

## MONKEY SEE; MONKEY DO By Jim Hafeman

The University of Southern California at Berkeley sponsors a web site for teachers so they can appropriately teach evolution. It is no longer the Theory of Evolution; just Evolution. One of our favorite lines is:

Debating creationism vs. evolution There are some topics that youngsters should be encouraged to think about, but not to debate in school. Conspicuous examples include evolution and abortion. Young people have very limited experience in such topics and tend to take whatever position the most influential adults in their lives take. The role of teachers is to provide information and opportunities to build conceptual understanding. The detached perspective necessary for sorting through information is not promoted by a contentious climate. Educate, don't debate.

Linking our ancestry to ape-like creatures with tails denies us our most comforting hope; that there is life after death. Do we have a soul that will either be condemned or left to enjoy the rewards of Heaven?

It is plausible that the evolutionists are hopeful there is no afterlife. Much like those proponents of abortion, embryonic stem cell research, cloning and the master race genetic research people, hope we will someday have one master race to rule the world, and the evolutionists have elected to deny the fundamental significance of life itself.

However, not all scientists hold on to the finality of life upon its ultimate conclusion. In fact, there were four studies conducted in 1914, 1933 and later in in 1996 and 1998.

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What we should have noticed over the past decade is that our scientific community has opted for guessing over sound judgment and fact. The eye-witness accounts, like those found in the Bible, are archaic and obviously written by men for men. A lot like the premise that the United States is a nation of laws, not men, which we are then compelled to ask is who writes the laws?

The former Theory of Evolution has itself failed to evolve.

Each of those studies show a continuity over the six decades; 40% of the scientific community believed there was a personal God who not only answered prayers, but provided mortality for the human soul.

We would think that if 40% of the scientific community believed in God we would have a long-standing info battle between the believers and the non-believers. By choice, we have all virtually ignored the Kingdom of God in favor of secular visions of the world.

According to a research poll conducted by Baylor University in Texas, 95% of the American people believe in God. But there are a few interesting observations in the study:

**Quote:** Baylor Sociology Professor Kevin Dougherty says the study he helped produce shows that the vast majority of Americans believe in a higher being, but their images of God vary.

"While 95 percent of Americans believe in God, we find that they do not all believe in the same God. There are actually four dominant images of God that are out there."

The study found 31 percent of Americans believe in an authoritarian God, who is highly involved in people's lives and ready to punish humankind. Twenty-three percent believe in a benevolent God, who is involved with human affairs in a helpful way and is tolerant of human shortcomings.

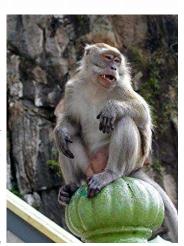
Then there is the critical God, who stays out of human affairs, but keeps track of individual behavior and, finally, the distant God, who set the world in motion and left humans to handle their own affairs.

Professor Dougherty says these images are not limited to Christians. "America is overwhelmingly a Christian nation, but not entirely. The beauty of the four gods [concept] is that it does not matter if you are Jewish or Hindu, or Muslim, or Christian, these dominant images of God really transcend religions."

"Those with higher levels of income are less likely to see God as an angry God.Those with higher levels of income also tend to be, although not exclusively, the ones that would be less likely to affiliate with organized faith communities."

The survey also shows that religious belief is not strongly linked to political views except in the case of the Christian Protestants, called Evangelicals, who believe in a God who watches humans closely and expects them to adhere to moral principals. Unquote

Regardless of where you are on the economic and religious food-chain, why did we allow the disintegration of God in our public institutions?



In a 1987 Fox Opinion Poll, 88% of those surveyed believed there is a Heaven; only 71% think that Hell actually exists. It appears that among Americans, optimism is a little more present, but fewer think there is a Hell waiting for both the corrupt and the immoral. Since the Baylor poll suggests 1/3 of the people think we have an obligation as a society to promote moralistic values at home, in our community and in the government, we can quickly assess our future.

The remaining 2/3s of America who don't necessarily support the promotion of values and traditions in the political arena, virtually have no expectations of their elected officials. As a result, we end up with a highly susceptible society.

There are quite a few noticeable indoctrination programs in the United States and around the world. Evolution, dissolving the presence of God, elimination of our values and traditions and the very active role of the environmentalists in our schools and government has led the way to new generations of citizens with few critical thinking skills and a profound inability to question what they should be consider less than a true authority. At the same time, these same victims are taught to question the authority of the church, police, parents and adults in general.

Even though we may amuse ourselves by looking at people to determine whether or not they are descendents of monkeys, we should show them a little more respect; like we do with our pets.



# Report: Hundreds of WMDs Found in Iraq

Thursday, June 22, 2006—FOX News' Jim Angle and Sharon Kehnemui Liss contributed to this report.

WASHINGTON — The United States has found 500 <a href="mailto:chemical weapons">chemical weapons</a> in <a href="mailto:lrag">Irag</a> since 2003, and more weapons of mass destruction are likely to be uncovered, two Republican lawmakers said Wednesday.

"We have found <u>weapons of mass destruction</u> in Iraq, chemical weapons," Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., said in a quickly called press conference late Wednesday afternoon.

Reading from a declassified portion of a report by the National Ground Intelligence Center, a Defense Department intelligence unit, Santorum said: "Since 2003, coalition forces have recovered approximately 500 weapons munitions which contain degraded mustard or sarin nerve agent. Despite many efforts to locate and destroy Iraq's pre-Gulf War chemical munitions, filled and unfilled pre-Gulf War chemical munitions are assessed to still exist."

He added that the report warns about the hazards that the chemical weapons could still pose to coalition troops in Iraq.

"The purity of the agents inside the munitions depends on many factors, including the manufacturing process, potential additives and environmental storage conditions. While agents degrade over time, chemical warfare agents remain hazardous and potentially lethal," Santorum read from the document.

