in their hand, now does it?

The fact of the matter is that each and every year, our Federal government “spends” far more money than it takes in from income tax.

Here are a couple of facts to ponder. Federal spending has increased steadily since 1965 regardless of Congressional leadership. Since September 11, 2001, nominal Federal spending has increased 97.6 percent. Since 1965, Federal spending has increased 334% but the median income has only increased 35%. (source: The Heritage Foundation)

Historically, if you look at the fate of currencies over thousands of years, two points stand out. Number one is that all currencies fail and go away. (The US dollar will be no exception.) Number two is that the primary purpose of income tax is to give to the prevailing currency the illusion that the currency has some intrinsic value to it.

So go ahead and argue about whether the remote control should be in the hands of a Republican or a Democrat. Meanwhile, do I smell the house on fire?

Steve Saville, The Speculative Investor, wrote recently that, “Based on traditional lead times, the substantial monetary inflation that has occurred over the past seven months probably won’t start to become evident in the prices of everyday goods and services until 2010.”

“The effects of monetary inflation will work their way through the economy over the next few years, but the theft is happening right now. We suggest that the deflationists stop going on about how the amount of money created 'out of thin air' is small compared to the declines in asset and debt prices (and thus encouraging the Fed to counterfeit money at an even faster pace), and start emphasizing the problems inherent in the inflation.”

Here is the link to the full Steve Saville article: <http://news.goldseek.com/SpeculativeInvestor/1240898820.php>

James Turk (author of “The Coming Collapse of the Dollar”) recently wrote an article entitled “A Short History of the Gold Cartel”. It makes for a long quote here but you really should read his entire article.

“Governments want a low gold price to make national currencies look good. Gold is recognizable the world over as the ‘canary in the coalmine’ when it comes to money. A rising gold price blurts the unpleasant truth that a national currency is being poorly managed and that its purchasing power is being inflated.”

“This reality is made clear by former Federal Reserve chairman Paul Volcker. Commenting in his memoirs about the soaring gold price in the years immediately following the end of the gold standard in 1971, he notes: “Joint intervention in gold sales to prevent a steep rise in the price of gold, however, was not undertaken. That was a mistake.” It was a mistake because a rising gold price undermines the thin reed upon which all fiat currency rests – confidence. But it was a mistake only from the perspective of a central banker, which is of course at odds with anyone who believes in free markets.”

“So how does the US government manage the gold price? They recruit Goldman Sachs, JP Morgan Chase and Deutsche Bank to do it, by executing trades to pursue the US government’s aims. These banks are the gold cartel.”

“There was an abrupt change in government policy circa 1990. It was introduced by then Federal Reserve chairman Alan Greenspan in order to bail out the banks back then, which like now were insolvent. Taxpayers were already on the hook for hundreds of billions to bail out the collapsed ‘savings & loan’ industry, so adding to this tax burden was untenable. He therefore came up with an alternative.”

“Greenspan saw the free market as a golden goose with essentially unlimited deep pockets, and more to the point, that these pockets could be picked by the US government using its tremendous weight, namely, its financial resources for timed interventions in the free market combined with its propaganda power by using the media. In short, it was easier to bail out the insolvent banks back then by gouging ill-gained profits from the free markets instead of raising taxes.”

See the full article by James Turk here: <http://news.goldseek.com/JamesTurk/1241449200.php>

So what does all this mean? In short there is the conversation that you and I have on the street about money, free markets, and taxes. Then there is what is really going on behind the black curtain known as the Federal Reserve and the United States government. The single, lone voice of truth about these matters inside of Washington is Congressman Ron Paul. You can easily search on-line for videos of Ron Paul speaking at length about this topic.

The current economic crises in the United States can only resolve itself one of two ways. Either the banking system (and the Federal Reserve) is allowed to collapse or else free market capitalism will disappear. Restated, either we stand behind a “free market” or we allow the US government and the Federal Reserve to own the financial system.

While we waste our time drinking tea and arguing about who is a “Democrat” and who is “Republican”, our free market economy is disappearing before our very eyes. And, the economic structure determines the political structure. A state run economy can not allow a true democracy. Which is why our big-picture financial planning occurs behind a black curtain.

It is time for us, the citizens, to recognize that our currency, our economy and political system has been completely taken over by an elite group of bankers and profiteers. Rather than blindly go along with the quick fix “bandaid” of trying to create another credit bubble, we need to let the banking system collapse and let the Federal Reserve collapse with it. Our only other option is to let those very same elite bankers and our Federal government complete their decades-old scheme of a state-run economy. If we the people do not demand the short-term pain of financial collapse right now, we will have handed away the keys to our free market system and our historic republican form of democracy forever.

We need to stop arguing amongst ourselves about the petty topics of “national politics” and start talking about the real problems of a free market capitalist democracy on the verge of permanent death.



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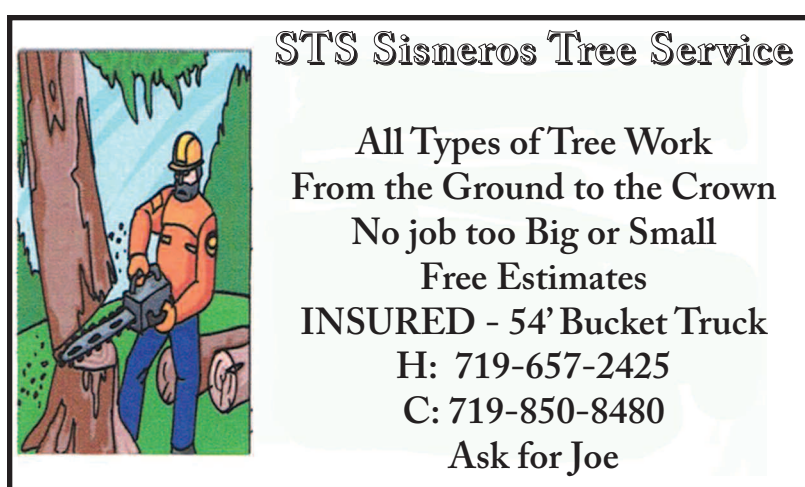


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MY NEIGHBORS FREEDOM - MY FREEDOM - Roland Guthrie, Saratoga, WY

When does the definition of slavery actually define a mans' status?

Does he have to wait until all of his rights have been taken away and he has leg irons and shackles on before he says "I am a slave."? Certainly, then he is justified in identifying himself as a slave and, of course, no one would argue with him. The answer to the question then, is straight forward, even if it is not simple because of all the various forms of shackles that exist.

A more pertinent question with a more complicated answer exists for our time. Can we call ourselves free men? And if we do call ourselves free, on what do we base our opinion? What proofs would we present of our freedom?

Some would say "I'm free because I'm an American" or "I'm free because of the rights guaranteed to me by the Constitution". Perhaps an even more poorly thought out answer would be "Why, of course, I'm free. Look at all the freedoms we enjoy".

I think none of those answers would satisfy as credible proof of freedom. However, if one were to say "I am free to own weapons and to defend myself and my beloved country. I am free to do this because of my God given and inalienable rights, and whether or not my government views it as a right, and not a privilege, I and my neighbors avail ourselves of that right." Then I would say that if, in fact, what this one has said is true, then we truly are free men.

It is at this point that we must acknowledge that if something is true in the temporal sense it must be provable. Let us then consider the case of David Olofson, the National Guard reservist from the state of Wisconsin, who at this

moment sets in federal prison because he believed he was free to own a firearm in the United States of America without fear of unjust persecution by the BATF.

He found out very quickly that if you happen to be singled out by this rogue bureaucracy (which is now more well known for its harassment of law abiding citizens than it is for its apprehension of criminals) you can lose any and all of your freedom.

Olofson had loaned an older AR-15 (manufactured by Olympic Arms) to Robert Kiernicki and at some point when Kiernicki was firing the rifle a malfunction occurred and three rounds went down range with a single squeeze of the trigger. The weapon had not been modified in any way. It was simply a malfunction. But it was a malfunction that someone at the range took note of and called the police.

Enter the BATF and the full force of a legal system bent not upon justice, but the implementation of an agenda to disarm and intimidate the American people.

There is a trial and Mr. Olofson is found guilty of transferring a machine gun. And so Olofson, having gone through a sham trial for a sham crime, is given a very real sentence of thirty months in prison.

