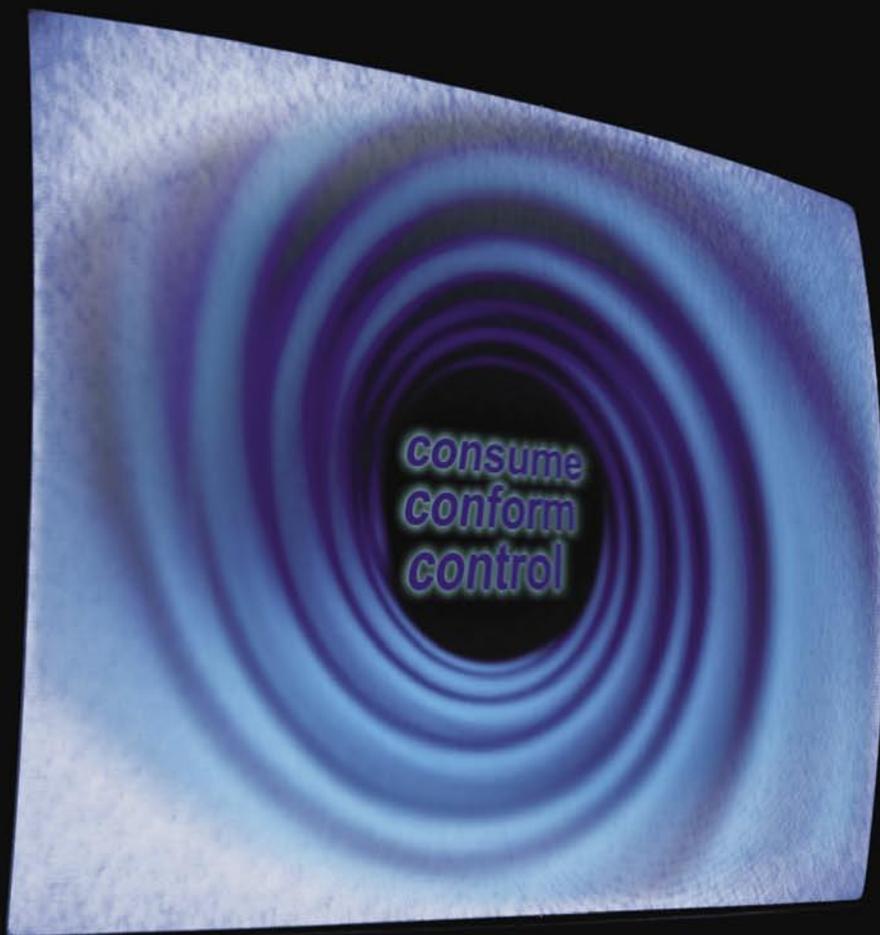


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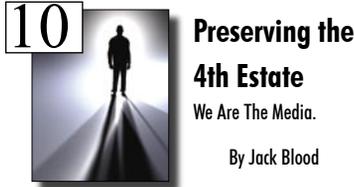
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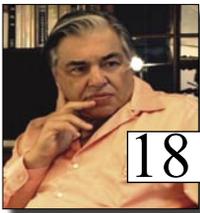
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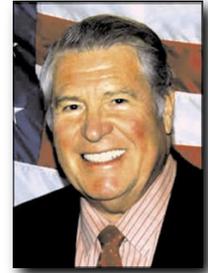
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Duty, Honor, Country 2007

An Open Letter to the New Generation of Military Officers Serving and Protecting Our Nation

By Dr. Robert M. Bowman, Lt. Col., USAF, ret., National Commander, The Patriots



Dear Comrades in Arms,

You are facing challenges in 2007 that we of previous generations never dreamed of. I'm just an old fighter pilot (101 combat missions in Vietnam, F-4 Phantom, Phu Cat, 1969-1970) who's now a disabled veteran with terminal cancer from Agent Orange. Our mailing list (over 22,000) includes veterans from all branches of the service, all political parties, and all parts of the political spectrum. We are Republicans and Democrats, Greens and Libertarians, Constitutionists and Reformers, and a good many Independents. What unites us is our desire for a government that (1) follows the Constitution, (2) honors the truth, and (3) serves the people.

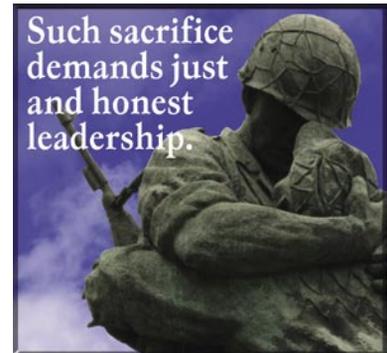
We see our government going down the wrong path, all too often ignoring military advice, and heading us toward great danger. And we look to you who still serve as the best hope for protecting our nation from disaster.

We see the current Iraq War as having been unnecessary, entered into under false pretenses, and horribly mismanaged by the civilian authorities. Thousands of our brave troops have been needlessly sacrificed in a futile attempt at occupation of a hostile land. Many more thousands have suffered wounds which will change their lives forever. Tens of



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thousands have severe psychological problems because of what they have seen and what they have done. Potentially hundreds of thousands could be poisoned by depleted uranium, with symptoms appearing years later, just as happened to us exposed to Agent Orange. The military



services are depleted and demoralized. The VA system is under-funded and overwhelmed. The National Guard and Reserves have been subjected to tour after tour, disrupting lives for even the lucky ones who return intact. Jobs have been lost, marriages have been destroyed, homes have been foreclosed, and children have been estranged. And for what? We have lost allies, made new enemies, and created thousands of new terrorists, further endangering the American people.

But you know all this. I'm sure you also see the enormous danger in a possible attack on Iran, possibly with nuclear weapons. Such an event, seriously contemplated by the Cheney faction of the Bush administration, would make enemies of Russia and China and turn us into the number one rogue nation on earth. The effect on our long-term national security would be devastating.

Some of us had hoped that the new Democratic Congress would end the occupation of Iraq and take firm steps to prevent an attack on Iran, perhaps by impeaching Bush and Cheney. These hopes have been dashed. The lily-livered Democrats have caved in, turning their backs on those few (like Congressman Jack Murtha) who understand the situation. Many of us have personally walked the halls of Congress, to no avail.

This is where you come in.

We know that many of you share our concern and our determination to protect our republic from an arrogant, out-of-control, imperial presidency and a compliant, namby-pamby Congress (both of which are unduly influenced by the oil companies and other big-money interests). We know that you (like us) wouldn't have pursued a military career unless you were idealistic and devoted to our nation and its people. (None of us do it for the pay and working conditions!) But we also recognize that you may not see how you can influence these events. We in the military have always had a historic subservience to civilian authority.

Perhaps I can help with whatever wisdom I've gathered from age. (I retired in 1978, so I am ancient indeed.)

Our oath of office is to protect and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic. Might I suggest that this includes a rogue president and vice-president? Certainly we are bound to carry out the legal orders of our superiors. But the Uniform Code of

Military Justice (UCMJ) which binds all of us enshrines the Nuremberg Principles which this country established after World War II (which you are too young to remember). One of those Nuremberg Principles says that we in the military have not only the right, but also the DUTY to refuse an illegal order. It was on this basis that we executed Nazi officers who were only carrying out their orders.

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I know for a fact that in recent history (once under Nixon and once under Reagan), the military nuclear chain of command in the White House discussed these things and were prepared to refuse an order to nuke Russia. In effect they took the (non-existent) button out of the hands of the president. We were thus never quite as close to World War III as many feared, no matter how irrational any president might have become. They determined that the proper response to any such order was, "Why, sir?" Unless there was (in their words) a darned good answer, nothing was going to happen.

I suggest that if you in this generation have not had such a discussion, perhaps it is time you do. In hindsight, it's too bad such a discussion did not take place prior to the preemptive shock and awe attack on Baghdad. Many of us at the time spoke out vehemently that such an attack would be an impeachable offense, a war crime against the people of Iraq, and treason against the United States of America. But our voices were drowned out and never reached the ears of the generals in 2003. I now regret that I never sent a letter such as this at that time, but depended on the corporate media to carry my message. I must not make that mistake again.

Also in hindsight, President Bush could be court-martialed for abuse of power as commander-in-chief. Vice President Cheney could probably be court-martialed for his performance as acting commander-in-chief in the White House bunker the morning of Sept. 11, 2001.

We in the U.S. military would never consider a military coup, removing an elected president and installing one of our own. But following our oath of office, obeying the Nuremberg Principles, and preventing a rogue president from committing a war crime is not a military coup. If it requires the detention of executive branch officials, we will not impose a military dictatorship. We will let the constitutional succession take place. This is what we are sworn to. This is protecting the Constitution, our highest obligation. In 2007, this is what is meant by "Duty, Honor, Country."

Thank you all for your service to this nation. May God bless America, and sustain us in this difficult time. And thanks for listening to the musings of an old junior officer.

Respectfully,

Robert M. Bowman, Ph.D., Lt. Col., USAF, ret.



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Constitutional Discipline

Defending the 2nd Amendment

By Michael Badnarik



Why is a federal agency (the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms) spending nearly \$1 billion each year trying to eliminate the Second Amendment?

Our right to life becomes meaningless if we are powerless to defend that life. It is crucial for us to understand why it was included in the Bill of Rights in the first place.

Among the many famous quotes attributed to Thomas Jefferson, my favorite is his less-than-subtle reminder that “The tree of Liberty must be refreshed from time to time with the blood of patriots and tyrants.” Americans frequently quote Mr. Jefferson, but I seriously doubt they consider *how* the aforementioned blood would be obtained.

I will lead you gradually to the inevitable conclusion to avoid shocking your sensibilities any more

than necessary. I will start with the irrefutable fact that there are evil and dangerous people in the world. Most people try not to think of such things, because it requires you to speculate about a possible confrontation with such a person. Fortunately, Mother Nature has hard-wired us with an irresistible instinct for self-preservation. Faced with premature extinction, I’m sure even Mother Teresa would have used force to resist someone who was choking her.

Unfortunately, our biological programming has been sabotaged with conflicting mandates, much like the ill-fated HAL 9000 computer in the “Space Odyssey” movies. On one hand, society conditions us to respect authority to such a degree, that the use of lethal force against persons in positions of authority is an unspeakable taboo. Murdering a civilian might be punished with as little as 10 or 15 years in prison, when given time off for good behavior. Murdering an on-duty police officer will probably earn you the death penalty. Simply asking politicians “pointed questions” will get you Tasered these days.

Like HAL, we experience a mental meltdown when we try to follow imperative directives that contradict each other. What is the proper response when our life is threatened by the police? Should we submit to a “higher authority” as we’ve been trained to do? Or should we respond with violent force as our biological reflexes insist that we do? It’s possible your anxiety level surges just pondering the question.

Before I reveal *my* solution to the dilemma, let’s think back to a time *before* the Second Amendment. In 1775, British “police” arrived at Lexington and Concord just after dawn for the purpose of arresting two “terrorists,” and to confiscate guns and ammunition from the local citizens. They were trying

to prevent a probable armed conflict in the future. At the end of the day, half of the King’s “policemen” were killed during their bloody retreat to Boston.

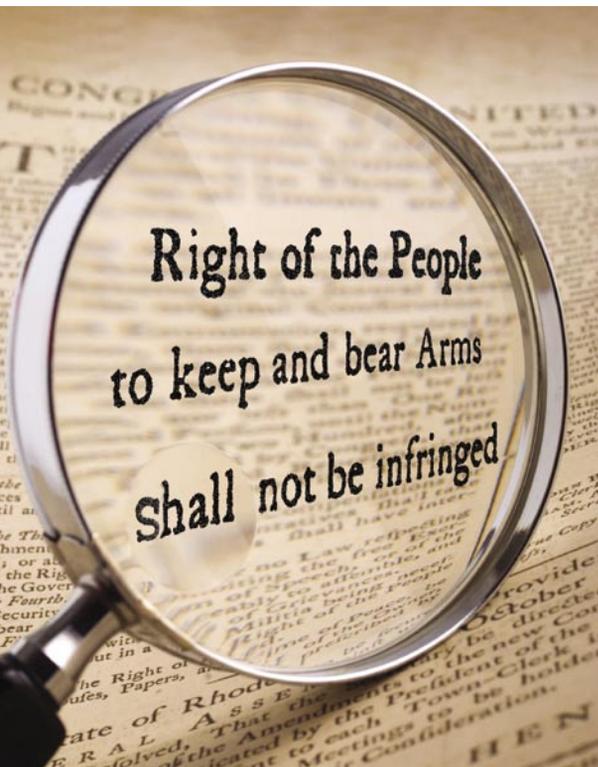
George Washington defined government, not as eloquence, but as force. Patrick Henry warns us that “nothing will preserve (liberty) but downright force.” Our personal experience indicates that as the government continues to grow, so does its willingness to use force against the very civilians it has sworn to protect and defend.

In 1970, the Ohio National Guard fired at students during a war protest on campus, killing four and wounding nine. In 1992, FBI agents killed Randy Weaver’s wife and son during a siege that resulted because Weaver refused to work as an undercover informant for them. In 1993, the ATF decided to videotape the arrest of David Koresh in order to enhance public opinion of the agency, and ensure continued funding. After a 51-day siege, the result was 79 civilians dead, including 21 children. More recently, in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, National Guard troops were deployed in house-to-house searches, confiscating weapons from civilians who were trying to defend themselves against violent marauders.

The correct but disturbing answer to our philosophical dilemma is to recognize that police officers and military personnel have no legitimate authority to harm you. If they try, pulling the trigger is morally justified.

John Wayne’s last movie dramatizes this moral dilemma. In *The Shootist* he counsels young Gillom Rogers, “It isn’t always being fast, or even accurate that counts. It’s being *willing*. I found out early that most men, regardless of cause or need, aren’t willing. They blink an eye, or draw a breath, before they pull the trigger. I won’t.”

Neither will I.



Militia: Property of...