"This says weapons have been discovered, more weapons exist and they state that Iraq was not a WMD-free zone, that there are continuing threats from the materials that are or may still be in Iraq," said Rep. Pete Hoekstra, R-Mich., chairman of the House Intelligence Committee.

The weapons are thought to be manufactured before 1991 so they would not be proof of an ongoing WMD program in the 1990s. But they do show that Saddam Hussein was lying when he said all weapons had been destroyed, and it shows that years of on-again, off-again weapons inspections did not uncover these munitions.

Hoekstra said the report, completed in April but only declassified now, shows that "there is still a lot about Iraq that we don't fully understand."

Asked why the Bush administration, if it had known about the information since April or earlier, didn't advertise it, Hoekstra conjectured that the president has been forward-looking and concentrating on the development of a secure government in Iraq.

Offering the official administration response to FOX News, a senior Defense Department official pointed out that the chemical weapons were not in useable conditions.

"This does not reflect a capacity that was built up after 1991," the official said, adding the munitions "are not the WMDs this country and the rest of the world believed Iraq had, and not the WMDs for which this country went to war."

The official said the findings did raise questions about the years of weapons inspections that had not resulted in locating the fairly sizeable stash of chemical weapons. And he noted that it may say something about Hussein's intent and desire. The report does suggest that some of the weapons were likely put on the black market and may have been used outside Iraq.

He also said that the Defense Department statement shortly after the March 2003 invasion saying that "we had all known weapons facilities secured," has proven itself to be untrue.

"It turned out the whole country was an ammo dump," he said, adding that on more than one occasion, a conventional weapons site has been uncovered and chemical weapons have been discovered mixed within them.

Hoekstra and Santorum lamented that Americans were given the impression after a 16-month search conducted by the Iraq Survey Group that the evidence of continuing research and development of weapons of mass destruction was insignificant. But the National Ground Intelligence Center took up where the ISG left off when it completed its report in November 2004, and in the process of collecting intelligence for the purpose of force protection for soldiers and sailors still on the ground in Iraq, has shown that the weapons inspections were incomplete, they and others have said.

"We know it was there, in place, it just wasn't operative when inspectors got there after the war, but we know what the inspectors found from talking with the scientists in Iraq that it could have been cranked up immediately, and that's what Saddam had planned to do if the sanctions against Iraq had halted and they were certainly headed in that direction," said Fred Barnes, editor of The Weekly Standard and a FOX News contributor.

"It is significant. Perhaps, the administration just, they think they weathered the debate over WMD being found there immediately and don't want to return to it again because things are otherwise

going better for them, and then, I think, there's mindless resistance to releasing any classified documents from Iraq," Barnes said.

The release of the declassified materials comes as the Senate debates Democratic proposals to create a timetable for U.S. troops to withdraw from Iraq. The debate has had the effect of creating disunity among Democrats, a majority of whom shrunk Wednesday from an amendment proposed by Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts to have troops to be completely withdrawn from Iraq by the middle of next year.

At the same time, congressional Republicans have stayed highly united, rallying around a White House that has seen successes in the last couple weeks, first with the death of terror leader Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, then the completion of the formation of Iraq's Cabinet and then the announcement Tuesday that another key Al Qaeda in Iraq leader, "religious emir" Mansour Suleiman Mansour Khalifi al-Mashhadani, or Sheik Mansour, was also killed in a U.S. airstrike.

Santorum pointed out that during Wednesday's debate, several Senate Democrats said that no weapons of mass destruction had been found in Iraq, a claim, he said, that the declassified document proves is untrue.

"This is an incredibly — in my mind — significant finding. The idea that, as my colleagues have repeatedly said in this debate on the other side of the aisle, that there are no weapons of mass destruction, is in fact false," he said.

As a result of this new information, under the aegis of his chairmanship, Hoekstra said he is going to ask for more reporting by the various intelligence agencies about weapons of mass destruction.

"We are working on the declassification of the report. We are going to do a thorough search of what additional reports exist in the intelligence community. And we are going to put additional pressure on the Department of Defense and the folks in Iraq to more fully pursue a complete investigation of what existed in Iraq before the war," Hoekstra said.

Editor's Note: The article is compelling and had been addressed by the Democrats who said the WMD were 20 years old, or 10 years old during the height of the UN Weapons Inspection, just before they were kicked out of Iraq, again. President Bush said their were none found, Condoleezza Rice said there were none and the Democrats said there were none—Military, boots-on-the-ground, said there are WMD. Who is telling the truth? ~ JCP

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#### **DEPENDENT STATES OF AMERICA**

The Democrats have the delusion that the American citizen has proven they are not capable of being represented; they must be governed, managed, and they must be closely monitored and regulated. It is time that all citizens of the United States simply acknowledge that we must be dependent upon the benevolent generosity of our more than gracious government. We, in-turn, must provide them with our love, respect, and support. It is also our duty to vote for those who get the most special interest money, have our best interest in-mind while they are in the district, and assure us they do not have a determined mindset to betray us. We have no authority to question those within our system of government. In fact, it was a waste of time for people in various states to vote for protecting their property from the blatant confiscation by the government.

We must accept that the court is the most superior branch of government and that Congress has no authority to impeach those judges who are illiterate, incompetent, or simply stupid. The judiciary must be revered and their decisions to both overrule the citizens and utilize foreign laws and decisions to interpret our Constitution is for the good of the many. In fact, because of this transition, it is also in our best interest to elect lawyers to be our representatives and whenever possible, we should have a lawyer be our chief administrator, whether governor or president.

As Jim warned us on his web site found at: <a href="http://hafeman.com/GCM2004WEB\_files/page0002.htm">http://hafeman.com/GCM2004WEB\_files/page0002.htm</a>, he knew that we would eventually allow the Lawyeracracy era to overthrow our national and state governments. We must embrace the good intentions of the courts of appeal, the Supreme Courts, and the ACLU.