Because we still have a thin line separating the republic from a police state, Olofson is granted an appeal. An appeal to a higher court, but not to a court with a higher standard of justice and so every attempt for redress is thwarted. The court refuses to allow the defendant to introduce evidence and it refuses his expert witness access to the courtroom while the governments' witness is testifying. The court then carries on the facade when it accepts that Kiernicki believes that when Olafson told him that "the three round burst position wouldn't work and the rifle would jam up"

what he really means is that the three round burst position does work and that the rifle will fire three rounds and then jam.

As if that weren't enough to make a complete mockery of this trial the court then attributes an impossible level of expertise to the laymen on the jury concerning the mechanical functioning of the mechanism in a rifle that it took a genius to invent and refuses the defendants request to define certain words whose definitions were absolutely essential to a persons understanding who was not an expert in the context in which those words were being used.

When you read about this travesty do you become angry? Are you incredulous? Are you saying, "What!?!?" If you are none of these things, then you are wasting your time reading about Olofsons' case.

If, on the other hand, you are angry; if you are, in fact, incensed that this could happen to a fellow citizen and gun owner like yourself, then I encourage you to act in accordance with your conscience and do something about this injustice.

Freedom implies responsibility. Responsibility requires action. And action has always been required to maintain freedom. But...If we can set back and do nothing while one of our own sets in prison, his wife without her mate and his children fatherless.

If... we can ignore the fact that the people who earn their living from our tax dollars, our public servants, grow more and more arrogant and overbearing.

If...we lack the nobility and honor to view our ease and comfort as less important than our neighbors' welfare then we don't have the character to deserve freedom. It is squandered on an ignoble people and the Creator will surely judge us as fit for the chains of servitude.

Ours will not be an easy passage from freedom to slavery even if in our sloth and cowardice we proclaim ourselves unwilling to fight against tyranny and oppression. No, we will still suffer the indignities and the losses that those who are willing to resist risk. But, we will take these losses without the clear conscience and the honor that those who stand up against the oppression of their fellow man can leave as an inheritance to their posterity. Instead of our children honoring us, they will curse us.

Where is our sense of indignation, our sense of shame?

Where is our manhood if we can ignore injustice? Homer said that men lose half their manhood when they become slaves. Perhaps by our lack of action we show that

not only do we lack manhood and risk slavery, but that indeed we are already slaves. Perhaps that is why our corrupt public servants are so bold- they sense in us the weakness that we are unwilling to acknowledge in ourselves.

Is there still hope for us if we can be moved to action, even if not for our neighbor, then for ourselves? If we will not take up Mr. Olofsons cause will we take up our own?

I think not. For in truth our neighbors cause is our own where it comes to liberty. Wisconsin is not so far away, Olofsons risk not so different than our own. Corrupt politicians are not less willing to take what belongs to the people here, in our state than they are in Wisconsin.

We must realize that a society, which out of continual neglect of the defense of its freedoms will develop a sort of malaise, a laziness rooted in the weakness of the lack of the natural affection that a responsible citizen feels for himself, his neighbor and his posterity. This malaise makes it difficult to act. Fear can set in, and indecision, which make formidable obstacles to the necessary action which is called for under such circumstances.

Along with these obstacles is the natural tendency of mankind, which our forefathers noted in the Declaration of Independence, to suffer evils, while those evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms of government to which they are accustomed.

Perhaps it would be best to refer the reader at this point to the Declaration of Independence and encourage a thorough reading of that inspired document.

We are now at that point in our time where we are repeating what our forefathers experienced with the tyrant in England.

We are, out of a decent respect to the opinions of mankind, declaring the causes of our dissatisfaction with the tyrannical practices of our governments' bureaucracies and their minions.

We have been patient and we have repeatedly petitioned by the means available to us for redress of the loss of our freedom.

We have voted, we have written our elected officials, we have organized peacefully, and some of us, like Mr. Olofson and others, have suffered the loss of their freedom.

We are answered only by further injury. And now, in their arrogance, our politicians have stolen billions of dollars of the taxpayers money to further diminish our freedom by enlarging an already bloated, inefficient

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Share the Bounty at This Year's Pagosa Farmers Market!

This year's Pagosa Farmers Market promises to be bigger and better than ever. New commercial vendors such as Chimney Rock Organic Farm (growing a full range of fruits and vegetables less than 20 miles from town) and Jenny Blechman's Artemisia Botanicals (herbal salves and tinctures) and returning commercial vendors like the Pagosa Baking Company (selling some of the best bread in town), Grassroots Meats (Frozen Beef and Lamb) and raw milk cheese from Twin Mountain Milkhouse, will allow locals to do most of their grocery shopping in one place in a way that will benefit their health, the local economy and the environment!

Other vendors have signed up to bring products including eggs, chocolates and homemade jellies as well as a surprising array of backyard or greenhouse-grown produce. In addition, the Market will provide live entertainment from a variety of regional bands and hot sandwiches and drinks for sale from the Purple Sage Cafe.

The Farmers Market will be held on Saturday mornings, July 11 - September 26, from 9 - noon at the corner of Piedra Rd. and Hwy. 160 (the old Corner Store parking lot). If you would like to sell your locally produced agricultural products at the Market this season, there is still time to sign up! Contact Ilene at 731-0553 or download an application at www.sospagosa.org.

Federal Assistance Available for Farmers Making Transition to Organic

In 2008, the Organic Consumers Association's supporters sent nearly 100,000 emails to Congress urging our leaders to support organic farming in the 2008 Farm Bill. In fulfilling a portion of our requests, Congress approved funding for farmers needing financial and technical assistance to make the transition from conventional farming to organic. The USDA has announced a three week sign-up period for this assistance beginning May 11. For our farmer readers who would like to go organic, now is the time.

Farmers Fear Being Run over by Food Safety Juggernaut - Organic Consumers Association

CORNUCOPIA, WI: Momentum is building in Congress for new food safety reforms aimed at addressing the growing cycle of food contamination outbreaks. But concerns are also being raised cautioning legislators not to trample organic farmers, backyard gardeners, and consumers of fresh local foods in the rush to fix the nation's food safety problems.

http://www.organicconsumers.org/articles/article_17451.cfm

Round One Legal Victory for Organic Consumers and Dr. Bronner's against "Organic Cheater" Personal Care Brands and Certifiers

After hearing oral arguments earlier this

month, the San Francisco County Superior Court on Thursday Oct. 8th ruled that Dr. Bronner's Magic Soaps can proceed with its lawsuit seeking to compel organic cheater companies & certifiers to drop, or stop certifying, deceptive organic label and brand claims.

Culprit brands include Avalon "Organics", Jason "Pure, Natural & Organic", Nature's Gate "Organics", Kiss My Face "Obsessively Organic", Giovanni "Organic Cosmetics", Head "Organics", Desert Essence "Organics" and Stella McCartney's CARE "100% Organic."

The culprit certifiers are OASIS and Ecocert; Estee Lauder is also a defendant due to its expressed intent to enter the market under its Aveda brand with misleading OASIS certified "organic" products.

http://www.organicconsumers.org/articles/article_15126.cfm

Pagosa Geothermal Project moving along

Pagosa boasts over 300 days of sunshine. While that's great for growing plants, our late frost and short season of temperatures plants prefer, make it a challenge to garden outdoors. Growing Spaces' Greenhouses not only utilize this solar power for the growing of the plants, but their kits also include solar powered actuators that open the upper and lower vents at a preset temperature to prevent the dome from overheating. The window vents close automatically, and the larger domes have solar powered or 110V cooling fans that are thermostatically controlled.

Future applications for Solar in the Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership project may include large photovoltaic panels that could harness the sun's energy, returning power to the grid during the summer and drawing from that power in the winter to power lights and extend the growing season. This type of demonstration could be used as an educational component—teaching people about how solar energy works or as a research station to develop new technologies.

Please visit the project website at <http://southwestlandalliance.org/greenhouse>

FORUM NOTICE:

There will be a public forum on this project Thursday, May 28th from 6:30-8 PM at the Pagosa Springs Community Center.

Southwest Land Alliance (SLA) is also planning their 4th Annual event for May 30th from 10am-2pm at Pagosa Springs Community Center. The SLA deals with “Conservation Easements” which can help people not only keep their property should there be a financial struggle, but support conservation at the same time.