We the People
insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence
and our better Security, do ordain and establish this Constitution
in the name of the People

By Mark Gregory Keonke



The sovereign free man is endowed with many rights given to him by his creator. However, that does not mean that monarchs, rulers or leaders will honor the words expressed in whatever contract of governance is in place if they are swayed by greed or poor judgment.

Before the republic, before the Articles of Confederation, before the Declaration of Independence, there was the militia.

There are those in the controlled media and in government that would like you to forget, or better still, have no knowledge of this. These people are Statists and powermongers who know the history of this nation and intentionally misrepresent it. With great effort they do all that they are told to do, to attack and vilify the word "militia" and the concept that it represents.

What is it that these political hacks are trying to accomplish? Who is it that is promoting this agenda from behind the scenes? There are many questions that need to be asked even though it is unlikely that we will get an answer from the shadows of the corrupted halls of government.

Know this and dwell upon these thoughts for a little while. Without the militia, the independence of this nation would have never become a reality. Just as true is that without the militia our ongoing fight for liberty would not have been maintained. Once this is considered it is then obvious why certain elements, alien to our form of government, would want you to dislike it and to have it done away with. The militia is the shield and sword of liberty. If you are foolish enough to throw them down then it is that much easier for a tyrant to enslave you at little or no cost to him or herself.

"Militia," the word itself has a long and important history. The sovereign free man is endowed with many rights given to him by his creator. However, that does not mean that monarchs, rulers or leaders will honor the words expressed in whatever contract of governance is in place if they are swayed by greed or poor judgment. One man by himself stands little chance of securing his liberty, property and personal wealth when faced with organized thievery. Such threats can come from many directions both from within and outside of government in its many forms. It is for this reason that the common man of the west, traditionally, has organized in his community to provide defense through mutual organization and cooperation.

There is a long and well-developed history that can show the truth of this statement. The purpose of these militia forces as they developed was to protect the members from external and internal threats, both physically and administratively, by compact. First a civil solution would be sought and if the threat was still perceived, then the militia was there to protect and defend the community.

The militia has been and continues to be part of the checks and balances system that was established here in these United States by "we the people." It was the most significant and positive force in the founding of this nation.

Let me ask you a question. What year did the War for Independence start? Most people would say the Fourth of July 1776, and they would be wrong.

The war started on the 19th of April, 1775. I ask that you take a moment and think about this. Your response may have been July 4, too. Who placed that thought there and why? If you question the date then go to the history books and look at the timeline. There is a full 16-month difference in the answer.

The reason that I bring this forward as a question is because it establishes the groundwork for the next question that I will ask. On what day was the "vote" cast to start the war and who voted? There was no vote except for the single trigger pull that cast the first "lead" ballot and then a few moments later a whole bunch of other "lead" ballots were cast. That is the reality that was traditionally taught in our schools with great pride and regularity. As you may know the event was later known as the battles of Lexington and Concord. It was the local militia that fought these actions. All of the militias that participated had organized long before the war began in response to a series of direct threats to the people's liberty.

I would point out that the patriot militia did not just decide to arbitrarily start the war. As it says in the Declaration of Independence, "a long train of abuses" had been laid out before the people. Each of these abuses had been met with protest in written form. The Fairfax and Sulfax resolves were the last in a long list of documents laid before the feet of the crown and received with ridicule and scorn. The men that served as delegates during these actions were in most cases members and leaders of militias in their respective counties and states.

George Washington was one of the delegates that helped to deliver the Fairfax resolves to the crown and there were many others. The ultimate demonstration of the need for the militia came with the deployment of "regulars" from England that numbered in the thousands. Not only were they a force of occupation but also a form of organic camera to spy upon the people by being force-quartered in the homes of the people in a time of peace. The people organized and expanded the many militias across the colonies as a counterweight to the forces brought into their very homes. This did not bode well for the professional forces that the crown had sent.

Contrary to their modern rewriting of our history books by the "globalists," the militia was not only the dominant fighting force during the war, but also highly effective. The militia's numbers always exceeded the force strength of the

Congress' "regulars." As they eventually were organized and contrary to the "professional" opinion of the regulars that were primarily engaged in the history books with promoting themselves, the militia fought the majority of the ground actions of the war.

In later years, those who would want to engineer the people away from supporting the militia concept would always be selective in their reporting of the history of the militia to downplay it and promote a larger and larger "professional" force; the very thing that the founding fathers warned everyone about. One need only go to any of the major battlefields of the Revolutionary War to get a better understanding of the true ability of the militia. Saratoga, Cowpens, Ticonderoga and many more attest to the patriot militia's prowess on the battlefield of the day.

Why then would there be an ongoing attack of militia performance? The answer lies in the words of the men who founded this nation and their warnings to future generations.

To understand the founding fathers intent we need to be able to see into their minds. We can, to a certain degree, do this because of their efforts to communicate to the people in public debate through the print medium of their day. Many of these documents are available in reprinted form and are even in paperback form. I would recommend to any interested reader "The Federalist Papers" and "The Anti-Federalist Papers" to better understand the mind set of those who survived the war and participated in our many forms of government as they developed.

While these men addressed many subjects, one that was foremost in their minds was the issue of arms and the militia. Centralized force was looked upon with mistrust and disdain in many cases. As can be seen by the writings, the majority stated that the people must be the "wardens of the armed, might of the nation, lest it run ruff shod (sic) over the rights of the people." The militia was envisioned as the check against excess by government at every level, for the whole of the people would be armed. It was true then and it is true to this day. Those who would wish you to be an unarmed peasant have visions of empire on their mind and you will note that the talking heads of this day in the last month or so are promoting just that on the "boob tube," radio and in print. This is the very thing that the framers warned us about time and again.

Several times throughout our history in military affairs, it is the militia that has

either saved the day or restrained our "regular" forces from actions contrary to the nature of the campaign or battle our forces were engaged in. One example of this can be seen in the War of 1812. A combined force of "regulars" and militia fought in the southeastern part of Michigan and eventually took Detroit and moved across the river into Ontario where they faced an inferior force of retired British soldiers and Canadian militia. The American force defeated the Commonwealth forces and put them to foot. The "regular" forces officers wanted to continue with an attack upon the rest of Canada with conquest in mind. The militia commanders and their forces refused to participate because the battle had been joined to eliminate the threat and not invade and occupy Canada. Although there was disagreement, the militia won out, as it was obvious that without the strength of the militia no "conquest" and occupation would be possible.

In another action of the War of 1812, it was the militia that drove the British from the capital of the country as more than 28,000 militia descended upon the invaders from across the nearby states. The "regulars" had not been able to stop the British from invading the city. Almost all of Andrew Jackson's force in the Battle of New Orleans was made up of militia and they faced down the single-best combat units on the planet of that day. Again, a unique American experience.

Does this mean that the militia fought to perfection through out its history? Of course they didn't. There are militia formations that fought well and there are others that did not, just as there were and are "regular" army forces both of good and bad quality. Where human beings are involved there will be variations based upon experience, training and a wide number of other variables.

Independent militia formations have existed throughout our nations history from the Revolutionary war through to present day. The Green Mountain boys are one example from the 1700s. Another more recent example that most Americans know about but usually do not relate with the word "militia" were the Rough Riders of Teddy Roosevelt fame. They were a militia? Why yes, they were, and a fully independent one at that. They were mustered by Mr. Roosevelt and privately armed to include the fact that colt donated machine guns to the militia unit for their use. They mobilized and went into service just as many other units did during the Spanish-American war.

So how did the word militia become a “bad” word in government circles? Well, the truth be told it is still used today and must be in order for the “system” to exist at all for all, I will repeat, ALL United States fighting forces to include the active army are MILITIA. The difference is that the militia that make up the regular army are called the “active militia” where as all Americans that are not part of the “active militia” are members of the “inactive militia.” The militia is “we the people,” literally.

But just as the founding fathers warned it could happen, the focus is now on promoting central federal control in an attempt to usurp the power of the militia and make it an offensive force rather than a defensive force. Think back to the incident during the War of 1812 and the militia as the check against over zealous ambition on the part of those in power and you can see why playing down the militia or badmouthing it would be in the interest of certain parties.

This brings us to the present day. We have many examples of the failure of our system because of centralized power at the federal level that is both distant and destructive. This centralization of power is a threat to the safety and peace of our nation just as it was in the hands of the crown more than 230 years ago. Once power becomes centralized, with no counter force to keep it in check, and is combined with devious minds in positions of authority, it is only a matter of when that power will be used wrongly.

The attack on the Branch Davidians by a combination of federal and foreign forces is one example. The utter failure, intentionally, to respond in a timely fashion to the Katrina storm are demonstrations of the abuse of power with ulterior motives and these are only a few of the many abuses perpetrated over several years.

It is the militia in its most recent form that has kept in check to any degree those who would hope to enslave us once again. It is the unsung efforts of the militia that has kept the beast at bay. It is the militia that can help to restore stability to our local and state government along with following the constitution itself at the federal level and the many state constitutions at the state level.

Here is just one example of many from the Katrina fiasco that shows where the militia would have changed the demeanor of the situation as it developed. As we know, many people did evacuate from the coastal parts of the storm affected areas. So, where did they go? Well, many went as far as a tank of gas would take them with no

clear destination in mind.

Some of you reading this may have been in the “impact” areas where this mass of people ended up. In these affected areas many of the local police (policy enforcement officers) or county deputies (peace officers) could be counted in numbers using no more than both hands. In some cases as few as six men may have constituted the total number of peace officers available. They were quickly overwhelmed as petty theft and break-ins escalated with every hour. There was no relief contrary to all of the propaganda and promises by FEMA and Heartland/Homeland security in years of meetings before the crisis.

The mistake was putting trust in people so far away from the problem that they truly didn’t care. Because of their remoteness, along with other political agendas having to do with manipulation, the distant federal agencies held back assistance and blocked all traditional forms of assistance from coming in wherever they could. This intentional failure cost lives and a vast wealth of personal property. The people in these areas got to see firsthand that centralization combined with abusive government kills, literally.

So what could have been done better and before hand? Well, consider this. In the traditional model that “Big Gubernint” told the locals to throw out the militia at the local level, would have mobilized to immediately assist local peace officers with the problem. This would include assistance with traffic control, securing local assets such as water treatment and food storage while also performing patrols of local areas to prevent looting and other confrontations. It would also include assistance to those displaced using common sense. This is what the local militia was intended for.

Think about it. Who knows the community better and how to deal with the many personalities that make up that local community? Would a local force make more sense or a bunch of steroid-filled cops from California like the ones that stomped the grandma into the ground when they were going house to house to confiscate guns from people who had survived the storm and protected their homes? The local militia would know better. The local militia would not leave women helpless and alone in a nursing home to be raped repeatedly and then stabbed to death by thugs as the FEMA police did. They would not let it happen. The militia would have risked any threat because they live there and it could be their mothers or grandmothers threatened. The militia is the property of

“we the people” and if we fail to maintain ownership then the tyrant will step in because he perceives weakness.

Other examples contrary to the propaganda of the controlled media about the militia include the Oklahoma City bombing. Do a little research by going through the archives that contain pictures of the first responders that were there at the blast site. Look closely and you will see truck caps on the back of trucks with the words “militia” on them. These were local Oklahoma militia that were there, who risked their lives just as many others did to help with the situation. It was right there in front of everyone, but it was not the propaganda that the critters in charge wanted out or for people to see. How many of you looked at those pictures and didn’t notice until I pointed them out? This is just one of many examples of lies by omission. There is much to learn and in some cases unlearn if it was bad data that was entered.

Ask yourself this. If everything going on is on the up and up, then what have the powers that be to worry about from the people, armed or otherwise?

We come full circle to the beginning of the history of the militia. Its purpose is to protect us from those that think that they have the authority to take away your liberty. This is nothing new. The militia in its present form knows all too well the threat that looms over us all. Its job is to protect our rights, yours and mine. If you wonder who it is that makes up the militia then go into the bathroom and look in the mirror. You will find one of its many members looking back at you for, as the founders stated many times, the militia is the property of “we the people.” Many of its members understand all too well that liberty entails responsibility. Know that there is nothing that you own that the militia wants, but there is much that we will help you to protect. We are the sword and the shield of liberty and your fellow countrymen. Take the time to know more and become part of the men and women who live by the words “This we’ll defend.” The militia.

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We Are The Media

Preserving the 4th Estate

By Jack Blood

As an independent journalist who has worked primarily in radio every day for the last 12 years, who has worked in the mediums of print, TV, and various forms of communication for the last 28 years, I am honored to address the public at large and the distinguished readers of "RESTORE THE REPUBLIC" on the issues of today's media, and how we all fit in as the new media for a new generation.

THE GOOD NEWS NO NEWS IS NOT GOOD NEWS

With the major newspapers and network news scrambling to salvage their once great empires, and near total control of all public opinion,

the day of the media baron is OVER. So said Baron Von Murdoch, as he diversified his News Corp. holdings into Internet news and social networking sites, proclaiming the death of traditional media.

Mayer Amschel Bauer (patriarch of the Rothschild banking dynasty) was once asked if there was anything that he was afraid of. He answered not women, nor gambling nor vice, but innovation and innovators is what he truly felt could be his downfall. Ideas are bulletproof and information can change our world. Super Global elites like the Rothschilds made sure that they controlled the way we get information, and managed intellectual property. (This is true with the current debate over copyright issues on YouTube et. al., which is a backdoor effort to stop YOU from entering and surviving in the infowar.)



We stand at the dawn of technological media innovation, and the leveling of the playing field. Never before have we the people been so empowered and so motivated to correct the record and enter in to, if not control the public debate.

The DIY generation met Generation YouTube, and the rest, as they say, is history.

But it wasn't always this way. It is important to realize what we have overcome, and essential to see where we are going and how to get there. To understand where we are we should digest where we came from.

