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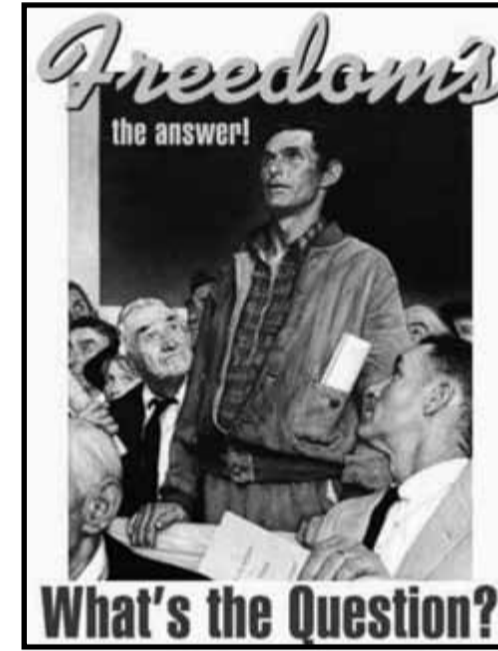
From the Publisher...

By Ernest Hancock

Freedom's Phoenix is the culmination of decades of philosophical activism that began in 1988. By 1992 we had discovered the power and influence that regular people could have using newsprint as a medium. Our last newsprint publication was the summer of 2004. Since that time we have focused on the Internet as our primary form of communication. Many of our efforts over the past two and a half decades are well known to many but most are familiar with this effort to free the minds of 'Generation Next'.

Our liberty efforts were never about advocating for being ruled in any particular fashion or promoting any particular individual that promised to govern us better than another. Our effort was to inspire individuals to seek information about ways to govern themselves and to be a beneficial part of their local community.

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The Way Out

By Larken Rose



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If you're waiting for constitutions, elections, or other documents and rituals to make government into something that actually serves and protects the people, stop waiting. It won't ever happen. "Government" has always been the enemy of decent people, and playing the games engineered and controlled by sociopaths will never result in freedom and justice. "Politics" and "democracy" are designed only to legitimize authoritarian domination and give the false appearance that the people are in charge. Despite all the mythology and rhetoric that is used to try to make ruling classes look proper and necessary, the state is, and has always been, the enemy of the people.

But what are decent, freedom-loving folk to do if the game of politics is rigged and pointless? What is the alternative? If, for example, the only way to stop the ever-increasing injustice and oppression occurring in the United States is the complete physical destruction of the vast police and military apparatus of the state and federal governments, what hope is there? Can the intricate schemes and deceptions of those in power be ended only when every member of the public fully understands those schemes and deceptions? To put it bluntly, if achieving true freedom and justice requires the American

people as a whole to be fully informed, philosophically enlightened and morally courageous, then we are doomed.

But we aren't doomed. Fortunately, every authoritarian regime has an Achilles' heel, a weakness which no amount of military might or clever conspiracies can make up for. In short, when the people as a whole stop imagining a moral obligation to obey and pay tribute to a ruling class, nothing in the world can keep that ruling class in power for long. When the people no longer imagine that there is something inherently wrong with disobeying the arbitrary commands of politicians ("breaking the law") and no longer feel guilty if they try to avoid being robbed ("tax evasion"), then all the apparent strength of "the powers that be" evaporates into nothing.

Of course, if only a handful of people disobey and resist, the politicians' mercenaries--soldiers and police--will make short work of them. But if even a large minority refuses to comply, refuses to surrender the fruits of their labor to the ruling class, even if they don't lift a finger to actually fight back, the empire will crumble. This does not require any election or revolution, but it does require people letting go of their authoritarian indoctrination and reclaiming ownership of their own lives. Empires weaken and fall, not through voting or "working within the system," but through the people no longer viewing their own subjugation as legitimate. Authoritarian power may be weakened by non-violent resistance, such as the movement in India led by Gandhi, or by clandestine means, such as the undermining of

the fugitive slave laws in the U.S. by the Underground Railroad, or by brute force, such as with the American Revolution. But in all cases, freedom from tyranny begins with a mental revolution in which the people stop imagining an obligation to bow to those who claim the right to rule.

The United States will be no different. Real change will never occur as a result of people voting, petitioning, campaigning, or in any other way playing "politics." Instead, real change will occur only when the people dare to actually disobey, when people stop begging for the politicians' legislative permission to be free and start thinking and acting like free people even when the ruling class has declared freedom to be "illegal." "Authority" is always in the eye of the beholder. When the people stop imagining that a group of parasitical liars and thieves has the right to rule them, only then will the people have any chance of ridding themselves of authoritarian oppression, not through begging and petitioning, but through outright disobedience and resistance.

Even the most intricate schemes which tyrants use to empower themselves and enslave the people depend upon the masses feeling a moral obligation to obey the arbitrary "laws" of those in power. The people do not need to understand all the governmental conspiracies and deceptions--or even know that they exist--in order to defeat them. For example, for the Fed's "fractional reserve banking" swindle to collapse, the people don't need to actually understand how the fraud works; they need only ignore the currency laws forcing people to participate in the scam. Likewise, the people do not need to see through all the false flag tactics and other fear-mongering propaganda in order for war to end; they only need to stop feeling an obligation to pay the taxes which fund it. To end the "war on drugs" does not require the masses to have an in-depth understanding of the economic and practical reasons why it is so counter-productive; it only requires that the people be willing to ignore laws which punish victimless "crimes." And so on. When enough people stop believing in an obligation to obey those in power, the collapse of an empire becomes inevitable, no matter how all-powerful or all-know-

ing that regime might seem. Exactly how the fall happens is secondary. What matters is the philosophical change in paradigm, which occurs when people let go of the lie that being a good person means always "obeying the law" and "following the rules" (when it is sociopaths and criminals who dictate what those "laws" and "rules" are). More often than not throughout history--such as in Soviet Russia, Red China and Nazi Germany--the bad guys were "law enforcers" and the good guys were "law breakers." The U.S. is destined to follow the same path, with ever-increasing injustice and oppression being enacted as "law," so that the only hope for freedom and justice will come from those whom the rulers will label as "criminals" and "terrorists." This same pattern has been repeating for centuries.



Larken Rose

But therein lies the bigger problem: whenever one authoritarian regime falls, another takes its place, often worse than the one before. For example, Americans still celebrate their independence from the British Empire, but rarely think about the fact that under the current constitutional republic, they are far less free than they ever were under a king--with far higher tax rates, far more invasions of their privacy, far more intrusions into their financial dealings, and far more regulation of every aspect of their lives. Notwithstanding all the good intentions, all the patriotic rhetoric and mythology, any objective examination of things shows that in the long run, the American Revolution and the Constitution resulted in Americans having less freedom, not more.

So is this how it will be forever, one tyranny after another, punctuated by unrest, revolution and violence, with mankind never achieving last-

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ing peace and freedom? No. There is a way out, and it is staring humanity in the face. In one sense, what needs to change is enormous--a dramatic shift in how human beings view society. In another sense, the solution is very simple, and can be summed up as this: instead of the people occasionally proclaiming, "we no longer believe that gang has the right to rule us," humanity as a whole needs to proclaim, "we no longer believe that any gang has the right to rule us." In other words, instead of figuring out that this or that "government" is illegitimate and a threat to society, mankind needs to figure out that ALL "governments" are illegitimate and a threat to society.

Of course, this goes against what almost everyone hears from his parents, teachers, the media, and (of course) those in power. Nearly everyone is taught, directly and indirectly, that obedience to authority is a virtue, that we need a group of all-powerful "rule-makers" in order to have civilization, that without government we would all behave like wild animals, with no chance of having a peaceful, prosperous society.

But that is a lie, and has always been a lie, no different than a plantation owner telling his slaves that they should be thankful that he is there to take care of them, to protect them, and to provide "order" in their lives. In reality, not only is government not at all necessary for human organization and cooperation, government is the exact opposite of cooperation: it is violent domination, where one

group commands and another obeys. Nonetheless, it takes a major paradigm shift for most people to let go of the superstition of "authority," and to start thinking and acting like responsible adults. Even most of those who can see how destructive and immoral a particular regime is usually focus their time, money and energy on political action. Even most activists and "freedom fighters" falsely assume that the problem is the person sitting on the throne, instead of recognizing that the real problem is, and has always been, that there is a throne to sit on.

Trying to elect politicians who will serve the people is the equivalent of a slave trying to get purchased by a kinder master. Even if he succeeds, he still fails. He is still a slave whose time and energy are the property of someone else. Likewise, even if the people create a relatively benevolent ruling class ("government"), it is still their master, will still steal the fruits of their labor, and will still forcibly dominate and control them. The best that "government" can ever be is a relatively gentle abuser, a somewhat less greedy thief, a moderately permissive slave-

master. Only voluntaryism and a stateless society allow for actual freedom, actual equality, actual justice, actual civilization.

Sooner or later, that is what humanity will have. When enough people fully understand and embrace the concepts of self-ownership and non-aggression, and realize that those concepts completely rule out the possibility of a legitimate ruling class, "government" will become a fading memory, an old and irrational superstition, like worshipping volcanos and offering human sacrifices to mythical gods. When human beings can fully embrace the self-evident concept of "I own me and you own you," and let go of the centuries of anti-human authoritarian mythology, then--and only then--will humanity find its way out of the centuries-old cycle of suffering and injustice.



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FREEDOM!

By Adam Kokesh



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Y o u know the official story about the world that we're supposed to believe? You know - that g o v e r n - m e n t s are always good and necessary, that politicians only do what they do because they love us so very much, that the police only exist to serve and protect you, and that every war the government has ever fought has been perfectly just and righteous? The mainstream media tries to get us to believe that all this lines up just right, and while the system has its flaws, you have nothing to worry about, you can just go about your life, vote, pay taxes, be a good citizen, and trust the authorities. But you know better. You know you're being lied to. And YOU KNOW on some level deep inside that you are being lied to because YOU are being taken advantage of. Would you like to understand why? Would you like to be able to escape this racket? Would you like the code to see through all the lies? The message of FREEDOM! allows you to

do this and more. Understanding freedom as respect for individual rights, nonviolence, and the elimination of coercion in society is the key to liberating yourself. And now, it's all contained in one short, easy to understand book that I started writing while I was in jail for civil disobedience and completed with the help of many freedom-loving friends. I have been arrested over three dozen times, spent months in jail, and been slandered by the mainstream media countless times. I once ran for Congress, had a radio show, a TV show, and now, I do The FREEDOM! Podcast and YouTube channel. I did a tour in Fallujah in 2004 with the Marines and am a member of a very small group of people who have been tortured by my government, and tortured on its behalf, but I'm in a better place now. For years I railed against the system and in my anger sought to make the world a better place by waking people up to all the violations of freedom around the world. Now, I've decided to focus my efforts on changing the way people fundamentally think, and fostering the love and connectedness required for building a free society. It's not enough to be right, or persuasive, or even to build an audience and raise awareness about individual issues.

I wrote the book, FREEDOM! to be the most efficient way to take



people from zero to "I get it," and now, all I care about is getting people to read this book. Yes, I'm asking you to think. As it is part of what makes us uniquely human, I am asking you to deepen your own humanity. If I've learned one thing from all the interactions of my entire life, it is that there is a universality of the human experience. We all want to live peacefully. We all need freedom. We all need love. We all suffer under statism. Governments want us to identify as citizens, but we are so much more than the subjects of protection rackets. The book is free online in every format possible including as an audiobook, and it's only 100 pages long. You can get it by going to [the freedomline.com](http://thefreedomline.com) where you can get print copies of the book which we are also giving away. You can also find

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rEvolution of transit: From Taxi, to Uber, Lyft, and now LaZooz

By Mike Baysek



Read article on Freedom's Phoenix (<http://frd.ph/2e>)

For generations when without their automobiles, humans have taken to taxi when looking for on-demand personalized transit. In recent years, companies like Uber (www.uber.com) and Lyft (www.lyft.com) have offered fares for essentially the same service. These services lowered the barrier of entry to drivers and allowed a more competitive environment, driving fares down wherever they operate.

But it was not long before the taxi lobby got territorial and started efforts to force these companies out of markets wherever they could. Take the city of San Antonio, Texas for example, where the city council in December decided

to mandate several onerous requirements for Uber drivers, some of which cannot realistically be met because of various technicalities. As a result, on April 1st, 2015, Uber announced it is leaving the San Antonio market. Similarly, Lyft was forced to leave Houston, Texas because of similar laws that restrict ridesharing companies.