As Americans, should we surrender the United States of America to the courts, to our congress, to our illegal immigrants, to the whims of international terrorists, and to those willing to cause us any sort of discomfort? We cannot fight back; it's hopeless. There are too few men within the population; most carry protest signs, sleep with other men, have been feminized by their overprotective mothers and raised on soy milk.

Most Americans grow up to vote as they are told because their union bosses and some other people over them know better than they do. Public education has taught us to be good citizens by putting endangered species above humans and not to worry about throwing litter out of a car because most veterans groups need something to do and must be punished anyway. Testosterone and estrogen has been overrated for years; perhaps it's time to surrender yours as well.

# Blaming America first, again By Joseph Farah

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Ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick, who died last week at 80, was the first to diagnose the illness still afflicting too many Americans today.

It was more than 22 years ago, at the 1984 Republican Convention, that she made a stirring speech about "the blame-America-first" crowd.

She was attending that convention – and addressing it – as a lifelong Democrat, as a former socialist, if those characterizations are not redundant. But, like so many former Democrats and former socialists, Kirkpatrick had been "mugged by reality."

She was a well-educated idealist. But she was not afraid to look at the way things worked in the real world and she was honest enough to change her opinions based on her new perceptions of reality.

Having worked, for instance, at the United Nations, she was candid enough to admit the institution was fundamentally flawed and did not work.

"As I watched the behavior of the nations of the U.N. (including our own), I found no reasonable ground to expect any one of those governments to transcend permanently their own national interests for those of another country," she concluded.

In that great speech at the 1984 GOP convention, she reminded the nation that the Democratic Party had once been unafraid and unashamed "to speak of America as a great nation.

They didn't doubt that we must be strong enough to protect ourselves and to help others. They didn't imagine that America should depend for its very survival on the promises of its adversaries. They happily assumed the responsibilities of freedom."

She observed that something had changed, though, in the very character of the Democrats of 1984 – an illness that still affects them today along with an increasing number of Republicans.

"Today, foreign policy is central to the security, to the freedom, to the prosperity, even to the survival of the United States," she said. "And our strength, for which we make many sacrifices, is essential to the independence and freedom of our allies and our friends. ... We cannot, therefore, be indifferent to the subversion of others' independence or to the development of new weapons by our adversaries or of new vulnerabilities by our friends."

But the adversaries of Ronald Reagan in 1984 were most indifferent to the threats to others and the development of new weapons by our enemies. Kirkpatrick rightly pointed out the Democrats of 1984 always seemed to find fault with the U.S. – or, as she put it, "They always blame America first."

Diagnosing a problem is one thing. Curing it is another.

Dr. Kirkpatrick defined the disease and pre-

scribed the treatment. It was so successful, in less than a decade, the seemingly implacable "Evil Empire" of the Soviet Union had imploded of its own dead weight and the Cold War was

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Nevertheless, there are still too many people – Democrats and Republicans alike – "blaming America first" today.

Just look at what is happening in Iraq.

Jeane Kirkpatrick was an inspiration to me. Like her, I, too, had been the kind of idealist who thought socialism sounded good and that diplomacy was always an option.

Kirkpatrick's analysis was based on undeniable facts, truth, hard evidence, historical realities. She was smart and courageous, and she didn't suffer fools well.

If she were alive today – and still youthful and vital – she would have to be considered real leadership material in the rudderless ship that is America circa 2006.

She learned the tough lessons and applied them in a way that moved America forward. But 22 years later, America has forgotten so much of what she and Ronald Reagan taught

Editor's Note: So America, you're ready for a female president! What type do you want; a Hillary Clinton, Nancy Pelosi or Margaret Thatcher-type? Chose as if you life depended upon it, because it does.

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# MI-Wolf Management Roundtable Makes Recommendations

#### By C. J. Williams

on his property shortly before rifle season vironmental groups. in November. With some good footwork, he and his dog made it back to the safety of his truck. He did, however, lose another dog to wolves earlier in the month when the pack visited his yard.

These sorts of situations or worse will aged. likely be the norm if a panel of representatives from the DNR's preferred stakeholder list has anything to say about it. Last year, twenty organizations and agencies were invited to send an emissary to sit at a Wolf Management Roundtable and come up with a list of "guiding principles" for Michigan wolf management and wolf-related issues following federal de-listing.

The Roundtable included a representative of the Central Upper Peninsula Planning and Development Commission, Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority, Defenders of Wildlife, DNR Wildlife and Law Enforcement Divisions, Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission, Farm Bureau, Michigan Humane Society, Michigan Hunting Dog Federation, Michigan Resource Stewards, Michigan Sheriffs' Federation, Michigan State University Extension, Michigan United Conservation Clubs (MUCC), National Wildlife Federation, Safari Club International, Sierra Club, The Wildlife Society, Timber Wolf Alliance, Upper Peninsula Sportsmen's Alliance, and the Upper Peninsula Whitetails Association.

Although the spin on the DNR's Website totes the group as being diverse, several organizations represented on the Roundtable can be linked in one way or another to the UN's International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN). This includes Defenders of Wildlife, National Wildlife Federation, Sierra Club, and The Wildlife Society. As the MUCC is the state's National Wildlife Federation affiliate, it's guilty by association

The IUCN is promoting the Wildlands Project, a scheme to rewild at least half of America to pre-Columbus times, making it off limits to people, and to control land use of every square mile of our country, including the metropolitan "greenways" and "river-walks" now being developed in the metropolitan areas where people will be allowed to live in human settlements.