Tell Congress not to Force GE Crops on other Countries - ga3.org

An effort to fight global poverty and hunger may become a Trojan horse to force genetically engineered crops on countries and farmers that do not want them. In the Senate, Senators Bob Casey (D-Penn.) and Dick Lugar (R-Ind.) introduced the Global Food Security Act, which increases funding for agricultural research in the

developing world, and a companion bill in the House of Representatives is expected to be introduced soon. While the bill recognizes the desperate need to increase funding for agricultural development and food security, it also requires that foreign agricultural development aid include investment in genetically engineered (GE) crops.

Most developing countries, especially in Africa, do not allow genetically engineered crops to be commercially grown, but that's changing with international pressure. Biotech companies have mounted a misinformation campaign to sell themselves and their products as “humanitarian.” But, genetically engineered crops are not a solution to world hunger. To date, not a single GE crop released for commercial growing has increased yield potential or elevated nutritional levels. In reality, fully 85% of all GE crops globally are engineered to survive spraying with chemical weedkillers. These chemical-dependent GE crops have sharply increased overall use of pesticides and are best-suited to large growers seeking to reduce labor needs for weed control, not poor farmers anxious to produce more to feed their families.

A recent report by the Center for Food Safety and Friends of the Earth found that agricultural biotechnology feeds the profits of biotech companies – not the poor. The report's findings support the United Nations' assessment of world agriculture released in a report in 2008, which concluded that GE crops have little potential to alleviate poverty and hunger in the world, and instead recommended low-cost, low-input agroecological farming methods.

The solutions for food security through agricultural development lie in promoting agroecological practices that not only increase agricultural productivity, but are affordable and accessible to small-scale developing world farmers. As Ben Burkett, an African American farmer from Mississippi and President of the National Family Farm Coalition who has visited Africa many times, said in a recent article, “More expensive genetically modified seeds, pesticides and chemical-intensive practices won't help the hungry and will only allow more profits and control for seed companies like Monsanto and Syngenta.”

Food aid and development assistance should never be pre-conditioned on accepting unwanted and ineffective genetically engineered crops. Tell Congress to keep genetic engineering out of any food aid and agricultural research legislation.

Guy Schmickle joins as one of twenty artists at Artisans of the Southwest Gallery.

Artisans of the Southwest Gallery hosts the Land & Vineyard, May 23-June 19, in the gallery located at 175 Pagosa (and 2nd Street). The show consists of an array of original digital landscape photographs by Guy Schmickle, Bayfield, Colorado and Vineyard photography art by Wen Saunders, Pagosa Springs Colorado. Opening reception (and talk with the artists) for the show is Saturday, May 23, 4:00-6:30 p.m. Complimentary food, refreshments (with wine tasting) will be served. Live music provided by Pamela Novak. Most gallery artists will offer 10% art discounts on art purchases during the reception.

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government that no longer resembles the government that our forefathers gave us. How much more will we bear? If we would not go softly into slavery, each of us that loves freedom must act. We must get to ourselves the tools of our resistance.

We must contact our legislators once again, join Gun Owners of America, join Jews for the Preservation of Firearms Ownership, join the National Rifle Association, join one of the many other organizations that are willing to resist the tyranny. Do whatever you think best, but do not fail to do something.

It is proper to say that we are well advanced down the path that history shows as leading to ruin. It truly is the time for all good men to act. If we are uncomfortable with acting on behalf of our own freedom, consider how we will feel when we no longer have the freedom to act.

This amounts to a test of the emergency broadcast system. Will we pay attention?

Disaster is no longer impending, it is upon us and each man like Olofson should be proof of this.

The prosecution of innocent men is a way for our oppressors to test us. It allows them to see just exactly how far the citizenry will be pushed before they respond.

Our response is sadly without force and the enemies of our republic grow ever more bold each time we fail to put them back into their place.

The belief or hope that evil people can be reasoned with cannot, and never has been, substantiated. It is a hope based not on precedent, but emotion. It is at best a waste of precious time and at worst, it is a morally negligent dereliction of duty.

In the early history of our country, Paul Revere sounded the alarm by shouting his famous words “The British are coming! The British are coming!” Today, that warning would have to be proceeded by “Wake up! Wake up! Prepare yourselves!”

It is late in the day to be waking and preparing, but we must begin from where we are.

Unfortunately, we are largely without the

leadership and organization that is so desperately needed in situations like this. But again, we must begin from where we are.

Each man of conscience must accept his duty to lead for himself and his immediate circle of influence. To do this successfully, a man must have an understanding of his moral and civil obligations. If this is lacking it can be obtained by reading the Bible and the documents upon which our country was founded. This understanding is the prerequisite to meaningful, constructive action without which our country will sink deeper and deeper into the slavery that socialism is.

We must remember that socialism is not just the nationalizing of banks; it is the socialism of the United Soviet Socialist Republic. If proof is needed of this, consider that in America there are more people in prison than in any other country in the world. It sounds rather like the gulag system of the former USSR and the BATF acts like the former KGB.

Olofsons case is an example of what it is like to live in a socialist country. His so called crime is not a crime at all according to our constitution. In fact, the only crime committed was by the BATF when they acted in direct violation of that same constitution, but it is Olofson who is in prison. In a constitutional republic where government is of the people, by the people, and for the people there are no victimless crimes. But, in a socialist system you don't need a victim to have a crime. You only have to break one of the innumerable and ever increasing laws that the bureaucrats levy on the people in the name of what is good for the state.

It begins to appear that the last hope of a subject of a police state is to sit quietly in his cell in recognition of the almighty power of the state. Then, perhaps, he can expect to be released at the end of his sentence.

But can Olofson really count on that? Can any of us? Now that justice has been forced to the back of the bus and what matters most is the agenda of the state?

In Alexander Solzhenitsyns' Gulag Archipelago it was not unusual for a prisoner to finish his initial sentence only to be given

another simply for the convenience of the state.

After all, it is truly not in the interest of a fascist government to have an armed populace. What a thorn in the side to the tyrant is the armed man who considers himself to be the possessor of God-given rights.

As long as we are still armed perhaps there is still some other hope for us than sitting quietly in our cells.

Wake up! Wake up!

Hopefully, it is not too late for America to wake up.

If many of us join in the chorus, we still have a voice. Olofsons voice is small as will be yours or mine if we happen to cross the wrong line. We should not expect anyone to speak up for us if we will not speak up for the oppressed when we are still free to do so. If we would retain our freedom we must be the voice of the oppressed.

HR 1207 up to 165 cosponsors

HR 1207, the Federal Reserve Transparency Act (audit the Federal Reserve) is now up to 165 cosponsors. Our hard work is paying off and if we continue we will surely pass this bill into law. Remember to sign the petition (<http://www.campaignforliberty.com/campaigns/auditthefed.php>) and to join www.CampaignForLiberty.com for more instruction on actions you can take to push this bill forward.

This is a vital bill that will not only hold the Federal Reserve accountable for the 7 trillion they can't "account" for to date (that we know about), but will hold them accountable for the funds they KNOW about, and bring us back to fiscal sanity where we, the People, control the money in this country and Congress is doing their legal duty in dealing the creation of money. This could also be the actual end of the Federal Reserve (and perhaps the IRS which should also go...) which would eliminate a short circuit in our monetary system and put much more money into our pockets.

We are close in so many areas now...

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Constitution. This is NOT the time to do nothing. We celebrate our "Independence Day" every year, even as we are losing that independence and freedom. Are we merely deceiving ourselves with more distractions?

Let's rally all across the country like they've never seen and help encourage our neighbors and friends!!!

CIA and ISI together created Taliban!

In a new revelation, Pakistan President Asif Ali Zardari has said that the CIA of the United States and his country's ISI together created the Taliban.

"I think it was part of your past and our past, and the ISI and CIA created them together," Zardari told the NBC news channel in an

interview.

'Electronic Police State' report cites U.S. - Ultimate Big Brother 'basics are in place'

By Bob Unruh

In what may be the first assessment of its kind, a private company that offers a range of privacy products for computers and other technology is ranking the United States No. 6 in the world for

having the most aggressive procedures for monitoring residents electronically.