The taxi lobby outspends the TNC's (transportation network companies) 3500 to 1, per the Washington

Post, June of 2014.

It is thereby fully expected that anti-competitive practices and lobbying will result in TNC's being further and further restricted in order to appease protectionist monopolists who are threatened by true free market competition and innovation.

But that's where La'Zooz steps in.

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La'Zooz (www.lazooz.org) is a decentralized ride sharing and package transport service that is currently

in development. Initially founded by a team out of Tel Aviv, Israel, the La'Zooz network functions similarly in many ways to Uber and Lyft and is now being worked on by people from all over the world.

But for bureaucrats, here's the rub: With La'Zooz, there's no company for lobbyists and their political puppets to go after! Monopolists throughout history have used government to enforce their protection rackets through regulation and legal restrictions. If a company is filed under government law, that company must abide by the rules and regulations (whether ethical or not) that are set out by that government or face legal repercussions. But what if those rules are designed with the sole purpose of eliminating competition?

The La'Zooz network is a fully decentralized version of a ride sharing network. Through the use of smartphones' incipient technology, it allows riders and drivers to meet voluntarily without having a trusted third party or company involved, thereby providing a truly free peer to peer method of ride sharing, transit and package delivery.

La'Zooz capitalizes on innovations such as blockchain technology to make all of this work. The currency of the

La'Zooz network is "Zooz," which is a cryptocurrency unit that is created (mined) by drivers who are willing to share their location to the network. The mining algorithm is a "proof of movement" type algorithm that generates currency units as miles are traveled by drivers in their network. When a rider wants to use the La'Zooz network, they must buy these tokens on the open market - generally from some sort of exchange where they can be traded for government currency or even Bitcoin. Once a rider has Zooz tokens, he or she can then begin to consume services from the La'Zooz network.

When contrasted with centralized, incorporated networks like Uber and Lyft, it is easy to see how decentralizing ride sharing can benefit the consumer. By operating in a manner that is outside the scope of legal bureaucracy, La'Zooz will be able to provide the most competitive environment for drivers to operate. This free market will undoubtedly drive the price of these transit services down as more drivers come to compete for business on the

network. And because La'Zooz is a protocol, not a company, there is nothing that the state can do to stop it. After all, consider the definition of "protocol": a set of rules governing the format of messages that are exchanged between computers. When real people are at both ends of a protocol, and both sides use the protocol to meet their needs in the marketplace, use of such protocols amounts to free speech. Good luck regulating that, bureaucrats.

The La'Zooz network is currently under massive development. More information can be found at www.lazooz.org. Be sure to read the blog for updates from the developers, and ask questions in the forum, which are all directly linked on the website.



LaZooz.Org (<http://frd.ph/1k>)



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La'Zooz Revealing Video (<http://frd.ph/2o>)

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By Doug Scribner



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The Arizona FreedomFest 2015

By Dara Vanesian



Dara Vanesian

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Beat the heat this summer while supporting Freedom!

Arizona FreedomFest is an independent, non-partisan family-friendly festival where Freedom and Liberty-loving people meet to learn, refresh, and celebrate! All ages are welcome to participate in a wide variety of activities: shooting opportunities and competitions, informative speakers, live music...along with dancing, great food, shopping, and much, much more.

Mark your calendars now so you won't miss Arizona Freedom Fest! It's coming up quickly, from Friday, May 1 to Sunday, May 3. Visit www.ArizonaFreedomFest.com for more information and to get your tickets, reserve camping spots, etc.

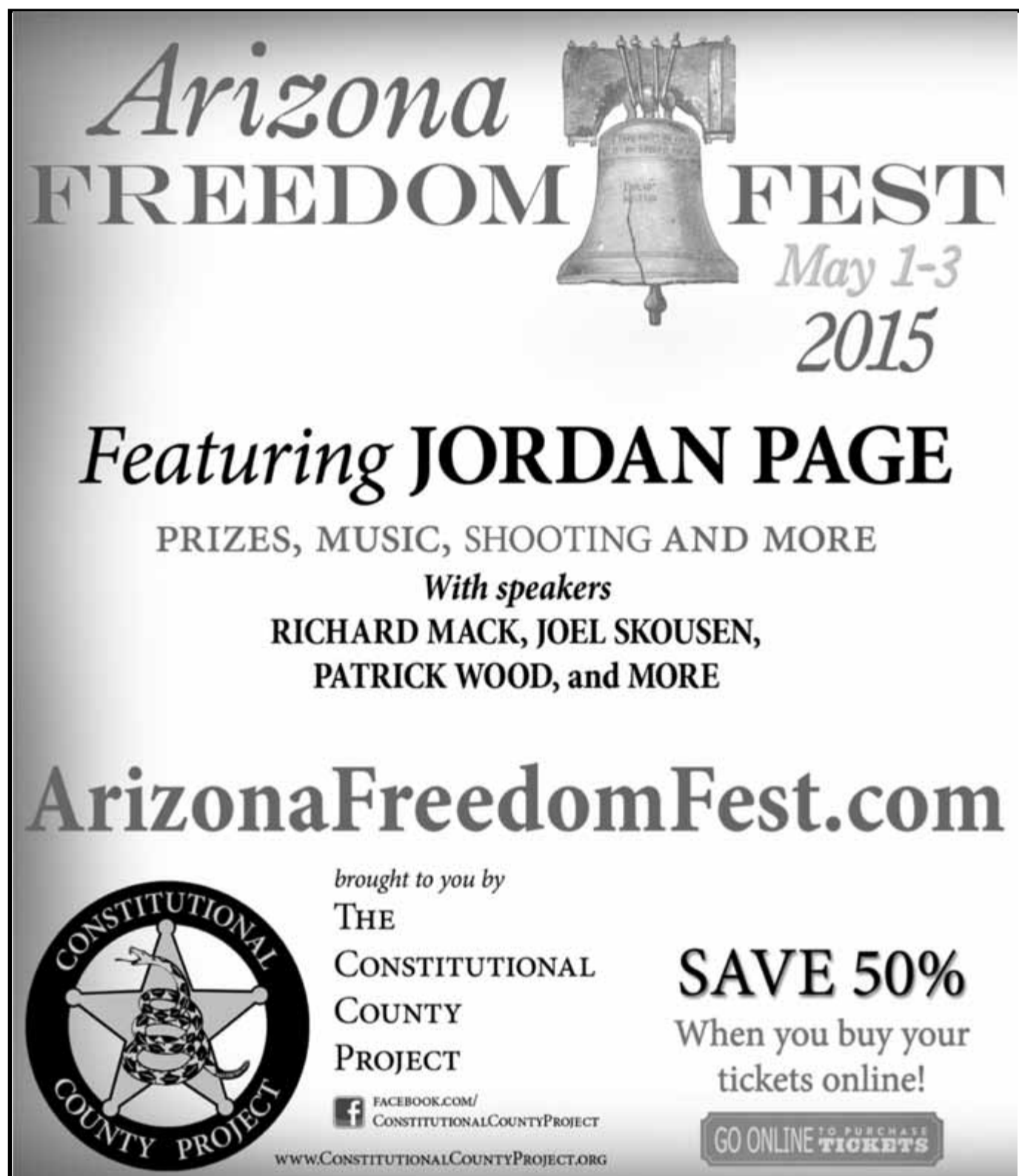
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Confirmed speakers include:

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- **Angela Keaton** from AntiWar.com
- **Derrick Grayson** (TMOT), the "Minister of Truth" and 2014 U.S. Senate candidate
- **Sheriff Richard Mack**, founder of the Constitutional Sheriffs' and Police Officers' Association (C.S.P.O.A.)
- **Patrick Wood**, famed author of Technocracy Rising
- **Ernest Hancock**, founder and publisher of Freedom's Phoenix
- **Mark Herr**, president and co-founder of the Center for Self Governance
- **And many more!**

Bring the kids! There will be plenty of events to keep them busy and educate along the way. From camping to scavenger hunts, from water balloon fights to kids' shooting, we've got serious fun planned for the kiddos!

Do you love the great outdoors? This year, Arizona FreedomFest is located at SHOTS Ranch, a pristine wooded, 1,300-acre private shooting range at a cool,



5200+ foot elevation with panoramic views. For only \$10 a night per tent or RV you can camp on-site and wake up to the beautiful Arizona Sunrise!

There are plenty of trails to explore and you might even see a bison or two. SHOTS Ranch is home to elk, deer, small game and yes-even bison now and then. Be sure to bring your cameras and get some great shots of Mother Nature. Limited camping spaces available, so visit www.ArizonaFreedomFest.com and reserve your space early!

Should camping not be your idea of fun, the his-

toric Route 66 towns of Seligman and Kingman are nearby with many hotels available.

In addition to the speakers, events for the kiddos, and shooting fun, Arizona FreedomFest is the place to hear live music the first weekend of May. From bands playing rock to country music, the dance floor is sure to be busy. Don't miss the live concert from **legendary songwriter and guitarist JORDAN PAGE** of "PAGE against the MACHINE". He will be **playing songs about freedom and independence**

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Authoritarian Sociopathy

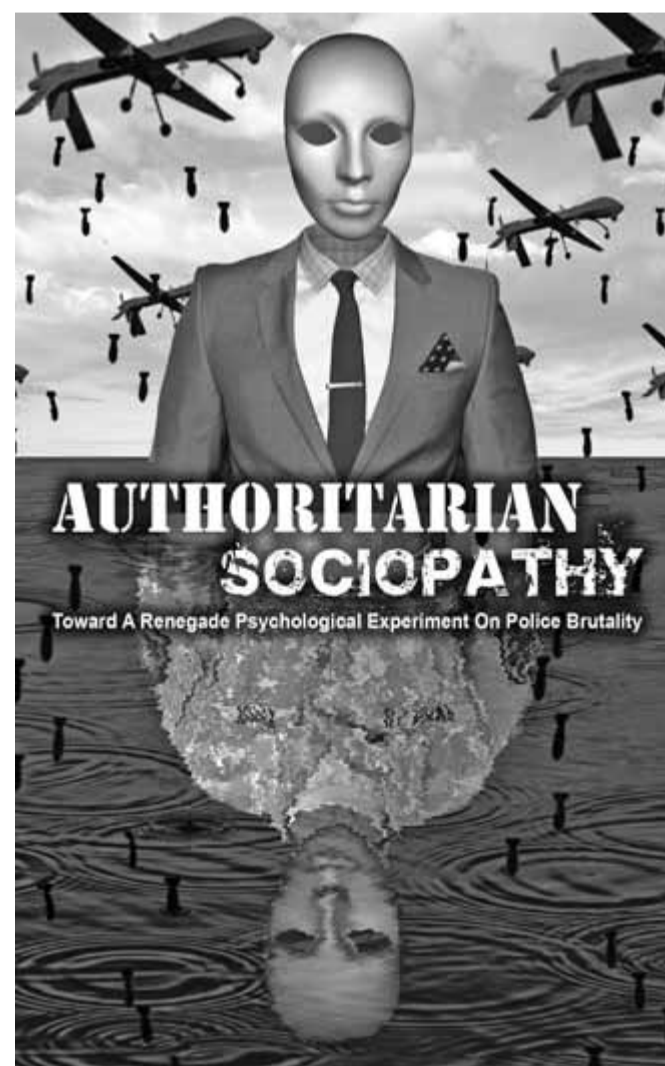
By Davi Barker



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and politics is merely one of many strategies. We cannot fight the State with votes, or with cameras, or even with rifles, because factually the State only exists in the mind.

Our common definition for the State is a "monopoly on violence." This was originally coined by German political philosopher Max Weber, affirmed by Austrian economist Murray Rothbard in his book *Anatomy of the State*, and even echoed by authoritarian sociopath Barack Obama while campaigning in 2007. This definition is seldom disputed, even by



Many anarchists and libertarians eagerly study the psychology of tyrants in an effort to know their enemy in the battlefield of politics. Getting into the minds of our enemy is regarded as a strategy, a means to our political ends... which is an end to political means. However, I would suggest that the mind of our enemy is the battlefield itself, and politics is merely one of many strategies. We cannot fight the State with votes, or with cameras, or even with rifles, because factually the State only exists in the mind.

the agents of the State. However, as surely as a pick-pocket can knife you in the ribs, the State does not factually enjoy a monopoly on violence. The missing component is an often overlooked, but all important adjective: *legitimate*. The State is a monopoly on *legitimate* violence, and *legitimacy* is the only thing distinguishing a tax collector from a pickpocket, a police officer from a vigilante, or a soldier from a paid murderer. *Legitimacy* is an illusion in the mind without which the State does not even exist.

