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Gas prices soared in the Upper Peninsula; an area dependent on tourism and long distance shipping.



Nationally, the Oil Freak Show is enraging people.



What's Really Driving Oil Prices?

Interestingly enough, NBC reports that oil prices are up because of power outages at refineries and a huge increase in auto sales which predicts a 2% increase in oil usage. The sum of the total doesn't add up.

The estimated 1.5 trillion barrels of crude left beneath the earth's surface doesn't give us longevity with our gas-burning engines. The legitimate factors for the unprecedented hike in crude prices has nothing to do with supply and demand as the liberal media would like us to believe; it has a lot more to do with motives in controlling our lives.

President Bush announced his support for funding research for alternative fuels and the GOP fell in-line behind him. Immediately after the announcement, it was pay-back time.

It is no secret that oil companies had purchased every patent that would provide us with internal combustion engines that have the same power but gets up to 300 miles per gallon. The concept is extremely simple; the most volatile state of gasoline is when it is both heated and agitated. The use of the resulting fumes or vapors would perform at a much higher efficiency than the 10 to 30 mpg we get in today's vehicles.

Couple that with the fact that either the auto makers are in cahoots with the oil companies and refuse to do any practical R & D on their engines or they hire nothing but idiots. Since the U. P. is home to MTU and auto manufactures don't hire idiots, the formula does seem to get much muddier in these months of summer.

New auto sales were in a heavy slump so they had to come up with a gimmick to sell their vehicles. Employee discounts came to the rescue and people went shopping for new cars in droves; people who would have never bought a new vehicle otherwise. The speculation of more vehicles drove prices up in the estimation of the liberal media. Most families have no more than two cars, then and after the big sale. Baby-boomers are aging and downsizing to one car per family. The millions of abortions had cut the up-and-coming drivers significantly, so that is not a valid excuse.

What is valid, is that the liberals in Washington will be forced to come to our rescue by discontinuing oil futures trading and regulating the markets.

When the Chips are Down

Every vehicle on the road today requires the use of computer chips to run. In an era when we are very susceptible to foreign devices, like the Electro-Magnetic-Pulse (EMP) bomb, we're not ready. The EMP will corrupt every computer within hundreds of miles.

It is not coincidental that a large movement by the EPA and environmentalist to rid us of auto junk yards came at a time when we may need to salvage a car that doesn't need a computer chip to run. In fact, the phase-out of vehicles that people could work on is another curiosity.

With each generation we move further and further away from independence and self-sufficiency. Only those growing up on rural farms or in rural areas that allow kids to work on their tractors or motorcycles are the last remaining threat to the liberals. Gas prices will force urbanization.

The Model Emergency Health Powers Act

by Fred E. Foldvary, Senior Editor

: The U.S. States have been enacting MEHPA, the Model Emergency Health Powers Act. This is part of the War on Terror being waged by the chiefs of the federal government, who have been urging the State governments to adopt it. MEHPA was written by the Center for Law and Public Health, funded by the Centers for Disease Control.

If a medical emergency is declared, under MEHPA the state authorities would have the power to order all residents in the State to be vaccinated. Refusal would be a crime. An argument in favor of this is that if a person catches a communicable disease, it is not just his life that is in danger, but that person is a danger to many others. Conceptually, vaccinations work to control disease, but only if everyone receives the vaccination.

The counter-argument is that some vaccines may themselves be dangerous or only incompletely tested. Smallpox vaccines can cause bad side-effects, with a small probability of death. People with allergies and other vulnerabilities could be coerced into vaccination. State officials would be exempt from liability.

If there is a bio-terror attack, the state of emergency authorized by MEHPA goes far beyond already-existing powers. The governor's power would continue after the emergency is over. The State legislatures would not be able to review the declaration for 60 days, and after that, they would need a 2/3 majority to end the emergency. It seems an excessive grant of power to limit the legislature this way.

Under MEHPA, people could be forcibly quarantined. The State could abuse this power to put away protesters and political opposition. State health personae would have the power to seize, confiscate, or destroy private property without compensation. They could take food, firearms, and fuel. If someone has stockpiled food for emergency, it could be taken away and used to feed others, such as government officials.

MEHPA also has effects if there is no medical emergency. Pharmacists would have to report unusual patterns of a person's drug purchases along with personal information. This seems to go well beyond what is warranted for emergencies. It seems to sneak in an expansion of the federal government's war on drugs.

As a further intrusion into personal privacy, any person with a "legitimate need" for medical records could require them to be provided. Information obtained by health care providers would be reported to public health agencies.

This MEHPA law follows a familiar pattern. There exists some real problem, in this case the danger of a bio-terrorist attack. Legislation is then drafted to deal with problem. The law has some reasonable features, such as requiring the public to be vaccinated and quarantined. But these provisions are subject to abuse. Moreover, the legislation also includes additional provisions that go beyond the danger and intrudes into the privacy and liberty of the people.

Because of these dangerous side effects, it seems to me that as currently drafted, MEHPA does more harm than good. Unfortunately, many States have already adopted it, and there is political pressure on others to do so. Maybe if the public is sufficiently informed, there will be counter pressure to eliminate the sections that violate our liberty and constitutional rights.

<http://www.progress.org/archive/fold288.htm>
The Progress Report

Stem Cell Programming Could Solve Stem Cell Research Dilemmas

Washington, DC (LifeNews.com) -- Scientists say the process of stem cell programming could solve the intense debate between advocates and opponents of embryonic stem cell research. Imagine being able to reprogram the cells of your own body to produce fresh heart cells, regenerated nerve cells to heal spinal cord injuries, pancreatic cells to stop diabetes—or any other type of

tissue to cure what ails you. Somatic cell reprogramming, also known as dedifferentiation, might be able to do that. Robert Lanza, vice president of Advanced Cell Technology, is one of the top apologists for embryonic stem cell research, but his company is also working on stem cell programming. "Our group, and I know at least two or three others, are playing with different techniques, and it's very clear

that something is going on here. We're definitely getting reprogramming," he told MSNBC. Leon Kass, chairman of the US President's Council on Bioethics, thinks the research could help break the impasse. "I think that's where the gold is buried," he said, calling it the "most exciting new development" in stem cell research. <http://lifeneews.com/>

God Granted Us Intelligence but not always Wisdom

King Solomon didn't ask God to grant him power and riches, but he instead asked for wisdom to rule over his kingdom. God found his request favorable.

In the modern era, the information age is upon us and we are deep into the secular modes of society. We are often too readily accepting of changes in our cultural norms and values. We have lost sight of what is truly our appointed purpose in life. The family has become a hindrance, divorce comes easy and the elderly are put into nursing homes.