GOVERNMENT CONTROL OF THE PRESS / PUBLIC OPINION

"Congress shall make no law... abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press."
— **First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution**

"The basis of our government being the opinion of the people, the very first object should be to keep that right; and were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter." — **Thomas Jefferson, on the necessity of a free press (1787)**

"Our job is to give people not what they want, but what WE decide they ought to have."
— **Richard Salent, Former President CBS News.**

"News is what someone wants to suppress. Everything else is advertising."
— **Rubin Frank, Former President of NBC News**

Asked to give a toast before the prestigious New York Press Club in 1880, John Swinton, the former chief of staff at *The New York Times*, made this candid confession (it's worth noting that Swinton was called "The Dean of His Profession" by other newsmen, who admired him greatly):

"There is no such thing, at this date of the world's history, as an independent press. You know it and I know it. There is not one of you who dares to write your honest opinions, and if you did, you know beforehand that it would never appear in print. I am paid weekly for keeping my honest opinions out of the paper I am connected with. Others of you are paid similar salaries for similar things, and any of you who would be so foolish as to write honest opinions would be out

on the streets looking for another job.

"If I allowed my honest opinions to appear in one issue of my paper, before 24 hours my occupation would be gone. The business of the journalist is to destroy the truth; to lie outright; to pervert; to vilify; to fawn at the feet of Mammon, and to sell the country for his daily bread. You know it and I know it and what folly is this toasting an independent press. We are the tools and vassals of the rich men behind the scenes. We are the jumping jacks, they pull the strings and we dance. Our talents, our possibilities and our lives are all the property of other men. We are intellectual prostitutes."

Operation Mockingbird was a Central Intelligence Agency operation to influence domestic and foreign media, whose activities were made public during the Church Committee investigation in 1975 (published 1976).

In 1977, *Rolling Stone* alleged that one of the most important journalists under the control of Operation Mockingbird was Joseph Alsop, whose articles appeared in over 300 different newspapers. Other journalists alleged by *Rolling Stone Magazine* to have been willing to promote the views of the CIA included Stewart Alsop (*New York Herald Tribune*), Ben Bradlee (*Newsweek*), James Reston (*New York Times*), Charles Douglas Jackson (*Time Magazine*), Walter Pincus (*Washington Post*), William C. Baggs (*The Miami News*), Herb Gold (*The Miami News*) and Charles Bartlett (*Chattanooga Times*).

According to Nina Burleigh (*A Very Private Woman*), these journalists sometimes wrote articles that were commissioned by Frank Wisner. The CIA also provided them with classified information to help them with their work.

After 1953, the network was overseen by Allen W. Dulles, director of the Central Intelligence Agency. By this time Operation Mockingbird had a major influence over 25 newspapers and wire agencies. (Wire agencies being very important as most local news organizations simply repeat what is posted on the wires. This is why I call them "repeaters" rather than reporters!)

These organizations were run by people with well-known "right-wing" views such as William Paley (CBS-Westinghouse), Henry Luce (Skull and Bones-*Time Magazine* and *Life Magazine*), Arthur Hays Sulzberger (*New York Times*), Alfred Friendly (managing editor of the *Washington Post*), Jerry O'Leary (*Washington Star*), Hal Hendrix (*Miami News*), Barry Bingham Sr., (*Louisville Courier-Journal*), James Copley

(Copley News Services) and Joseph Harrison (*Christian Science Monitor*),
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The Changing Face of Patriot Radio

By Danny Romero

The metamorphosis of "Patriot Radio" began in 2004 with the idea that it would be better to have the expert researchers, authors and whistleblowers become talk show hosts rather than guests. I know this, because I was that person.

I have always felt Jack Blood was the new voice of what I like to call the "Freedom Movement." I understood it was imperative to bring more young listeners to the truth of what was happening to the country they would inherit. That gave birth to my next innovation, which was to bring younger voices to the airwaves in the hopes of motivating young people to participate in the restoration of our constitutional republic.

For the most part the process was successful, but like any journey into new territory some of my choices weren't perfect. You don't always know the motives and backgrounds of some of the people you bring to the air, but for better or worse the list of people I've brought to their first radio programs are as follows: Lt. Col. Karen Kwiatkowski (Ret.); Gen. Janis Karpinski (Ret.); Webster Tarpley; Dr. Nick Begich; Dr. Kevin Barrett; Dr. Katherine Albrecht; Jason Bermas; Dan Abrahamson; Michael Collins Piper; Greg Szymanski; Carol Brouillet; D'Anne Burley; Alex Ansary; Gary Franchi; Cosmos; Michael Badnarik; Randy Kelton; Deborah Stevens; Sam Ettaro; Marc Stevens; Jason Worsley; Kevin Smith; Matt Conner; Jon Roberts; Matt Dayton; Lenny Charles; and Tom Kiley.

Last January, Wes Perkins and I decided to start "We The People Radio Network" (WTPRN.COM) with the goal of bringing together people from all political paradigms to fight the loss of our rights and freedoms. We are all in this struggle together and it is our intention to unite Americans, not divide them. We invite everyone to join us and continue to grow what I now like to call "Freedom Radio."

Activism Revere Style!

By Troy
KingMob

Whether it's going to a 911 conference in Arizona or going to a press conference in Plainfield, NH, Revere Radio has covered the story.



The network was born on a dream and bad audio by Robb Revere and Sonny Crack in 2004. We are on the forefront of going to the story in these times of war and political strife. I myself started broadcasting on www.revereradio.net 17 months ago and it's been a wild ride ever since. At Revere Radio we have a dedicated group of producers that keep things running on the cheap. What's great about the current technology is that with a cell phone or a laptop with a broadband card you can broadcast from just about anywhere, and we do. It's way past time for Americans to stand up and say not only "No" but "Hell No" to this lying, thieving, and murderous federal government.

The first amendment of the bill of rights gives us the right to free speech as well as a free press. I guess the motto we have is "use it or lose it." We are the worldwide home of free speech ... even if it's ugly. If the bought-off and compromised mainstream media would do their job then there would simply be no need for a Revere Radio in this country, but that isn't the case. When a college kid can get Tasered and arrested for asking Skull and Bones secret society member John Kerry why he didn't contest the 2004 election; fair question right? Not anymore, this country is going down the tubes so fast it boggles my mind. So, that's why we fight the rampant censorship and propaganda that Americans are deluged with every single day.

While covert infiltration and a cabal like fanaticism for the socialist principals enshrined in the "Great Work" (IE: One World Order) by media controllers are not necessarily new, some of the strategies employed are.

In David Robb's book, "Operation Hollywood – How the Pentagon Shapes and Censors the Movies," we see documented proof and eyewitness reports of direct control and censorship in American films and TV.

During his years as a journalist for *Daily Variety* and *The Hollywood*

Reporter, Robb heard about a quid-pro-quo agreement between the Pentagon and Hollywood studios, and decided to investigate. He combed through thousands of Pentagon documents, and interviewed dozens of screenwriters, producers and military officials ... and found evidence of massive censorship by the government of Hollywood films.

(I interviewed David Robb on DEADLINE LIVE in 2006. It's in my archives at www.gcnlive.com)

But this isn't just about selling war and whipping up patriotism. It is largely about social engineering, and the dumbing down of the viewer, the listener, and the reader.

Anderson (Vanderbilt) Cooper's Yale/CIA Secret

Following his sophomore and junior years at Yale — a well-known recruiting ground for the CIA — Cooper spent his summers interning at the agency's monolithic headquarters in Langley, Va., in a program for students interested in intelligence work. Cooper apparently gave up his Bond fantasy to pursue a career in journalism — except for a brief period when he starred as host of ABC's reality show, "The Mole." (Anderson Cooper decided not to disclose this tidbit because as he says, he didn't want to become a "target" — CNN has a history of employing psyops specialists from the CIA, and with Yale/Skull and Bones being in full power, we now understand how Cooper's meteoric rise in the Cable News biz might have happened. This article does not mention that Cooper is the son of socialite elite Gloria Vanderbilt, of the Vanderbilt shipping and railroad dynasty.)

CNN- The CIA's News Network?

The concern here is with CNN hiring military personnel to package for viewers the information provided as "news" by other military personnel. This is said to be a most disturbing development, and I suppose it would be were it not for the fact that the U.S.



media — as a whole — is infested with so many intelligence assets (or CFR, Bohemian Grove and Bilderberg members) that it is hard to see how a few more in the mix could make much of a difference. Of course, most of them are posing as reporters, editors, news anchors, analysts, producers, publishers, etc. The difference here is that these particular spooks were employed openly at CNN, without journalistic cover.

As Major Thomas Collins, of the U.S. Army Information Service acknowledged:

"Psyops personnel, soldiers and officers, have been working in CNN's headquarters in Atlanta through our program 'Training With Industry.' They worked as regular employees of CNN. Conceivably, they would have worked on stories during the Kosovo war. They helped in the production of news. .. The military CNN personnel belonged to the airmobile Fourth Psychological Operations Group, stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C. One of the main tasks of this group of almost 1,200 soldiers and officers is to spread 'selected information.'"

(We should pause here, briefly, to note that in this context, the phrase "selected information" generally means vicious distortions and outright lies.) — Dave McGowan www.davesweb.cnchost.com/cnn

Daily Kos: CIA Engineered Controlled Opposition?

Kurt Nimmo at www.kurtnimmo.com recently wrote: "Is it possible Markos Alberto Moulitsas Zúñiga, leader of the 'Kossaks,' that is to say followers and fawners of the Daily Kos, is a CIA operative?"

Francis Holland, posting on the My Left Wing message board, details Moulitsas' relationship with the CIA:

"Markos Moulitsas Zúñiga, owner of the DailyKos Web site, now admits that he spent six months in the employ of the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency in 2001," writes Holland. "In a one-hour interview on June 2, 2006, at the Commonwealth Club, Moulitsas, also known as 'Kos,' admitted that he was a CIA employee and would have 'no problem working for them' in the present."

This brings us to modern day "free media" and the willing or ignorant dupes of covert propagandists and disinfo specialists. Lest you still believe that the "Alternative Media" consists of people like Amy Goodman, Noam Chomsky, Moveon.org, or Pacifica Radio. Please refer to the chart following the money trail from the usual elite tax-free foundations, and the CIA: "The Central Intelligence Agency owns everyone of any significance in the major media."

See Chart of "The Gate keepers" at: <http://www.leftgatekeepers.com>

PAID PROPAGANDA PLACEMENTS:

Under the Bush administration, the federal government has aggressively

used a well-established tool of public relations: the prepackaged, ready-to-serve news reports that major corporations have long distributed to TV stations to pitch everything from headache remedies to auto insurance. In all, at least 20 federal agencies, including the Defense Department and the Census Bureau, have made and distributed hundreds of television news segments in the past four years, records and interviews show. Many were subsequently broadcast on local stations across the country without any acknowledgement of the government's role in their production. The people had no idea they were not watching news but an infomercial brought to by the military and security industrial complex.

Finally I am reminded of what Dan Rather said to Greg Palast about why he did not dare to report real information and real facts about the war in Iraq. Rather said, and I quote, "I don't want to get the burning tire around my neck" Which is exactly what happened as Rather was discredited and hung out to dry by CBS after years of service to the global elite on the basis of a set-up story regarding George Bush Jr. and his avoidance of the Vietnam war. See Rathergate. A burning tire around his neck though metaphorically, still career-ending and effective.

Let this be a lesson to any up-and-coming reporter who is told to pay his or her dues, to go along to get along, and to lie to the American people with Globalist propaganda. Even when you go along, and do as you are told ... you can be thrown overboard at a moment's notice along with the other rats.

PRESENT DAY MEDIA - MS. PACMAN STYLE CONSOLIDATION THREATENS FREE SPEECH - If you can't beat em, BUY EM!

The Carlyle Group

The media is now being gobbled up by some very serious enemies of this Republic right under our very noses - The Carlyle Group, Bain, Thomas Lee. Apollo, KKR... Pacman the media = CONSOLIDATION

The Carlyle Group seems to be leading the parade, and is potentially working with other "venture capitalists" and private equity firms to corner the market of media. The *Chicago Tribune*, which was up for sale earlier this year, reported that The Carlyle Group, Bain Partners (founded in part by 2008 GOP candidate for president Mitt Romney) Apollo

Management, Tomas Lee Partners, and KKR (Kohlberg, Kravis, and Roberts partners) illegally worked together to rig bids, and eliminate the competition.

The *Chicago Tribune's* ownership managed to stop these vampires from a total takeover that would've given direct control of the *L.A. Times*, *The Chicago Tribune*, various other print vehicles, radio stations, TV outlets, and the Chicago Cubs to the

Thanks For The Support!

By Ted Anderson



Thanks to the support of the millions of listeners, and the great talk show hosts working with Genesis Communications Network, we are going on our 11th year of production.

GCN and a few other networks started as a quiet voice exposing the tyranny and injustice the mainstream media tried to ignore and sweep under the rug. Cornering advertising, mass-media giants consumed most of the markets resources -- forcing a high percentage of our colleges out of business. Hanging on like a bulldog, we have been able to claw our way to a respectable force in the industry.

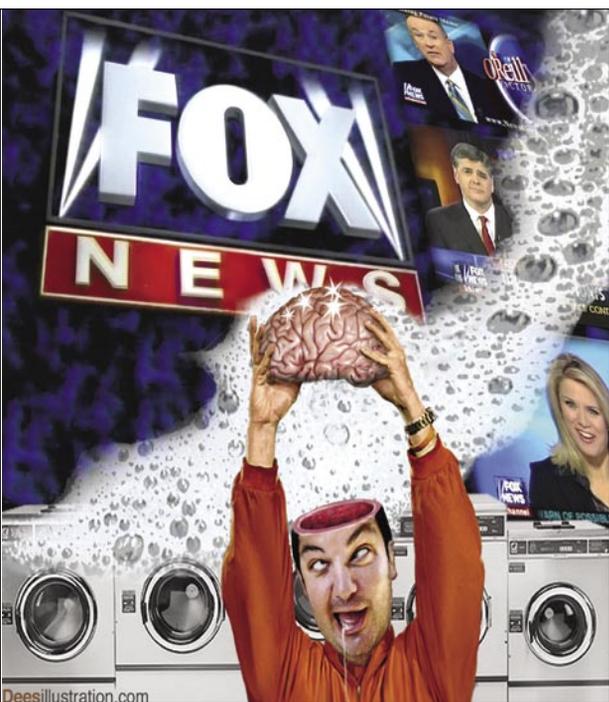
Now, when presidential candidates like Ron Paul get ignored by the press, they hear from thousands of angry Americans. Now, Constitutional battles over tax filings are decided in favor of the people. Now, the very foundation of our fiat monetary system, called the Federal Reserve, is being questioned. Now, grassroots organizations like We Are Change organize confrontations of known globalists like Rockefeller and company. Hannity, Dobbs, O'Riley and Limbaugh dig into our hosts trying to discredit us as we pierce through holes of the conservative neo-con agenda. Their actions have been proven fruitless and the masses are joining in a combined effort to restore this great nation's constitutional values.