The report, called The Electronic Police State, assesses the status of governmental surveillance in 52 nations around the globe for 2008. The document was released Cryptohippie, Inc., which was set up in 2007 through the acquisition of several little-known but highly regarded providers of privacy

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fought the only kind of war they could hope to fight and win successfully - a guerrilla war.

They had two good models: the American colonies against the British in our war for independence, and the American Indian wars, where the value of slash-and-run against a superior foe was escalated to a fine art by the world's finest light cavalry. Twice the North Vietnamese allowed themselves to be suckered into main force set-piece battles, and they got cut into ribbons for doing it. Otherwise, they stuck to General Giap's plan of guerrilla warfare to the finish.

The North finally *did* get to mass their troops and tanks during their final sweep to victory into Saigon. Why did this happen? Why did the world's most powerful nation get its teeth kicked in and sent home in disgrace? Because we forgot our very own origins! We forgot that we were the ones who hid behind logs, berms, and bushes and shot British troops and their mercenaries as *targets of opportunity* while denying our opponents a target of any kind.

We used the skills of the mountain and plains Indians against an Army that was trained in only one form of combat. We refused to engage in the British methods of combat until we had superior forces and the odds were highly in our favor.

General Vo Nuyen Giap did exactly the same thing against us in the 1960s and 1970s while we used our superior firepower and technology to create ten million deaf monkeys and water buffalo. We defoliated tens of thousands of acres of jungle forest to prove that Giap's troops weren't there. We constructed every kind of trap known to mankind to capture and destroy divisions of enemy troops where there weren't any. We very patiently fought a European theater-type of warfare against a steadfast foe who fought a completely different kind of war that simply made our complex weapons systems useless. By inflexibly insisting on doing it our way, we lost the whole shooting match to a man who played it his way and won.

Meanwhile, on the exact opposite side of the globe, another shooting match was gearing up that pitted the second most powerful nation in the world against an enemy whose armament consisted of ancient bolt-action rifles, who had no lines of support, no manufacturing base and no infrastructure that the nation depended upon. Though the Russians were determined that *they* would not be sent home with their tails between their legs, the Afghans were paying particular attention to those tactics that had worked so well for General Giap against the American forces. Even with the advantage of being able to totally ignore world opinion and to essentially ignore the opinions of its own citizens, Russia followed us down the long winding trail to disgrace by doing exactly what

we had done in Viet Nam.

High-ranking politicians (some of them in uniform), with absolutely no idea what was going on in the day-to-day conduct of both wars, made stupid decisions and then stuck by them despite advice to the contrary from both American and Russian on-scene commanders. The Russian methods of combat - mass maneuver and firepower - that were developed against Napoleon and Hitler proved no more successful than our methods against an aggressively waged guerrilla war. Both major enemies failed to fight the enemy that they faced. Both, in fact, fought an historical enemy who was not present on the field of battle. Both of these superior armies truly believed that superior strength and technical abilities would win the day. Both major armies believed that time was on their side and was working against their foe. Both were totally wrong because they underestimated the growing dislike of the supposedly neutral or "friendly" indigenous forces whose cities, villages, towns and homes were being destroyed by the ongoing flow of large-scale battles by the two major armies.

Whatever the levels of dispute between the Vietnamese, the American forces eventually became the common enemy simply because of the massive damage they were doing in behalf of the south. Exactly the same thing transpired in Afghanistan. The Russians became the common enemy and went home in defeat.

Our armed forces used everything in our weapons inventory in our effort to win except nuclear devices. So did the Russians. They even used some chemical weapons that we didn't try. What does all this have to do with the question the newsy asked me? Everything. A revolution could be waged against the current American government far easier than you might imagine without careful examination. Consider:

* The sheer numbers of firearms of all kinds in the hands of the American public would have made the American commanders in Viet Nam quake in their boots. We're not talking junk equipment here, either. The average deer hunter with a .270 or .308 could give a platoon of regular troops more grief than they want. There was a special on the tube recently about military armaments on sale in the black market (including Stingers).

* The population base from which revolutionaries could be recruited is *massive* - 250 million.

* There are literally millions of well-trained men who served as officers and NCOs who learned face-to-face how guerrilla warfare works. They haven't forgotten it, either.

* There are millions of young men out there with military training and experience with weapons of every conceivable kind, who would make top-quality guerrilla troops.

* Every one of the 100 counties in the state of North Carolina could field at least one full company that would be formidable in capability. If one assumes that North Carolina is no more capable than other states, that could amount to 180 divisions. These potential rebel troops would be fast-moving light infantry, with the capability of melting into the general population when necessary.

American military leaders would be in the position of

having an inventory of high-tech weapons that they would be dependent upon your son or nephew to use against you. There would be no enemy states in which you could say that any weapon could be used against the rebels. They would be from each and every state and major city.

By the same token, there would be no sanctuary for the federal troops anywhere in the land. No matter where stationed, they would be subject to attack and harassment. The infrastructure on which the federal government depends would be rather easily disrupted by those who live there. Airfields and major lines of communications could be shut down and kept down for days at a time. Disruption of supplies to major bases and to centers of government would be simple. You don't have to cut them off, just keep them hungry.

The federal government would be denied the use of all their major weaponry because they would still "own" the cities and villages. How do you justify bombing your own city just because there is a rebel company in it? One bombing would be the biggest recruiting drive ever for the rebel forces.

Now just how powerful do those 12 Army divisions and those three Marine divisions really look to you? Just how scary is the Air Force against America? What will the Navy do, shell all coastal cities? I don't think so.

One of these days a truly charismatic individual is going to walk out of the heartland of America and point out that the Declaration of Independence has never been repealed and that it *requires* all citizens to rise up against an oppressive government. With the current attitude toward our government and the people who populate it, a massive groundswell of support for throwing the current crop to the dogs and starting over again might not be so difficult.

As for the *ability* of the American citizens to successfully wage a guerrilla war on their own government, the likes of which this world has never seen nor contemplated before, I am absolutely convinced that it could be done, and a lot more swiftly than many might believe possible. How many highly-capable long-range snipers can your county put together?

Editor's Note:

This article may make some people uncomfortable, and of course, so one wants a battle, however, many often say that we don't have the ability to fight the government or defend ourselves against a rogue government as the Constitution demands. This is proof that not only do we have the means and equipment, no one knows their areas better than those living there. The government doesn't want open war because they would lose, so they sneak around...

Better it is to dare mighty things than to take rank with those poor, timid spirits who know neither victory or defeat."

Theodore Roosevelt, 1899 - Rough Riders



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OK, lets recap things to date: America and the world have been hearing warnings for years of a pandemic that “WILL” occur. Several months ago, Baxter sent contaminated vaccinations to 18 countries... contaminated with the live flu virus... something impossible to occur by accident. The contamination was only discovered when several test animals died, and they looked carefully at the vaccination. This was a direct attempt to create the pandemic they so desperately want.

We heard how the “new” flu was a combination of three types of virus; human asian, bird and swine... something ALSO impossible naturally. This, of course, indicates this strain was purposefully manufactured. The World Health Organization (WHO) raised its warning on April 29th to level 5, but the pandemic didn’t materialize because the flu was not spreading through natural means, and they had to reduce their rantings because the facts didn’t support their wishes. Then we saw more recently how the numbers of cases have mysteriously jumped 500% or more, and their fearmongering continues to grow.

On April 27, Time magazine published an article which discusses how dozens died and hundreds were injured from vaccines as a result of the 1976 swine flu fiasco, when the Ford administration attempted to use the infection of soldiers at Fort Dix as a pretext for a mass vaccination of the entire country. It resulted in the massive swine flu vaccine campaign. Do you happen to recall the result of this massive campaign? Within a few months, claims totaling \$1.3 billion had been filed by victims who had suffered paralysis from the vaccine. The vaccine was also blamed for 25 deaths. However, several hundred people

developed crippling Guillain-Barré Syndrome after they were injected with the swine flu vaccine. Even healthy 20-year-olds ended up as paraplegics. And the swine flu pandemic itself? It never materialized. More People Died From the Swine Flu Vaccine than Swine Flu!

Today, nearly all suspected new cases have been reported as mild. Malaria kills 3,000 people EVERY DAY, and it's considered "a health problem." But of course, there are no fancy vaccines for malaria that can rake in billions of dollars in a short amount of time.