Perhaps many of us had received the blessing to better see the differences between good and evil after 9—11; a nation that prays together shall not perish to evil. Perhaps the distinction of evil remains elusive among many of those around us. Killing babies for convenience or for embryonic stem cell research is evil. Gay relationships and especially gay marriage is evil. Pornography and Presidents having sex with interns or anyone having sex with children are evil. Unfortunately, many do not recognize evil or call it evil.

The FCC has been monitoring curse words on the airwaves and in theaters, but the use of the names of Jesus or God in vulgar dialogue is not edited, but condoned. We should not tolerate the dishonor God. PBS even edited out the word God when God was thanked on Lawrence Welk.

The dishonor that is given to Allah by the infidels that kill the innocent is vulgar and obscene. The alliance between the infidels and the godless communist governments is evident and is evil. The alliance between the liberals and godless communist is evil.

RADICAL ENVIRONMENTALISM IS AN UNMITIGATED FARCE

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The Earth has endured never-ending sunspots, reversing poles, shifting magnetic fields, drifting continents and ice ages in its 4.5 Billion year history. It has experienced the wondrous 165-million year dinosaur experiment. About 600 Million years ago the Cambrian explosion occurred where life almost magically erupted, emerged and evolved at a pace never before seen. No one knows why.

Over its lifetime, the Earth spun, tilted, heaved, shifted, rose and shrunk, drastically changed, expelled gases and molten lava, grew hot and then cold. Whole continents drifted first towards each other (Pangea) and then away, until finally arriving at the seven existing continents of today. Polar ice caps and glaciers melted and sea levels rose and then lowered. About 10,000 years ago, at least one third of the Earth's surface was covered in a layer of ice over one mile thick. During that ice age that lasted longer than civilized man has lived on Earth, there were no animals, plants, insects or habitat that could survive in this harsh environment, except those very small creatures that adapted to a life on or in the ice. The ultimate thaw and the rushing torrent carved deep gouges and massive channels in the Earth's surface. It created riverbeds and dry falls and lakes and inland seas and other features in the Earth's crust, not there before. But life on Earth still survived in other places less hostile.

And yet, for 99.93333% of the Earth's estimated 4.5 billion years, not one human walked upon its undulating surfaces, climbed a mountain, traversed a plain, or sailed on or swam in the vast expanse of its oceans, lakes, rivers or streams. In that time 99.9% of every species that ever lived on Earth, became extinct. Nature rolled the dice with zillions of evolutionary experiments. It is still rolling the dice today. We humans are but an integral part of that continuing evolutionary experiment. And yes, we probably are having some affect on the environment, but the question is, is that affect greater or lesser than nature itself? After reading this, the answer will be self-evident.

Whole forests grew and then died out. Mountains rose out of the bowels of the Earth, pushed up by continents in collision and then flattened back into the crust. Rivers changed direction. Monster lakes were formed. Giant meteors struck the Earth at galactic speeds, carving out massive holes in the crust and sending continent-size clouds of sunlight-dimming dust into the atmosphere. The atmosphere became opaque and cut off the life-giving Sunlight, rendering lifeless, enormous parts of the planet. Millions of species of plants and animals evolved, survived, reproduced and then died out, to be replaced by entirely different species of plants and animals.

These events changed the life processes on Earth forever. New processes emerged and new life rose up out of the moist rich soil, where those conditions existed. However, major changes seldom occurred in cataclysmic events. They almost always took place agonizingly slowly, over eons of time, through the tedious, grinding, random, chaotic, disorganized process of natural evolution. The variables were almost infinite and still are.

And today, those same agonizingly slow processes are at work. We are an integral part of those processes but we will have little or no affect on any final outcome. We will but only tickle the grander elements such as the Sun, the moon and the Earth itself, none of which is measurable to the degree necessary for accurate predictions. A few spewing volcanoes or an episode of Sunspots can totally invalidate any computer models. The variables are just too great to model, but the environmentalists use these in-accurate models to create crises so that they can entrench themselves in an ever-growing culture of "the sky is falling" and get you to donate money to them, or have it confiscated from you by conning the government into giving it to them. Just look at weather predictions by scientists and weathermen. Any prediction is good for about 2 hours and that is why the environmentalist's models were predicting an ice age 20 years ago and now they are predicting global warming. It's ludicrous and an insult to true science.

Obviously, if we believe the environmentalists about habitat preservation, or global warming, or CO2 in the oceans, or auto emissions, or warming or cooling currents, or depletion of the ozone layer, or DDT use, or deforestation, or melting glaciers, or biospheres, or wildlands, or yellow rain, or endangered and invasive species, or any other of "the-sky-is-falling" disasters "they" say will befall us, if we don't capitulate and live "green", civilization as we know it will surely die. This is nothing but drivel and more lies to get your money. No matter what humans do or try to do, they will not have anywhere near the affect that the natural forces governing the Earth, the Sun, the other Planets, the galaxies and the Universe as a whole, will have.

Because you see, the Universe, our Solar System and even our Earth are violent, dangerous places to humans and other life forms and always have been. Just ask the dinosaurs. So far, we have just been lucky. A close-by (in galactic terms) supernova in the spiral arm of the Milky Way, in which our solar system resides, could flood the Sun and planets with massive amounts of deadly radiation and render them lifeless and barren.

If the Sun changed its energy output by a significant fraction, all life on Earth could cease. An errant asteroid or gigantic rock could be driven into the path of the Earth's orbit and the resulting collision could dramatically change the pattern of life, or terminate it altogether. The Earth itself is chock-full of cataclysmic surprises, many of which have the power to erase the human species from its surface forever.

Environmentalists cry "wolf" on very little data and way too short time periods to come up with accurate predictions. But in the final analysis, environmentalism has become very big business. It employs millions of so-called experts and scientists, most who work for the government, coming up with models, studies and equations based on variables so wide as to make most of their predictions meaningless.

Environmentalism has become a cult, a cult of mindless followers with a distorted vision on how humans and the Earth should relate to each other, where Earth gets the highest priority. The only way to stop this madness is to stop donating to environmental groups. Dry up their funds and you render them impotent.

The U. S. human population only occupies 5.6% of the landmass since it was first colonized by Europeans, some 400 years ago. So plants, trees, birds, insects and animals have 94.6% of the landmass to occupy, not to mention they also occupy our 5.6%. If we grew to occupying say 10% of the land mass in the next 200 years, wouldn't that seem a fair and equitable distribution of the available land for humans and the other Earth's occupants? Am I saying to trash the land we live on, of course not. But stealing private land for the radical environmentalist's agenda by government regulation without due process and without compensation, as required by the 5th and 14th Amendments, is dead wrong.