Genesis Communications Network's main web site is www.gcnlive.com, covering the latest news and information, links to talk show hosts, schedules of programming, "listen live" links and archives of previously aired shows.

I'm proud to have had the opportunity to work with the late Aaron Russo and all who have fought this battle and hold great excitement over the future growth of the movement.

I look forward to your comments as you contribute to our live programs in progress.

Ted Anderson is owner of Genesis Communications Network



usual suspects.

It's always been kind of bizarre to me that Jimmy Hoffa was jailed for using pension funds as loans to the mafia, which they allegedly used to build Las Vegas (which was also snapped up by the corporations in the end). But the Carlyle Group, lead by George H.W. Bush, the Windsor family, the bin Laden Family, James Baker III, Frank Carlucci, et. al. was able to use OPM (Other people's money) by seeding the business with money borrowed illegally and without consent from the Texas state pension fund. Thanks Gov. Perry (Karl Rove). As usual there are one set of rules for us, and another set of laws and rules for the elite.

Using these immoral, unethical, and sometimes illegal methods, the Carlyle Group has snatched up Loews Cinemas (controlling distribution of Hollywood films, therefore controlling the content of the films we see) McClatchy News services, which includes dozens of small newspapers like the *San Jose Mercury-News*, which once featured Gary Webb's investigative reports that cocaine flooding the country came from the CIA. They also bid for Clearchannel's 1,200 plus radio stations, losing to fellow VC's and possible shadow partners, Bain (Mitt Romney), and Thomas Lee.

This is just the short list of TV,

radio, print, and film enterprises that these corporations have gobbled up the last several years without so much as a peep by the existing media they desire to monopolize.

When the people of Texas stood up against the NAFTA corridor, the TTC, and the new toll roads ... CINTRA the elite Spanish bank who stood to benefit from this monstrosity simply bought a large chunk of Texas newspapers and journals who would be critical of the deal.

I cannot buy editorial in any newspaper today, though if I am an elite controller, I can just buy the newspaper and write whatever I want. Does this sound fair? Does this sound right? Does this sound legal?

Two things we can do about massive consolidation of the media:

- 1) Expose it as I have done here and on my syndicated radio program.
- 2) Make their media holdings worthless by boycotting them, their sponsors, and by stealing away their audience!

The future of media is both digital and wireless. Thanks to the great people now participating in the process of freedom and a free press, we have ample technology of our own. In fact

WE THE PEOPLE of this once great Republic hold the keys to the future of the media, and the future of technology.

It is a lot like Fight Club. (First rule about the Freedom Movement? TELL PEOPLE ABOUT THE FREEDOM MOVEMENT!) Our people are highly placed, and can stop the presses in a moments notice.

We keep the trains running on time, so to speak. Its time for the corpoRATocracy to realize that we the people will no longer accept a lap-dog media that willingly does the bidding of the criminal global elite.

It's time for YOU, MSM, to report the real news and to impart real information, or be left behind.

In the case of the once great media mogul Conrad Black, you may even be stripped of your holdings and jailed for your corruption. Being the media, you can be sure we will find out all of your misdeeds, and not rest until you are prosecuted, and leveled by the fullest extent of the law.

You, MSM, can no longer operate in secret, in the dead of night. Your epitaph reads, "Here LIES the corporate media, SUICIDE. ... Long live the Republic, and the fourth estate of the FREE press."

We have had it with the

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perpetual dumbing-down of our communities. We have had enough of Paris Hilton, O.J. Simpson, Britney Spears, and the usual dog-bites-man tripe we have been force-fed all these decades gone by. We will honor the true patriots, and legitimate investigative reports suicided by your greedy skills: Gary Webb, Jim Hatfield, Hunter S. Thomson, and the brave reporters killed in "the Fog of War" in unprecedented numbers -- unembedded reporters who gave their lives for the truth.

We declare from this day forward, DEATH TO THE NEW WORLD ORDER, and its P.R. agents as we actively RESTORE THE REPUBLIC by advancing the free press, and returning the principals set forth by our founding fathers in the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights. We will do this not through violence but through birthright. We hereby acknowledge once and for all that WE are the media and YOU work for us!

LOCK N LOAD – SET THE TRUTH FREE

In conclusion, let me help to get you on the right track by suggesting a few ideas on how we can move forward and assume our mantle to be the media, without repeating the cycle of abuse and

corruption.

Let us not become mockingbirds, parrots, and sycophants.

We as reporters should specialize in areas we can be experts in. I always tell people to report something that they are interested in. Report what you love reporting, whether that be a Microchipped population as Katherine Albrecht has done, or the IRS and the Federal Reserve (and its implications) as Aaron Russo did with "From Freedom to Fascism," or how many have done for six yrs with 9/11. What you report doesn't have to be "popular" as a subject or heavily researched as a topic. Grab hold of any aspect of a story that gets your blood pumping, and tear into it!

Find stories NOT being covered, (there are so many) and elaborate on current events in a way that gives the complete story not offered on CNN, et. al. Use your telephone to call and press for interviews with people who are not being approached or not being asked real questions. Feel the power, assume the sale. You don't have to be "accredited" or working with a major news entity to turn the screws on those holding back information. I myself have called the FBI, the DOD, the State Department, local legislators,

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congressmen and women, senators, governors, eyewitnesses, etc. ... I never once was in fear that I was not established enough to grill the source, and get the story.

In many instances, like when I interviewed Ollie North for instance, the

The Evolution of New Truth Media

This isn't your dad's patriot radio!

Gone are the days of running around in the woods, sitting around in camo at fed-infiltrated/run militia meetings, and depending on short wave broadcasts to get you fix of anti-establishment truth/freedom/patriot news. We have become a leaderless, organic, unstoppable force that is only limited by the imagination of its participants and the constantly evolving technology that we depend on to level the playing field with the Corporate Borg lying media.

Número Uno is of course the Internet, by just simply allowing us to discuss ideas with people around the world, to have access to media outlets other than the consumer-driven propaganda that is aimed at the American public with it's infotainment, sports (bread and circus), the constant oscillating between celebrity and fear, and sometimes a combination of both. The recent O.J., Hilton, Lohan, and Spears events send the message that even pop icons are subject to the wrath of the new police state if they become bad machines.

The recent advent of YouTube and Google Video has revolutionized ambush journalism; we are Camcorder Commandos, hiding around every corner and behind every bush. When Aaron Dykes and I from Infowars.com and the guys from The Project for the New American Citizen, <http://pnacitizen.org/> confronted PNAC ringleader William Kristol in the fall of 2006, Webster G. Tarpley coined the term "Truth Squad Action," but the action and the idea was nothing new, Alex Jones, Carol Brouillet, Gypsy Taub, myself, and others have been doing this for a long time, we just needed a more immediate and widely seen venue than cable

By Kevin Smith

access TV or a documentary film could offer to allow the confrontation to go viral in a timely manner.

And now with the evolution of wireless video broadband cards for our laptops we are able to be just seconds away from real-time! Just look at the actions of the modern day patriots in "We Are Change." We here at [We the People Radio Network](#), a network founded on effective activism, have been proud to have taken part in many of the actions of "We Are Change," from helping to host live video streams, live radio broadcasts from their 9/11/07 events, to going live on the radio overnight to give cover and support to their members and others such as Ed and Elaine Brown.

The evolution of new technologies will dictate the new ideas and our actions to best utilize them, the skies the limit for us and the old-line media controllers are scared and they should be. Right now we're truly engaged in an info-war, for us to be successful in restoring the republic, we must get the facts to the American people, we are so close to that hundredth monkey getting it right now! Then suddenly everyone will know what has happened to the USA, and we can have our bloodless restoration of the Constitution, Bill of Rights, and our once great republic; at least I pray so. If not, that's why we have the Second Amendment.

Kevin Smith; producer-WTPRN.com; Host "The Ron Paul Revolution"-WTPRN.com; former producer-"The Alex Jones Show."



skills can drop their guard and say something they didn't intend to say. That is always a great story. Prying open the jaws of the shark to eat its lunch. So satisfying and so important IMO.

Always try to use the best source. This often means getting experts, and highly placed persons to get on the record to embellish your story. Using non-credible sources is not only a story killer, but works to disillusion those who count on you to report facts and not ideology. I cringe every time someone sends me a headline from "Sorcha Faal" and never even bother to read the articles. Bad sources have immeasurably hurt the "Truth Movement."

If TV is your medium, sign up and get a local cable show. Contrary to "popular" belief, people really do watch these

shows, and if you excel it is possible that your show can be picked up on a bigger outlet. It's easy to do, and usually just requires some minor technical training provided by the cable station, and a few bucks for materials. You can also practice your delivery and gauge response by doing your own YouTube videos. If all you can do is go out and film events, DO IT and give that footage to a filmmaker or television show. Much of the time, all this takes is you being in the right place at the right time, pointing your camera in the right direction, and just letting the news happen.

If radio is your medium, there are plenty of fledgling Internet stations like Revereradio.net or WTPRN.com that are always looking for new talent. Get your chops down and like me you can be broadcast on licensed radio stations and, yes, unlicensed ones. When you get listeners, you will get advertising, they will be happy, and you can make a living doing what you love to do.

If hosting radio isn't your thing, be a correspondent! I am always looking for intelligent, well-spoken reporters to follow stories and update my audience.

If you want to be a documentary filmmaker, you will need a decent investment for editing software, cameras, etc. It is one of the biggest challenges you can face, but the success of others should be motivation for you. It is impossible to say where we would be today without the documentary film.

Again: Build it and they will come.

If you are not the type to run out and get stories or you don't feel it's your destiny to report the news, you can still be a part of the new media by hosting a Web site or forum that posts the better stories not reaching the populace. You can resend, not spam, your lists to get a story out, and you can post hot topic news stories telling the truth on a variety of public accelerators like Digg.com, YouTube, or, ugh, Myspace.com. You can also inform your community by patching together relevant news articles into a small newsletter, and distributing it to your local shops and neighbors.

Also very important is to vote with your dollars! If you like a reporter, a Web site, a magazine, a TV or radio show, support them, either by donation, or by supporting their sponsors. Many of us in the free press are barely hanging on and it takes money to print this magazine or broadcast my radio show.

If we don't get your support, we will die out, and I have found that the best reporters like Kurt Nimmo never ask for money or support. They just go down quietly with the ship. Some of these people are irreplaceable in my opinion and we need to do what we can to keep them in the game. It's up to you!

The future of the free press is in your hands. It will be what you make of it. No time now to be quiet, shy, or lazy. Many hands make light work, and we need you all to pitch in.

The truth has set you free, now it's your turn to give back and SET THE TRUTH FREE!

Above all, BE BOLD AND MIGHTY FORCES WILL COME TO YOUR AID

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We Were Once Giants

By Mike Chambers

An unseen battle is raging in the ether as TV, radio and newspapers see the impending death of their dominance.

Newspapers are moving to strictly electronic editions as subscriptions continue to drop making it no longer profitable to print a paper version.

Network television ad income this year is down \$100,000,000 to \$9,000,000,000 dollars as more people are seeking their news and information elsewhere. On all networks but Fox, ratings are down in the key 18-49 demographic. College age students now prefer the Internet as their primary source for news and information.

Talk radio ratings continue to fall with stalwart Rush Limbaugh who once touted 30,000,000 listeners down to approximately 15,000,000 listeners. Air America, while an alternative to talkers like Limbaugh and Hannity, has not been able to capitalize on the loss of listenership.

After languishing for years on small AM stations and short wave, Patriot Radio is becoming a true force in shaping the political agenda. Largely responsible for the defeat of this year's immigration reform bill, Patriot Radio is beginning to demonstrate its ability to bring significant force to bear regarding important issues and legislation that comes before Congress. The campaign led by Patriot Radio resulted in the meltdown of the Senate switchboard on Capitol Hill and quashed amnesty for tens of millions illegal immigrants. Ron Paul's candidacy has been given great support from Patriot Radio and in fact his candidacy would be further hampered without the exposure from Patriot Radio

Patriot Radio, with a variety of delivery methods and networks, is becoming key in educating people as to the state of the country and those who supposedly run it. The opportunity for Patriot Radio to gain market share is great as the Internet emerges as a true content delivery platform.

Mike Chambers is the owner of the TruthNet Radio Network and hosts his own program "The Midnight Rider," weeknights on the TruthNet Radio Network and the Republic Broadcasting Network from 11 p.m. to 1 a.m. central time.



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A salute to Aaron Russo

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fighter.

By G. Edward Griffin

On Aug. 24, 2007, America lost a great human being and a fearless champion of freedom.

Aaron Russo is remembered as an entertainment businessman, filmmaker, Libertarian political figure, and proponent of tax and monetary reform. He was a recipient of the Freedom Force Champion-of-Freedom Award and was best known in political circles for his documentary movie, "America; Freedom to Fascism," which is a clarion call to action against the U.S. Federal Reserve System and the income tax.