In addition to the affiliated partnerships, there appears to be some overlapping interests among the Roundtable organizations represented. For instance, the MUCC and NWF, along with the Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute at Northland College in Ashland, WI, form the Timber Wolf Alliance, which also took part in the Roundtable. Likewise, the Defenders of

A young man reported that he was sur- Wildlife is involved in lawsuits regarding rounded by a large pack of wolves just wolf management in other states in connorth of Pelkie while building his deer blind junction with the Sierra Club and other en-

> Not only was the DNR represented through its Wildlife and Law Enforcement divisions, but the Michigan Resource Stewards were also invited to sit at the table to hash out how MI wolves should be man-

> According to info on the Michigan Land Use Institute's Website, the Michigan Resource Stewards are "leaders from a different era who've returned to advocacy", which is a flowery way of saying they're former DNR and DEQ staffers who aren't content being put out to pasture. Former DNR deputy director, Don Inman, and his wife Virginia Pierce, a former district supervisor with the Waste Management Division of the DEQ, founded "MRS". It's affiliated with the MUCC, which provided the "stewards" with organizational support.

> Yet, the DNR has the brass to claim that the roundtable is made up of a "diverse" group of people? Hogwash!

> A link to the fifteen-page Wolf Management Roundtable final report, complete with three additional pages of panelists' signatures and the groups they represent, is included below.

> The report, written in plain language, is highly recommended reading for those who want to know what they're up against when it comes to living with wolves in the U.P., which appears to be the targeted place for them and <u>not</u> the Lower Peninsula. Were that so, Gang Green would already be targeting those below the bridge for a proactive education program aimed at developing tolerance among the down-staters and getting them to understand the "value of the cost and benefits of living with wolves" (see report - pg. 7).

> The report covers wolf-related conflicts and the need to "harvest" the big bad ones, which basically can be summed up by saying that lethal methods can be taken only when all else fails. However, none of the conflicts covered have anything to do with attacks that could injure or kill people.

> also appears that because of "disagreement focused primarily on important differences in fundamental values" (see page 10), the panel could not arrive at a necessary consensus of opinion on the need to control the U.P. wolf population for any reason not related to conflicts with livestock or pets. In other words, we can anticipate a growing population of wolves until such time as the doo-doo hits the fan, which is what will likely happen when parts of little Johnny or Mary turn up in some healthy wolf's gut. In the meanwhile, it appears that Gang Green and the DNR are to ham

mer away at Michigan citizens, "informing and educating" all about the value of wolves in the Great Lakes ecosystem.

The Roundtable panelists believe that "the DNR should place a high-priority on wolf-related research" and since the DNR has no money to foot the bill, the agency should continue to collaborate with "partners", presumably while we continue to pay them to do so.

To quote from the report, "...Given the DNR's mission and its implicit trust responsibilities for the State's wildlife, we believe the DNR should expend funds to conduct research and management of wolves...We recognize wolf management will require significant expenditures by the DNR into the foreseeable future. Cost associated with the DNR wolf program may include expenses for salaries, wages, travel, equipment, facilities, livestock compensation, information and education materials, and other program elements. In the face of growing DNR budget challenges, it will be increasingly difficult to adequately meet wolf-management needs using only traditional funding sources (sportsmen and tribal interests-cjw). In light of these anticipated challenges, we encourage the DNR to pursue additional and alternative funding sources and partnerships for the management of wolves. We believe the use of alternative funding sources and partnerships could spread the financial support of wolf management among a greater variety of user groups than traditional funding sources currently allow." (See pgss 13-14)

Well, folks, this is what happens when your state natural resource management agency crawls into bed with Gang Green and your DNR Director decides the state will manage resources through an ecosystem approach when the legislature drops the ball.

This is what you get when you sit idly by and let Gang Green restore and rewild ecosystems. This is what you get when you let Gang Green list a UN Biosphere or two in your state. This is what you get when those you elect to office pledge their allegiance to the land planners and land controllers who act locally, think globally, and goose step to the drum beat of rabid environmentalism ala the Wildlands Pro-

Before these "principles for wolf management" are implemented, the DNR will invite you to one of their cockamamie "public" meetings where your feeble voice might possibly be heard under the din of all those many Michigan citizens who, it's claimed, want the social benefits wolves can bring to them and the state.

~ CJ

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## THEY KNOW NOT WHAT THEY DO

The U.S. population is hovering around 300 million—the world population is over 6.5 billion. The total US population is just under 2% of the world's population. It is estimated that the U.S. consumes around 25% of the world's natural resources at any given time.

Most of us would agree that if we could just eliminate all the population of the United States that lives within ten miles of any body of salt water, we would be a better nation. In contrast, world-wide, if we could simply eliminate all the population that lives on the sand, the world would be further ahead. But alas, it is not our choosing.

However, if that formula was inverted; keep everyone alive that lives near a body of salt water and on sand and eliminate those living near fresh water and on good soil alive, you'd have a snapshot of Agenda 21.

There are no secrets, it's all published and stated on web sites. The goal is to first disarm the citizens. Anti-spanking law anyone? Second is to destroy God, values and traditions. Third is to have the world population reduced by 50%. Fourth is to have communitarian villages and cities that don't disturb the ecosystem. Fifth is to replace the dying population with a superior race through the human gnome project research.

The fifth is the most interesting. Like the wacko Hitler, it is imperative to destroy all connections to free thinking ideologies and program a race to comply with government orders. Since any superior race will eventually begin to use their mental faculties to deduce and hone their critical thinking skills, the remnant powers will implode through revolution. Like the US of today, there will be a major clashes among the elitists.

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## ANTI-WAR PROTESTS CONDUCTED BY CONGRESS & MEDIA

We think most Americans accept the fact that billions in charitable contributions are made on their behalf by the government. This is to offset the lack of charity among the east and west coast liberals. However, the epitome of liberal laziness has to be the new way they protest wars. The protests are now done from the comfort of Congress, on the little three networks and in the very liberal publications like the New York Times.