Radical environmentalism is less than a hundred years old. The Earth is at least 4.5 Billion years old. Civilized societies have been around for about 5,000 years. 5,000 years represents .000111% of Earth's existence. Put it in perspective. Humans are in fact part of the evolutionary and natural process of Earth and those processes, not environmentalists or governments, will determine the final outcome. This is why radical environmentalism is an unmitigated farce and this is why it should be inhibited or eradicated wherever it arises. To do otherwise is to invite environmental enslavement, where you have no rights whatsoever.

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Chem-trails Douse U. P. of Michigan 8-6-05

NEGAUNEE, MICHIGAN 08-06-2005

What started off as a beautiful clear day over Negaunee soon turned into a sky full of translucent clouds that formed in the sky after several aircraft flew various straight-line patterns. The intensity of the sun and the surface temperatures increased by 15 to 20%. The humidity also fell, but the rise in temperatures kept the dew point nearly in tact. There were other anomalies associated with the visit.

The AM radio had a fluctuating hum, the power went out briefly and the batteries in a digital and a 35mm camera died—it was later learned the batteries in another camera further south also succumbed during the photo sessions of powdered the skies.

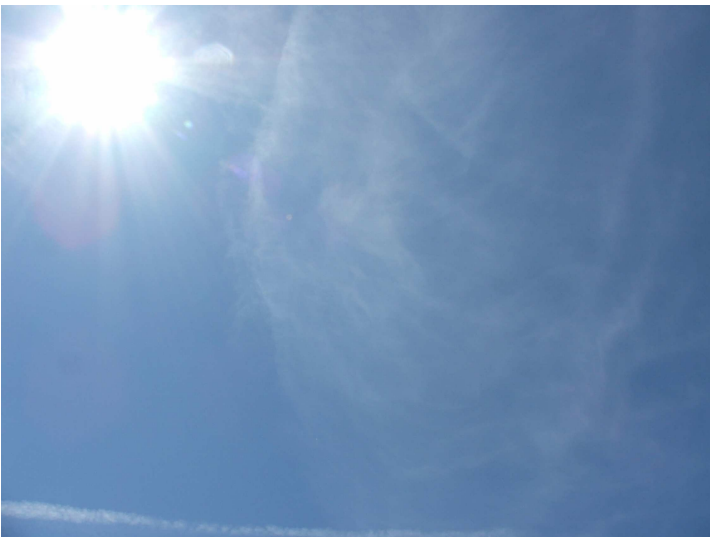
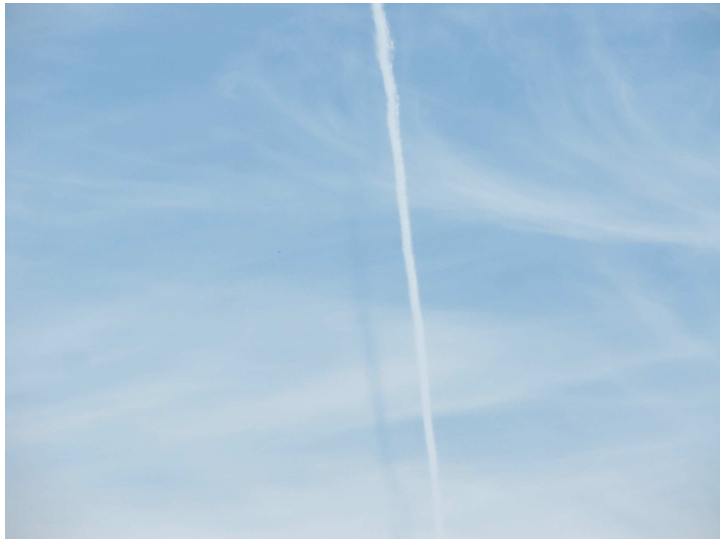
Those outside experienced a metallic taste in their mouth, their noses were stuffy, but had nothing to blow and it hurt the eyes, even with sunglasses, to look skyward in any direction.

Numerous witnesses had experience in aviation in the military and were quite intrigued by the mysterious contrails that refused to dissipate. The clear skies became laden with thin, translucent clouds that grew in width shortly after the aircraft flew over.

The typical X-pattern marked the sky and from Negaunee alone, three such x's were visible. There appeared to be a large extended V and X marking the sky and then another flight pattern crossed the V and X and formed the additional cross pieces.

In the photos below, the upper left shows the remnants of the aircraft only an hour and half after the first notice of the anomaly. Upper right shows a reflected shadow against translucent clouds. Lower left shows the chemical cloud lit by the midday sun and the lower right is a photo of a commercial-type aircraft that laid additional trails to the west of Ishpeming. Allegedly, the tested vapor residuals is Barium.

Barium is a metallic element, soft, and when pure is silvery white like lead; it belongs to the alkaline earth group, resembling calcium chemically. The metal oxidizes very easily and should be kept under petroleum or other suitable oxygen-free liquids to exclude air. It is decomposed by water or alcohol. The impure sulfide phosphoresces after exposure to the light. All barium compounds that are water or acid soluble are poisonous.



Where have all the Enviro-wacko's gone?

By Skip Schultz

It was only a mere few years ago that the Western UP was seen as a major stomping grounds for Greenpeace, Sierra Club, FOLK, and Focus. They came in droves to meeting after meeting. They came with the message that we need to stop the proposed James River Paper Mill project in Arnheim, and the possible Mead Paper Mill in Rockland. They came with the message that this area needs to turn it's head on what they claimed were 'dirty' mills. They came with the message that we need to turn a Tourism-Based economy. Oh yea, they told us that we could harvest a small percentage of our Timber for a small Furniture manufacturing business.

These groups came with a message of concern. Concern for the well being of man-kind. They spoke on 'sharing' the land, the air, the water with those living hundreds of miles away. They even brought what they said were the 'facts' on the dangers of a Paper Mill on the shores of Lake Superior. If I wouldn't have worn my common sense hat at those meetings, I would have shed a tear for the plight of these...these, well, enviro-wackos!

Years later, a few of us are still here. Where are these Enviro-wacko's now? Our economy is struggling, as is the Forest Products Industry. Sure, some of the members of the Keeweenaw based FOLK and the Ontonagon based FOCUS are still in the area. They have secure tax-payer supported jobs. They could care less what those of us in the Private Sector have invested in salvaging any 'semblance of economic security.

Those that came from the concrete playgrounds of the big cities formed coalitions with local people in telling

us how this area has so much to offer in Tourism. When the Mill projects died, I bought into this 'charade' the Enviro-wackos sold us...tourism, yes tourism is our salvation.

Afterall, I haven't seen too many Furniture Manufacturing businesses pop up lately, have you?

Tourism is what FOCUS, FOLK, Greenpeace, and the Sierra Club said is the option that our area needs to survive. Sounds good to me. So I went out and got active in the County Chamber, re-organized a Tourism Council, formed a Multi-use Trails Organization, and brought some Tourist-generating events to the area. Yep, Tourism is what I was told by the Enviro-wackos is the route we must take.