Russo was born Feb. 14, 1943, in Brooklyn and raised on Long Island, N.Y. He was still in high school when he began promoting rock-and-roll shows at local theaters. At age 24, he opened his own nightclub in Chicago called the Kinetic Playground, where he helped launch the careers of many legendary performers, such as Led Zeppelin. He also promoted such well-known rock artists as The Who, Janis Joplin, The Grateful Dead, and Jefferson Airplane.

During his career in the entertainment industry, Russo was manager for Bette Midler from 1972 to

1979 and the producer of such well-known films as "The Rose" (starring Midler), "Trading Places" (starring Eddie Murphy), and "Wise Guys" (starring Danny DeVito). He was awarded an Emmy for a Bette Midler TV special, and a gold record for producing the Soundtrack to "The Rose." In 1989, he directed "Rude Awakening." His films have received six Academy Award nominations, a Tony Award, and a number of Golden Globe awards.

In 1975, Russo produced the Tony award-winning "Clams on the Half-Shell Revue," which starred Bette Midler and Lionel Hampton. While serving as Midler's manager, he created and managed "The Manhattan Transfer."

Russo became a political activist in the early 1990s when he produced and starred in a one-hour, politically themed TV show entitled "Aaron Russo's Mad as Hell," in which he lashed out against the expansion of government, a national ID card, and suppression of freedom-of-choice in

health care. He ran in the Republican primary for governor of Nevada in 1998, placing second with 26 percent of the vote.

In 1999, he joined the Libertarian Party and subsequently planned to run for governor of Nevada in 2002 as a Libertarian, but was temporarily sidelined by his first bout with cancer. In 2004, he sought the



G. Edward Griffin presents a silver Libertatem to Aaron Russo in recognition of his Champion-of-Freedom Award and appointment to the Freedom Force Hall of Honor, November 8, 2006.

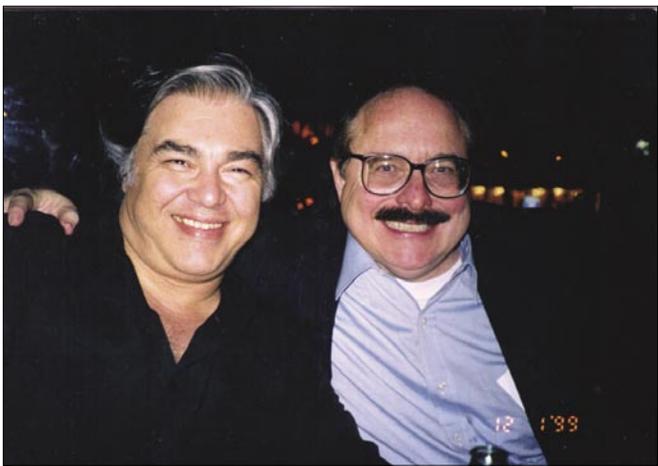
Libertarian Party's nomination for president. He declared that he was running because the United States is "heading to totalitarianism. I have a sincere belief (in) the Constitution and Bill of Rights as envisioned by Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, and Ben Franklin. Unfortunately, neither (major) political party respects the vision of our Founding Fathers, and these documents have been relegated to the dustbin. I want to dust them off and restore them to their proper role in our lives."

However, at the Libertarian National Convention in May of 2004, the nomination was won by Michael Badnarik, who held almost identical views. On Jan. 14, 2007, Russo announced his full support for presidential candidate Ron Paul.

In 2006, Russo produced, directed, and starred in a documentary feature film entitled "America: From Freedom to Fascism." The film challenged the legality of the income tax, the Federal Reserve System, and "growing authoritarianism" in American life. It rapidly became the theme movie of the freedom movement and has been acclaimed by millions, not only in the United States, but around the world. In response to the massive public response from this movie, he created a national network of volunteer activists to carry the message forward in spite of a virtual blackout from the establishment media. When his health no longer permitted his personal involvement, he turned the reins over to Gary Franchi and, with his leadership, the movement continues to operate under the banner of Restore The Republic.

Russo was a recipient of the Freedom Force Champion-of-Freedom Award because of his life achievement on behalf of liberty and also because he exemplified the leadership model advocated by Freedom Force. That model calls for not just complaining about problems in our world, but actually doing something about them. It calls one to become influential within the organizations and channels of mass communication, which direct public opinion. It calls for going to where the people are instead of waiting for them to come to us. Russo understood the wisdom of this strategy and became a role model for members of Freedom Force to follow.

A provocative insight into Russo's personal motivation in the political arena was provided in a video interview conducted on Jan. 29, 2007, by Alex Jones. In this interview, he explained how Nicholas Rockefeller attempted



This picture of Aaron Russo and Nick Rockefeller was taken in December of 1999.

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to convince him to give up his pro-freedom ideas and join with the ruling elite. He told Russo about the plan to microchip the entire population to control them; 11 months before 9/11, predicted "an event that will allow us to invade Afghanistan and Iraq;" and laughed about the coming "War on Terror" that would be stage-managed to frighten Americans into giving up their freedom in exchange for security from an imaginary threat.

Rockefeller invited Russo into the Council on Foreign Relations, the exclusive group that rules America from behind the scenes. When Russo objected to loss of freedom for the common man, Rockefeller replied: "What do you care about them? They mean nothing to you. Look out for yourself and your family." When Russo did not agree, their friendship came to a close.

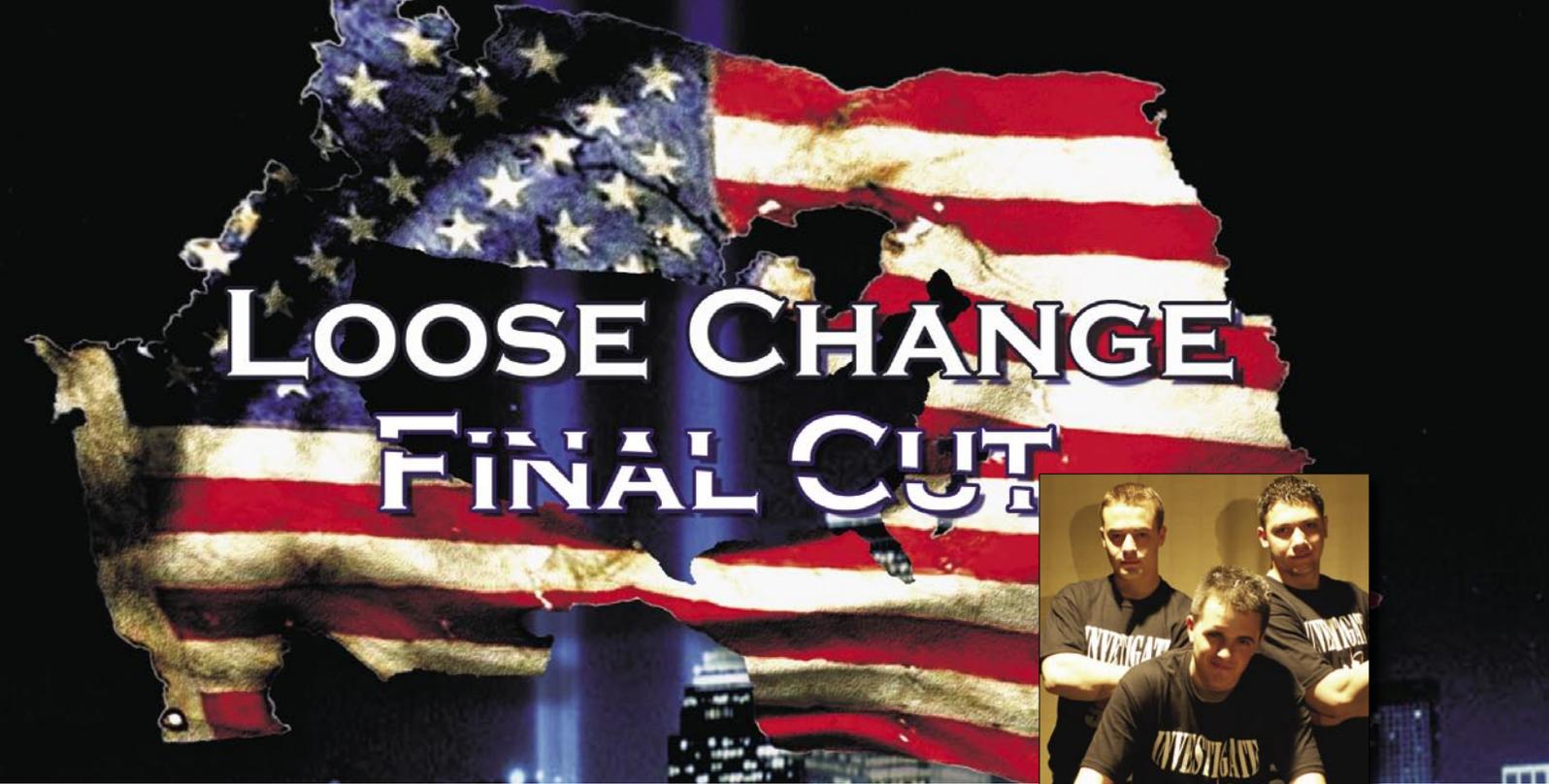
Russo's decision to place principle above expediency cost him dearly. He walked away from a guaranteed place at the table of the world elite where he could have enjoyed untold wealth and business success. Instead, he chose to go against the trend, knowing full well that this would jeopardize his family, social status and his career. He put everything on the line for the cause of liberty. That example is the greatest legacy he has left for us, even greater than his powerful documentary film. His example of courage and dedication to principle shines like a bright beacon for all of us to follow.

Russo told the *Las Vegas Sun* (Nov. 4, 1999) that, when he eventually died and the headstone was put on his grave, "I want it to say, 'Freedom Fighter.'"

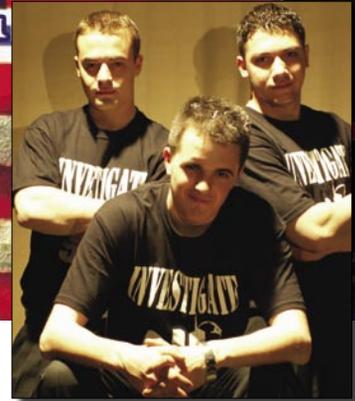
Russo passed away on Aug. 24, 2007, after a six-year bout with cancer.

We salute you, Aaron Russo, Freedom Fighter.

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LOOSE CHANGE FINAL CUT



L-R Corey Rowe, Dylan Avery and Jason Bermas

DATA BITS TO MEGA HITS

by Jelena Zanko

It's not often that a single conversation inspires a budding filmmaker to contemplate his message to the world.

But when James Gandolfini has something to say, it is no surprise that people just seem to listen.

In May of 2002, Dylan Avery had just completed labor -- mainly carpentry and finishing work -- on a new restaurant in downtown Oneonta, N.Y. At the eatery's opening party, Avery apprehended James Gandolfini and candidly spoke film with the critically acclaimed actor best known for his role on *The Sopranos*. Gandolfini left the knowledge-hungry Avery with a compelling prescription for an extraordinary flick.

"If you want to be a successful director, you have to have something to say to the world."

The same month of his fateful meeting with HBO's beloved mob boss, Dylan Avery began writing a fictional movie called "Loose Change." As initially envisioned, "Loose Change" depicts a story about friends encountering information that suggests the U.S. government is responsible for the 9/11 attacks. However, as Avery dug deeper into the research for his film, bridging the chasms between what the government purportedly knows and the information spoon-fed to the public, he made a startling discovery. The truth was even

stranger than the fiction he had originally imagined. All of Avery's findings led him to believe that the events of 9/11 had been orchestrated as an attack by our own government.

Fast forward more than two years later. Avery had shared his research with longtime best friend and fellow Oneonta resident, Corey Rowe. Rowe valiantly served in two tours as part of a Special Forces unit in the Middle East, including Afghanistan and Iraq. Upon his return to the United States, Rowe felt that collaborating with Avery on the "Loose Change" film would prove to be his most significant crusade yet. Avery's revelations had evolved into a full-blown documentary, and their message would soon be seen and heard by millions of people around the world.

The "bits" of information that marked the conception of "Loose Change" has literally culminated into millions of Web hits. It is telling that the film's message has been translated into the most obscure of languages not by the "Loose Change" crew themselves, but by those who believe in sharing the experience. And, even by insatiable Hollywood standards, "Loose Change" is undeniably a hit, a phenomenon that no one, not even Dylan Avery, Corey Rowe or Jason Bermas, could have ever predicted.

Jelena Zanko: How did you make the initial version of *Loose Change*?

Dylan Avery: I got a computer, got some footage and got to work. I had saved up some money from work and started putting it together in my spare time. Initially, it was more of a background type of thing. I never intended for it to get to the stage it is in today.

Enter Jason Bermas. A skilled graphic designer and hard-nosed researcher, he had compiled an extensive library of 9/11 footage and photographic evidence illustrating the government's involvement in 9/11. Bermas met Avery and Rowe via mutual friends. It was not long before Bermas became an integral force working alongside Avery and Rowe. The mechanisms of the truth machine were now intact. The intrepid trio commenced the production of the second edition of "Loose Change."

JZ: Why three versions of "Loose Change"?

JB: The first one, no one thought it would be huge. It was just a 60-minute documentary that gained an underground following on the Internet. So, we took the best 30 minutes out and made a more complete documentary in the second edition and that's what we put out. You know, we're not perfect. So

there were a couple of mistakes in there. We made a mistake on what kind of engine was in Flight 77. We said it was a Rolls Royce and it ended up being a Pratt & Whitney.

DA: We said things like a B-52 hit the Empire State Building.

JB: And it was a B-25. So we saw that as an opportunity when we released the re-cut to correct those errors and make it a bit slicker. Now, through the second edition, we've been able to get media access previously unavailable to us. We've been able to travel the country, get interviews, and really improve upon our argument. So we're really looking forward to releasing the "Final Cut" shortly, and hopefully it's regarded as our strongest film yet.

JZ: As each version gained popularity, how did that affect your budget?