Power and Obedience

We've all heard of the **Milgram Experiment** and the **Stanford Prison Experiment**. I've written about them before (See **Lucifer Effect**). So as not to waste your time, I'll summarize very briefly.

In the Milgram Experiment participants were divided into "teachers" and "learners" and placed in separate rooms. "Teachers" were instructed to read questions to the "learners" and if they answered incorrectly to administer an electro-shock of ever increasing voltage. The "teachers" were unaware that electro-shocks were fake. After a few volts the "learner" began to object, to complain of a heart condition, and ultimately go silent. If the "teacher" asked to stop he was told by the experimenter, "the experiment requires that you continue." 65% administered the experiment's maximum massive 450-volt shock. The vast majority were willing to administer a lethal jolt of electricity to a complete stranger based upon nothing but the verbal prodding of an authority figure.

In the Stanford Prison Experiment participants were screened for mental health and randomly assigned as "prisoner" or "guard" to live in a two week long prison simulation. Guards were given uniforms, mirrored glasses, and wooden batons. Prison-

ers were dressed in smocks and addressed only by their prison numbers. Guards were instructed only to keep a fixed schedule, and that they could not physically harm prisoners. The experiment was halted after only six days because guards began to display cruel, even sadistic behavior including spraying prisoners with fire extinguishers, depriving them of bedding or restroom privileges, forcing them to go nude and locking them in "solitary confinement" in a dark closet. After an initial revolt, and a brief hunger strike, prisoners developed submissive attitudes, accepting physical abuse, and readily following orders to inflict punishments on each other. They even engaged in horizontal discipline to keep each other in line. Both prisoners and guards fully internalized their fictional identities.



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Ethical concerns raised by these experiments made it almost impossible to study the authoritarian sociopathy in any meaningful way. Still, there have been some more recent studies that flesh out the findings of these classic experiments. Because of the new ethical guidelines the more recent experiments are not as dramatic, but the implications of their results are no less startling.

Power and Deception

Dana Carney is a professor at Columbia University. She conducted an experiment to discover if "leaders" and "subordinates" experience the same physiological stress while lying. She found that power not only makes lying easier, but pleasurable.

Participants filled out a personality test that identified them as "leaders" or "subordinates." In reality the selection was random, but the fake test created an air of legitimacy to their assignment. Leaders were placed in a large executive office and given an hour of busy work. Subordinates were placed in a small windowless cubical and given an hour of busy work. Then they engaged in a 10 minute mock negotiation over pay.

Afterwards half the participants were given \$100 and told they could keep it if they lied and convinced the lead experimenter that they didn't have it. The experimenter did not know who had the money.

For most people lying elicits negative emotions, cognitive impairment, physiological stress, and non-verbal behavioral cues, which can all be measured.

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Milgram Experiment (<http://frd.ph/a>)



Stanford Prison Experiment (<http://frd.ph/b>)



Lucifer Effect (<http://frd.ph/c>)



Dana Carney Experiment (<http://frd.ph/d>)

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Video of the interviews was reviewed to identify behavioral cues. Saliva samples were tested for increases in the stress hormone cortisol. Tests of reaction time were conducted on the computer to demonstrate cognitive impairment. And a mood survey assessed participants' emotional states during the experiment.

By every measure "subordinates" exhibited all the indicators of deception, but liars in the "leader" class exhibited the exact opposite. By every measure "leaders" were indistinguishable from truth-tellers. In fact, they enjoyed reduced stress levels, increased cognitive function and reported positive emotions. Only "subordinates" reported feeling bad about lying.

Professor Carney concludes, "Power will lead to increases in intensity and frequency of lying."

Lying comes easier, and is inherently more pleasurable, to those in power, even fake authority. In other words, power rewards dishonesty with pleasure.



Van Kleef Experiment
(<http://frd.ph/23>)

Power and Compassion

Psychologist Gerben A. Van Kleef from the University of Amsterdam conducted an experiment to identify how power influences emotional reactions to the suffering of others. Participants filled out a questionnaire about their own sense of power in their actual lives and were identified as "high-power" and "lower-power" individuals.

Then they were randomly paired off to take turns sharing personal stories of great pain, or emotional suffering.

During the exchange the stress levels of both participants was measured by electrocardiogram (ECG) machines, and afterward they filled out a second questionnaire describing their own emotional experience, and what they perceived of their partner's emotional experience.

You guessed it. Increased stress in the story teller correlated with increased stress in listener for low-power subjects, but not for high-power subjects. In other words, low-power individuals experienced the suffering of others, but high-power individuals experienced greater detachment. After the experiment high-power listeners self-reported being unmotivated to empathize with their partner. In other words, they saw the emotions of others, but they just didn't care. After the experiment, researchers inquired about whether participants would like to stay in touch with their partners. As you might expect, the low-power subjects liked the idea, but the high-power subjects didn't.

Power and Hypocrisy

It has become almost a cliché that the most outspoken anti-gay politicians are in fact closet homosexuals themselves, and the champions of "traditional family values" are engaged in extramarital affairs. Nothing is more common than the fiscal

conservative who demands ridiculous luxuries at the taxpayer's expense, or the anti-war progressive who takes campaign donations from the military industrial complex. Well, now it seems there's some science behind the hypocrisy of those in power.



Lammers - Galinsky Experiment
(<http://frd.ph/g>)

Joris Lammers, from Tilburg University, and Adam Galinsky of Kellogg School of Management conducted a battery of five experiments to test how power influences a person's moral standards, specifically whether they were likely to behave immorally while espousing intolerance for the behavior of others. In each of five experiments the results were about what you'd expect. Powerful people judge others more harshly but cheat more themselves. But in the last experiment they distinguished between legitimate power and illegitimate power and got the opposite results.

In the first experiment subjects were randomly assigned to as "high-power" or "low-power." To induce these feelings "high-power" subjects were asked to recall an experience where they felt powerful, and "low-power" subjects were asked to recall an experience where they felt powerless. They were asked to rate how immoral they considered cheating, and then they were given an opportunity to cheat at dice. The high-power subjects considered cheating a higher moral infraction than low-power subjects, but were also more likely to cheat themselves.

In the second experiment participants conducted a mock-government. Half were randomly assigned as "high-power" roles which gave orders to the half randomly given "low-power" roles. Then each group was asked about minor traffic violations, such as speeding, or rolling through stop signs. As expected, high-power subjects were more likely to bend the rules themselves, but less likely to afford other drivers the same leniency.

In the third experiment participants were divided as in the first experiment, by recalling a personal experience. Each group was asked about their feelings

about minor common tax evasions, such as not declaring freelance income. As expected, high-power subjects were more willing to bend the rules themselves, but less likely to afford others the same leniency.

In the fourth experiment participants were asked to complete a series of word puzzles. Half the participants were randomly given puzzles containing high-power words, and the other half were given puzzles containing low power words. Then all participants were asked what they'd do if they found an abandoned bike on the side of the road. As in all experiments, even with such an insignificant power disparity, those in the high-power group were more likely to say they would keep the bike, but also that others had an obligation to seek out the rightful owner, or turn the bike over to the police.

The fifth and final experiment yielded, by far, the most interesting results. The feeling of power was induced the same as the first and third experiment, where participants describe their own experience of power in their life, with one important distinction. This time the "high-power" class was divided in two. One group was asked to describe an experience of legitimate power, and the other was asked to describe an experience of illegitimate power.

The legitimate high-power group showed the same hypocrisy as in the previous four experiments. But those who viewed their power as illegitimate actually gave the opposite results. Researchers dubbed it "hypocrisy." They were harsher about their own transgressions, and more lenient toward others. This discovery could be the silver bullet we've been looking for. The researchers speculate that the vicious cycle of power and hypocrisy could be broken by attacking the legitimacy of power, rather than the power itself. As they write in their conclusion:

"A question that lies at the heart of the social sciences is how this status-quo (power inequality) is defended and how the powerless come to accept their disadvantaged position. The typical answer is that the state and

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its rules, regulations, and monopoly on violence coerce the powerless to do so. But this cannot be the whole answer... Our last experiment found that the spiral of inequality can be broken, if the illegitimacy of the power-distribution is revealed. One way to undermine the legitimacy of authority is open revolt, but a more subtle way in which the powerless might curb self enrichment by the powerful is by tainting their reputation, for example by gossiping. If the powerful sense that their unrestrained self enrichment leads to

gossiping, derision, and the undermining of their reputation as conscientious leaders, then they may be inspired to bring their behavior back to their espoused standards. If they fail to do so, they may quickly lose their authority, reputation, and—eventually—their power."

Those in power are more likely to lie, cheat and steal while also being harsher in their judgments of others for doing these things. They feel less compassion for the suffering of others, and are even capable of the torture and murder of innocent people. What's perhaps most disturbing is that we have seen that the problem is not that sociopaths are drawn to positions of authority, but that positions of authority draw out the sociopath in everyone. But this final experiment offers some hope that

authoritarian sociopathy can not only be stopped, but driven into reverse, not by violence or revolution, but simply by undermining their legitimacy. But how?

Reclaiming Lost Ground

Those who attack the legitimacy of the authority by trumpeting the results of the Stanford Prison Experiment and the Milgram Experiment have likely never heard of these other experiments because they're just less dramatic. Without the shock value the research just doesn't impact the culture. Changes to the ethical guidelines have essentially neutered research on authoritarian sociopathy. It has been relegated to the water cooler banter of academics.

If the illegitimate ethical guidelines of legacy institutions hamstringing mean-

ingful research on authoritarian sociopathy then it is time for us to cast off such restrictions, and devise our own guidelines consistent with our own ethics. If court professors will not spread their findings beyond their classrooms and peer reviewed journals then it is time to conduct our own renegade psychological experiments, to show the world beyond doubt that power corrupts absolutely.



Authoritarian Sociopathy
By Davi Barker
Audiobook
(<http://frd.ph/h>)

The Evolution of the Internet: Transcending Centralized Servers

By Paige Peterson



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When the Internet was still in its early stages and without such widespread adoption, most computers were used for local applications such as storing documents and databases, calculations for math's and sciences, and playing games. In this sense, computers existed as single, centralized, however localized, machines. The release of the World Wide Web led to increased purpose of the Internet and increased use for larger and more powerful remote computers. This stage subsequently became one of the first steps towards the Internet's evolution. Services were created to utilize these servers efficiently. However, since the process of storing and computing did not evolve much, the most cost effective method of running such services created an incentive to centralize the Internet's architecture into server

farms and data centers. This centralization brought its own problems by introducing central points of weakness into the design. To regain its usefulness, the Internet must continue its evolution into something much more resilient while still maintaining openness and accessibility.

It is worth iterating that the phrase "uploading to the cloud" is nothing more than re-saving files on another computer (server) and the infrastructure had no evolution when this term was introduced. The process of saving data to servers provides larger computation and storage needs. Applications running on more powerful computers are able to use the increased power and space to remove dependence on personal computer power. While this equalizes the opportunity to use applications with heavier processes and larger files, these processes and files are at increased risk. Much like banks holding a lot of individual's money, hosting companies with cloud services maintaining a lot of individual's files and applications are susceptible to targeted malicious hacking. It becomes much simpler for adversaries and government organizations to obtain or

corrupt many individual's data in one central place as opposed to having to access every individual's personal computer separately. Considering the age of the Internet, this is quickly becoming an antiquated system and it's certainly time for the next step in its evolution.



Paige Peterson

Additionally, much like other businesses based on centralized systems, power and control attracts self-interested management which tends to result in customers desires being ignored. In the digital world, the result of corporatism takes a different shape as advertisements on the Internet are much easier to serve and much more direct than those on television or billboards. However, much like commercials on television, online advertisements give Internet services the ability to make money while still offering products for free to consumers. Maybe the most ob-

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vious case is with Google; everything from search, email and storage is offered for free in exchange for embedded ads within these services. Since ad value is typically calculated for each click generated, knowing information about consumers to improve accuracy in serving advertisements and resulting clicks becomes a priority. Perhaps needless to say, this is the point where consumer privacy starts to become neglected and a new evolved system looks increasingly necessary to maintain a digital society free from hidden terms and subsequent privacy violations.

So the focus now becomes a matter of keeping the efficiencies of power and storage space of remote computers without the downfalls of centralizing them. Over the years, several attempts have been made to improve this situation, none of them have been successful at offering a replacement to the current system. While BitTorrent may have made a noble attempt at decentralizing file sharing, they effectively removed many benefits of uploading files to a cloud by requiring many copies of the same file to be stored on local machines all around the world. The

social network, Diaspora, began with a focus on the use of federated servers to improve redundancy and choice, however failed to offer significant benefits in the realm of security.