Then I find out that the ATV Trails I want to build go through the US Forest. That didn't sit well with the Sierra Club. You see, the tourism dollars generated by the 7 MILLION ATVs in existence in the US today are not the kind of tourism the Sierra Club or the Wilderness Society will accept, especially if it is on what they consider THEIR US Forest.

Next idea to help Tourism is to show my support for Snowmobiles to use the abandoned rail grade from Chassell to Houghton. Ooops, bad idea. You see

it is OK that a Diesel powered Train Engine once occupied that grade, but whatever you do, don't let a snowmobile run down that grade. That's what I was told by former members and

supporters of FOLK. Help me understand this hypocrisy.

We're supposed to want Tourism, but no snowmobile use on an abandoned rail grade?

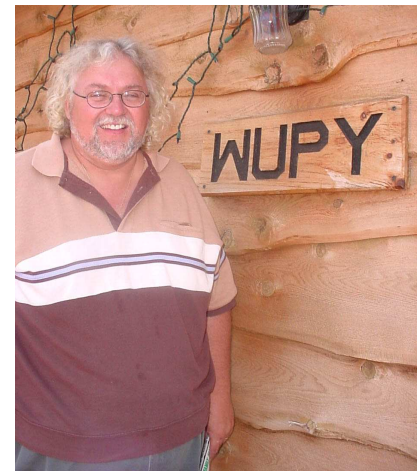
I got it! The only tourism we're supposed to have is in the forms that the Enviro-wacko's want? After all, they

visit our area for one week a year. We all know how we all can survive on that!

Since Off Highway Motorsports is not the kind of Tourism that Greenpeace, Sierra Club, FOCUS and FOLK wants, I have another brainstorm idea. Let's allow Mountain Bikes and horses to develop trails in the Ottawa and the Porcupine Mountain State Park.

Oh that's right, mountain bikes and horses are not allowed on the hiking trails in the Porkies. I guess they leave tracks and poop in the woods. We all know, we sure can't let that happen.

Then again, maybe that's what our area needs. We need to develop all sorts of motorized and non-motorized trails all over the Ottawa and the Porkies. It's one way to get the Enviro-wacko's to come back and visit us!



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UN Poised to Take Over the Internet

by Richard Lessner
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The United Nations apparently thinks it does so much so well, with efficiency and absence of corruption, that the international confabulation now believes it is time for it to take over control of the Internet.

If you haven't already heard of this latest UN debacle, you will. The issue is rolling down hill and picking up momentum. It's being propelled, as with so many UN initiatives, by anti-American grievances, envy and resentment. It all could come to a head in November in Tunis when the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) next meets. If you think your computer is slow now, just wait until a UN commission based in Geneva gets its bureaucratic clutches on the World Wide Web.

We have Bill Clinton and the inventor of the Internet himself, Al Gore, to thank for this mischief. It was Clinton-Gore who proposed the World Summit on the Information Society to address global issue surrounding the explosive growth in computer and telecommunication technology. In 2003, WSIS spawned WGIG, the Working Group on Internet Governance, to examine the "problems" surrounding the Internet. The 40-nation member WGIG produced a report in June that proposes four models for global Internet governance, three of which envision international government control through an UN-based commission. These prospects should send chills coursing through the Internet community's collective circuitry.

This is a classic example of the adage, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it." In fact, there are no significant "problems" with the current system of Internet governance. Following Al Gore's invention of the Internet (well, actually the Defense Advanced Research Projects, DARPA, invented it), the United States wisely made the technology to link computers together worldwide available to the private sector. Entrepreneurs soon produced the Internet as we know it today. The Internet is managed, not "controlled," by ICANN, the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers, a quasi-governmental non-profit corporation created by the U.S. Department of Commerce. ICANN keeps the Internet trains running on time, assigning web site names, managing routing, and generally keeping everything in good order and holding chaos at bay.

ICANN has done a superb job managing the Internet as a free, open, secure and accessible medium for all the people and nations on the planet. Today, more than one billion people have access to and use the Internet. Under the benevolent management of the United States the Internet has become a powerful engine for commerce and the movement of information and ideas across national and

international borders. The Internet is birthing an information revolution potentially as powerful as the invention of the printing press. The explosive growth of the Internet is due precisely to the fact that it has been free of government control and has flourished in a private-sector, free-market environment.

But UN bureaucrats being who they are -- and petty tyrants, satraps, autocrats and dictators being who they are -- the free-wheeling, uncontrolled nature of the Internet is something to be loathed. In the eyes of these sorts, freedom looks like chaos, hence the movement to deliver control of the Internet a UN commissariat.

Again, almost no one can point to technical problems with ICANN's benign management of the Internet. The sole refrain that runs through the WGIG report in support of internationalized control is the notion that it is "unfair" that one nation (the U.S) should "control" such a global technology as the Internet. All nations have a stake in the Internet, it is asserted, and have an interest in controlling it.

It's hardly mysterious why the "international community" wants to get its hands on the Internet. Although the WGIG report gives lip service to "freedom of expression" as one of the fundamental principles of Internet governance, few seriously believe that a nation such as Saudi Arabia, one of the 40 nation-members in WGIG, is interested in allowing unfettered freedom of expression on the Internet within its national borders. Authoritarian governments fear and despise the Internet. China reportedly keeps more than 40,000 computer geeks burrowing away full time to monitor blogs and web sites for dangerously subversive ideas. China pressures Internet providers into accepting censorship and government surveillance as the price of doing business.

Tyrants worldwide recognize the Internet as a medium for the free exchange of ideas and information and as a powerful agent of change. They're seeking control of this technology to suppress dissent. Moreover, the WGIG report also envisions a tax scheme to fund Internet governance. Surely Third World kleptocrats are salivating at the looting potential of the Internet. Here's a whole new opportunity for bribes, extortion, kickbacks, and payoffs to be exploited. In the aftermath of the oil-for-food scandal, handing control of the Internet to the UN would be an act of epic stupidity.

When the World Summit assembles again in Tunis this November, the WGIG report in all likelihood will be adopted. The next step will be the drafting of a treaty or convention to set up an international commission to take control of the Internet. Because only sovereign governments can be parties to treaties and conventions, any Internet governance pact by its nature would cede control to governments. The free market, private sector would be relegated to mere onlooker status by any treaty arrangement.

The Internet treaty is shaping up as a replay of the Kyoto protocol on climate change, the International Criminal Court, and the Law of the Sea Treaty -- all aimed at weakening and restraining the United States. Once drafted and approved, a global treaty on Internet governance will be signed quickly by more than 100 Third World and developing nations, as well as most of the EU member states. Then the pressure on the U.S. to ratify the treaty will begin to increase. The UN's reliable friends in the U.S. will push for America to get on board with the rest of the world and cease its unilateral arrogance and imperialistic control of the Internet. Jimmy Carter and Ted Turner will be activated. The New York Times will demand to know why the U.S. once again is standing alone against the collective will of the so-called international community.