Where is all this leading today? People are being slowly conditioned to “pandemics,” and slow being probed as to how we will deal with possible quarantines, forced vaccinations, possible martial law... all the while generating fear and anxiety across the planet. They are using “social engineering” in its typical step-by-step process of conditioning us to their never-ceasing move to gain more control.

They will not give in, and will continue to manipulate the people toward their eventual goals...unless stopped, and you need to research this to know for yourself. (See Page 22 for resources). As of May 20th, the media has been reporting on yet another mysterious turn of events. Lou Dobbs reports... “Almost 5,500 cases in this country, nearly 10,000 around the world. There are rising concerns this outbreak is spreading much faster than health officials in this country are acknowledging.”

Interesting how they have see-sawed back and forth on this, and now seem bent on forcing the issue into a pandemic, truth be damned. Notice they do not mention how many people have actually died? How many people around the world get the flu every year and die? Thousands. They want their vaccination sales, their control of the people, and will do anything to achieve it, including killing people.

ON THE GRAND JURY

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The U.S. Attorneys Manual states that prosecutors “must recognize that the grand jury is an independent body, whose functions include not only the investigation of crime and the initiation of criminal prosecution but *also the protection of the citizenry from unfounded criminal charges*” (USAM, Section 9-11.010). The Manual recognizes that targets of investigations have the right and can “request or demand the opportunity to tell the grand jury their side of the story” (USAM, Section 9-11.152).

The Supreme Court states that the independent grand jury’s purpose is not only to investigate possible criminal conduct, but to act as a “*protector of citizens against arbitrary and oppressive governmental action,*” and to perform its functions, the independent grand jury “*deliberates in secret and may determine alone the course of its inquiry*” (United States v. Calandra, 414 U.S. 338 (1974)). An independent grand jury is to “*stand between the prosecutor and the accused,*” and to determine whether a charge is legitimate, or is “dictated by malice or personal ill will” (Hale v. Henkel, 201 U.S. 43 (1906)). *The grand jury is to protect citizens against “hasty, malicious and oppressive persecution” and to insure that prosecutions are not “dictated by an intimidating power or by malice and personal ill will”* (Wood v. Georgia, 370 U.S. 375 (1962)). The independent grand jury is described as “a body with powers of investigation and inquisition, the scope of whose inquiries is not to be limited narrowly by questions of propriety or forecasts of the probable result of the investigation” (Branzburg v. Hayes, 408 U.S. 665 (1972)). “Without thorough and effective investigation, the grand jury would be unable either to ferret out crimes deserving of prosecution, or to screen out charges not warranting prosecution.” (U.S. v. Sells Engineering, 463 U.S. 418 (1983))

Here are some comments from a person who was brought up for indictment: “Obviously a grand jury could not fulfill its duties if it is only allowed to hear evidence which the government chooses to let it hear. Therefore, while I would be more than happy to answer any questions that you or members of the grand jury may have, and while I have no intention of engaging in a prolonged, unlimited monologue, there is additional information which must be provided to the grand jury in order for the members thereof to thoroughly perform their Constitutional duties. I trust that you, the prosecutor, will not attempt to censor me, or suppress such information from being seen by the grand jury, when I am testifying.” The grand jury refused to indict her after hearing her testimony, by the way.

Find out if there is a sign-up sheet to volunteer to get on grand juries in your county, state, and federal jurisdictions. Sign up if you can! *It is the best way to put a lid on out-of-control government prosecutions.* If you are serving on a grand jury, you have the authority and the duty to call in the person or persons being accused, to dismiss the prosecutor and government employees from the room, and to question and hear from the person the prosecutor wants to charge. You have the duty to ensure that no person is brought to trial unless there is obvious and sufficient evidence to return an indictment. As a grand juror, you are the first line of defense for private citizens against ambitious prosecutors and unconstitutional laws being used against The People.

Our founders intended that our independent grand juries protect people from ambitious or tyrannical government employees and laws. You, as a grand juror, stand as the first bulwark against government tyranny. While you must protect us all from dangerous people who harm others, you must always be aware the your first job is to protect harmless people from unfair, unjust and unreasonable government laws. When laws encroach on private individual rights, you cannot be required to enforce them by returning an indictment. When you refuse to indict harmless people, you help to protect us all, you included, from out-of-control government actions. As an independent grand jury, you also have the right to initiate your own investigations on evidence presented to you, and to indict anyone if you feel they are guilty of wrongdoing, including those government employees and elected officials who are not upholding an oath of public office.

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PAGOSA LAW CLUB:

The Law Club now has enough interested parties that we are going to plan our first meeting most likely in May sometime. Stay tuned to the Free Press for location, time and date.

If you want to be part of this learning experience and begin to take back your freedoms, get on our notification list by emailing us at lawclub@southwestfreepress.com

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technologies.

Not surprisingly, China and North Korea ranked No. 1 and No. 2, with Belarus and Russia following up. But the United Kingdom (England and Wales) ranked fifth followed by the United States.

The listings of China, North Korea, Belarus and Russia, all known for their repression of freedom, weren't surprising. Nor was the listing of the United Kingdom with its recent programs to copy and store virtually every telephone call, e-mail and text message within its borders.

But Rosenberg said there's more going on in the United States than many believe want to believe. The nation's "basic system of gathering evidence and sorting it later is really dangerous," he said. "It's permanent. It's not going to go away." Source for entire article: <http://wnd.com/index.php?fa=PA&GE.view&pageId=97489>.

“American Grand Jury Hands Down Indictment of Fraud and Treason against Obama”

<http://americangrandjury.org>

(United States of America) - May 9th 2009 - At 2 P.M, ET American Grand Jury convened a final hearing to vote on criminal charges against Barack Obama.

The following criminal allegations and complaints were voted upon:

COUNT ONE:

That Obama is NOT eligible under the laws of the Constitution of the United States as provided for in Article II, Section 1.

Said Article II, Section 1 states:

“No person except a natural born Citizen, or a Citizen of the United States, at the time of the Adoption of this Constitution, shall be eligible to the Office of President; neither shall any Person be eligible to that Office who shall not have attained to the Age of thirty-five Years, and been fourteen Years a Resident within the United States.”

Wherefore, Obama is not a “natural born Citizen” for the following reasons:

1) Obama was NOT born of mother and father who were BOTH US Citizens.

2) Obama was a British citizen ‘at birth.’

COUNT TWO:

The charge of “Treason” against Obama is before the people of the United States of America. That such complaint is CRIMINAL, of high crimes, and extremely damaging against the people.

Said complaint was formally brought by a Military Officer (retired) of the United States of America. All United States Military Officers are sworn to uphold the Constitution of the United States and such complaint is

valid, explicit and proper; when an Officer is aware of such malfeasance of Treason by an offender it is that Officer’s SWORN duty to come forward and present such accusation and complaint;

The Military Officer who filed the complaint is Lt. Commander Walter Fitzpatrick, III, retired, United States Navy and a graduate of the United States Naval Academy;

Lt. Commander Fitzpatrick on March 17, 2009 did hereby make such criminal accusation and complaint against Obama and presented said complaint before the U.S Attorney Russell Dedrick, and Assistant U.S. Attorney Edward Schmutzer, Eastern District, Tennessee;

An original photocopy of said complaint was submitted to the Grand Jury as evidence for immediate investigation;

Said original photocopy of the complete criminal complaint is attached as Exhibit “A” hereto and made a part hereof;

Lt. Commander Fitzpatrick was sworn under oath before the Grand Jury to testify as to the true nature and details regarding said criminal complaint filed against Obama;

Said criminal complaint by Lt. Commander Fitzpatrick and his “accusation of Treason” is quoted in the excerpts below:

Now you [Obama] have broken in and entered the White House by force of contrivance, concealment, conceit, dissembling, and deceit. Posing as an impostor president and commander in chief you have stripped civilian command and control over the military establishment. Known military criminal actors-command racketeers-are now free in the exercise of military government intent upon destruction of America’s constitutional government.

We come now to this reckoning.

I accuse you and your military-political criminal assistants of TREASON. I name you and your military criminal associates as traitors. Your criminal ascension manifests a clear and present danger. You fundamentally changed our form of government. The Constitution no longer works.