The Days of the anti-war protests that were in DC, on the streets in California and on college campuses across America are pretty much over. Why? The protestors have been elected to the "establishment" or are in charge of the media.

The term used to describe the various conservative participants of the American culture establishment was "plastic people" They were the ones that worked to obtain the American dream and become wealthy through education, independent through hard work or faced life based on their own merits. As the dope-smoking degenerates worked on becoming enlightened, they also tried to make the American culture passive and complacent. The "in-tune" liberals took control of America and went from throwing stones at minority-filled school buses to spitting on servicemen at airports to spitting from the safety of the House and Senate.

It was a difficult time for the young Democrats. Their racist leaders were perplexed on how to keep the young minds focused on other distractions once the Civil Rights Act of 1964 was signed by their national leader. It soon become apparent that if the Democrats didn't offset this notion that minorities were equal, the minorities would soon be moving into suburbia.

The situation had become critical and the only way to ensure minorities were both kept in place and remain grateful to <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Protests\_against\_the\_Vietnam\_War">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Protests\_against\_the\_Vietnam\_War</a> the benevolent Democrats was to build high-rise apartment buildings in the slum districts. The Great Society thought it would also be a good idea to pay extra to any unwed mother in these districts to have more children. The Vietnam War helped distract the somewhat competent media of the time from the Great Society movement.

Initially, the Roe v. Wade decision to have the right to privacy supersede the right to life and due process, was meant to help minorities whittle down their population. It soon became an ideology shared by the upper middle class as a new form of birth control. Without properly assessing the ultimate results of ending up with far fewer liberals, the conservatives had remained against abortion.



The Flower Children of the 1960s and early 1970s are now in Congress. Untouchable and unaccountable, like the United Nations, the Democrats in Congress are at liberty to send our enemies a clear message; we have no commitment to win and we certainly are not unified.

The residuals of the marijuana era were prevalent with the Clintons and is coming to light in Congress. Memories have been affected and many of those in Congress have already forgotten they voted for invading Iraq based on the same intelligence that the White House was privy to. In order to make it Bush's war and a Vietnam-like defeat, the Democrats must once again undermine the troops and leave the Iragis to a contemptuous demise.

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# YOUR Forest is NOT YOUR Forest! By Shorty Worthington

You have probably been hearing and reading a lot about the US Forest Service "Travel Management Rule (TMR)." The TMR was first released in November of 2005 by USFS Chief, Dale Bosworth. It was to be a plan that would offer a 'compromise' from shutting down YOUR federallymanaged US Forests to offering unlimited and non-regulated ATV use on the forestland.

While the TMR would prohibit hunters from using their ATV on many of the trails they have been using for years, it was also designed to provide legal access on two-track roads, called Level 1 Roads, AND open up connector routes via the use of the previously restricted Level 3 roads. The TMR was also going to provide additional ATV "Trails," as well as ATV access to campgrounds, communities, and services. All in all, the intent of the TMR had some good points, and, yes, it had some bad points.

However, the intent was shot right down the old 'pooper' with the unveiling of the proposed first Motorized Vehicle Use Map for the Ottawa National Forest. The map, to be released in April of 2007, shows what Ottawa reps call 1,700 miles of 'trails'. What was once called a deadend logging road is now called a 'trail.'

Where are these trails? They're in some of the most difficult, if not impossible, sections of the forest. Most are between 2 and 5 miles long and almost every single one is a dead end. While the common man does not have the vast amount of knowledge that our tax-payer supported employees of the Ottawa has, even this ignorant member of the private sector can figure out that these roads, er, ah, trails, have little benefit to the ATV community. What ATV rider is going to put their ATV on a trailer,



haul it into the middle of the forest, and unload it only to ride for a couple miles and then come back that same couple miles, put it back on the trailer, haul it a little deeper in the forest, and take it off the trailer to ride another road a couple COVER of the latest All Terrain Vehimiles?

with such an asinine approach to a sport but was on the COVER, and this emthat has grown as big as ATV riding has, ployee, who's making management particularly a sport that could have be-level decisions about trail use, had come an important part of our tourism- no clue what a Side-by-Side is? based economy - an economy that is in dire need of an infusion of cash.

that have the benefits and salaries, as happening in the industry. However, federal employees, really care what hap- what's not happening in the industry pens to those in the private sector? Do is that no one is doing any intelligent you really think they even care if a motel research into market analysis and has any guests? Do you really think that what the future holds on access isthose who came up with the map detail- sues to and on YOUR public land. ing where you can ride on YOUR public That's where the problem lies! land really care if a restaurant has to close due to lack of business? Do you future is bright when it comes to moreally think that those who came up with this first asinine map even understand what it's like to have to meet a payroll?

connecting trail system that baffles this cushy taxpayer supported jobs who ignorant reporter; what really surprised have the power to control every thing me is how those who spent the time us- we do, including not being allowed to ing their Crayola Crayons to denote use OUR public land. which roads they were going to open had the gall to restrict the use of the fastest welcomes another writer to the fold. growing segment of the ATV indus- Shorty is a resident of the U.P. and an try...the "Side-by-Sides." Yep, the highly avid outdoor sportsman who's not trained Ottawa reps who decided which dead end roads you can ride an ATV on also restricted the use of these roads to more of his commentaries when he an ATV no wider then 50 inches.

Remember these roads, oops, I mean trails, were once used by skidders, chip trucks, and bulldozers. When was the last time you saw a skidder that was only 50 inches wide?