Thankfully, the Bush administration opposes the WGIG schemes for the international control of the Internet. Even the State Department has been stalwart, making the case that the current regime of Internet governance under ICANN is working just fine and does not require UN tinkering. GOP Sen. Norm Coleman of Minnesota, who has led the charge on the oil-for-food scandal, also has been raising the alarm on the impending UN threat to the freedom of the Internet.

Government control of the Internet is inimical to its nature as a free, open, and accessible medium. No government bureaucracy, much less an elephantine international commission, can move at "net speed." No collection of UN pandrums could possibly keep pace with the accelerating rate of technological innovation and change. If anything can slow down the Net, then UN control would be it. This mischief needs to be stopped before it gains any more momentum. An Internet free of government control must be preserved and allowed to flourish. Toward that end, a coalition of tech industries and free-market advocates, the Global Internet Governance Alliance, has been set up to promote the benefits of a free Internet and to oppose the UN scheme to seize control. GIGAlliance will soon have a web site up and running -- but for how long?

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UN & Liberal Democrats Seek Total Control

The goal of Agenda 21—a doctrine for the 21st Century, outlines the need to reduce the earth's population by one-half by 2015. In order to accomplish this, they have to work closely with other agents to ensure a sustainable transition to a new world.

The chem-trails may have been initiated as part of the reduction program. Those involved in the activity may have an understanding that the chemicals are merely a component of research to control the weather and assisting in the satellite imagery. The content of the sprays varies slightly, but the ultimately it raises the amount of deadly chemicals in the body and raises the earth's temperature.

Childhood immunizations and Flu shots have helped corrupt the body and additional vaccines will help reduce the mortality of a large segment of the population.

The use of birth control, euthanasia, diseases, natural disasters and the contamination of the medicines and food sources will help ensure fatal results without having suspicions raised—it will be an understandable and an unavoidable reality of life.

The campaign to play down the value of vitamins and minerals and to have people fearful of products like Tylenol and other self-help medicines, gives the UN, WHO, Codex and other Liberal elitists a chance to take control over the health of world.

By causing a massive outbreak of a virus, the United States will launch its *Model Emergency Health Powers Act* and mandate inoculation. Those refusing to be inoculated will be charged with a felony and summarily disarmed and segregated from the rest of society. Few people will suspect that the inoculation will launch the last step in cleansing the world of the least useful. After Africa, prisoners will be the second to be "cleansed" and it will move into the ghettos within the big cities.

Those engaged in necessary functions like farming may be spared, while their rural counterparts will die off. Slavery returns. The Elitist will rule the world and they will provide the rest of the people everything they need to live, just like most cities do today.

What the Liberals & UN Want to Do ~~for~~ to You

What do the Neo-Liberals, United Nations, Neo-Nazis and the Communists have in common? Their united philosophy is simple.

The Almighty Government shall provide:

- Education
- Electricity
- Water
- Sewer
- Transportation
- Bridges, Roads & Highways
- Health Care
- Dental Care
- Medication & Nutritional Controls
- Trash Collection
- Television Access (PBS)
- Radio Access (NPR)
- Art & Cultural Experiences
- Decision & Policy Making Councils
- Environmental Protection

- Food, seeds & crop controls
- Restrictions on Adult Activities
- Restrictions on Child Activities
- Rules & Regulations on Businesses
- Rules & Regulations on Industry
- Rules & Regulations on Recreation
- Job Assignments
- Housing & Business Loans
- Control Birth-rate
- Choose Who Lives & Who Dies

The Almighty Government Shall be:

- Unelected
- Unaccountable
- Elitists Members Only
- Protected from Commoner Perils

The Citizen shall Provide the Government:

- Labor
- Revenue

The advocacy of the Left to advocate abortion, euthanasia, cloning, embryonic, genetic and eugenic research should sound alarms. The Left has successfully campaigned negatively at every level, whining and bitching, but never offering any solutions. The main purpose of their mantras is to keep the focus on the evil and corruption on the right so the people are not able to see that the evil and corruption had actually saturated the Left instead.

Michael Savage of the Savage Nation and like-minded individuals have often referred to the citizens of the U. S. as "Sheeple" - A deadly combination of sheep and people, fattened and prepared for slaughter, not having a clue what is about to happen to them.

The dramatic upsurge of government agency authority and the numerous agreements that Congress has entered into during the previous decade dissolves the sovereignty of the United States and those nations which signed-on to the agreements. A strong indicator of the disaster that lies ahead is model by the European Union and the infringements on national sovereignty among the member nations.

The starvation of millions world wide, the slaughter of innocent people by dictators and the alliance formed between the UN, dictators, communists and Al Qaeda Muslims, is leading us down a dead-end, literally. The wars fought under the UN flags during Clinton's reign was against God-fearing Christians who appreciated freedom and liberty. The dictates of radical Muslims is in keeping with the Left's ideologies.

City Halts Use of Pure Biodiesel Fuel, Citing Build-Up of Bacteria Mold

MATTHEW ARTZ / Berkeley Daily Planet v.6, i.99, 18mar2005

Responding to the engine failure of two city trucks last year, city leaders in January scrapped its two-year-old program to power its fleet of nearly 200 trucks entirely on a derivative of vegetable oil. The move, Public Works Director Renee Cardinaux said, came after consultant Randall Von Weder determined bacteria mold found in the cleaner burning fuel had clogged engine filters and fuel injection pipes.

Von Weder, of Point Richmond-based Cyto-Culture, said despite the city's troubles with biodiesel, he never recommended that the city return to diesel, and said the best solution would be for the city use a 50-50 blend of biodiesel and a clean burning regular diesel.

In January 2003 Berkeley won much acclaim by becoming the first U.S. city to convert its fleet to 100 percent biodiesel, which emits 50 percent fewer cancer and asthma-causing particulate emissions than regular diesel oil. Last year the federal Environmental Protection Agency awarded Berkeley the Environmental Award for Outstanding Achievement for the program.

But after smooth sailing for the first year, Cardinaux said the city started receiving fuel of degraded quality from its vendor Golden Gate Petroleum.

"Unfortunately, we haven't been able to get a biodiesel fuel recently that is consistently clean," Cardinaux said. Presently, he added, the city has returned to using a blend of 80 percent diesel and 20 percent biodiesel.

For next year, Cardinaux has proposed switching the city's fleet to ultra-low sulfur diesel, a move he said would save the city \$160,000 on fuel cost as compared to 100 percent biodiesel.

Any switch away from biodiesel would meet opposition from the Ecology Center, which has operated the city's recycling program with trucks powered on 100 percent biodiesel since 2001.