At MaidSafe, our focus has been re-imagining the way in which data on the cloud is distributed. Instead of uploading a file or running a process on a single server, what if you could divide the data into chunks and spread them throughout various computers on the Internet? And what if there was no way to determine what said chunks are and where they are located unless you had permission to access them through encryption key technology? What if this network was open source, not controlled by any central party and had applications built in such a way that they resembled the way we currently interact with the Internet? What if participants of the network, who allow others to store chunks of data, were compensated with a built-in cryptocurrency for the resources they are providing? And finally, what if this same mechanism was also used to reward open source developers for building great applications? This is the SAFE network. Eight years in the making, MaidSafe (Massive Array of Internet Disks; Secure Access For Everyone) was founded by David Irvine who saw the inherent flaw in the client-server infrastructure currently utilized by the Internet. He saw the downward spiral of centralized servers as an unnatural process and set out to look at the way decentralized systems naturally evolved providing both security and efficiency through resiliency, adaptability and division



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of labor.

When the SAFE network is released, whistleblowers will have an exponentially safer platform to use for sharing information to the world, while individuals will have the same security in saving private data. Individuals interested in sharing resources to the network will earn a cryptocurrency exponentially more private than bitcoin, and developers interested in creating free and open source applications will earn the same cryptocurrency so there is no need for distracting advertisements. Making centralized servers and the control of them irrelevant is a natural next step in the Internet's evolution, and as a result we will see the emergence of individual privacy, security and freedom.



Garden of Endless Food

By Chad Hudspeth

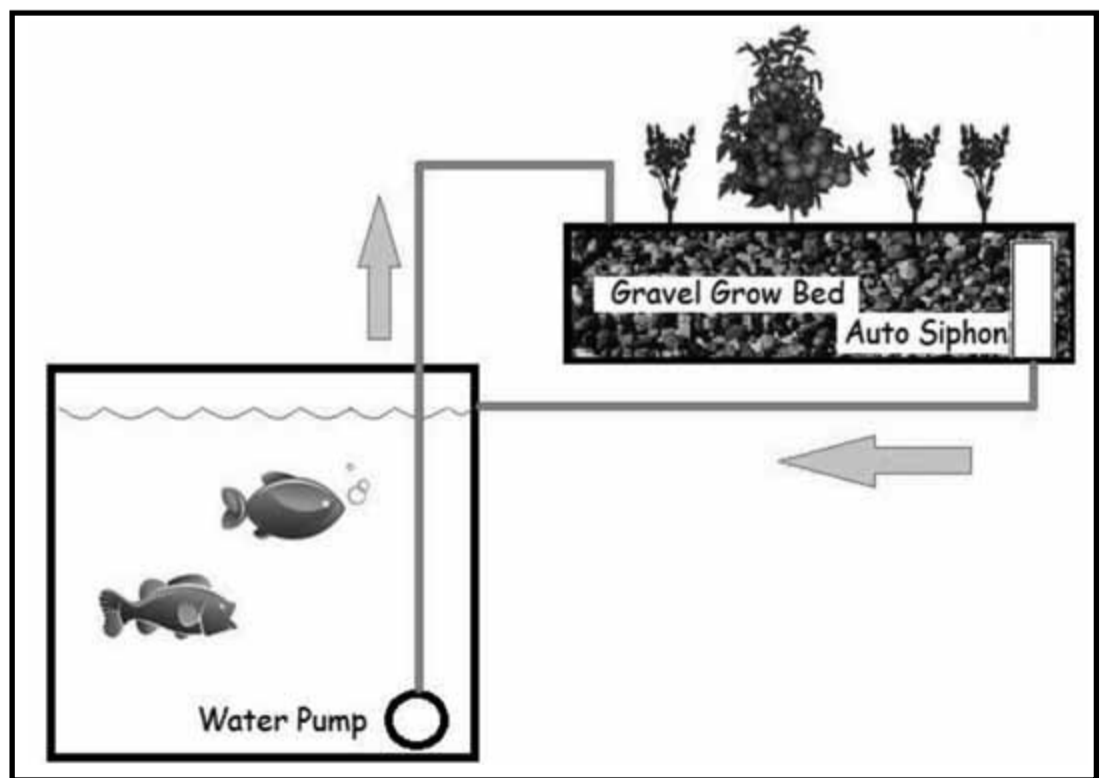


I first heard about a guy growing fish and plants together in 2008 in Dallas TX. He was a missionary that used the technique in 3rd world countries to empower small villages to be food independent. I was immediately intrigued and took a trip to see if I could get more info on what he was really doing. I found out that he had combined 2 industries together, aquaculture and hydroponics. Today it is called Aquaponics and although still a new concept in America, this technique is being used all over the world. It combines fish and plants together creating a micro ecosystem with very little inputs required. The fish live in their tank and a small water pump moves the water from the fish tank to a grow bed that is full of gravel. Inside the gravel, aerobic bacteria begin breaking down the fish waste and eventually turn it into a perfect plant food. The plants then absorb it as food and purify the water for the fish. The end result is

a self-cleaning system that produces edible fish and vegetables. The bacteria do not need to be introduced, they just show up- sort of like algae. If you take a bucket of water and place it in the sun in a warm climate, algae will start to grow; it does not need to be introduced or planted, but it always shows up!

There are some amazing advantages to a fish

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I'm Sorry

By Paul Rosenberg



fields slavery you learned about in school, but something that has most of the same effects but looks far better: they take half of your life and expect you to thank them for it.

There are actually several parts to your slavery. Today I am speaking of the part you may know best: inescapable student loans.

Matt Taibbi of *Rolling Stone* calls student loan programs "a shameful and oppressive outrage that for years now has been systematically perpetrated against a generation of young adults."

Taibbi is right, of course, but I think he's being mild. So, let me be more blunt:

Millions of young Americans have been forced into debt slavery.

Please understand that I am writing for accuracy here, not flamboyance. If you are in student loan debt, **you were pushed and you are being held and it is slavery.**

Yes, it's true that you shouldn't have signed those papers and spent that money, but - and please understand that I speak as a hard core advocate of personal responsibility - **the guilt is mostly not yours.**

Here's why I say that:

Setup #1: Something is wrong with you if you don't

Dear young people of America,

I'm sorry. You're entering a world that has condemned you to slavery before you were even born. No, not the full-blown, work-in-the-

Answer this question: *How many times, between kindergarten and the end of high school were you told that you should or must go to college?*

Hundreds maybe? And how many times was it simply implied than any decent kid (you in particular) would certainly go to college. Maybe hundreds more?

Setup #2: You'll live a second-rate life if you don't

It was clearly and repetitively implied that without a college degree, you'd be left to a second-rate job, a second-rate life and a second-rate spouse. No, they may not have said that explicitly (or they might have), but isn't that what you were made to feel?

Think about it:

1. You were conditioned to believe that getting the best girl/guy required you to go to a university.
2. You were forced to make this choice at 17 years old, just as a flood of hormones had entered your life (making clear decisions much, much harder).
3. College costs a fortune, but by merely signing a piece of paper, you got all the free money you needed and a clear shot at the mate of your dreams (not to mention lots of wild parties).

Setup #3: "Sign here and it's all yours"

Here's how it went:

- They made you believe that you needed a degree in order to succeed in life.
- They passed laws that forbade you from getting a good job without an authorized certificate.
- They made sure that you could only get the certifi-

cates through them.

Then, of course, they raised their prices, offered you loans, made sure you could never escape those loans, and pushed you into a decision. You could either sign for the loan - before the deadline - or accept a second-rate life.

That's called *manipulation*. In fact, it's heavy-handed manipulation. A business contract signed under those conditions would be negated by any reasonable judge or jury.

"They Couldn't Have Done It All On Purpose"

Yeah, they could have, and they did. I know that's a horrifying thought, but take a look at these quotes from the founding of government schooling in America:

Here's what Johann Gottlieb Fichte, the founding father of public education, said in his book "The General Nature of the New Education":

If you want to influence him [the student] at all, you must do more than merely talk to him; you must fashion him, and fashion him in such a way that he simply cannot will otherwise than you wish him to will.

And here's what William Torrey Harris, former United States Commissioner of Education, wrote in 1906:

Ninety-nine [students] out of a hundred are automata [i.e. robots], careful to walk in prescribed paths, careful to follow the prescribed custom. This is not an accident but the result of substantial education, which, scientifically defined, is the subsumption of the individual.

Just to show that I'm not picking aberrant statements, here's one more,

from Edward A. Ross, who, I am told, was a favorite of President T e d d y Roosevelt:

The role of the public official, and in particular of the public school teacher, is to collect little plastic lumps of human dough from private households and shape them on the social kneadingboard.

Make no mistake: you were conditioned by professionals - 6 hours per day, 5 days per week, 40 weeks per year, between the ages of 5 and 18.

No, Mrs. Jones, your wonderful 6th grade teacher wasn't out to manipulate you, but the people who built the system that controlled both of you were. She just did her best within that system. (And you should be thankful for her.)

Who Did This to You

It's amazing to realize just how often the people who abuse you are the ones you've been taught to respect. And that's certainly the case here. Your abusers are the majesties of the age:

The education system: We've already explained the conditioning of the K-12 system, and the abuses of "higher education" are pretty obvious. Who really thinks that a single class is worth a thousand dollars, or even five hundred? (I'll ignore the arrogance and abuse of tenured professors for now.)

Higher education is designed to bleed you and your family dry. They have the magic piece of paper that makes or breaks your life, and you'll do anything to get it.

Politicians: It's ridiculous to blame parties on this: Blue and Red both play by the same book.



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Both political parties have sold you down the river, and they'd do it again. Who do you think wrote and passed the law that you can't get rid of a student loan even in bankruptcy?

Think about what that means: The loan stays with you for life. And when you die, the banker holding the debt gets first crack at your estate. This is truly a form of debtor's prison.

The big banks: When you accept a loan from a bank, they don't take money from someone else's savings account - they merely write the number on the line and hit Enter - the money is *created* right there and then. (There's too much to explain in detail, but that's the essence of it.)

So, if they created your loan money with the stroke of an Enter key, how is it that they should make you work like a dog to keep up with the payments, make you worry every day for decades, and then take

whatever remains from your children when you die?

Look it up if you're not sure I'm being fair on this point: Get a copy of *The Creature From Jekyll Island* and read it.

You've been abused, my young friends. Sure, walking away from those loan papers would have been a good idea, but your entire life set you up to fold when you were squeezed into that situation.

And make no mistake: the people who conditioned you and wrote the laws and who now squeeze you for money... they knew what they were doing. The situation is confusing from the perspective of the 18 year old, but it isn't from the perspective of the 55 year old.

These people may have sold you out to maintain their position, to make more money, or merely to keep their bosses happy. But they did sell you out.

What to Do?

First of all, forgive yourself. Yes, you could have done better - and you should never do anything like that again - but you were an 18 or 20 year

old kid, facing off against 40, 50, and 60 year old specialists.

Secondly, don't accept what was done to you as anything but abuse. Call it abuse and don't back down. There's nothing communistic or anti-market about that. Manipulation and fraud are not 'capitalist' things - they are crimes.

Don't give the people who did this to you the benefit of the doubt. Once they release you from your financial prison you can think about it, but not until. They did NOT have good intentions, and it WASN'T okay.

Finally, it's time for you to stop complaining and start *doing*. Find ways around the abuse; build new systems; act in some productive direction; then adapt as better choices appear.

You have as much intelligence and resourcefulness as any generation that came before you. *Use it!* ♡



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Ponzis, Central Banks, and Your Gold

By Charles Goyette



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of more than a million dollars a year.

Dan was a remarkably gifted investor as well. He made a half million dollars on 8,000 shares of Apple stock in just over a year. That was just one trade. He made \$400,000 in a year on 157,000 shares of Lucent Technologies. He made a million dollars on Big Lots shares.

In fact Dan was so shrewd, that he closed out his major account with the fraudster firm Bernie L. Madoff Investment Securities in April 2006. That was more than two and a half years before Madoff shut its doors.

He got out because he had a bad feeling about the firm. Its returns were "too good to be true," he said. Sometimes you have to go with your intuition, and Dan got "queasy."

That was a good move, because the only people that get out of Ponzi schemes are the ones who get out early.

Others get skinned.

The only problem is that Dan was Director of Operations at Madoff Investment Securities. It was a position he held for over 30 years.

In December Daniel Bonventre was sentenced to 10 years in prison for his part in the \$17.3 billion fraud.