Confident holding your silent agreement and admission, I identify you as a foreign born domestic enemy. My sworn duty Mr. Obama is to stand against what you stand for. You are not my president. You are not my commander in chief.

After reviewing the evidence and voting, the 25 member American Grand Jury handed down the presentment(s) recommending that person(s) known as Barack Obama, aka: Barack Obama, Jr., aka: Barack Hussein Obama, aka:

Barry Soetoro; aka: Barry Obama; aka: Barack H. Obama, aka: Barack Obama II, presumed President of the United States, be tried in Criminal Court for charges of fraud (eligibility) and treason.

Said Grand Jury was convened under the power and authority vested with the people as guaranteed under the Constitution of the United States of America,

Amendment 5 of the Bill of Rights.

The American Grand Jury was served by people from different States within the Union, said people being citizens as were sworn under Oath as to Eligibility for and Service in behalf of the Grand Jury.

The above excerpts from the formal presentments of the May 9th American Grand Jury hearing are hereby released to the public as a PRESS RELEASE. All other details of the Grand Jury hearing, specifically, the jury membership, sworn affidavits of service, testimony, evidence, hearing minutes and records have been sealed as required by law.

This Grand Jury hearing of May 9th is in addition to the formal presentments, (charges of Fraud and Treason) which were handed down against Barack Obama last week, known as the American Grand Jury hearing of April 29th, 2009. The April 29th presentments are already making their way into the court systems across the United States.

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Banking 101: Not Rocket Science! By Jeff Maehr

American economics, while seemingly completely mysterious, (as the Federal Reserve -FR- wishes it to remain) is, in reality, a simple concept. In truth, best case... the FR does not need to exist, period, and worst case, is merely a middleman organization that is making money, but in this case, they make money for providing nothing and doing nothing except charging us interest on NOTHING.

The plain truth of it is that since most American’s are not up in arms regarding the very existence of the FR reveals that most still do not understand the scam and still support it.

Banking 101, lesson one; Congress has the authority to coin money and set its value, PERIOD. No one else has that authority and Congress, by Constitutional law, cannot pass

this on to another entity. It is THEIR job.

Banking 101, lesson two; The FR is a mechanism whereby Congress has been allowed to spend as much money as it wishes without accountability, and without American’s realizing how much is being spent and where it is going.

If Congress were spending Constitutionally, it would be in direct relationship to taxation, and when you spend a trillion dollars... or 7 trilling dollars, that money MUST come from somewhere. If it isn’t coming from taxes we pay (and it ISN’T), where is it coming from? It is being created out of nothing... printed by the Treasury Department, figuratively handed to the FR, who in turn hand it to government, tacking on interest for the “service.”

The FR has NO consideration (risk or value) involved with this scam, which is, in essence, fraud on a national level.

Banking 101, lesson three; Congress could

eliminate the FR is a moment, eliminate all national debt by eliminating any taxes on this national currency, and loan you and me the money for a house, car, education, business, etc... interest free. Yes, I said INTEREST FREE. How can that be? Because it is OUR money.

As the Constitution states... Article 1, Section 8... ““The Congress shall have Power... To coin Money and regulate the Value thereof.” The word “shall” legally means MUST. They have no choice and can’t try to hide their greed and illegal spending behind another mysterious organization that is manipulating money and value at will.

Keep in mind that inflation is an entirely artificial thing... one that is just a hidden way of taxing and removing wealth within the “mystery.” It is also a way to control stock markets and commodity values... another way

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BACK TO JEKYLL ISLAND: May 20-22, 2009 - Defenders of the Constitution to Meet

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For many weeks, WTP (We The People) has been quietly planning and making preparations for a private meeting this month at Jekyll Island, Georgia.

On May 21-22, Patriots who have given so much for America and the preservation of its governing documents -- the greatest ever given to man -- will meet at Jekyll Island where, in defense of the Constitution of the United States of America, as now written, they will lay the groundwork for a NEW AND RIGHTEOUS RECORD FOR AMERICA to replace and Redress much of the evil our Republic has endured since 1910.

In 1910, a group of the world's most powerful financiers traveled incognito by train one night from New Jersey to Jekyll Island, Georgia to covertly design the strategic, political and legislative foundation needed to install the privately-owned banking cartel that we now know as the "Federal Reserve System."

In 1913, this private banking cartel was quietly and fraudulently granted power by the U.S. Congress to conjure the currency of our nation out of limitless debt. For almost a century it has effectively bankrolled (through populist fraud, political deception, and financial alchemy) a broad array of escalating, unconstitutional acts by the federal Government. These acts, in violation of the fundamental Rights of the People, have taken our Republic - and the Liberty of the People - to the brink of ruin.

On May 20th, 2009, many of the Jekyll Island participants will board an Amtrak train in New Jersey and travel overnight to Jekyll Island. They will retrace the very footsteps of the global financiers who succeeded, via stealth almost a century ago, in seizing the monetary machinery of our nation to finance their elitist and despotic ends. Those attending will meet, eat and sleep in the very same rooms occupied by the men who endeavored to enslave us for their benefit, profit, and power.

The meeting at Jekyll Island will bring together leaders of the Constitutional movement from across America for the following purposes:

1. To participate in a bold, momentous "on-location" event of vast potential significance to set forth a NEW AND RIGHTEOUS RECORD for America to replace and Redress the legacy our Republic has endured since the events on Jekyll Island in 1910;

2. To make evident and secure the collaboration of national leaders who have dedicated themselves and their organizations to the preservation of the Constitution and our Founding Principles.

3. To emerge with a shared vision and a viable plan of action to re-ignite the Flame of Liberty within the Hearts of our People and bring them the hope of peacefully restoring Freedom that is the promise of CONTINENTAL CONGRESS 2009.

In short, while Bob Schulz has been traveling across the nation promoting the coming Continental Congress, WTP has been quietly arranging for many of the leaders of the Liberty movement to convene at Jekyll Island. With the support of these leaders, the CC2009 initiative will move forward much faster.

A Personal Note from Bob Schulz of We the People

It has occurred to me, as I have spent time with the People of each state during the past four months, that this is not a time to "curse the darkness," but to Rise Above and give all we have to give for the Cause of Liberty through hearts filled with hope and faith.

There is much around us trying to bring us down: to dissuade us, to stop our efforts, to convince us we are imagining things, to take us off our Path. Let us not look there. Let us keep our hearts and our Vision High on that which our Creator gave to America, through our Declaration of Independence, our Constitution and our Bill of Rights.

Let us join together, share the sum total of our efforts to bring Justice Truth and Right for our citizens and see the Pathway ahead for the Continental Congress, in the Spirit of our Founding Fathers.

Let us try to be worthy to follow in their footsteps, set aside our differences where these may have blocked us in the path, and stand now together, facing the future, with determination and gratitude that we have been shown a peaceful means, a legal means, a means prepared for us by our Forefathers -- those on whose words and examples we have all benefited and been fortified.

I urge you to please place a high priority on and to pray for the success of both the Jekyll Island Project and the Continental Congress 2009.

I am so grateful to my wife Judy, to our national coordinators (Michael Badnarik and Brian Smylie), to our 50 State Coordinators and the members of their teams, and to many others who have been providing, on a volunteer basis, so much of their time and talent toward the success of the WTP organization, the Jekyll Island Project and the Continental Congress initiative, especially Judith Whitmore, Amanda Moore, Ray Powell, Mike Bodine, Jan Graber, Ilona and Paul Blakely and Dr. Bob Frady. Note: For thirty years I, too, have been volunteering my time in the defense of my State and Federal Constitutions.

Beyond the services provided by the volunteers, there are goods and services which we will need to contract and finance.

For the Jekyll Island Project WTP is paying for a private

lunch meeting for the Freedom organization leaders; we are sharing expenses of those group leaders who need assistance; we have chartered a bus to transport people from the train station to the Jekyll Island Club; we are paying the expenses of the WTP staff needed to be on hand: we have a professional team of photographers and videographers to record the entire event; we have a very special "patriotic visitation" planned which requires a number of professional resources; and we have costs associated with other logistics involved in hosting the 2-day event.

All in all, an investment of tens of thousands of dollars is needed to bring the leaders of the national Liberty movement together to begin to organize to make CC2009 a reality for We the People.