JB: By leaps and bounds -- last year in New York we were able to give away 10,000 DVDs. This year, we weren't able to do as much because we've spent a great deal of our money buying Associated Press footage, Vanderbilt Archives, C-SPAN Archives ... you name it and we've spent the money. We were able to travel to places such as Atlanta, Ga., and interview Cynthia McKinney. We were able to travel to California and interview Steven Jones. Those types of things. So, people who would have never talked to us before talk to us now. Ray McGovern, who wasn't so keen on 9/11 Truth a couple of years ago, has somewhat come around and he's spoken to us. The timing is good and on top of that, I was able to get press passes for the Republican presidential debates in New Hampshire this past June; again, something that would have never come about had it not been for the second edition of "Loose Change."

JZ: Why, exactly, do you think "Loose Change" is so popular?

JB: Well, I think, for one, people are starting to understand that we have not been told the truth about 9/11, and when they do make that realization, they look for information. Second, "Loose Change" is the best-produced film on the subject. It's got a plethora of information whether you agree with it or not. It moves at a good pace and no matter what you think of the movie when you're done, you should have some questions of your own. We're not asking you to buy into everything we say. However, I think the film leaves people wanting more and wondering what really did happen. A lot of people tell me they finish watching it and they almost can't believe what

they've seen. So they watch it again. I feel like Dylan did an amazing job editing the movie, and the pace and flow are just outstanding.

JZ: How did the 9/11 Truth Movement gain so much momentum?

JB: I think that a great number of people have awoken from their funk ... a funk in which they felt as if they had to be part of "American Idol" or some other stupid sub-culture. They have realized that it doesn't really mean anything and they're more concerned with having to go to a foreign nation to kill brown people. I know my buddies don't want to go to Afghanistan or Iraq or even Iran at this point. So, I think a lot of people are just waking up to the fact that there are problems with 9/11 and they do realize that our entire foreign and domestic policy is based on that event. People are beginning to wise up and that is why you're seeing groups like Lone Lantern Society come into their own. You're also seeing groups like We Are Change sprout up, Student Scholars for 9/11 Truth, University at Albany: 9/11 Truth, Philly 9/11 Truth and so on. It's all over the place now.

JZ: What about the global impact? "Loose Change" is available in multiple translations now.

DA: It sure is.

JB: That's correct. You know, in the beginning, other people would translate the movie for us and upload it to Google Video. We're talking about anything from Korean to Dutch to French. And that wasn't even us. There are a few second-version language editions now available on our Web site. But really, that would not have been possible without other people doing that for us. We just didn't have the time or resources to do it ourselves.

JZ: I read that a former Microsoft engineer helped to stream the movie into seven different languages?

DA: Yes, that would be Matt Brown.

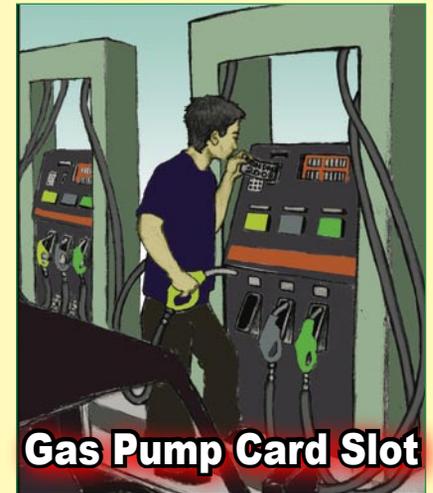
JB: And he built a couple of Web sites based on us.

DA: Yes, he sure did. Great guy too.

JZ: What is the main message of "Loose Change?"

JB: The main message of "Loose Change" is that we've been told far from the truth on what happened that day, and we need a new, independent investigation to not only find out what happened, but to prosecute and punish those responsible.

60 Second Activism



By Gary Franchi

Been to the gas station lately? I know you probably feel as I do every time you fill up -- spent.

Have you ever considered getting your message out at such a place? Think about it for just a minute. Thousands of cars drive through gas stations on a daily basis. They are a central hub on anyone's route to their destination. Let's target these centers of transportation.

A very simple way to utilize gas stations is to get some business-sized cards printed up with your favorite political message. Your favorite Web sites, facts or candidates will fit well on a small business card. The key is to get your message into the hands of the next person at the pump. We don't want to deface the pump with graffiti or stickers that are only glanced at. This is where the business card comes in handy.

A large majority of people use debit cards or credit cards to pay for their fuel. They use the pay-at-the-pump method to expedite their purchase. Take your freshly printed message card after you have pumped your gas and slide it into the credit card slot. Repeat as needed to the other pumps at the station.

What happens next is exactly what you want, the driver who arrives after you will likely use his card to pay for his gas. When he attempts to insert his credit card into the slot he will find it obstructed with your card. At this point he is faced with a decision, throw your card away, read it while refueling, or put it in his pocket for further review.

It takes less than 60 seconds to plant that seed, so keep a stack of cards in your car and be ready to plant every time you fill up!

JZ: What would you say are the main differences between the three editions?

DA: I would say that the first and second editions, though definitely different films, share the same architecture and more or less are presenting the same information. Obviously, the introduction to the first two films is entirely different. The opening credits are almost exactly the same. Now, the "Final Cut" is a completely different movie. I really can't describe it any other way than that. The layout is different. The presentation is different. I don't want to say that everything is different because it's still delivering the same message. But it's still far different from the second edition. That I can assure you.

JZ: And what about the ensuing criticism?

JB: Well obviously, we have endured quite a bit of criticism. For the majority of it, our critics pick a weak argument that we didn't actually make, and subsequently slander our character and not our information. For instance, one of the main components of the History Channel assault in my mind was that they were able to introduce the cast of characters as conspiracy theorists before the commercial break. None of us were ever referred to as researchers, scientists or former pilots; only as conspiracy theorists. We were never given the benefit of the doubt. And then, as soon as the commercial break is over and the second segment begins, they present us as hating the Jews. And they literally flashed a website that said "Jews Did WTC" again and again, while the segment was in progress. So, a lot of times they try and defame us and distort our arguments. When the BBC took on "Loose Change," they made it sound as if we said Delta 1989 never existed. In fact, in our film we contended that Delta 1989 had a bomb threat and it was landed in Cleveland Hopkins airport. But somehow they were able to show a woman who was on that plane, displaying her ticket, thus discrediting us. However, we do take the real criticism into consideration, like maybe presenting the Pentagon a little differently, or focusing on the hijackers some more, which we've done in the new movie. But when there are attacks about the Jews or other things we never said, we can only defend ourselves in the press or on the radio.

JZ: Any further exchanges with Mark Roberts?

JB: I think the last time we saw him was

last December 2006, right Dylan?

DA: Yes. He emailed me his open letter to John Schroeder but that's the last I've corresponded with him.

JB: Right — telling a firefighter about his experience.

DA: Ridiculous.

JB: Exactly. A firefighter (John Schroeder) rushes to the North Tower and five minutes later, another explosion takes place in the elevator shaft ... and not the main elevator shaft by the way. And then Mark Roberts tells the firefighter why that couldn't possibly have happened.

JZ: Why has Popular Mechanics attacked you?

JB: That's a good question. Why is Popular Mechanics attacking us, and why are they considered the end-all, be-all experts on 9/11? You look into the pasts of their main staff, such as James Meigs, and he's a former senior editor of Entertainment Weekly.

DA: These guys are not experts by any stretch of the imagination.

JB: Absolutely not. Davin Coburn, for example, wrote for his college newspaper and a local Pennsylvania paper and I guess that also makes him an expert on the History Channel. Bob Bowman, an ex-fighter pilot with a Ph.D. in aeronautics and nuclear engineering and part of the Star Wars program, spoke about stand-down and how NORAD should have intercepted those planes, and then Davin Coburn of Popular Mechanics gets up and tells Bob Bowman why they didn't. I thought that was laughable.

JZ: Tell me about Screw "Loose Change" ...

JB: Basically it's a blog run by two right-wing neocons who are pretty unapologetic about it: Pat and James. They not only attack our film but also our personal lives, as well as most anyone in the movement. Take their recent headline, for instance, for a media report about a week-and-a-half ago. A local news reporter finally followed up on the fact that bin Laden isn't wanted for 9/11 on his FBI poster. So the reporter contacted the FBI, the Pentagon and The Department of Defense and all three of them basically gave him the runaround. The FBI, Pentagon and the Department of Defense told this reporter that they didn't need to tell him why bin Laden wasn't listed as a suspect, or wasn't listed as wanted. So, the headline read "Nut in the Newsroom". How absurd is that?

DA: I think it's a perfectly legitimate request.

JB: Me too! But according to Pat and James of Screw Loose Change, he's a "Nut in the Newsroom."

JZ: When can we expect your nationwide theatrical release of "Final Cut?"

JB: Dylan, you want to take this one?

DA: Go ahead Bermas.

JB: It doesn't look like we're going to be having a theatrical release right now because effectively we have stopped dealing with Hollywood. The deals that we did see, they wanted us to do impossible things like have us remove the second edition not only off the Internet, but out-of-sight forever. We couldn't sell it, and we wouldn't be able to show it. We would be restricted in all sorts of uses. We did not receive an actual guarantee on how many theaters, either. They wanted to rape us financially without guarantee of our message getting out. So, we've decided to bypass a theatrical release and hopefully we'll be streaming it on the Internet by Nov. 11, 2007. We'll be shipping DVDs before the holiday season as well. There's a chance for a re-release in theaters but we're not holding our breath because we now know how the Hollywood system works. In essence, Magnolia Films wanted us to act as if the second edition never existed. They wanted us to retain zero rights, resulting in a movie that would no longer be ours and then turn around and give them another movie. Again, financial rape without a distribution guarantee.

JZ: What is the future of Louder Than Words?

JB: I know I will be making documentaries and involved with activism until those behind 9/11 are brought to justice. So, that aspect will always exist. I know Dylan would like to pursue a career in regular film, but I feel that Louder Than Words will be around for a very long time. We just hope that people don't just take our words for what we're saying but actually go check out the information presented for themselves. We're not asking for your money, we're asking for 90 minutes of your time. We want your mind for an hour-and-a-half so we can show you something you may have not yet seen. And that's all we want.

**The crew of Louder Than Words can be reached at:
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Off the Grid



A back-to-basics guide to sustainable living.

By Samuel Anthony Ettaro



MAKING ALTERNATIVE ENERGIES MAINSTREAM

It's all in our perspective.

Funny how light bends in a semi-darkened room, isn't it? In much the same way that we saw bathrobes as monsters in our room at night as children, our adult perceptions also bend and distort our reality around us.

It's all about what you believe you see. It's about perception. Making cleaner, more efficient energy sources and technologies more mainstream and popular in America is about perception, as well. Our reality in regards to energy use and our "system of things" is largely based not on the reality, but more on what we've been told or sold to believe as the only real, acceptable and practical way to meet our needs.

Making alternative energies mainstream is a task for the dreamer, the visionary, the American who's not afraid of a little hard work. It's going to take a grassroots, dig-in, get your hands dirty effort on every level from personal, to local, to state on up to the federal level. And all of that starts with one person: You.

"Who Killed the Electric Car?" is a wonderful documentary film by writer/producer Chris Paine that details the invention, rise and quashing of the electric car phenomenon and what powers are behind keeping this technology down. No matter your thoughts on electric cars, this movie in fact illustrates my beginning thoughts nicely and this discussion fits well into our "alternative media" theme this month as here we have an activist/producer who is tackling what he sees as a big issue through his mode of electronic expression. I bring up this movie here to illustrate my points as to the possibilities that exist for us to "get off the grid" and lessen our dependence on the mainstream power structure and the challenges we're up against in making these possibilities reality.

I watched the movie and liked it very much. Not being a movie critic, I'm not going to try to pretend here, so you won't

get my review. If you want to hear what a critic says about the film, read this quote: *"Who Killed the Electric Car?" which has been transferred to film from video, runs efficiently on its own energy and sincerity, which makes it not unlike the car it mourns. It may also be the most timely movie since "The China Syndrome," considering that gas is \$3 a gallon, some profits go to countries that support terrorists and GM is fighting for survival -- in no small part because of its inability to have anything like vision.*

— **Detroit Free Press**

Watch it and educate yourself. It's an important piece of work on many levels.

Reality. Perception. What I've found in my looking into this subject is that there are amazing and affordable technologies that exist that can help you get better gas mileage out of your car, clean emissions from any motorized device, power major appliances and computers in your home with free, naturally-available energy and even heat your home and provide hot water in the same manner.

Yes, there are snake oil salesmen out there, no doubt. However, there are legitimate and worthwhile products and people offering training, as well. It's up to you to inform yourself and make smart choices.

The first step to doing this is to get past the stigma that considers such technologies as "alternative" in the first place. This implication is negative. It suggests that this is a "fringe" thing, a fad. Why our culture accepts things as this way is pretty obvious; it's marketing, conditioning and control. Why do we accept that more efficient, cleaner and more sustainable forms of energy are somehow less-than or not worthy of considerable attention and investment from us as a culture? For some reason, the mainstream is left with the impression that perhaps these technologies are

inferior to more popular methods of energy distribution such as oil, natural gas, even nuclear, or that they're simply too expensive, non-productive or otherwise a hassle.

That's what *they* want you to think; however, it's not necessarily reality. Who's "they?" Again, go watch "Who Killed the Electric Car?"

We're in an info war, it seems. In order to make great change, we would need to see massive movement out there of people utilizing some of these amazing inventions and systems. This will create markets and interest and more big manufacturers may well take to the product if it shows this value. Herein lies the value of the free market.

But it's not working, you say? The technologies are suppressed, buried and simply not put out there like this even if the public *does* want it and the value is clear. Again, watch "Who Killed the Electric Car?" for a stark example. You should also take good look at the battle between AC/DC electricity that went on between Edison and Tesla in the early 1900s. This is a very fascinating and telling tale of the foundation of General Electric and the forces that controlled and setup the world to accept their way of providing power. GE's inventions were not necessarily better, mind you, than Tesla's inventions, but they made the powers that be more money. Tesla's works were buried, he lost the PR war, and the rest is history. We now get our daily news, entertainment and even some handy weapons of war from our dear friends at General Electric. That's convenient for them. Not so for us, the regular folks who want a better way.