In my view Bonventre got off easy; his sentence is way too light. But the

judge seems to have concluded that Bonventre was too stupid to really know what he was doing when he was faking financial statements and forging documents. She concluded that he wasn't nearly as bad as his "soulless" boss Bernie Madoff.

And for his part Bonventre complained that he was "duped" by Madoff.

But it is impossible for all the faked trading records and client statements to have been generated without his knowledge and likely his enabling.

And how does being duped by Madoff square with Bonventre closing out his own personal Madoff investment account in 2006 right when he was in the middle of scrambling to fraudulently conceal a liquidity crisis brought on there by client redemptions exceeding new account deposits?

There are four important take-aways from the Madoff affair. It is useful to restate them to see if they have any applicability to financial events unfolding around us today.

First, if something is too good to be true, it probably is.

As well-known as this maxim is, it bears constant repeating. Madoff's reported returns were so good and consistent that once he had a client, they stayed with him. Even in the swirling black hole of financial collapse in 2008, at the end of November when the S&P 500 was down 38 percent for the year, one Madoff fund was reported being up 5.6 percent.

Some of the more sophisticated Madoff clients knew the returns were too good to be true, unless Madoff was engaged in illegal front-running or insiders trading. But they wanted to participate in the firm's returns despite suspicions of larceny.

Second, don't count on the state or its institutions for protection.

Madoff Securities was investigated 16 times over eight years by the SEC and agencies. There were outspoken skeptics and whistleblowers like Harry Markopolis that tried - to no avail - to provoke the authorities to do something about the ongoing fraud. But Madoff was too big and too well connected.

Third, only those who get out of a Ponzi scheme early get out whole.

One of the secrets of Madoff's success was that those who made redemptions or liquidated accounts early on while fresh money was pouring in were paid immediately. Bonventre at Madoff Securities could still cash out in 2006. But then, like any bank run, demand outpaces liquidity, delays become suspicious and fuel demands for yet more payments, demands that can't be met.

Fourth, schemes and frauds are often exposed by major market reversals.

Madoff may never have had a cent invested in mortgage-backed securities. It wouldn't have mattered. The fallout from the Bear Stearns and Lehmann Brothers failures and the implosion in the mortgage market quickly spread to other institutions and markets. The market-wide demand for liquidity soon reached Madoff and the game was over.

Is it useful to apply these four lessons from the Madoff affair to what is quietly going on today in the world of central banking and gold?

First, can central banks really buy trillions of dollars of debt securities today with money they didn't have yesterday without something going very wrong? Can they create money endlessly out of nothing to manipulate interest rates without consequences?

Or consider: From December

2007 to July 2010 the Federal Reserve secretly provided \$16 trillion in loans to bail out politically connected U.S. banks and even foreign banks and corporations. The loans, provided without oversight, were made at the risk of the solvency of the United States and the value of the dollar, and amounted to a total greater than the entire GDP of the U.S.

Does creating trillions of dollars out of nothing at all in this way and investing it in government securities or loaning it out pass the smell test? Or is too good to be true?

Second, the state refuses to insist on auditing the Federal Reserve, and the Fed mightily resists an audit. Much like the Madoff whistle-blowers, those that call for an audit of America's gold are treated as nuisances, their suspicions are belittled by the authorities. In fact, the institutions of the state are hostile to demands for accountability.

Third, there is a world-wide movement, now joined by some smaller foreign central banks themselves, calling for the repatriation of their gold from the major central banks especially from the Federal Reserve, but also from the Bank of England and Banque de France.

Germany's request for the repatriation of its gold has been met by the promise of an agonizingly long, drawn-out compliance schedule, and then by further delays and now by confusion. In fact the repatriation of German gold purportedly held by the Fed has been called "a potential irritant in U.S.-German relations." Why it should be an irritant if the gold is accounted for and deliverable is not clear.

In any event, other central bankers who may be, like Daniel Bonventre was at Madoff, well-positioned to know if there is a problem, are starting to ask for the return of their gold. In November the Dutch Central Bank called home 122 metric tons of gold



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Restoring Amercian Liberty...

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known as the Constitutional County Project – “Restoring American Liberty, one county at a time.”

The Constitutional County Project is a nonpartisan effort to encourage people who value their Constitutional freedoms to “vote with their feet.” By moving to and residing in specific counties, they can organize and focus their political efforts toward exercising the full authority of the county to advance Constitutional government in defense of “life, liberty, and property.”

The mission statement: The Constitutional County Project is driven by citizen involvement at all levels of the County political process, with the primary mission of promoting the United States Constitution as the supreme law of the land, to secure and protect the liberties of “We the People” without

compromise.

Participants of the project receive information and training on how to support Constitutional county candidates, become candidates themselves, or simply have a political voice on county laws, regulations, and policies, and hold their local officials Constitutionally accountable.

Their goals include:

- Supporting Constitutional candidates, as well as encouraging project participants to run, for all county offices including county sheriff, attorney, board of supervisors, school board, along with all municipal and political party offices.
- Encouraging businesses to move to the county by creating a low-tax and low-regulation environment.
- Repealing local and county laws and regulations which are unrelated to protecting individual rights.
- Establishing and enforcing environmental regulations at the county level.
- Implementing sources of tax revenue that do not infringe on property rights.
- Using legal and political means to protect the county's residents against any attempt to un-Constitutionally interfere with peaceable living and enterprise.

The Constitutional County Project is a nationwide effort that will work incrementally, county by county, to preserve “life, liberty, and property.” While the ideal is for every county in America to have a sheriff, attorney, and local government that honor their oaths to the Constitution, the initial strategy of the Constitutional County Project will be to focus on rural counties. Rural counties offer unique attributes of lower population density, reduced regulation,

and an existing value of independence that would allow a smaller number of trained activists to make a significant political impact towards liberty.

The flagship model for the Constitutional County Project will start in Navajo County, Arizona, which currently embraces a spirit of liberty by its residents who enjoy one of the most easily obtained self-sustainable lifestyles in Arizona. This self-sufficiency is facilitated by an abundant water supply, surplus of land, low population density, and a mild and livable climate year-round. Navajo County is further strengthened by an existing presence of Constitutionally-minded representatives and political leadership. These attributes create a feasible and measurable platform from which to advance the proper role of a county-level government in the defense of the American promise of freedom.

The combination of the Constitutional County Project's political strategy, along with the liberty-loving political environment of Navajo County, were more than enough to recruit the original Constitutional Sheriff Richard Mack to be a probable candidate for Sheriff in Navajo County under the banner of the project. Sheriff Mack has been a Sheriff for two terms (in neighboring Graham County, Arizona) and is known as the original “Constitutional Sheriff” recognizing the proper role of government, including law enforcement, in the defense of individual rights and liberty. Sheriff Mack has served in a wide variety of roles over the course of his nearly twenty-year career in law enforcement, which began in Provo, Utah. He has been a consultant on numerous cases regarding police abuse, brutality, and other misconduct by public officials. He has joined with other members of the law enforcement community to speak out in favor of drug policy reform, and has

supported this noble movement because it is both effective and peaceful.

Having Sheriff Mack as a Constitutional candidate for Sheriff of Navajo County is tremendous, but in order for a true Constitutional County to be created, more is needed. It needs INDIVIDUALS. It needs like-minded, Constitutional and liberty-loving people to come together and create a society where all “organs” of county government from the Sheriff to the other offices within county and municipal governments work toward the primary goal of protecting “life, liberty, and property” and “Restoring American Liberty, one county at a time.”



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Are You Really for Freedom?

By Marc J. Victor



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or advocate freedom.

“The German people are not a war-like nation. It is a soldierly one, which means it does not want a war, but does not fear it. It loves peace but also loves its honor and freedom.” Adolf Hitler to Reichstag in Berlin February 1936

“[Saudi Arabian and Kuwaiti] blood will light torches, grow aromatic plants, and water the tree of freedom, resistance and victory.” Saddam Hussein, Iraqi Radio, January 26, 1999

It is easy to simply claim to support freedom, but it is much more difficult to accept the sometimes scary implications of such a claim.

Did you ever wonder what it really means to say, ‘I’m for freedom?’ It is difficult for me to express how unimpressed I am by the enthusiasm of a person to strongly support the rights of another person to use their freedoms in exactly the same way they themselves exercise their own freedoms. For example, alcohol users who support the rights of others to use alcohol or marijuana users who support the rights of

others to use marijuana does not seem such a principled stance to me.

On the other hand, people who steadfastly and enthusiastically support the rights of other adults to use their freedoms 1 in ways they themselves would never personally engage in is truly inspiring. A real freedom attitude is about accepting the sovereign rights of other adults to peacefully use their bodies and their property in ways you personally disagree with, morally oppose, find degrading, ill advised, harmful or completely foolish.2 Indeed, this is the test to determine whether a person honestly supports the concept of freedom.

The adult users of the horribly destructive and often addicting drug called ‘alcohol’ who oppose the legalization of marijuana because they personally choose not to use marijuana are, in freedom terms, identical to the adult users of marijuana 3 who oppose the legalization of methamphetamine because they personally choose not to use methamphetamine.4

A similar example can be found in the area of free speech. Americans rightly take pride in their right to free speech. So long as the speech is “acceptable” there is no controversy. However, when unpopular groups like the Ku Klux Klan or the Neo-Nazis want to peacefully march, many self proclaimed free speech supporters seek to use the law to ban them.5 6

These are the scary implications one must accept and embrace to truly be a person who advocates freedom. To

hold otherwise suggests your freedoms actually extend no further than some other person's personal preference regarding their own freedom. This concept is what I refer to as, ‘The dark side of freedom.’

I suspect when most people pride themselves about loving freedom, they have in mind wimpy concepts like the rights of others to decide for themselves where to go on vacation or what model of automobile to buy. This wimpy concept of freedom doesn't generate much controversy because most people personally agree with whatever decision another person makes in these areas.

Simply acknowledging that other adults have a right to run their own lives as they choose doesn't mean we are obligated to agree with or support whatever they say or do. If we choose, we may seek to peacefully persuade them to act as we believe they should act. Further, acknowledging the rights of others does not mean we are sending a message of approval regarding their choices. Indeed, we are free to peacefully send messages of disapproval if we choose and they are free to ignore our messages entirely if they choose.

In one of my other articles entitled, ‘Legalize Methamphetamine!’ I argue that the war on drugs should be ended. I have been asked many times to modify the title of my article to something like, ‘End the Drug War’ or to some other boring but inoffensive title. 7 In fairness, the title is somewhat incomplete. I am considering changing it to, ‘Legalize Methamphetamine and Crack Cocaine!’ or to, ‘Legalize Methamphetamine and All Other Horribly Addictive Drugs!’ My point here is to emphasize that advocating for freedom is sometimes not as easy and popular as it first may appear to the casual self proclaimed freedom supporter. However, it is necessary if we are to have freedom.

In the end, wimpy freedom advocates are not freedom advocates at all. If we are to again be the land of the free, we desperately need people to strongly advocate for freedom; in all its beauty and in all its ugliness.

1. By using their “freedoms” I mean being in control of your own body, time, money and other property. This does not include using another's body, time, mon-

ey, or property without their consent. Freedom includes the notion that all voluntary conduct between consenting adults, whether others approve or not, is absolutely legal.

2. Don't be confused by the concept that a person could morally oppose an activity yet strongly support its legality. A moral question and a legal question should be two entirely different questions. Some of my friends morally oppose prostitution while supporting its legalization. There is no contradiction. Questions about “right” and “wrong” are also different questions than questions about what should be “legal.”

3. Or any other substance.
4. Yes, I know and agree with you about the awful consequences of methamphetamine use. Yes, I know it will rot the teeth out of your mouth and destroy your skin and possibly your life if you use it. I would strongly discourage anyone from ever trying or using it.

5. I agree with nothing said by either group, but I absolutely support their right to peacefully say whatever they want. It is important to note that nobody is required to listen to them. People have a right to peacefully protest against them and even to ridicule them for their deranged views.

6. When a Christian pastor in Florida recently threatened to publicly burn a Koran, Fox News presented legal ‘scholars’ who generated creative ideas to use the law in an attempt to stop this constitutionally protected expression. The pastor ultimately backed down.