For the historic Continental Congress 2009 assembly: This multi-week event will require significant financial backing to cover the meeting venue, stenographers, a live national webcast, technology support, travel, hotel/lodging costs and a host of other all-too-easily-imagined expenses associated with informing and educating the People of our nation about our constitutional crisis, the promise of the CC2009 event and the need to choose delegates of exceptional caliber to represent the People.

We need everyone to make a solid, personal commit to this most vital Liberty project and begin to make donations to help us cover the enormous costs that will be incurred to host these two events. Please be as generous as you can. Quite frankly, we cannot succeed without you.

Please do not hesitate to contact us as we move forward on this journey together. If there is any leader of any organization who has been wholly, and demonstrably dedicated to the cause of Liberty and our Constitution, but who has been left off of our list and you feel should be part of the gathering at Jekyll Island, please let us know immediately by email at HonorAmerica@comcast.com.

Thank you for your time and for all that each of you do, and are yet to do, for the cause of Liberty, Freedom and the Rights of Man.

Bob Schulz
Chairman

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CONTINENTAL CONGRESS 2009:

The Appropriate Next Step for a Free People
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As many know, WTP is facilitating the Continental Congress assembly that will be held later this year.

What must the People of America do when their elected officials decide that "[T]here are things in the Constitution that have been overtaken by events, by time...things that are no longer relevant to a modern society - things that are inappropriate, anachronistic." (Congressman Henry Hyde, Chairman, House International Relations Committee, October 3, 2002, responding to Congressman Ron Paul's passionate defense of the Constitution's war powers clauses, given in opposition to the White House's Iraq Resolution.)

What is the appropriate next step to take when the Government's violations of our Founding Documents are causing the collapse of our Republic and the suffering of our People?

What can we do, as witnesses to a system of government that now includes routine abuses of long-settled judicial doctrines and the People's Right to Due Process which deny the People not only any modicum of Justice, but their constitutional Rights?

Awakened Americans are now faced with a Government they no longer recognize, that follows no charter, arrogating and usurping powers not granted it by the Governing Documents that rule this Land. Yet these same officials have only one oath, under God (no less), to uphold the very Constitution!

Civic education without civic action is for naught. This is especially true in a time when we routinely fail to educate our children the true history, meaning, effect and significance of every provision of our Founding Documents. Were that every citizen knew how the Founding Fathers meant it to be! Each of us would be invigorated to progress through our lives, knowing our Rights and Government's obligations.

If we truly grasped the need to vigilantly defend Liberty or endure its loss, the core of our daily lives and being would surely include a healthy measure of active loyalty and obligation to the Republic to ensure those in office never step beyond the lines of power drawn by The People.

Through ignorance and apathy America has come to rely exclusively on the electoral process to alter public outcomes and government behavior. Is this ultimately not a fatal mistake?

The vested, self-interest in the status-quo and beneficence of the state so cherished by most of

our fellow citizens, must inexorably result in the extinguishment of all constitutional limitations. As such, it remains a virtual impossibility to restore Constitutional Order through the electoral process. Such remains the nature of a "democracy" - i.e., "mob rule."

Even if the numbers were there to dominate an election, our Rights do not, and must never depend, on the will of any majority. OUR RIGHTS ARE INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS; WE HAVE THEM SIMPLY BECAUSE WE ARE ALIVE.

Our Rights are unalienable, beyond the reach of both the tyranny of public officials and the tyranny of the majority.

Again, we ask: What can The People do to peacefully restore Constitutional Order and bring under control those public servants who now seek to restrain and destroy that which the Creator has endowed?

As we consider the contemporary necessity to convene a new Continental Congress, our personal commitment to such an undertaking, and the potential outcomes of such a bold stand by the People, it is critical to look back to the early days of our Republic and attempt to understand the escalating crisis of governance our Founders eventually confronted.

The parallels to events commencing in 1774 are most startling. As you read the following, please consider that although the wheel of time has turned many times since, and as our Founding Fathers so eloquently foresaw, the nature of government seldom changes and it may, once again, be now appropriate to borrow a page out of their "playbook:"

Like our Founders, our Rights are being violated by the Government. Like our Founders, many of us have repeatedly engaged in Petitioning the Government for Redress in the most humble terms, over many years. While many people may still be waking up to the legacy of our contemporary, but failed, attempts to Petition our servant Government, it will be important that these Records - this train of formal legal documents -- has been established to show the path and pattern of the violations our People have endured.

Pushed beyond what they determined were beyond the tolerable limits of abuse, our Founders convened a Continental Congress in 1774 to discuss the facts surrounding Government's violations of the Rights of the People. They debated about the People's repeated attempts to right the wrongs (Petitions for Redress) and the Government's steadfast refusal to justify its behavior or to otherwise be held accountable. They decided what course of action they could take in the interest of preserving, protecting and enhancing Liberty.

We should do no less. We must do no less.

In taking a page from our Founders, We The People Foundation for Constitutional Education, Inc., has proposed what it believes is a viable project framework for the good of the Republic, through a delegation of the People representing all fifty states and the District of Columbia, to come together, document the People's record of our Constitutional crisis and develop a viable, cohesive set of activist strategies to cure the cancer of despotism that now threatens the nation and our Liberty.

This initiative has been called "CONTINENTAL CONGRESS 2009."

It with great hope that the We The People Foundation and Congress now commit all our resources towards CC 2009, a national assembly Of The People, By The People, For The People to address our crisis and our future.

As each of our states organizes to participate, Freedom-defending People have begun to nominate delegates - those with a proven passion for the Constitution - as authors, scholars or activists.

As unsettling world events continue to unfold at an unfathomable rate, CC2009 may be our last chance to go on record in defense of our Constitution and to peacefully restore the Republic.

As we know, the Founding Fathers did not mince words in their instructions to future generations who might find themselves also faced with a rogue government. They knew well the nature of men, the nature of government, and value of the Divine gift of Liberty.

That they left us the legacy of our Founding Documents is indeed, a miracle of the highest order. They would surely pray we ought not concede these gifts easily. The date and location for the formal CC 2009 assembly will be announced at the WTP Jekyll Island event on May 22, 2009.

WTP will commit every resource we have toward the success of CC2009, but it is ultimately up to The People of America to decide the fate of our Nation. I urge every citizen to learn as much as they can about what is taking place, what our Founding Documents guide us to do, as opposed to what we are actually doing.

Let our People come to know the profound Rights handed down to them through the First Amendment Right to Petition and the power of Popular Sovereignty that all men inherently possess and enjoy. Let's come together against those attempting to shred our Constitution and seize our Freedoms.

Despite the discord and despair our nation now endures and the escalating risks to Liberty our People face daily, our Republic's brightest days may yet lie just ahead.

It's time to awaken. It's time to do something.



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alleged swine flu epidemic.

As for us, our sons arrived in Cancun on May 2nd and informed us that there were only 25 passengers on the 757 airlines that they arrived in. They also indicated that the Cancun Airport was virtually empty. Our daughter arrived from Colorado on the evening of the same day and indicated that she counted 27 passengers in the 757 that she arrived in.

Between May 2nd and May 9th, my wife and I returned twice to the Galenia Hospital in Cancun to complete our dental work and found that there were still no cases of swine flu reported at the hospital. During this week the tourist population in Cancun dropped by 60% to 70% of its normal capacity. Some restaurants and nightclubs were forced to close because of the lack of tourism. Many of the typical tourist activities were also closed for lack of participants.

Our resort complex was also severely impacted because of the cancelled reservations. Despite these facts, we witnessed no sick individuals during our 2 week vacation in Cancun. However, what we did witness was an extremely angry and disillusioned local populace because of the economic impact this "governmental scam" is having on their city.

On May 9th, our scheduled date to return to the USA, upon arrival at the Cancun Airport, we were required to fill out an insignificant medical form that asked general questions about our health. They also took our body temperature and that was the extent of the medical exam that all returning passengers were required to take. Many of the returning scheduled flights had been cancelled and as a result the few flights that remained consolidated

passengers from other flights. Despite this fact, our flight was approximately 75% full. The only individuals we observed wearing protective masks were the individuals collecting the medical surveys. No other official staff or tourists were wearing protective masks.