"We're still committed to it," said David Williamson, [at right - photo by Penni Gladstone/SF Chronicle], the Center's assistant director.

Because the Ecology Center uses the same pump as the city, Williamson said that its trucks are now also running on a blend of mostly regular diesel.

Biodiesel and ultra-low sulfur diesel each have their deficiencies, said Mark Jacobson, an associate professor of civil and environmental engineering at Stanford University. He said biodiesel emits up to 10 percent more nitrogen oxide, which produces ozone and contributes to smog, while ultra-low sulfur emits more hydrocarbons which contribute to global warming and have been shown to cause cancer.

"The bottom line is that they're both pollutants," he said.

Ultra-low sulfur's competitive advantage comes both from its lower price and its support from the California Air Resources Board. Next year all commercial diesel pumps in the state will have to switch to the fuel, said CARB spokesperson Gennet Paauwe.

Biodiesel will still be permitted for sale and use in California, she added, but institutional users like Berkeley will run the risk of a penalty if their biodiesel doesn't meet ultra-low sulfur emission standards.

"If we find consistent problems with an individual fleet, the owner will get slapped with a fine," she said.

Because of biodiesel's higher nitrogen oxide emissions, Paauwe said, the CARB still doesn't distinguish biodiesel from regular diesel.

Algae-like bacteria that have sidelined Berkeley trucks also live in regular diesel fuel, Williamson said, but are more common in biodiesel.

"Since biodiesel is so close to vegetable oil, the microbes just eat it," he said.

Since converting to biodiesel, city trucks have experienced high instances of sludge build-up under their engine valves and fungus growth affecting fuel pumps, said Ed Silva, the city's senior equipment supervisor. He added that the two trucks to experience engine failure were 18-wheel hauling rigs and that the city has had to upgrade the fuel line systems in its garbage trucks to make them impermeable to the corrosive effects of the fuel.

"We never had these problems when we were using regular diesel," Silva said.

Williamson said the Ecology Center recently had trouble with one of its recycling trucks attributable to biodiesel bacteria



David Williamson
Ecology Center's Assistant Director.
Photo: Penni Gladstone/SF Chronicle

growth. Williamson though said the Ecology Center still favored biodiesel, because unlike ultra-low sulfur the fuel is not refined nor does it require energy to be extracted from the earth.

Von Wedel, Berkeley's biodiesel consultant, said that bigger city trucks had experienced problems with 100 percent biodiesel and that the fuel appeared to decompose a lot of their rubber components. He attributed the problems to a lack of quality fuel and the overall youth of the industry. Although European cities use biodiesel, he said, Berkeley was the first city worldwide to use the fuel for its entire fleet.

Golden Gate Petroleum Operations Manager Claude Brown said his company was working to address Berkeley's concerns, but contended that biodiesel sold to the city was top quality. He said the city's problem could stem from the presence of water in their storage tanks, which promotes algae growth.

Since Berkeley became the first city to go 100 percent biodiesel, two cities, Telluride, Colo. and Coconut Creek, Fla. have followed suit, said Jenna Higgins of the National Biodiesel Board.

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The UN Wants Our Firearms

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By Michael E. Cook—Sierra Times

To all you gun owners and those who like your freedoms and rights, I want to give you a heads up. The United Nations is working very hard on a treaty that would impose a world wide ban on civilian ownership of firearms. The UN in New York held an international conference on July 11th through the 15th. In attendance were many nations and lots of gun ban groups. They hope to have this treaty ready for every nation to sign by next year.

So you say how would this effect me as a gun owner, well I'll tell you. Any treaty that is signed trumps the Constitution and our bill of rights as I understand the law. That means if some president we elect would sign this then

it would affect every citizen in America that owns a firearm. Can you just imagine what would happen if Hilary Clinton was elected our next president?

I along with many others in the pro-gun movement see this as the single largest threat we will ever endure to our rights to keep and bear arms in America. This fight could be of great effect on our national sovereignty, and our individual freedoms for the future of our nation and children. I believe this threat to be far worse than our war on terrorism that we are now fighting. I can't stress any stronger what this would do to us for generations to come.

The fight must start with your vote, it is more important now than ever that we elect people with strong pro-gun

stances to every elected office in this nation right down to those we elect to city councils. We must send a strong and clear message to them all that we will not stand for this threat to our freedoms and the nation we all love a fight to keep free.

I see this as the catalyst for the next world war and civil war right here on our soil. The cost in human life and our freedoms would be far too great. I like many of you would not go softly into the next years without putting up a fight. I'm an old man and if they kill me the world wouldn't lose much, however I worry about my children and grand children and what they would face in the future. My only hope is that God will smile on America once more and help us through this fight. (Visit link above to read the rest of the story)

Goat Milk and Memories

Two Middle East mothers are sitting in the cafe chatting over a pint of goat's milk. The older of the mothers pulls her bag out and starts flipping through pictures and they start reminiscing.

"This is my oldest son Mohammed. He's 24 years old now." Yes, I remember him as a baby." says the other mother cheerfully.

"He's a martyr now though." mum confides. "Oh so sad dear" says the other.

"And this is my second son Kalid. He's 21" "Oh, I remember him," says the other happily, "he had such curly hair when he was born." "He's a martyr too " says mum quietly. "Oh gracious me" says the other.

"And this is my third son. My baby.

My beautiful Ahmed. He's 18", she whispers. "Yes" says the friend enthusiastically, "I remember when he first started school".

"He's a martyr also," says mum, with tears in her eyes. After a pause and a deep sigh, the second Muslim mother looks wistfully at the photographs and says...

"They blow up so fast, don't they?"

Answers to the Fuel Crisis in America

Here's a thought—Since the Liberal Democrats have prevented exploration, researching alternative energy sources and building modern refineries, it is their responsibility to absorb the costs of energy by business and people in general.



Gas Prices skyrocketed with no consequences for gas companies, politicians or OPEC.

The State and Federal governments should simply cut all income taxes by 10% to help offset the cost of gas. Both small business and private citizens are suffering.

If the gas prices remain over \$2.00 per gallon until January 1, another 10% cut in income taxes is in order. The Federal government also needs to charge oil-rich countries for the food and other aid we send them at no cost. Better yet; cease any foreign aid; the money we save by not giving to OPEC nations can pay for our gas.

Get Off the Globalization Grid

By Nancy Levant

Each and every day, people around the world are realizing that the one-world government is based upon a hybrid Socialism-Communism economics system – a system of corporate governance and ownership of natural resources, land, water, and complete control of human beings. It is a system based upon the marriage of corporations, science, and politics. It is a system that is funded by us, the world's people.

But what do knowing people do? We can't fight manufactured super viruses, HAARP and psychotronic weapons, and we certainly cannot fight global nuclear arsenals. But we can, however, refuse to think and participate in the global economics systems, which were set up to literally enslave humankind. For instance, the usury system, which was implemented to keep us in a perpetual state of un-payable and unsolvable debt, can go unused.