When asked about the use of Side-by-Sides" on the roads that have morphed into trails, I overheard one management level federal employee of the Ottawa reply, "What are you referring too?" Hmmm. here's a segment of the industry, the popular Side-by-Sides, that's on the cle Magazine. It wasn't featured in a Who in their right mind would come up 2X2 ad in the back of the magazine,

To have those in charge of the Ottawa restrict the use of these vehi-Then again, do you really think those cles is pure ignorance about what is

Does anyone really believe that our torized use and access on OUR public land? I think the majority of us in the Upper Peninsula are well aware It's not just the lack of ANY type of a of the movement by those with the

> Editor's Note: The Yooper Scooper afraid to stand up for his rights and yours! We look forward to publishing takes a notion to write more. ~JCP

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# Granholm Envisions a "Next Michigan" By C. J. Williams

their vehicle's registration slip before tossing it in the glove compartment. Should a kindly officer find it not signed after pulling a driver over for some infraction of the law, the vehicle's owner can be slapped with a \$125 fine for non-compliance.

Well, hey, we're still in the throes of a single state recession here in Michigan and money to run the state even further into the sewer has to be raised somehow.

With a November unemployment rate of 6.9%, Michigan was and probably still is 49th place in the nation, trailing even hurricane-ravaged Additionally, Michigan Mississippi. Van Lines reports that Michigan is tied for first in the nation at a rate of 66% for out-of-state moves by households, and a Census Bureau report indicates Michigan is 6<sup>th</sup> in the nation in people leaving a state from 2000-2006.

On the other hand, Michiganders, many who have until now lived in

In news of Michigan note that can coveted entrepreneurial force and diaffect your piggybank, there's ap- versifying the social make-up of our parently now a state mandate re- communities. In fact, Michigan was quiring owners to sign the back of third in the nation with 33% of the entrepreneurial start-up businesses from 1995 to 2005 being founded by immigrants.

> Granholm, who aspired, but failed to become a Hollywood actress, is, herself, a Canadian immigrant who came to California at age three. She became a U.S. citizen in 1980 at age 21 and a Michigan resident seven years later. She's a protégé of now deceased Wayne County executive and Democrat pol-boss, Ed McNamara, whose record was tarnished with accusations of corruption and a two-vear federal and state investigation of his admini-

> In her most recent inaugural address after being elected to a second term, Granholm said she intends to do everything in her power to transform the state and provide opportunity to all who live here.

She spoke of the "Next Michigan" and said transforming the state will require great action from everyone. "Michigan, we have thrived, and – with the state all their lives, are being the same toughness and grit that replaced with foreign-born immi- marked our parents and grandparents grants that are forming Granholm's - we will thrive again", said Granholm.

However, with born and raised Michiganders leaving in droves for opportunity elsewhere, one might want to guestion whom this 20-year resident of Michigan was speaking to - immigrant entrepreneurs funded with state tobacco settlement money or out-of-work citizens who are not only descendents of Michigan parents and grandparents, but also parents and grandparents who've supported the state with toughness and grit for years?

In concluding her inaugural address, Granholm said, "In this, our moment, with urgency and with courage, we will transform our beloved state, we will provide opportunity for all our citizens and, together, we will build the Next Michigan."

Excuse me, but does anyone know the number for Michigan Van Lines? I believe the time has come to outsource my sixty-one years of Michigan toughness and grit that now appears to have been meaningless and laid to waste by the liberals who've weaseled their way into office for far too long!

#### ~ C. J. Williams

http://womenhunters.com/bio-cj-williams.html

# Losing Confidence in Representation?

The battle for the seat as the United States' 44th President is well underway. It is difficult to tally the number of people who have thrown their hats into the ring, but it is no doubt going to be a very interesting time in our nations history.

Unfortunately, we only have a few people who have executive experience and not one has come out yet that isn't a professional, career-oriented, politician. President Dwight D. Eisenhower was the last president not previously elected to any other office prior to running for President.

The writing on the wall seems to suggest that we are destined to have a female at the helm on January 20, 2009.

We need not despair. Ann Coulter would be available, perhaps as Condoleezza's Veep. Although the Chinese symbol for disharmony is two women under one roof, the two single females would be a formidable pool of intelligence, guts and talent.

Anyone who has excelled in their career knows they need to have three distinguished abilities. First is the knowledge on how to ask the right question, second is having an ability to discern the right answer and third is the intestinal fortitude to make tough decisions and stick by them. Most of those living in America can easily critique a movie, a football game or even political decisions after the fact. That's one of our problems.

There is little room for our next president to be wishy-washy, indecisive, immature, selfcentered, self-promoting, incompetent and/or and all-out liar, as is the case with Hillary.

The next 20 months will be filled with the usual political faces. The media will be there to promote their darlings while trampling on their opponents. Paid advertising will come from communist organizations like MoveOn, unions, and other anti-American groups. We will also see ads from the other side as well. In this blanching and less-than-truthful world of political obfuscation, it is our responsibility to research the truth and exercise our duty to vote accordingly. But then again, that too is one of our problems.



# Healthy Human Babies; an Endangered Species By Elaine Daniels

Baby formula is horrendous, and I regret I didn't know it when my children were babies. It contains a number of ingredients that aren't helpful in any way or are downright harmful. But, by the time a baby even gets to the point of drinking formula, far worse things have already happened.

One in every six women of childbearing age has toxic levels of mercury and other heavy metals in her system and one in every six children in America is presently diagnosed with a neuro-developmental disorder. Coincidence?

The flu shot is highly recommended for pregnant women and babies six months and older. Thimerosal (mercury) free shots exist, but they're rarely offered and people most often don't know to request them. Most people are given a flu shot containing 25 mcg of mercury. The EPA's safe limit for mercury is 0.1 mcg/kg. So, according to their own standards, you'd have to weigh at least 550 pounds to receive a flu shot and be within federal exposure limits for mercury. How much does your six-month-old baby weigh?

Dr. Boyd Haley, a University of Kentucky research scientist, and many of his colleagues have studied the effects of heavy metals. Their experiment on pregnant sheep showed that when sheep were exposed to mercury over 90% of it ended up in their lambs' brain. In a January 26, 2004 EPA National Forum presentation, EPA biochemist Kathryn R. Mahaffey said researchers in the last few years have shown that mercury levels in fetal umbilical cord blood, on average, are 70 percent higher than those in the mother's blood.