7. I have even been asked to delete the exclamation point in favor of a question mark. I like the exclamation point.



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Garden of Endless Food

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powered garden. They grow vegetables twice as fast as a normal soil garden. This could be because they are perpetually watered and fed a perfectly balanced plant food. Plants can also be placed much closer together since the roots are not competing for nutrition or moisture. This is important as it directly relates to many times more vegetable production per square foot. For those with limited space or growing inside a climate controlled greenhouse, space is quite expensive so the more production per square foot the more profitable it can be. Vertical space can also be utilized with these systems by simply pumping the water higher and allowing it to drip through a tower or stackable planter. Another major advantage is the absence of weeds. The elevated grow beds only grow what you plant. The occasional weed that might find its way into the system is a rare occurrence.

Perhaps the most important reason a person should consider a fish powered garden today is food independence. Like it or not, we vote with our dollars. Spending less on GMO, insecticide & herbicide polluted food at the local super market means less revenue for the mega corporations and ultimately less control for them over our food. When we grow our own food, we are taking back the control and gaining more freedom. There is much more to it than just the food; it's also the quality of food. If you grow it yourself then you can be sure there are no genetically modified seeds, no insecticides and no herbicides. Knowledge is power - learning how to grow your own food could come in handy and knowledge goes wherever you go. Mastering a fish powered garden is much easier than soil gardening as well. There are a lot of issues that are automatically eliminated such as weeds, soil borne insects,



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and mold. It is also something you can benefit from immediately in a multitude of ways.

Food quality is directly enhanced with a fish powered garden and can super charge your families' health. It's no secret that the food in our supermarkets come from depleted soils. The main fertilizer used in commercial farming today is N-P-K (Nitrogen, Phosphorus, & Potassium) that's 3 but what about all the other minerals our bodies need? There are 1000's of minerals and 13 essential vitamins. Our bodies can only build or repair itself with the resources it has available to it. If it's missing a vital trace mineral, it could lead to a real problem. When we grow our own food, especially in a fish powered garden, we can make sure it is charged with trace minerals. This keeps the plants healthy and they are able to create the natural vitamins we need, not to mention passing on to us those trace minerals. When we eat vegetables full of trace minerals, our bodies absorb them the way God intended. This works a lot better than trying to compensate with synthetic, over-the-counter vitamins in a pill form. One of the most potent ways to add minerals to a fish powered garden is by using Kelp powder. A very small amount mixed with water and sprayed on the leaves will enhance the health of the entire system. Minerals also give food its flavor. Picking your produce when it is fully ripened on the vine also allows it to be nutrition rich. Most produce at our modern supermarkets is picked green so that it can make the long journey from farm to store without bruising. This green produce has not had the trace minerals available to it nor did it have the opportunity

to ripen all the way resulting in great looking food that is void of flavor and nutrition.

There is quite a lot of disturbing information about the Great Depression that most people today have never considered. In the 1930's, the vast majority of the population either lived on rural farms or they had a good knowledge of how to grow food. It is interesting to discover that even though so many people knew how to grow food, there were still several million deaths attributed to mal-nutrition. Some estimates are over 1 million with a US population of 127 million in 1935. Can you imagine the death rates today if a similar depression hit America? Today it is estimated that less than 5% of the population has the ability or knowledge of how to grow their own food, and our population is much more centered in large cities rather than rural areas. If something happened today and you had the ability to grow food, you would certainly be at a huge advantage and have something of great importance to share with your fellow man.

The word Organic does not hold the value today it once did as corporations have found loopholes around many of the regulations. The great thing about growing your own food is that you know exactly what is and is NOT in it! Starting with a pure heirloom seed and watching it grow to mature fruit is a wonder in itself. Knowing it is completely pure without insecticides or herbicides is the icing on the cake. I believe in years to come as more of our population becomes aware of this growing technique, we will begin to see the word Organic replaced with Aquaponically Grown. Why? Because in a



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As soon as I learned about this incredible way to grow perpetual food, I began building systems and learning everything available. There are many ways to utilize fish and plants together and through the years I continuously refined my system. Eventually it led to a marketable product that we now have available in a modular kit form on our website, www.EndlessFoodSystems.com. We have a passion for creating rock solid modular kits that will empower anyone to succeed as well as Do-It-Yourself videos to enable anyone the ability to gain this very important knowledge. One of the best parts is that most backyards are more than large enough for an average family to become self-sufficient. I hope you will pursue this amazing new growing technique that can supercharge your families' health and give you food independence.



America is the Most Over-fed and Under-nourished Country in the World

By Stephanie Weeks



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It is important to know that in 1946, over 50% of the produce consumed in America was from our own backyard. Today, more and more of our food is shipped to our grocery stores from thousands of miles away. In order for the food not to spoil, it must be picked before it is ripe. A tomato that is picked before it is ripe is missing 400 micronutrients as compared to a vine ripened tomato.

Obesity, Diabetes, Heart Disease and Cancer are all on the rise. Each of these diseases have a link to poor eating habits. The average American is walking around with 20 pounds of mucoid plaque in their gut. This plaque hinders the absorption of nutrients as well as stores toxins in the body. We must regularly detox our body and dispel the build up. If we want to change the fate of this country, we have to have a food revolution. This is the time for Our Wellness Revolution.

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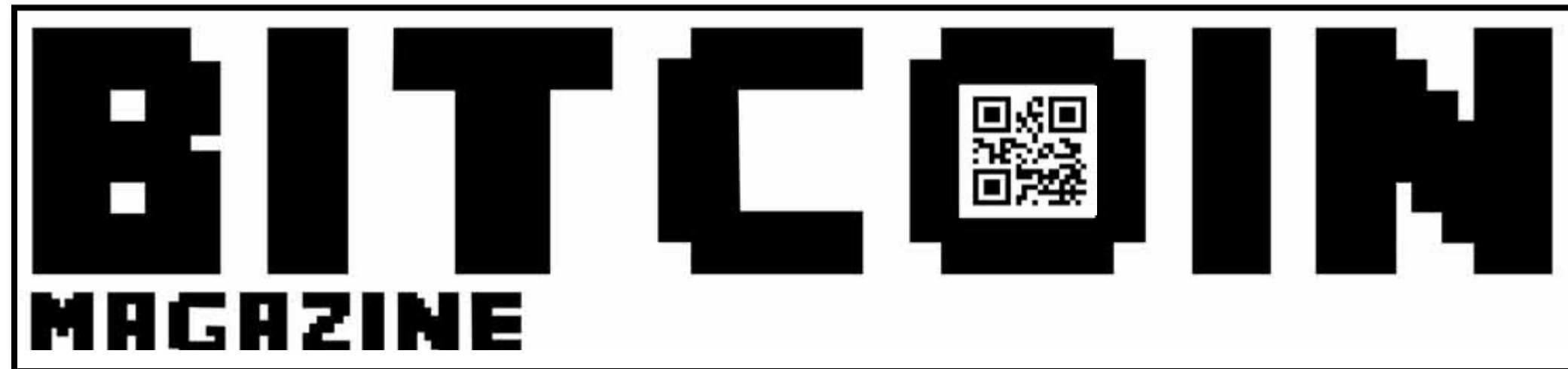
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Juror Rights Activists Seek to End the Culture of Incarceration

By James Babb



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Unless you have experienced the "justice" system first hand, it's hard to appreciate how biased the system is towards the prosecution. Every step of the process has been methodically refined to generate convictions and revenue for the prison industrial complex. The incarceration statistics reveal an extreme civil rights crisis. According to The Sentencing Project, "the United States is the world's leader in incarceration with 2.2 million people currently in the nation's prisons or jails -- a 500% increase over the past thirty years." Millions more are on probation or other court supervision. According to the NAACP, one in 31 adults in the US is under some form of correctional control.

Despite public support for cannabis legalization, they keep dreaming up new victimless "crimes." Depending on your location, you can now go to jail

for selling milk, watering your lawn (or not watering your lawn), growing a garden in the front yard, collecting rainwater, refusing to buy health insurance, having flares or pepper spray in your trunk, minting silver currency, and so on. The need for a remedy has never been greater.

This "culture of incarceration" has been particularly devastating to minority communities. Incredibly, if current trends continue, one in three black males born today can expect to spend time in prison during his lifetime.

Arguably, this trend represents the greatest civil rights crisis since chattel slavery, yet solutions seem scarce. Many have pondered how to end mass incarceration. We've tried voting. We've tried running for office. We've tried civil disobedience. Yet, prison populations keep growing. There is one option left that many consider to be the final peaceful safeguard against wrongful imprisonment and government tyranny. That option is jury nullification.

Every juror has the power to say "not guilty" if they disagree with the law. Every juror has the power to judge the facts of the case, the law itself, and whether or not the law is being misapplied. Also referred to as conscientious acquittal or juror vet, this is the power of jury nullification, a centuries-old tradition that goes back to the Magna Carta, and a cornerstone of our justice system.



Christopher Monko, pamphlets at DC Superior Court

Sadly, many people do not understand their rights if selected for jury duty. It's no surprise that judges and prosecutors prefer that jurors remain uninformed of their right to nullify an unjust or misapplied law. Judges have regularly threatened defendants merely for mentioning jury nullification during their trial.

Distributing pamphlets from the Fully Informed Jury Association at courthouses is the traditional way to inform potential jurors about their rights. Professor Julian Heicklen's nationwide pamphletting efforts are legendary. His work has been an inspiration to many. Pamphletting at courthouses has been done thousands of times without incident, but occasionally, the activity

draws the attention of "authority" figures that choose to interfere.

New Jersey Superior Court Judge Charles Delehey even called court house pamphletting an "attempt to scuttle the judicial process" despite the fact that it is 100% legal, and the information distributed is 100% factual. Even the New Jersey Constitution clearly states "the jury shall have the right to determine the law and the fact" yet Delehey forbids mentioning this fact in "his" courtroom. Florida Chief Judge Belvin Perry issued a proclamation declaring pamphletting illegal anywhere near "his" courthouse. He even sent a man to jail for five months for violating his edict.

"The modern trend of keeping jurors in the dark about their full authority unfortunately has been encouraged by a series of court rulings enabling judges to refrain from informing or even to misinform jurors about their options," said Kirsten Tynan, executive director of the Fully Informed Jury Association. "Jurors are not required to check their consciences at the courthouse door, but they will not hear this once they are inside. In fact, a prospective juror who, if asked during voir dire, will not agree to abandon their conscience and uphold law they find unjust or unjustly applied will almost certainly be excluded from the jury," Tynan said.



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Professor Julian Heicklen, educating potential jurors of their right to vote their conscience

The Future of Freedom

By Richard Grove



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I have a vision of this world, where individuals have the intellectual self-defense skills necessary to discern fact from fiction, the confidence in their own habits of learning to rise to any challenge, and are practiced in the consistent use of objective reality as the measure of truth; the sum of which amounts to freedom and liberty again rising in popularity, far beyond pragmatic views of profit above people.

The art which I create is focused around the axis of providing components which stimulate learning, to help each individual unleash their innate inner genius. I believe that I am neither above, nor below, and that in objective reality we are all equal... to Think, or not to Think, to Learn or not to Learn... the answers to those questions can produce an amazing world. *Learning's the Answer, What's the Question?*

Individuals here in America, and around the world, are experiencing an ever-increasing momentum which is consuming their freedoms and in its wake, leaves a trail of tyranny. Are we powerless to resist this trend through history, or might there be something more to be learned, as a result of comparing and contrasting the events of today to history? A good question always leads us to an adventure.

Once upon a time, the social culture of American communities stressed voluntary cooperation among individuals, and this was possible because the average individual had the tools of intellectual self-defense (then called simply "common sense"), and the individual applied his or her conscious activity toward the production of meaningful and substantial activities critical to their survival. America was a place where individuals readily (and for the most part, politely) demonstrated self-reliance, and thus had a real sense of self-esteem, built on the self-confidence or self-knowledge of having experienced success in their activities. If one were to contrast it to today's conspicuous consumption

(i.e. using money to artificially bolster self-esteem by buying baubles in place of the work it takes to acquire knowledge, skills, or wisdom), we can readily see that America has been subject to a bait-and-switch scheme, and we've traded something valuable for something value-less.

It becomes readily more apparent, as one familiarizes oneself with the available history that the average American individual is getting, how do I say this... "not smarter". It's a polite way of observing that we're being dumbed down, and when one inquires as to the nature and cause of this dumbing-down to inquire as to whether or not it's being done purposely, we find out that it is... because it's more profitable to corporations and more efficient for governments to manage us as individuals, if we're bred, through culture and compulsory schooling, to all think and act alike. That's not only un-American, it's anti-nature.

This world is a kind of classroom, and there are lessons being taught by nature through cause and effect, for those who invest their focus and attention to learn their way forward and grow in the light direction.

Nature creates each and every individual to have a unique identity, and variety flourishes not only amidst human beings but all life throughout our planet.