We have been sold a bill of goods that we are "successful" if we owned things – including homes (remember the push several years ago by our leadership that declared all Americans should own homes). In fact, "ownership" does not exist under the current Federal Reserve System and centralized wealth banking system. The usury system actually began with the birth of our nation. "Ownership" in America actually means that you, yourself, are owned and that anything you have accumulated, including land, homes, automobiles, and other possessions, can be taken. We are now realizing the truth of this system. The usury system also identifies people as bank-owned commodities. This comes in handy as the world switches to global Socialism and perceived "rights" are eliminated one by one.

It is time to reinvent America, but we cannot do so using the current bastardization of our Constitution. Congress has become corrupted in unimaginable senses, and representation has been steadily eroded over the last 200+ years. We have seen a steady march toward government by corporate aristocracy for 200+ years, but we allowed the taking of freedom in exchange for a perceived ownership of stuff. It is time to understand government for the first time in American history, and it is time to create the government of our choosing. To even have the chance to do so, we must stop thinking like controlled subjects and we must stop living under bureaucratic regulations of control. We must recreate ourselves by recreating our patterns of thinking and living. There is simply no other alternative but globally regulated enslavement by global aristocrats – and they have arrived

fully armed and loaded to the teeth with weapons and taxation cash. Their entire system is based upon our money and their interest rates. We have to stop funding our enslavers.

Have you ever wondered why our nation is insanely bankrupt when supposedly genius economists have been in charge of our economy for a century or two? Who are these teams of Ivy League aristocrats and their political buddies who are responsible for economic policies and who have managed to collapse the most successful nations in the world? Well, the answer is quite clear – all governance is changing into their hands and their desired system of economic siphoning. American people must understand that this is not an American phenomenon but a global initiative. And these global initiatives are very specific:

No private ownership of property

No private ownership of water including wells

No mass mobility rights

No private ownership of guns

No religion minus environmental sustainability or "Gaia"

No privacy rights

Mandatory military and/or volunteer service

No personal opinion

No rights, whatsoever, to disagree with government or to dissent

No rights to designated wilderness areas, Biosphere Reserves, historical designations, conservation easements, or buffer zones.

No rights to proven safe food and water or genetically unmodified food or seed

No rights to protection from rampant taxation

No voting rights, which are 1) completely corrupted and 2) being usurped by NGO take-overs

No right, whatsoever, to knowledge in public education

No right, whatsoever, to the development of personal opinion, philosophy, or individualism due to public education

No right, whatsoever, to economic responsibility, due to the Federal Reserve System

These are not futuristic nightmares to come. We are living this governmentally imposed system as we speak. And there is only one way to fight this system, and that is to refuse to

participate – 100%. So the decision for American people, and all the world's people, is to fight for freedom in the only possible way that we can, or to agree to be a slave to the world's wealthiest few. If you think like a slave, you are a slave, and global elites get wealthier and more powerful with each payment you make to them and their corporations. Those are the global facts.

Fascism is simply the marriage of corporation to government. That is its definition in full, and Fascism demands that the masses have no power to challenge or conquer its system. We know very well, for instance, that the FTAA will pass. We know, full well, that national borders are being dissolved for corporate work forces and profits. We know, full well, that public education is preparing American children for one-world corporate wages. And we know, full well, that there are global initiatives in the works in every nation on the planet to massively reduce the global population. We know that many corporations around the world are working to find and manufacture more super viruses.

We know that wars are manufactured to bring profits to the tables of multi-national corporations, to control natural resources, and to control people. We know that illegal drug trades fund wars and weapons, and are tied to the teeth to governments. We know that multi-national corporations control all mass media outlets – all of them. Do you still subscribe to cable TV, newspapers, and magazines?

We are standing at the crossroads of history. What happens in the next week to 10 years will determine the condition of humankind for what may be centuries. If you are a religious person, of just about any faith, you may believe that humanity's last battle is upon us, and that fate is pre-determined. However, I suggest to you that the Heavenly Father expects faith and action – not compliancy with deeds that clearly undermine the intellectual and spiritual potential of mankind. Think people. We are standing at the crossroads. We have to go one way or the other. If you remain tied to the current system, your potential is already gone. Sadly, many realize the truth but choose to serve the elite. So be it, but if you cherish freedom and the right to your mind and its potential, but must act today and for the rest of your lives.

Editor's Note: Nancy is a highly respected freelance journalist. Read more of Nancy's articles at: <http://www.sierratimes.com/> and <http://www.matsuvallynews.com/Levant.html> Nancy Levant isn't afraid to let the king know he isn't wearing any clothes.

Update: The Victimization of Valerie Lantz

By CJ Williams

Valerie Lantz continues her struggle with eco-maniacs who want her 79-acre farm high on a copper filled hill west of Calumet. We've stayed in touch since I first met her last April and talk often on the phone, though service may soon be cut because she's short on cash. But, when the choice is between communicating with the outside world or sitting behind bars at the Houghton Hilton for not making monthly payments of \$55 for a court fine and "probation", Houghton County's corrupt judicial system gets the money, not Ma Bell.

When we talked last week, Val had a total of 89 cents in her pocket and a whopping \$110 past due amount to wall paper Judge Kukkonen's courtroom and the prosecutor's office with toilet tissue to absorb all the B. S. that goes on there. Through some "creative financing", we were able to get a money order to her probation officer. Another \$55 is due before August's end, but "divine intervention", not creativeness, may be required for that payment.

Last April, Val was found guilty of allowing her dog, Spirit, to be "off leash", even though he's a trained working farm dog and exempt from the MI leash laws. He was with Val, but three eco-nut neighbors claimed he attacked a fawn that died the following day. No one bothered to call the DNR and Val wasn't even allowed to see the deer, if, in fact, there was one. (See Yooper Scooper Vol. 1, Issue 3)

She tried to defend herself, but was no match for the slick prosecutor, a financial contributor to the Watershed Council in Petosky, who was hell bent on inflaming a jury well enough to put an innocent woman behind bars; an innocent and indigent woman farmer owning 79 acres with beautiful spring fed ponds on top and native copper beneath. Val, who has no more money for lawyers and doesn't trust the Public Defender or any Houghton Co. attorney, didn't appeal the decision although she'd easily have won.

The first complaint, April 1990, was by an eco-nut watershed management neighbor, ticked off because Val was "letting" beaver take up residence on her property. He and his wife don't like the cattle or pigs, either. Then there was the time she was hauled off to the clink in handcuffs because another eco-neighbor claimed her cattle were mooing; they were hungry and she was neglecting them! Not true said investigators... after her arrest.