In summary, from our prospective, this entire fiasco appears to be a governmental exercise in fear mongering and population control. What we witnessed in Cancun clearly shows the power of the governments to manipulate the public whenever it chooses to do so. They clearly have the power to impact any country's economy at will and to frighten the populace into absolute submission. It is interesting to see how few individuals elected to question and not believe the official storyline regarding this alleged viral outbreak. It is of considerable concern how easy our USA Citizens are willing to believe whatever propaganda our government and news media provides. We found it refreshing that virtually none of the Mexican Citizens in Cancun were willing to believe without question, the official storyline.

On May 15th, we received an email from a fellow timeshare owner who had planned on renting one of our weeks in conjunction with their timeshare in order to visit Cancun. They were scheduled to vacation in Cancun starting on May 30th. This individual works for United Airlines and her father works for American Airlines. She informed us that they cancelled their trip because neither of these airlines are scheduled to fly into Cancun Mexico until June 4th. Is it coincidental that these airlines were also the airlines involved in the 911 attacks on the WTC?

On May 16th, we received an email from the Royal Resorts, which stated, that to date, there are still no cases of Swine Flu in Cancun.

However, they did state that there are officially 11 cases in the state of Quintana Roo.

Oscar A. Dominguez, Pagosa Springs, CO

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Thank you for the time, effort and resources you and the SWFP staff have invested on behalf of us , WE THE PEOPLE ...

I have done some homework, and found that the signature line on my checks does indeed consist of the words --authorized signature-- visible under an AGFA lupe 8X.

Then, I wrote my two (unfortunately) mortgage companies. From one I have not received an answer yet; the other responded within a week saying my letter was recorded as having been received, but the correspondence could not be located; please send them a copy in the enclosed postage free envelope. I did, and asked if the problem is related to the "dog ate my homework." No response yet after a week.

In the meantime, the census taker came by our house last week. I happened to be leaving, otherwise I wouldn't have known he was there--he said, "I'm checking your house number," after I asked him what he wanted.

I believe the wolf is up on the roof getting ready to huff and puff. We all need to build a house of bricks.

Barbara
Pagosa Springs

Resources: The following are documents on the Southwest Free Press website, or links to other sites that provide detailed information on the various topics presented. Use these documents to strengthen your knowledge and facts on government, finances and other issues. Opinions are of no use to anyone if not supported by facts and truth. "In times of universal deceit, telling the truth will be a revolutionary act." - George Orwell. Get back copies of the Southhwest Free Press for the facts and resources you NEED to be informed. (southwestfreepress.com/resource-library.html). You can also "Google" or "YouTube" the various terms for great amounts of research information! **Please note:** All web addresses online or in the PDF documents in the resource website, are "clickable." Simply click on them and you will be taken to the proper page!

Swine Flu Threats: <http://www.prisonplanet.com/time-magazine-preps-americans-for-mandatory-vaccinations.html>
Read excerpts from Dr. Mercola's website warning on swing flu at <http://articles.mercola.com/sites/articles/archive/2009/04/29/Swine-Flu.aspx>
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http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CPer2c9jSck&feature=player_embedded
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<http://southwestfreepress.com/PDF/swine-flue-scam.pdf> (resource file)

911 Truth: <http://southwestfreepress.com/PDF/it-wasnt-muslims.pdf>
<http://southwestfreepress.com/PDF/911-floyd-admission.pdf> (Text and Video link of cover-up admitted by witness of "plane striking the poles" as it approached the the Pentagon).

Oath Keepers: <http://oath-keepers.blogspot.com/>
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bLJgPuNAh60>
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9iWsz9zSI64> (1 of 4 Parts, 10 minutes each)

Jury Duty: http://southwestfreepress.com/PDF/Why_Is_Trial_by_Jury_Important.pdf - Jury Rights and Legal power
<http://www.thematrixhasyou.org/jury-duty.html>



to suck the lifeblood out of Americans. (You know, if you are the one creating a market drive, you buy and sell based on what you know is about to happen, and steal even more money...)

By eliminating the FR middleman cartel that is stealing our money and has stolen trillions since 1913, we enrich ourselves, and benefit the people of the 50 states. By allowing it to continue, we continue to pay the bully, the mob, and provide for the government's insane spending through fraud, and creating a far greater category of the poor, and the elite rich.

By calling the FR and the Government on this fraud, we can eliminate the entire national debt, because it is BASED on fraud, and this completely destroys any claim the FR or any other entity may have on this "debt." You and I did NOT enter into this contract with full disclosure, so not only is Congress liable for this debt, but the FR banking cartel is and any nation which has purchased this fraudulent debt.

Banking 101, Lesson four; Money must have value, based on something more than "faith." The Gold and Silver standard have a long history of holding their value. For example, today, an ounce of gold can buy the same amount and quality of items as 2000 years ago. Only when "money" is removed from any connection to "real" wealth do you begin to see not only greed and corruption

setting in and manipulating the markets, but you eventually destroy the value of this fake money, and end up exactly where we are today with the U.S. dollar's value, and declining "faith" of other nations.

When the U.S. dollar is finally dead, the money manipulators will replace it with yet another fiat currency and go into round two of theft and manipulation to continue the process of creating a two class world... the rich "elite," and the poor working slaves. Great system we allow, isn't it?

It is mathematically impossible to ever repay the debt we have today, and we still see spending from Obama and the Congress in the final squeezing of the American people to remove every last vestage of money and maximizing power and control over our lives.

When we don't have money to buy food or life's necessities, we become slaves of those who offer to provide the same as long as we comply with their requirements... whatever they might be.

We are totally dependent on "them" as long as we allow "them" to control us, steal our money and deceive us into playing their sick, twisted game of greed and collusion.

If you believe this is fair, and don't mind being fleeced, then do nothing. However, if you believe this is not only unfair, but extremely criminal, then we need to make waves, and let our voices be heard, or it will continue till we have nothing.

Time to end this !



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The federal government is already in a hole. The Bush administration did its fair share of continuing the practice of deficit spending, but make no mistake -- Obama and company are completely rewriting the record books. They are spending more, and doing it in a shorter period of time, than any administration... ever!

As noted in the Associated Press story US to borrow 46 cents for every dollar spent, "The government will have to borrow nearly 50 cents for every dollar it spends this year, exploding the record federal deficit past \$1.8 trillion under new White House estimates."

That's right. With the new analysis coming out, Obama's \$3.6 trillion budget for 2010 is "paid for" by borrowing \$1.8 trillion of it. Can everyone understand these numbers? This is an unsustainable path!

Remember Obama bragging that he was trimming the budget, because he planned to cut \$17 billion in "wasteful or duplicative programs?" That entire "savings" was wiped out by the new budget deficit projections. Hey... Washington! I have a plan for you... Stop spending so much!

At no period over the next ten years is the annual budget deficit expected to be LESS than half a trillion dollars. And Obama keeps announcing more spending and more government. Next on his list is health care. Of course, he will try to tax the "rich" which just means more money taken out of individual's pockets... Individuals who hire people, purchase goods and services, and fund just about everything else in government.

Raise your hand if you think government involvement in health care will result in more efficiency, higher quality, and lower costs? Whenever government gets involved, costs grow! Red tape grows! We shouldn't be paying for it, and we certainly can't afford it.

With Obama's programs and the debt he and the Congress are amassing, the only recourse will be to raise taxes on everyone and everything. This means less choices and less freedom.

Is this how you run your household? And yet the American voters were fine with turning over America's household to these socialists. This is what we get. Obama is spending us to the point where even tax increases will not get us out. The spending must stop, and it must stop now. Cut the programs. Return government to the core functions for which it was intended, and let the American people keep their hard-earned money.

Most of us can certainly run a household better than this.

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European Union wants 'Internet G12' to govern cyberspace

EUObserver.com reports... "The European Commission wants the US to dissolve all government links with the body that 'governs' the internet, replacing it with an international forum for discussing internet governance and online security."

Presently the commerce department has an agreement with Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) which expires in October of this year.

The Observer continues... "EU information society commissioner Viviane Reding, on 4 May suggested a new model for overseeing the internet from October this year, when the Commerce Department agreement runs out."

The EU wishes the United States to pass over control to more nations (read elite leaders who want to control the Internet because of knowledge people are obtaining and using against their governments...) calling this a "multilateral forum for governments to discuss general internet governance policy and security issues." <http://euobserver.com/871/28065>

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