It is the nature of human beings to be free, and yet we find ourselves in the 21st Century further away from Freedom than we were 200+ years ago; and we must begin to ask ourselves WHY. It is by asking questions, instead of assuming, wherein we begin to enact the solution to the problem we face, in terms of the ever-increasing limitations in freedom.

Freedom and Truth have a direct relationship; when the ability to identify truth is lost, the ability to experience freedom is lost with it.

Freedom exists in the absence of slavery, freedom first exists within the mind, and it is manifested through actions which repel and deter tyranny. What escapes most is that slavery is self-imposed, little by little, with every untruth (i.e. illusion or deception) we label within our minds as "truth" or "fact".

There is such a thing as existence or reality, of its properties of cause and effect, and our abilities to be conscious of this; these are the basic tenets of something called philosophy. The purpose of philosophy is to keep the untruths out of your head, so you can use facts and knowledge to produce wisdom through your actions; and you can't do that if your mind is full of mislabeled truths, based on assumptions instead of rigorous investigation. In fact, this rigorous process of inquiry, seeking the identity of that which exists (i.e. facts) is called thinking. Thinking is the process of non-contradictory identification, for the purposes of the individual making consistent conclusions which match objective reality. It is this decision-making process which makes us HUMAN, it is what allows us to notice patterns, fashion tools, and create technology; it's what allows us to identify what is food, and what is not.

The separation of these basic tools of survival from the individual leads to a system of mental slavery; cueing the extinguishing of freedom, possibly forever, when you consider the technological and cybernetic menageries of killer robots and drones being fed by all the metadata provided through the "smart devices".

Most people are unaware of the agenda, working groups, projects, funding, and future plans of those who seek to extinguish freedom, through an incremental creeping of tyranny, which goes unnoticed and un-resisted.

I think that it's unfair and irrational to enslave people through ignorance, when there's perfectly good facts available to dispel the illusions and enable individuals to see clearly, enabling them to plan for the future effectively, which leads to freedom and happiness.



Richard Grove Bio and Resume ~ How I Became a Whistleblower (<http://frd.ph/q>)

That's why for the past decade since I became a whistleblower to warn the American public of massive frauds (still ongoing), I've taken the steps to learn for myself the history leading to the solutions, and then to create compositions of media



Richard Grove

representing the myriad solutions, and how they all fit together to create some long-term freedom we can all rely on.

It's not easy to rest and relax when you know that our tax dollars are being used, at every turn, to suppress our freedoms and spy on our private conversations and correspondences. Americans had privacy in the past, and "mind your own business" as a commonly used phrase when someone got nose for no reason; today, to not completely share all your private data openly with the world and the future, is to not be trendy. What happens when the logo for freedom becomes the epitome of slavery?

Without the relevant and meaningful data being sourced and organized, the average individual wouldn't have the opportunity to see through the propaganda being promoted through the mainstream media; if it's a mainstream of anything, its sewage, not "news". I needed to figure out how to create media in a format to meet my needs, with regard to communicating to others who are interested in learning how the world (actually and factually) works.



A History of the World in Our Time" by Dr. Carroll Quigley (<http://frd.ph/r>)

I figured if I had to do the research for my own understanding, why not create components and tools to help others seeking answers find their way, by mapping out what exists and creating a means of communicating the findings via a variety of media formats,

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print, video, audio, etc.; and after years of creating art (with a practical application of Cognitive Liberty), millions of viewers/listeners have experienced a consistent and reliable form of growth, which leads to freedom in their lives.

I wanted to know for myself, so I've spent years collecting the artifacts and evidence which portrays a landscape of history purposely hidden from We, the People. It's a landscape of tyranny and laid therein are plans for America's demise.

You can read all about it, in the long-form of "Tragedy and Hope: A History of the World in Our Time" by Dr. Carroll Quigley, or in shorter-form in the recently released "Tragedy and Hope 101: The Illusion of Justice, Freedom & Democracy" by Joseph Plummer. The road to freedom leads through Tragedy and Hope, for it describes the shadows to which we are adding light; this is the reason www.TragedyandHope.com was created to showcase the various media components leading to comprehensive understanding of today's world.

Over the years in my efforts to ignite Cognitive Liberty in my audience, my art has taken a variety of forms and formats, each trying to build beyond what I've already learned, and apply new skills to help enable the individuals in my audience to outgrow the status quo,



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Peace Revolution Podcast
(<http://frd.ph/u>)

one episode at a time.

Since 2009, I've produced the *Peace Revolution* podcast, a self-teaching experience wherein I lead you to the evidence and let you make your own observations, choices, and decisions on what to think and where to go next. It's a comprehensive curriculum, ongoing, teaching individuals how to live life voluntarily, and how freedom is based on 3 components (intellectual self-defense, physical self-defense, and non-aggression). The *Peace Revolution* also maps out the credible and verifiable history of the coherent plan to dissolve the freedoms of Americans (and everyone else on the planet) through a cunning use of words coupled with a slow-moving incremental strategy to change the attitudes, values, thoughts, and behaviors of Americans, to worship the state and sacrifice the individual liberties inalienable to every human being. In short, it's a plan for full-spectrum dominance, and total totalitarian control... and I make media because I believe people deserve a warning, and SOLUTIONS.

In addition to the copious amount of research and diligent fact-finding efforts I undertake in order to create compositions for my own understanding (such as



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History... So It Doesn't Repeat
(<http://frd.ph/x>)



Mark Passio's Natural Law Seminar
(<http://frd.ph/y>)



The Ultimate History Lesson with John Taylor Gatto
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State of Mind: The Psychology of Control
(<http://frd.ph/10>)

"*The History Blueprint*"), also make video series (such as "*History... So It Doesn't Repeat*"), produce events (such as "*Mark Passio's Natural Law Seminar*" and his upcoming "*Demystifying the Occult*" speaking engagements), perform filmed interviews (such as "*The Ultimate History Lesson with John Taylor Gatto*"), and appear in feature documentaries (such as "*State of Mind: The Psychology of Control*").

Right now, I'm working on a film project titled "*The Future of Freedom*" and with having to do 15-20 interviews for the series of films (it's a long story), I'm seeking the support of those of you who appreciate the timely need to do something (now) about the future, and by that I mean capturing the footage with the individuals with the most prescient stories to convey, and getting that into a compelling storyline through which the audience learns who, how, and why their privacy is being breached and why their freedoms are eroding... and what they can do about it.

My first interview for the film is with NSA whistleblower William Binney, Director for Global Communications Intelligence (COMINT) at the National Security Agency (NSA). I'd like to thank Ernie and Donna Hancock for introducing me to Bill, thus providing the opportunity for the interview.

I create my productions of art voluntarily, because I see something that needs to be done. I provide almost all of my content and productions free to the public and free of advertising. Sample some of my compositions (audio, video, or film), and if you don't think it's some of the highest quality and innovative educational content you've ever seen, feel free to move on.

But, if you find value, my challenge to you is to help me continue providing value to inquiring minds around the world by supporting our efforts here at Tragedy and Hope dot com, become a yearly subscriber of the Tragedy and Hope online community, and be a part of realizing the long-term vision of freedom for all, being achieved through the Cogni-



William Binney
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tive Liberty of each individual. Together, we can create a *Future of Freedom*.

Thank you for tuning-in, and not dropping-out!

Ponzis, Central Banks, and Your Gold

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held by the Fed.

Belgium's central bank is considering the repatriation of its gold and now Austria is discussing the same thing.

If gold held by the Federal Reserve has been used as collateral for the Fed's secretive and unaudited operations, if it has been loaned out, securitized, collateralized, hypothecated or re-hypothecated, or if the title to it is otherwise compromised, the only ones likely to get out whole are those who, like the Dutch, got out early.

Fourth, as Bernie Madoff's victims learned, major reversals in fundamental markets begin to reveal frauds, reckless practices, and malinvestments. The plunge in oil prices from \$108 in June to below \$50 qualifies as just such a reversal. Its effects are already beginning to ripple out to other markets. The contagion is spreading to countries like Russia. And to banks that deal with Russia.

We don't yet know what the systemic fallout will be from plunging oil prices. We don't know what will be

found when the rocks are turned over.

However we do know that gold (and silver to a lesser extent) are the only monetary assets that are not someone else's liability. They are not dependent on someone else's solvency, promises to perform, or honesty. Their value does not depend on the endorsement or propriety of any state or state institution.

This does not extend to paper gold, representations of gold ownership, or assurances that gold held on your behalf is perfectly safe.

If you don't hold your gold yourself, you have taken on counterparty risk.

If foreign central banks are beginning to take possession of gold held on their behalf by others, maybe you should think about it, too.



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Juror Rights Activists...

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Beginning in October of 2013, a campaign was started to reach a much wider audience than is possible with mere pamphletting. Grassroots funded billboards promoting Jury Nullification were placed in high traffic areas near courthouses. The Washington D.C. Metro ad campaign was wildly successful thanks to complaints from prosecutors, which triggered a media avalanche. Television, radio, newspapers and blogs all reported on the campaign and informed the masses about Jury Nullification.

In the summer of 2014, a campaign was started in Phoenix Light Rail stations, which was also widely reported on. Activists are currently working to place billboards in other major cities around the country such as Los Angeles, Springfield, Massachusetts, and New York City.

The campaign has not been without challenges. Initial funding was organized through GoFundMe.com, which suddenly cancelled active campaigns without explanation (fundraising is now done through the Freedom's Phoenix funding center). Many of the best sign locations are controlled by local governments which only allow public service messages from the government. Getting approval for ad content can take months for transit shelter and rail sta-



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James Babb, Daniel Pawlak & Fernando Salguero at Burlington County Courthouse (New Jersey)

tion locations.

Educating the public about Jury Nullification remains a vital mission



Jury Nullification Billboards (Phoenix & LA) Freedom's Phoenix Funding Center Project

The Underground History of American Education

By David Rodriguez



Read article on Freedom's Phoenix (<http://frd.ph/28>)

"Government schooling is the most radical adventure in history. It kills the family by monopolizing the best times of childhood and by teaching disrespect for home and parents. The whole blueprint of school procedure is Egyptian, not Greek or Roman. It grows from the theological idea that human value is a scarce thing, represented symbolically by the narrow peak of a pyramid."

-John Taylor Gatto, Former New York State Teacher of the Year

The Education Revolution is now. More than ever, parents are pulling their children out of traditional government schooling and enrolling them in private schools or starting home-schooling programs.

This could be attributed to the latest flop, and the People's righteous resistance, of Common Core, the first national standards to lure the public schools into virtual intellectual submission. Although it is voluntary, 45 states opted in to receive its alluring federal funds. The most senseless component of Common Core is that once a state adopts its standards they lose their power to change the standards, which then will be determined by the federal government indefinitely into the future.

The good news is that the People are sensing that gut feeling akin to "We've had enough of this." This is a positive notion to have. However, the challenge lies in creating solutions to the problem which encourage lasting change and, most importantly, benefits the children.

To illustrate this challenge, imagine you were a medical doctor and a man came to you to fix his broken arm. Would you give him a pill to numb the pain or would you examine the cause of the pain? You probably would take an X-ray view of his arm, determine

exactly where it is BROKEN and then you would reset the bone to put it in correct alignment with his whole arm so that it would function optimally for future use.

In the same way, we want to see exactly where the public schooling system is broken so that we can realign it with an optimal function.

What is Education?

We're going to take a quick look at two icons of education to generate some ideas on what education is.

Let's jump back in time to 1897 when a book titled *My Pedagogic Creed* was authored by John Dewey, who many recognize as the paramount factor in the collectivization of American schools. Here's what he wrote:

"The school is primarily a social institution. Education being a social process, the school is simply that form of community life in which all those agencies are concentrated that will be most effective in bringing the child to share in the inherited resources of the race, and to use his own powers for social ends. Education, therefore is a process of living and not a preparation for future living."

Well, well, well.

Did you see the word "social" three times in this paragraph? And what is missing?

We both know in our heart of hearts that the whole idea of education should explicitly promote learning. As all good teachers want to empower their students to become adults who are independent and, therefore, able to be a benefactor of society. This all requires learning.

Yet Dewey just said school is a social institution, that education is a social process, and that children are to use their own powers for social ends. What ever happened to *learning*?

What do you think education is for?

For another perspective, let's refer to John Taylor Gatto, who was a public school teacher for 30 years in New York and received its highly prestigious

teaching award, the State Teacher of the Year award, in 1991. He was quoted previously. Let's hear him again:

"An educated person writes his own script through life. He is not a character in anyone else's play, nor does he mouth the words of any intellectual's utopian fantasy. He is self-determined."