Look around. Shed the convenient state of denial, which so many Americans are now in, and really look at the condition of our children. They're sick, very sick, and suffering from completely preventable diseases and conditions.

Most mothers I know, believing the (mis)information medical gods have indoctrinated them with, faithfully take their children to be vaccinated. Even after I explain to them that vaccines contain mercury, aluminum, cancer-causing formaldehyde, DNA from diseased animal organs, and aborted HUMAN fetal tissue, etc., etc., etc., they're still highly unlikely to change their view.

But, when these same mothers are presented with the need for their children to be on dietary supplements, they fully resist. They aren't sure they trust "those vitamins" and aren't sure they'd be safe for their children who are hyperactive, inattentive, wild, sleepless, impulse control deficient, emotionally unbalanced, cognitively impaired and have dark circles under their eyes, skin conditions, and digestive disorders.

There isn't one reported case on record of a death caused by nutritional supplements, but the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) lists many deaths from vaccinations. Even many of the TV drug commercials state that side effects can include death.

We're all familiar with the VIOXX debacle, but what most people don't know is that there are over 106,000 deaths per year caused by prescription drugs. That's equivalent to a fully loaded Boeing 777 crashing every day, yet nothing of any significance is ever done about it.

In this country we're largely questioning the wrong things. We're accepting that which is evil, having been made to believe it's good, and the only thing that keeps me from jumping off the nearest bridge out of sheer frustration is that the Bible predicted this would happen. It's in the Plan and most people are falling for it, mostly because they're blinded by fear, misled by erroneous information, and unwilling to listen to and accept the truth.

There are a lot of contributing factors that have led up to the U.S. now being the fattest and sickest developed country in the world. Vaccines and ingredients in our foods, personal care, and cleaning products are a few of the biggest. Pollution from cars and factories is a biggie, too, but vaccines and foods that hold the double whammy of lack of nutrition coupled with increasing levels of toxins/poisons are the real hard-hitters.

High fructose corn syrup is found in an amazing number of products. It's not even recognized by the body. It's like pouring liquid plastic into you. But many things are like that; margarine and other "buttery" spreads are all just one molecule away from plastic.

Big Pharma has taken over this country. It controls the media and minds of America. Its "vaccinate everyone for everything" campaign based on fear tactics and large feedings of misinformation is running wonderfully for

pharmaceutical companies. And people are buying it left and right because people no longer have brains that work the way they should. Vaccines and the havoc they wreak in the human body, over time, guarantees chronically ill individuals in need of prescription and non-prescription pharmaceuticals. Does anyone wonder why, in less than two decades, we've amassed over 9 million children with asthma or why the rate of autism has gone from 1 in 10,000 to 1 in 150?

What's happening right before our eyes is unbelievable. If you don't understand the depth and gravity, then you cannot see it. It seems that people either see it 100% or they don't see it at all. Very few seem to fall in the middle and most are blind.

Just remember what it says in the Bible: Increasingly, in the end times good will be called evil and evil will be called good. Keep that in the back of your mind when watching TV commercials and when observing in what regard people hold things. This has been coming on slowly for a very long time.

Take the common fever for example. It's actually a VERY GOOD thing. It exists for a very good purpose and has a job to do. But nooooooo...the fever has been villainized for quite some time now and your friendly pharmaceutical company has come to your rescue, providing you with all sorts of poisons to stop Johnny's fever before it even gets to a level that can effectively fight off the invading pathogen.

This country, our government in lock step with Big Pharma (and food manufacturing, agribusiness, and chemical corporations), WANTS its people to be sick. In the not too distant future it's going to want most of us dead, but not quite yet. We're still in the times where they want us sick. Sick so we don't have the strength or energy to fight their agendas; sick so that the well members of society are so busy caring for their loved ones that they cannot pay attention to what's going on around them; sick so that the vast majority of the population is hopelessly dependent on pharmaceutical products so the elite, who are in control of this whole game, can continue to rake in trillions upon trillions of dollars month after month and year after year to support the NWO. Money, power, and control...NWO.

Editor's Note: Elaine is UP born and raised, yet has learned to discern fact from fiction.

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# ARE YOU A "DES DAUGHTER"?

# Might your child be a "Gardasil Groupie" in 30 years? By C. J. Williams

You could very well be a "DES Daughter" if you were born between 1938 and 1971 and your mother was exposed to DES. DES is alphabet soup for "diethylstilboestrol" (diethyl-stilboestrol), a synthetic estrogen drug commonly given to millions of pregnant women by their doctors during those years.

If your mother or you were exposed to DES, you may be at greater risk for developing a rare form of vaginal or cervical cancer known as clear cell adenocarcinoma (CCA), as well as a variety of other reproductive tract maladies and breast cancer.

Not only may the risk have been passed on to you, but it may also have been passed on to your children, including sons and grandsons who run a greater risk of developing testicular cancer, among other things, because mom or grandma used DES.

DES was marketed under many brand names and was often peddled by doctors as a prenatal vitamin supplement. Some drug makers included it in prenatal vitamins and many women just assumed the pills prescribed were safe and faithfully took them.

The medical profession "believed" the pharmaceutical concoction would help prevent miscarriage, premature birth, and ectopic pregnancies. You or your mother may have been given a prescription during those years, but doctors also sometimes handed out sample bottles of prenatal "vitamins" to financially strapped patients.

The use of DES was stopped in 1971 (some reports say 1975) after researchers discovered that daughters exposed to the drug in the womb had a higher risk of breast cancer, pregnancy complications, and rare cancers of the vagina and cervix; some have been as young as 8 when diagnosed.