Will we ever convince these large companies to see things our way and make a fundamental paradigm shift to cleaner energies? Perhaps. But why should we wait for GE to "bring good things to life?" That should be the job of every good American concerned



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about the state of this country in our everyday walk. Let's take responsibility here for our actions ... and inactions.

Stewardship is a key point to grasp here. Be responsible. Think about your actions. Think about what you turn on and throw away. There are the obvious things you can do to provide alternatives to using gasoline and electricity, for instance:

You know the drill. This stuff's old hat. Recycle, reuse, all that. Of course that's a good thing. It helps you save some pennies here and there, but cumulatively as a people if many do this sort of cutting back, recycling, and whatnot we'll see an impact across the board. So do those things as listed above and more.

However, we need to get more aggressive in our attempt to not simply curb and minimize our energy use, but to actually provide energies from a cleaner source. If we can't get the big companies and big government to help us with it, we have to look at ourselves and make it happen on a personal level.

Realize that there are really cool inventions out there on the market that don't necessarily invent all-new forms of energy, but simply help us augment and stretch our existing systems and fuel sources. Why re-invent the wheel if you don't have to, right? To my delight, I've found that many of them are affordable and they seem to work. My suggestion is to start where you can with what you can afford.

So we know there are a lot of systems and products out there on the market that work, right? Why aren't more people jumping on this bandwagon? This leads us back to our original question: Why are such technologies not ingrained into the American economic lattice en masse?

It's a PR problem, I'm convinced.

Taking back this country from the criminal elements who are serving to repress and even destroy "alternative energy" sources and knowledge that would help alleviate many of our most pressing social concerns is going to have to take on many

different dimensions. We have to attack the problem from every possible angle and I personally feel that the battle over energy is a big part of winning the overall war.

Ultimately, we can't physically stop the onslaught in Iraq and other places as our forces are used by the global elite to enforce their policies and protect their interests. We can protest, struggle, scream from the rooftops, go into politics and all that, of course. And we should! But, ultimately, we can't simply flick the switch and make it stop.

But we CAN buy a small solar generator and power the three computers we have in our home office.

We CAN buy, install, use and tell others about the device that allowed us to double our gas mileage on our car.

We CAN walk and ride bikes more.

We CAN look into utilizing the small stream out back of our properties to provide a small source of hydroelectric power to subsidize our electric consumption.

We CAN utilize wind power on a small scale to provide energy to our home and our neighbors where possible.

Focus on what we CAN do here and now, and do it.

There are many stories in America and around the world of people coming together to share ideas, start up cooperatives and help each other reduce their dependence on big business. I will be sharing some of those stories with you here from time to time, but I encourage you to look about yourself and meet some of these folks and learn from them.

Think of it this way: Even if all these and other devices do for is cut back our dependence on the "grid," and not necessarily save us big dollars, that's OK. That's the point. Perhaps what needs to happen is that these technologies and systems need to be viewed in a different way. Your job America, is to *make* "alternative energies" mainstream -- not because they'll save money, but because it's the right thing to do. It's about freedom versus slavery. Dependence versus independence.

So tonight, go rent "Who Killed the Electric Car?" and rather than getting depressed about the vast forces that are arrayed against common sense and sustainability, get excited about possibilities! Look into some of the things that I outlined in



Ride a bike or walk when practical.



Take public transit if it's available and practical.



Keep your vehicles in good repair.



Wash clothes and dishes at night when the electric rates are lower.



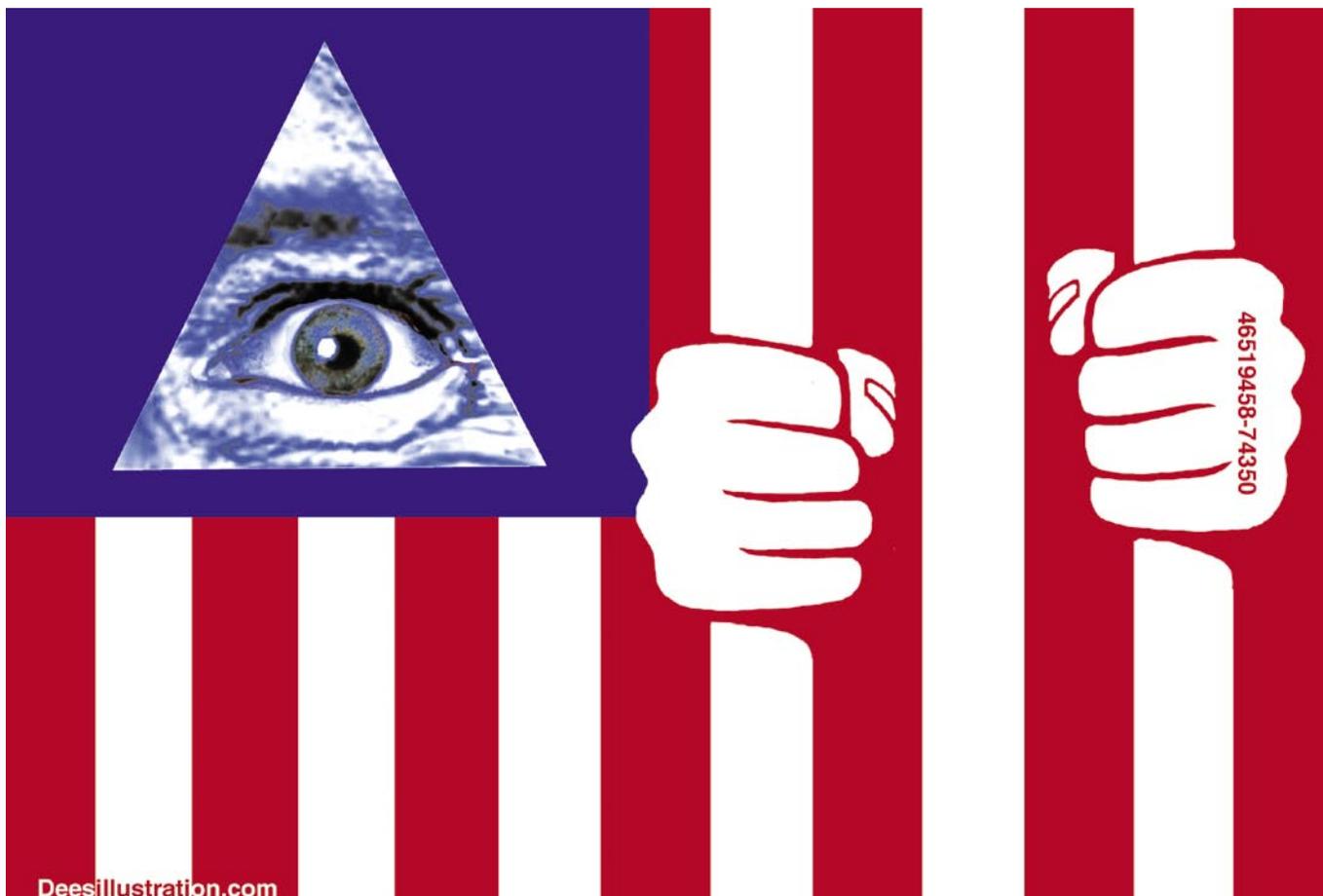
Get rid of your TV and microwave. They're bad for your health overall and take up resources unnecessarily.

this month's article, make some changes in your personal life, implement some cool technology and then, most importantly, tell others. Show it off. Tell the world.

Take responsibility and act today. Continue moving yourself and your family "Off the Grid." You'll be glad you did, and others will see this and follow suit. It's up to you, to all of us, to make "alternative energies" mainstream.

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Constitutional Red Alert!



House Passes Thought Crime Prevention Bill

by Lee Rogers

The U.S. House of Representatives recently passed HR 1955 titled the Violent Radicalization and Homegrown Terrorism Prevention Act of 2007. This bill is one of the most blatant attacks against the Constitution yet and actually defines thought crimes as homegrown terrorism. If passed into law, it will also establish a commission and a Center of Excellence to study and defeat so called thought criminals. Unlike previous anti-terror legislation, this bill specifically targets the civilian population of the United States and uses vague language to define homegrown terrorism. Amazingly, 404 of our elected representatives from both the Democrat and Republican parties voted in favor of this bill. There is little doubt that this bill is specifically targeting the growing patriot community that is demanding the restoration of the Constitution.

First let's take a look at the definitions of violent radicalization and homegrown terrorism as defined in Section 899A of the bill.

The definition of violent radicalization uses vague language to define this term of promoting any belief system that the government considers to be an extremist agenda. Since the bill doesn't specifically define what an extremist belief system is, it is entirely up to the interpretation of the government. Considering how much the government has done

to destroy the Constitution they could even define Ron Paul supporters as promoting an extremist belief system. Literally, the government according to this definition can define whatever they want as an extremist belief system. Essentially they have defined violent radicalization as thought crime. The definition as defined in the bill is shown below.

(2) VIOLENT RADICALIZATION- The term 'violent radicalization' means the process of adopting or promoting an extremist belief system for the purpose of facilitating ideologically based violence to advance political, religious, or social change.

The definition of homegrown terrorism uses equally vague language to further define thought crime. The bill includes the planned use of force or violence as homegrown terrorism which could be interpreted as thinking about using force or violence. Not only that but the definition is so vaguely defined, that petty crimes could even fall into the category of homegrown terrorism. The definition as defined in the bill is shown below.

(3) HOMEGROWN TERRORISM- The term 'homegrown terrorism' means the use, planned use, or threatened use, of force or violence by a group or individual born, raised, or based and operating primarily within the United

States or any possession of the United States to intimidate or coerce the United States government, the civilian population of the United States, or any segment thereof, in furtherance of political or social objectives.

Section 899B of the bill goes over the findings of Congress as it pertains to homegrown terrorism. Particularly alarming is that the bill mentions the Internet as a main source for terrorist propaganda. The bill even mentions streams in obvious reference to many of the patriot and pro-constitution Internet radio networks that have been formed. It also mentions that homegrown terrorists span all ages and races indicating that the Congress is stating that everyone is a potential terrorist. Even worse is that Congress states in their findings that they should look at draconian police states like Canada, Australia and the United Kingdom as models to defeat homegrown terrorists. Literally, these findings of Congress fall right in line with the growing patriot community.

The biggest joke of all is that this section also says that any measure to prevent violent radicalization and homegrown terrorism should not violate the constitutional rights of citizens. However, the definition of violent radicalization and homegrown terrorism as they are defined in section 899A are themselves unconstitutional. The Constitution does not allow the government to arrest people for thought crimes, so any promises not to violate the constitutional rights of citizens are already broken by their own definitions.

SEC. 899B. FINDINGS.

The Congress finds the following:

(1) The development and implementation of methods and processes that can be utilized to prevent violent radicalization, homegrown terrorism, and ideologically based violence in the United States is critical to combating domestic terrorism.

(2) The promotion of violent radicalization, homegrown terrorism, and ideologically based violence exists in the United States and poses a threat to homeland security.

(3) The Internet has aided in facilitating violent radicalization, ideologically based violence, and the homegrown terrorism process in the United States by providing access to broad and constant streams of terrorist-related propaganda to United States citizens.

(4) While the United States must continue its vigilant efforts to combat international terrorism, it must also strengthen efforts to combat the threat posed by homegrown terrorists based and operating within the United States.

(5) Understanding the motivational factors that lead to violent radicalization, homegrown terrorism, and ideologically based violence is a vital step toward eradicating these threats in the United States.

(6) The potential rise of self radicalized, unaffiliated terrorists domestically cannot be easily prevented through traditional Federal intelligence or law enforcement efforts, and requires the incorporation of State and local solutions.

(7) Individuals prone to violent radicalization, homegrown terrorism, and ideologically based violence span all races, ethnicities, and religious beliefs, and individuals should not be targeted based solely on race, ethnicity, or religion.

(8) Any measure taken to prevent violent radicalization, homegrown terrorism, and ideologically based violence and homegrown terrorism in the United States should not violate the constitutional rights, civil rights and civil liberties of United States citizens and lawful permanent residents.

(9) Certain governments, including the United

Kingdom, Canada, and Australia have significant experience with homegrown terrorism and the United States can benefit from lessons learned by those nations.

Section 899C calls for a commission on the prevention of violent radicalization and ideologically based violence. The commission will consist of ten members appointed by various individuals that hold different positions in government. Essentially, this is a commission that will examine and report on how they are going to deal with violent radicalization and homegrown terrorism. So basically, the commission is being formed specifically on how to deal with thought criminals in the United States. The bill requires that the commission submit their final report 18 months following the commission's first meeting as well as submit interim reports every 6 months leading up to the final report. Below is the bill's defined purpose of the commission. Amazingly they even define one of the purposes of the commission to determine the causes of lone wolf violent radicalization.

(b) Purpose- The purposes of the Commission are the following:

(1) Examine and report upon the facts and causes of violent radicalization, homegrown terrorism, and ideologically based violence in the United States, including United States connections to non-United States persons and networks, violent radicalization, homegrown terrorism, and ideologically based violence in prison, individual or 'lone wolf' violent radicalization, homegrown terrorism, and ideologically based violence, and other faces of the phenomena of violent radicalization,

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homegrown terrorism, and ideologically based violence that the Commission considers important.

(2) Build upon and bring together the work of other entities and avoid unnecessary duplication, by reviewing the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of--

(A) the Center of Excellence established or designated under section 899D, and other academic work, as appropriate;

(B) Federal, State, local, or tribal studies of, reviews of, and experiences with violent radicalization, homegrown terrorism, and ideologically based violence; and

(C) foreign government studies of, reviews of, and experiences with violent radicalization, homegrown terrorism, and ideologically based violence.

Section 899D of the bill establishes a Center of Excellence for the Study of Violent Radicalization and Homegrown Terrorism in the United States. Essentially, this will be a Department of Homeland Security affiliated institution that will study and determine how to defeat thought criminals.