This explanation transcends mere social outcomes by eliciting creativity, clarity, and resolve from the student to his eternal benefit. An educated person charts his own path on the journey of life. He pursues his natural interests and spends his time exploring and discovering different experiences which satisfy him. These self-determined objectives inspire him, motivate him, and fulfill him.

The Way Out

Living in the age of the internet where huge advancements in information technology are commonplace, it's fair to say that the future is unknown. In the distant past it may have been easier to forecast a general vision of society in the future, when industrialized work environments were prominent and employees were regarded as raw material and human resources. However, according to Forbes.com, there are 62 million people in America who make their living from home. That's 20% of the working population who exclusively earn their living from home. And it's been increasing.

What if the solution to the schooling problem was to opt-out of the public schooling system and homeschool your child?

Or perhaps, you would feel comfortable putting your child in a private school that encouraged him to pursue and develop his own, self-selected interests.

Otherwise, you could apply for a seat in a charter school. Though that process isn't guaranteed because they select students on a lottery system, which could put you in the same position that you are in now.

The absolute worst thing any parent or guardian could do right now is nothing. We tell ourselves, "I am not a good teacher," "It will cost too much,"

"I might harm my child's future." Welcome to the club. None of us know what we are doing. Everyone is living life as it comes, day by day, as we plan and improvise the best we can.



David Rodriguez

The prolific scientist, Albert Einstein, purportedly said, "Imagination is more important than knowledge."

What the heck does that mean?

George Lucas, the famous movie director, who created the Star Wars films, said, "You can't do it, unless you imagine it."

Before we say goodbye in this session together. Let's play a game.

Imagine that you are a good teacher, with plenty of capital, and you encourage your child in any venture he chooses for himself. What would you do then?

It's a fun mind experiment to bounce around in your head. Use your mind to create some possibilities for the mind of your child. Most of us just need a little guidance to become stronger leaders. Yes, we must learn. Yes, we must make mistakes. And, yes, we will succeed.

The reason that success is our destiny is because we are the most fascinating and wonderful things on earth. But why hasn't anybody told us that?

And, more importantly, who told that to your child today?

We live in the Golden Age of human history. Virtually anything your child is interested in is accessible through the internet and your local library. Whether you decide to opt out of the public schooling system, attempt to reform it, or to merely curse it until you're blue in the face, the time has come for everyone to do something.

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As this country's magnificent creation showed us, the right to your life and liberty is inherent. It is in your Self now. It cannot be taken out of you. It can only be taken out of your memory. Public schools do this well.



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Through blatant programs, like Agenda 21, the state is erasing memories of our natural rights. We are becoming social beings only. We are distracted, confused, and wandering.

Yet this day is new with unseen possibilities, which each of us have the power to create.

Let's write our own scripts today and lay our heads down tonight knowing we lived well. That we lived as a human being.

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"You either learn your way towards writing your own script in life, or you unwittingly become an actor in someone else's script"

-John Taylor Gatto

Erosion of Freedom in America's Small Towns

By J.G. Cragg



Read article on Freedom's Phoenix (<http://frd.ph/2r>)

Have you been depending on the mainstream media for your news? If you've answered yes to any of these questions, you may not be fully informed of the extent and seriousness of the mounting problem we face.

The peaceful village of Pinetop-Lakeside sits at 7200 ft. elevation in the White Mountains of NW Arizona, under a canopy of the largest stand of Ponderosa pine in the world. It is populated by forty-two hundred, happy residents who love their quality of life. Gridlock, pollution, shopping malls, high crime, and tall buildings don't exist here. The town is governed by a Council-Manager form of government composed of average, every day, individuals. The Town Manager, like many Town Managers throughout the country, is a member of the ICMA, (International Cities Managers Association), and often relies on the Arizona League of Arizona Cities and Towns for advice.

Every ten years, as dictated by AZ state statute, the Town must present a General Plan to the public for approval. The General Plan is the roadmap for the town's future planning. Pinetop-Lakeside depends heavily on state and federal grants for its local improvements, and employs a full time grant writer to secure these funds. One might think that Pinetop-Lakeside is well out of the reach of international planners. Think again.

Although not reported much by the mainstream media, even the average man on the street in this small, out of the way village may have heard

reports of the invasive arm of Washington infringing on their rights (i.e. NSA domestic spying, TSA body searches, FCC takeover of the Internet, called, Net Neutrality, drone warfare, federally mandatory vaccines, etc.). But allow me to bring you up to date on how close to home a lesser known threat has evolved. Be assured that if the extent of intrusion of our long-held, basic rights is threatened in this small hamlet, it has also taken hold in your town or city--often without the knowledge or understanding of your local leaders.



U.N. Sustainable Development (<http://frd.ph/1r>)

After the Earth Summit of 1992 the United Nations implemented a "sustainable development" plan, (www.sustainabledevelopment.un.org), designed to affect future planning on global, national and local levels. On the surface, sustainable development sounds like a positive proposal that most would accept and approve. That was my initial impression because I respect the environment and want reasonable portions of it to remain intact for future generations. When I sat down and actually read the directive, however, I realized how invasive it was to life, limb and property. The Plan seeks for the government to curtail your travel as you please, own a gas powered car, live in suburbs or rural areas or raise a family. It would also eliminate your private property rights through eminent domain. As Orwellian as it may sound, it is a plan that would inventory and control all land, all water, all minerals, all plants, all animals, all construction, all means of production, all energy, all informa-



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tion, all education, and all human being in the world, including you, (www.postsustainabilityinstitute.org). Its implementation includes placing international bodies of authority over local zoning, encourages stack and pack housing, and, believe it or not, even the reduction of the current world population.

The International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives, (ICLEI), was established to implement the U.N. sustainable development plan. The ICMA, (mentioned above), is an offshoot of ICLIE designed to indoctrinate local Town Managers into the program. Thus far in Pinetop-Lakeside six of our local codes, (Uniform Building Codes), have been replaced in favor of U.N. International Codes. Pinetop-Lakeside has also adopted a Town Plan calling for several nodal areas whereby residents would inhabit living spaces crammed into condo-like buildings. The persuasive promise to Town leaders and residents from those promoting this planning scheme was that by abandoning single family dwellings, more of the natural environment could be preserved. While preserving our natural environment may be a noble cause, residents should ask, at what cost?

We have already seen actions from the federal level that curtail our privacy, (i.e. the Patriot Act, the Department of Homeland Security, NSA domestic spying), effectively eroding our 1st, 4th, and 5th amendments--all of which offer some degree of privacy, (www.law.cornell.edu/wex/privacy). Like the U.N. Plan sold to us to preserve our environment, these additional impositions on American



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freedoms were sold to protect us from terrorism. It is becoming more and more obvious since 9/11 that our freedoms and rights are intentionally being assaulted. If the movement continues without citizen resistance, our way of life, and quality of life, will be a thing of the past.

The 2015 Pinetop-Lakeside General Plan which will be presented to local voters as an efficient, condensed Plan may appear acceptable on the surface, but the devil is in the details. Although only six pages long, it has hundreds of pages of appendices attached, many endorsing the U.N. sustainable development proposals. This author strongly advises local voters who value their private property rights not to be fooled by this innocuous plan and reject it in the voting booth.

Andrew Jackson, in his Farewell Address to the nation told us:

"But you must remember my fellow citizens, eternal vigilance by the people is the price of liberty, and you must pay the price if you wish to secure the blessing. It behooves you, therefore, to be watchful in your states as well as in the federal government."

At no time in history prior to the founders' great experiment of creating a government of the people, did such a marvelous design exist. Nations were governed by monarchs, and dictators--and under such systems freemen did not roam the earth. The Founders knew, however, that only if the people maintained a constant vigilance in combination of an informed electorate could this untested type of government function efficiently--or even survive.

The patriot, Samuel Langdon, stated before the Massachusetts legislature in 1788:

"From year to year be careful in the choice of your representatives and the higher powers of government. Fix your eyes upon men of good understanding and known honesty; men of knowledge, improved by experience; men who fear God and hate covetousness; who love truth and righteousness, and sincerely wish for the public welfare . . . Let not men openly irreligious and immoral become your legislators . . . If the legislative body is corrupt, you will soon have bad men for councilors, corrupt judges, unqualified justices, and officers in every department who will dishonor their stations . . ."

Today, and for quite some time, too many Americans have sadly forgotten their most vital responsibility with regard to the preservation of Freedom and Liberty. We have allowed immoral men and women to hold high office in all levels of government, we have chosen our leaders, not on sound and wise principles, but often on the party they belong to, the cleverness of their sound-bites, or sometimes their hairstyle or smile. Pinetop-Lakeside is really

not much different in this respect as with other towns or cities in America: The public has forgotten their civic duty.

In Jefferson's *Declaration of Independence*, he wrote: *"To secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed . . . Whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or abolish it and to institute new government . . ."*

In Pinetop-Lakeside, Jefferson's sage words seem to have fallen on deaf ears---as it has all across the country. It could not be stressed enough that because it is often the nature of some to lust for and gravitate to power, wealth, and control; and as history has shown us, evil men have always managed to gain position in high office; and when this occurs, freedom is lost, and the people suffer the unfortunate results.

At a typical Pinetop-Lakeside Town Council meeting, it is rare to witness more than two or three members of the public in attendance, and often it is the same few faces. The public at large has no idea how their elected representatives are voting, and consequently, as in Congress, the big spenders on the Council abuse taxpayers revenues and as a consequence vital needs (like roads) are neglected. The per capita income, (2009), in our town is \$24,165. (www.pinetoplakesideaz.gov), but the previous town council had the town manager's salary at \$116,000., (not including \$10,000. in deferred income), while the AZ Governor's salary is \$95,000. This is the result of an uninformed, uninvolved electorate, with few exceptions.

Our country's founders created a federal government with specific, and limited, enumerated powers. They knew that citizens living farthest from the federal seat of government



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would affect less influence so they placed emphasis on strong local government with problems being solved to the greatest extent possible where they originated, and where people could more easily influence their local representatives living in their community or who may even be their neighbors.

The colonists were very familiar with the Constitution and Bill of Rights, unlike today where the average man in the street may have no idea what 'inalienable rights' are. Public schools can be blamed for a good portion of the problem as Constitution studies, for the most part, are a thing of the past. Consider if we had a fully informed, totally literate population on the subject of civics how greatly improved our various levels of government might be? One might even suspect the dumbing-down of the American public was intentional because informed voters would have thrown out all the inept, unqualified representatives serving for the wrong reasons.

Like the story of the frog on slow boil, we are gradually losing our basic rights, the fruits of our labor are being squandered through misuse of our taxes, and our personal property rights are being diminished. If we don't wake up and get involved at some level, the future is clear: *We will no longer enjoy the blessings of Liberty.* It certainly is time---indeed, well overdue--that good men and women must familiarize themselves with the tenants of proper government, in order to restore the Republic . . . starting locally.

There are solutions to all these problems, and steps each of us could take, but it will require that we all first recognize that Liberty and Freedom cannot be taken for granted, and that many of our representatives do not have our best interests in mind. We have to place liberty and freedom as a priority in our life, and make room



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in our schedules to get involved, and educated.

A few suggestions from this author would be to become better informed. Two great starter books might be, *"The Making of America,"* by W. Cleon Skousen, published by the National Center for Constitution Studies, (www.nccs.net), *"The Shadows of Power"* by James Perloff, (www.jamesperloff.com). Since we were meant to be a nation of self-rule by the people, I'd suggest supporting groups like: *Citizens for Self Governance*, (self.govern.com), *Center for Self-Governance*, (www.mrspowell.org), and/or, *American Academy for Constitutional Education*, (www.aace.com).

Americans should be aware a movement has been started in Navajo County, AZ with the intent to restore American Liberty-One County at a Time (www.constitutionalcountyproject.org). I'd also suggest supporting *Freedom's Phoenix*, (www.freedoms-phoenix.com), stop watching FOX, MSNBC, and CNN, and switch to alternative news: www.infowars.com, www.RepublicBroadcasting.org, and *The Declare Your Independence Ernest Hancock Radio Show*.

Whenever possible, attend your local Town Council meetings, and don't vote for any incumbents unless you familiarize yourself with their voting record and agree with it. Write a few Letters to the Editor alerting Americans of the problems we face and the need to become involved, educated, and active. Lastly, join, (or start), a local citizens watchdog group.

Any effort you make is better than none. ♡

The Ghost Gunner

By Cody Wilson



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