Val is an attractive 56-year-old lady who stands all of 5'-3" and weighs maybe 100# soaking wet. She reclaimed her land, neglected for 20 years, and did it on her own with a machete and brush-hog to make pastures for rotational grazing. She

built a new barn and at one time had over 60 head of cattle. Her dream was to have a working spread where city folk could bring their children to learn about "life on a farm", to sleep in tents under the stars at night and fish in the farm ponds during the day. Her dream has become a never-ending nightmare and the farm, paid in full from her life savings, now carries an undeserved, but satisfied, lien that should have been removed years ago.

She's a 4th generation farmer of German and Polish ancestry whose great-grandparents settled in the vicinity of Chicago Heights, Illinois. The first three generations raised cattle, hogs, and poultry and Val started chore duty as a tiny child. Now, after a career as an executive secretary to corporate CEO's in the Land of Lincoln, she raises beef cattle, potbelly pigs, and a few chickens...or tries to between unfounded complaints from eco-whacko neighbors, answered by a couple badge-happy sheriff deputies.

One complainant, an "eco-artist" who lives in a dilapidated schoolhouse with no indoor plumbing on 5 acres carved from Val's original farmstead, welds recycled junk into "artwork". He walks the country road with a rifle when lawnmowers and farm machinery interrupt his "creativity". Roosters crowing and cattle mooing really set him off, so gunshots are sometimes heard on his "bad days". Calls to the police are meaningless since he's not certifiably nuts.

In 1988 Valerie won the Houghton Co. "Friend of the Farmer" award and has also served, as Chairman and Secretary, on the Keweenaw Co. Chamber of Commerce Agriculture Committee. Before the eco-nuts got in her face, she was farm host for grade school and Sunday School field trips, bringing animals not found on her farm in from other farms so kids could see and/or touch them.

Val remembers graduating at age 9 from her toy Farmall pedal tractor, complete with coaster wagon tag-a-long, which she still has, to a grown-up model of the crank start "F-series" converted to rubber.

"What a glory it was for me to steer that tractor down country blacktop back home to dad's 'starter' place with a two-row picker wagon load of ear corn," Val recalls. "My feet couldn't even reach the pedals, but dad rode along in the pick-up, ready to jump out, stop the tractor, and get me going again at the stop signs."

Her grandfather introduced soybeans to his locality over nay saying neighboring farmers adamant that the crop wouldn't grow that far north. Bovine TB wiped out his entire herd of

Registered Holsteins, but he didn't give up. Val says at one time gramps slept with a shotgun under his new 'state of the art' thrashing machine to keep neighbors, opposed to the "new fangled" machine, from setting fire to it.

"It was certainly fortunate for me to have grandpa for almost 16 years of my life and tiny grandma's soft spoken wisdom and perpetual smile for another 10," Val wrote in a letter to me. "How fortunate to have the influence of their positive attitude, knowledge, experiences, endearing faith, and stamina to rely on; to help me be able to withstand those posed to pick off my land in the interest of open space, wildlands, and globalization of resources."

"Who would have known," she asked, "that one of the 4th generation farmers would have her animals and self threatened with gunfire for what are normal farming activities, and her entire, once solvent, investment in land, livestock, home, equipment, and future security in increasing and ongoing imposed danger and hardship for 15 years?"

Val got hooked on the Copper Country during summers when she traveled by train to help out on "Uncle John and Auntie Asta's" dairy farm near Chassell. John was her dad's army buddy who became too ill to run his place without extra help. In the 80's Val was vacationing in Houghton and decided to use her life savings, buy a farm, and make this land her home.



Right now, she's trying to get her head far enough above water to fight the eco-nuts even effectively. If readers know any farmers, even "hobby farmers", in the market for beef steers or some potbelly pigs, send a message to yooper-scoop@yahoo.com and we'll put you in touch with Val. She's got potbellies in all sizes, black, brown, or spotted, and yes, they make good pets or fine eating. Price is negotiable and all reasonable offers will definitely be considered. ~ CJ

Editor's Note: Bon Appetite'

U. P. PATRIOTS

The Yooper Scooper is a private newsletter to be exchanged among friends and like-minded individuals via the internet or through a hard copy printed at personal expense. Even though Democrats can campaign from the pulpit while Catholic Priests have to remain silent with threats of being removed from their non-profit status by the Democrats, the freedom of speech still has meaning and relevance among the people. We would like to take this opportunity to stress that if you take offense to the content of this newsletter you are probably indeed a descendent from monkeys. As for the rest of us, we hold the truths of God, Creationism, Free Will, Ten Commandments and the Constitution close to our hearts and within our souls.
~J. Powers, Editor



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INTERNATIONAL MARRIAGE SYMBOL IS APPROVED BY U. N.—New York-AP- On April 21, 2005, After 5 months of heated debate, the Commission of Human Rights of the United Nations approved the new International Symbol of Marriage. It will help all cultures identify the door to go through for a license.

THE UNION ELITE by Jim Hafeman

I've been working on a book for the past decade; *"The Two Faces of America—Defining the Rules of Political Engagement"*. At every turn new information comes along and it becomes disheartening to open the document and type more into it.

I recall driving by FABCO strikers on September 11, 2001—I did not have my radio on and was unaware of the infidels' murderous rampage. Over a year the workers stayed the course and walked the picket line in the heat of summer and the dark cold days of winter. The union said they needed to strike because in the proposed contract, new employees would be offered a choice of being a member of the union or not. After mediation and court decisions that were in favor of FABCO, the union kept the workers on the line. Men with 28+ years invested were ultimately replaced and terminated.

Recently the mechanics at Northwest Airlines walked off their jobs. The company asked for \$176 million in concessions from the AMFA union in order to survive. A spokesman for the AMFA union said the mechanics would rather see the airline go into bankruptcy than agree to Northwest's terms. The striking workers, many with more than 20 years seniority, are being replaced by greenhorns.

The only method that union bosses have is to lather-up their workers; when livelihood and personal needs override patience, disasters, both at the personal and professional levels occur. During my years in law enforcement, some as the union steward, it seemed that every time a contract renewal was on the table we were threatened with layoffs. As emergency employees, we were unable to strike. It was sickening when jobs were on the line.

The possibility of being unemployed is no different in the private sector. It takes its toll on the family, especially between spouses. The very poor economy of the 1990s is still a big part of many households and unfortunately, too many workers in America live from one pay day to the next. Refinanced homes to pay off credit card debts, extending spending limits by buying new vehicles and trying to keep up with astronomical monthly bills does not provide any American worker with independence. Union membership was beginning to dwindle when we need professional representation the most. Allegiances formed between union leaders and environmental and trial lawyer groups through the Democrats. It raised suspicions among the rank and file. Union bosses could no longer be trusted to faithfully represent the worker. Unions have lost their first priority: Keeping the Workers First!!!