Section 899E of the bill discusses how the government is going to defeat violent radicalization and homegrown terrorism through international cooperation. As stated in the findings section earlier in the legislation, they will unquestionably seek the advice of countries with draconian police states like the United Kingdom to determine how to deal with this growing threat of thought crime.

Possibly the most ridiculous section of the bill is Section 899F which states how they plan on protecting civil rights and

civil liberties while preventing ideologically based violence and homegrown terrorism. Here is what the section says.

SEC. 899F. PROTECTING CIVIL RIGHTS AND CIVIL LIBERTIES WHILE PREVENTING IDEOLOGICALLY-BASED VIOLENCE AND HOMETGROWN TERRORISM.

(a) In General- The Department of Homeland Security's efforts to prevent ideologically-based violence and homegrown terrorism as described herein shall not violate the constitutional rights, civil rights, and civil liberties of United States citizens and lawful permanent residents.

(b) Commitment to Racial Neutrality- The Secretary shall ensure that the activities and operations of the entities created by this subtitle are in compliance with the Department of Homeland Security's commitment to racial neutrality.

(c) Auditing Mechanism- The Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Officer of the Department of Homeland Security will develop and implement an auditing mechanism to ensure that compliance with this subtitle does not result in a disproportionate impact, without a rational basis, on any particular race, ethnicity, or religion and include the results of its audit in its annual report to Congress required under section 705.

(b) Clerical Amendment- The table of contents in section 1(b) of such Act is amended by inserting at the end of the items relating to title VIII the following:

It states in the first subsection that in general the efforts to defeat thought crime shall not violate the constitutional rights, civil rights and civil liberties of the United States citizens and lawful permanent residents. How does this protect constitutional rights if they use vague language such as in general that prefaces the statement? This means that the Department of Homeland Security does not have to abide by the Constitution in their attempts to prevent so called homegrown terrorism.

This bill is completely insane. It literally allows the government to define any and all crimes including thought crime as violent radicalization and homegrown terrorism. Obviously, this legislation is unconstitutional on a number of levels and it is clear that all 404 representatives who voted in favor of this bill are traitors and should be removed from office immediately. The treason spans both political parties and it shows us all that there is no difference between them. The bill will go on to the Senate and will likely be passed and signed into the law by George W. Bush. Considering that draconian legislation like the Patriot Act and the Military Commissions Act have already been passed, there seems little question that this one will get passed as well. This is more proof that our country has been completely sold out by a group of traitors at all levels of government.

To view more on this legislation visit <http://www.roguegovernment.com>



We Are Change has been chosen as the activist profile in this issue because of its steadfast dedication to groundbreaking methods of raising awareness for the plight of the sick and dying of the 9/11 World Trade Center false-flag attack.

They have confronted some of the key players who are forcing us into a "New World Order," including

David Rockefeller and Zbigniew Brzezinski. On Sept. 7, 2007, they kicked off a five-day activist event to raise money for the first responders of 9/11/01 and raise awareness for 9/11 Truth.

Web Site: www.WeAreChange.org

Group formed: Sept. 11, 2003.

Purpose: To educate and motivate the public to investigate the totality of events surrounding 9/11. To push toward a new fully independent investigation that includes the months leading up to the attacks, the attacks themselves, as well as the cleanup of Ground Zero and the 9/11 Commission Report. To expose the lies and the real criminals, therefore bringing justice to the family members of the victims. To further educate people about important issues that affect them and report events happening worldwide that are not reported by the mainstream media.

Members: New York City as well as chapters worldwide including; Long Island, Colorado, the U.K., Alabama, Minnesota, Seattle, Rhode Island, Central Florida, South Florida, Cleveland, Georgia, Houston.

Membership Profile: Family Members, first responders, Former NYPD & FDNY, activists.

Organizer: Luke Rudkowski.

Group leaders: Tom Foti, Matthew Lpacek, Sabrina Rivera, Mike Knarr, Manny Badillo, Nate Evans, Rob Hulsart, Dan Burke.

Fundraising: Online donations.

Money spent on: Educational materials such as fliers, DVDs, information boards, banners, etc.

Total number of actions: Over 500 actions to date (Every Saturday at Ground Zero from 1-5 p.m. Miscellaneous street actions around New York City.)

Hours spent in actions: Usually 3-4 hours per action.

Notable actions: Ground Zero, Wall Street, Building 7, Times Square, Union & Washington Square Park.

Preferred methods of activism: Street actions, truth-squading (*approaching key figures in government with cameras and asking them questions related to NWO and 9/11*).

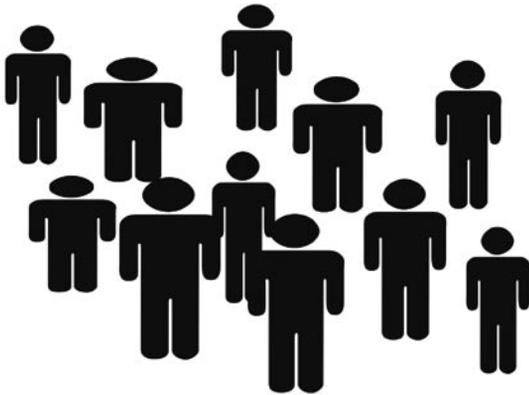
Other Projects: Raising money for sick and dying first-responders, support of causes which are based on truth.

Favorite quote: "Be the change you want to see in this world." ~*Muhatma Gandhi*



When Your Party Fails You

By Larry R. Bradley



Supporters of both the Republican and Democratic parties feel their parties have failed them.

"Traditional" Republicans feel the party has drifted from its ideals of constrained spending, limiting the size and scope of government, and avoiding foreign entanglements.

On the Democratic side, frustration exists over the inability to force a withdrawal from Iraq and the unwillingness to pursue the impeachment of Bush and Cheney.

This disaffection is reflected in recent polling. Forty-three percent of voters are so disgusted by *both* Democrats and Republicans they identify themselves as independents. A July 2007 poll by USA Today and Gallup revealed 58 percent of respondents wish there were a viable third party.

Results like these have voters asking what needs to be done to reverse these trends and forge a consensus enabling voters to have competent government that works on their behalf.

If your party has failed you, then you have two options. First, join another party. Unfortunately, in America this is a very limited option when only two major parties exist.

Your second option has two variations. Either work to remake the membership and policies of one of the existing parties or form or join a third party. The third party alternative is a long-term project unlikely to bear fruit by November 2008.

The more likely thing that could happen is for the internal membership of the two major political parties to shift. Given the polling numbers above, the leadership of the two major parties should be asking themselves the following questions: What is the group or groups affiliated with our party whose image or policy demands are keeping over 40 percent of the voting public from joining with us? What can we do to move that 43 percent as a group to vote for our party?

Unfortunately, without proper leadership and messaging, the movement of independent voters as a block is unlikely. Instead, the 43 percent will likely be split and (once again) America will be without consensus or momentum.

Two issues will cause the independent 43 percent to be split. The first issue is national defense. Democrats must realize the primacy of national defense to voters. For many voters, all other issues are secondary to feeling safe.

Regrettably, Democrats seem unable to articulate a robust vision for national defense. The

conduct of the so-called war on terror has shaken the image of Republicans as reliable stalwart warriors. Unfortunately for Democrats, not enough voters are likely to be sufficiently shaken to abandon the Republicans at voting time. Proposals that could attract independent voters to Democrats appear to be rejected because of the likely opposition of anti-war groups allied with Democrats. If Democrats want to achieve dominance across all government, then they must confront and resolve this situation.

The other reason the 43 percent independent vote will likely be split is the clever manipulation of social issues such as abortion, gay marriage and the like.

One answer to countering this manipulation may lie in the lessons of the election of 1932 and the issue of prohibition.

Let's begin exploring those lessons with this question. Could candidates run for political office today on the premise that they were going to bring back prohibition? The answer is no, isn't it? Prohibition is a settled issue. America has determined the consumption of alcoholic beverages by adults will be allowed. The balance point is that if adults consume alcoholic beverages to excess and drive, then they will be subject to legal punishment. This is the agreement made to balance freedom of choice with personal responsibility.

This agreement did not come easily. The in-your-face confrontations between supporters and opponents of prohibition



can be easily imagined. In the end, two factors led to a majority opinion enabling the repeal of Prohibition. One was freedom of choice. People who liked to have a glass of wine with their meal were unwilling to be classified as criminals for the sake of enjoying that simple pleasure. The second factor was the recognition that if the groups who imposed Prohibition on the populace were able to get away with this restriction on personal behavior, then what other unwanted limitations might they impose?

Today, this country needs a solution to social issues equivalent to the one found for Prohibition. Such a solution would neutralize social issues as a wedge used to divide the electorate. There are two keys to appealing to independent voters on these issues. The first is to demonstrate that what the advocates of social issues want is "against the rules" and a restriction on Independents' personal behavior as consenting adults. The second key is to illustrate the further harm that could come from allowing a law that is "against the rules." Here is an illustration of what "against the rules" means.

Think of the big box retailers in this country – Wal-Mart, Kmart, Target, etc. They all compete with one another to get shoppers to shop at their store and not their competitors'. What if one of them was able to exert sufficient political influence to have a law passed saying you must shop at their store? Clearly, consumers would say that was "against the rules." One reason a law like that would be "against the rules" would be that allowing such a law to be in effect would lead to other abuses, such as price-fixing.

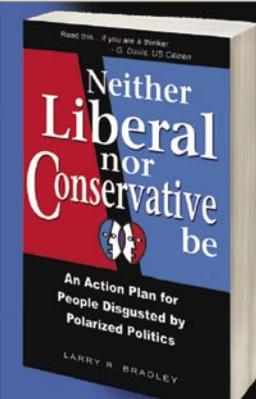
In a similar way, Democrats must persuade independent voters that the positions on social issues advocated by Republicans represent not only the imposition of religious beliefs through governmental legislation, but sets a precedent that could threaten personal choices in other areas of their lives.

For their part, Republicans must realize if Democrats are able to finally articulate a compelling vision of national defense, then Republican affiliation with the goals of the radical religious right could doom Republicans to minority status.

Both parties would do well to craft policy proposals in keeping with the following principles: social tolerance, fiscal prudence, and limited government coupled with the toughest national defense possible. Such a party would appeal to a broad consensus of the electorate and be much more likely to truly represent the people well.

Finally, voters must speak up for parties and candidates who embrace such principles. The more voters get involved in the primary elections, the more likely they are to have a choice between moderate candidates who will govern intelligently and competently. When that happens voters will have parties who serve them, not fail them.

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We Were Born Kings

By George Shepherd



A little more than 230 years ago a small group of like-minded men had an idea, a vision that some people called an experiment. This vision was a radical departure from the norm that was met with ridicule from neighbors and fellow statesmen alike. These peasant farmers and craftsmen decided that they wanted to be kings and give their children the birthright title of prince and princess.

Sovereign: *definition.* Supreme or highest in power; superior to all others; chief; as, our sovereign prince.

The Declaration of Independence coupled with the first legislative papers defining our freedoms and “unalienable” rights gave us our power over tyranny and elevated the status of every American to that of monarch over our lives and personal property. We were born kings and queens!

So, why do we act as peasants? Why do the majority of Americans just accept the belief that life is dictated by the rogue government, that there is nothing that they can do to change any of it?

The price paid for each of our crowns was not just ink on paper. It was paid for by the blood and sweat of our ancestors over decades of struggle. No one recognizes the true opportunities that America has to offer like the immigrants of today. I’ve heard many slurs about the convenient store clerk, the liquor store cashier and the cab driver that went on to own the establishment that they started working for. The reason that these people were able to rise from the perceived lower levels of American society was not because they received special favor from the government. They used the system that the fathers of this nation paid for to execute the birthright that we forgot we had.

The patriot movement is sometimes perceived as

a bunch of shotgun carrying, tobacco chewing, “trailer park” dwellers that wear tin foil on their heads so the government can’t read their minds. Do you consider Benjamin Franklin to be a patriot? Did he wear foil on his head? How about Thomas Jefferson? Do you think he might be on Jerry Springer if he were alive today? NO, these men were visionaries; founding fathers and they were not of the poor class.

There is a notion that to be a patriot is to be a pauper. This is not one of empowerment. This is one of servitude. Becoming empowered or financially secure is not buying a lotto ticket or waiting for that tax return after April 15th; looking for a hand out from the government. The power to change comes from within. You have something that the fathers of this nation did not. You were born sovereign. You have the same freedoms as the kings of vast empires. You have the power to become



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more than those that came before you.

The world's elite use wealth and influence to reduce our princely stature to that of servant and slave. We cannot challenge them by vast numbers alone. They are not intimidated by the hoard. Do you think it wise to bring a knife to a gun battle? Their weapon of choice is that of pen and ink. It is that which we struggle to attain. Money that is the lifeblood of this economic empire can buy many willing servants and soldiers to fight on their behalf.

The sons and daughters of the elite do not serve in our military. They are the "Wizards of Oz". They pull the string of the puppets in government to bend the rules to suit their economic "plain sight" agenda.

If you want to defeat the enemy, you must first arm yourself with the weapons that they wield. The temptations of greed and power are strong when close to these battles. They too are weapons of the elite to "purchase" your loyalty and send you back to disguised servitude with a few more toys and a flat screen TV.

I put a call out to all patriots to arm yourself, not only with what is protected by the second amendment, but with a stronger weapon. Financial Independence! Don't be fooled into believing that "it takes money, to make money." This is another form of hamster wheel control. You can start a business on little or no money. Build the empire that you were born to rule. Only then can we meet the elite on the battlefield and know that we are adequately armed and ready to reclaim what is rightfully ours.



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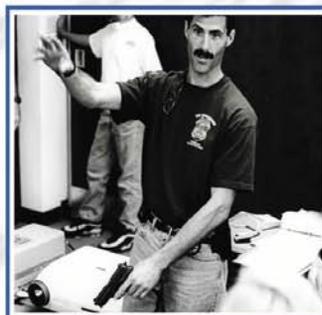
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