Considering that in 1958 the drug was known to have absolutely no benefit in preventing miscarriages or premature births, it could have been pulled off the market much sooner. However, the FDA allowed the drug to stay on the market for at least another 13 years, a decision no doubt applauded by the profit-motivated pharmaceutical companies.

I might have gone to my grave never knowing about this, but, unfortunately, my oldest child may be a DES daughter, granddaughter, or both. Had we known about this years ago, say right after the drug was pulled from the market or even several years later, it would

have been much easier to obtain records from my doctor who's now long in his grave. It would also have been much easier to quiz my now 81-year-old mother about any prenatal vitamins or vitamin supplements she might have taken while pregnant with me during WWII.

If you believe you and/or your children and grandchildren could be at risk because either you or your mother took DES, you should discuss it with your doctor – one that's up on things and not just looking at his or her billfold or trying to avoid a lawsuit because he or she gave you a prescription for a DES-laced pill years ago. You should also have a PAP test more than once a year, which in my daughter's case is quarterly now because of her symptoms.

I've included several links for those who may want to do their own research or learn about ongoing litigation on behalf of victims of this pharmaceutical screw-up that involved some "harmless vitamins" that proved to be otherwise.

Interestingly, one of our Senators, Beverly Hammerstrom, (R-Dist. 17) who presides in downstate Michigan's Big Pharma Country has proposed and passed new legislation, SB-1417, that would require parents or a guardian of a girl entering 6th Grade to have the child immunized against cervical cancer with an HPV (human papillomavirus) vaccine. The Bill is now in the House Committee on Health Policy and if the Reps are as enthusiastic as the Senators were about immunizing the "village's children", it'll be signed by the Granholm in no time.

To quote from the Bill's summary dated 10-5-06: "In June 2006, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) announced its approval of the first vaccine developed to prevent cervical cancer, precancerous genital lesions, and genital warts due to four types of the human papillomavirus (HPV), which is the most common sexually transmitted infection in the United States. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the vaccine, which is called Gardasil, is recommended for 11-to 12-year old girls, and may be given (at a price) to girls as young as nine. It also is recommended for 13- to 26year old females who have not received or completed the three-injection series (about \$360 total). Ideally, according to the CDC, females should be vaccinated before they become sexually active because the vaccine is most effective in girls and women who have not yet acquired any of the four types of HPV covered by the vaccine. In light of the FDA's approval of the vaccine, many people believe that State law should require 6th-grade girls to be vaccinated, unless their parents or guardians object."

SB-1417 is tied to SB-1416 that would, among other things, create the Childhood Immunization Advisory Committee in the Department of Community Health (DCH), even though one already exists. The Committee would be required to "assist" the DCH in identifying materials containing info about HPV and cervical cancer risk, and other diseases for which the DCH could recommend immunization. Proponents of the two companion Bills would like to have them in place at the beginning of the 2008 school year.

According to the FDA, "Four studies, one in the US and three multinational, were conducted on 21,000 women to show how well Gardasil worked in women between the ages of 16 and 26 by giving them the vaccine or a placebo. Results showed that in women not already infected, Gardasil was nearly 100 percent effective in preventing precancerous cervical lesions." However, the study period wasn't long enough for cervical cancer to develop so the FDA may be putting the cart before the horse, sort of like they did with DES.

Regardless, the power skirted ladies and their gentlemen cronies in our state capitol building apparently believe our prepubescent daughters should line up for a recent FDA approved vaccination that will purportedly keep them safe from precancerous cervical lesions and genital warts. Sure, you may be able to opt out of having your child vaccinated, but there's always a suspicion that there's a check mark next to your name denoting you as an uncooperative parent, isn't there?

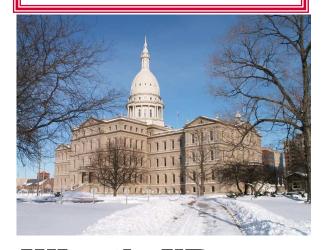
Lord only knows what the buzzards in Lansing will do with this Bill, but this mother and grandmother is opposed to it for obvious reasons. What's deemed safe today could prove to be life threatening tomorrow or years from now, and I, for one, have had it with government trying to turn my grandchildren into the Village's children.

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(panel opposes ceiling on state wolf population)

# What's UP By J. C. Powers

Gov. Granholm and her Democrat supporters, Bart Stupak, Mike Prusi, etc., were in Marquette on Saturday, Jan. 20, 2007. It's part of Granholm's 13 location-whirlwind-multi-inauguration celebration. No doubt she was amazed that voters reelected her despite the fact we are as economically depressed as hurricane-riddled Mississippi.

Typical coverage by The Mining Journal gave Granholm and her supporters much needed positive press. Granholm is proud to announce her socialists' agenda and had a victory that would give "every single child in Michigan a \$4,000 scholarship to college or get some technical training."

Evidently, it's a priority to ensure even those who can afford college tuition benefit from Granholm's Golden Ninny; cash equals a vote. Here's the real deal, Yoopers; the State of Michigan is between \$1 Billion and \$3 billion dollars in debt, depending on which source you use. The citizens of the Great State of Michigan mandated a balanced budget in our Constitution. But, much like the federal judge, Granholm has overruled the citizens of the State. Oh, say goodbye to 2,410 Pfizer jobs. WOW Governor!

State Sen. Mike "Non-industry jobs" Prusi told The Mining Journal that, to his best knowledge, Granholm had spent more time in the U. P. than any other governor. We must acknowledge that Mr. Prusi's knowledge is extremely limited. You can pour a pitcher of water into a thimble, but you'll still end up with only a thimble full of water; a thimble can only hold so much.

As a large majority of voters in the UP vote butt-to-groin with the voters in Southeastern Michigan, the revenues of the State are sent to the impoverished, high-volume vote area. While the UP has four State Legislative Districts and 1.5 State Senate Districts, the Detroit area and the Southeastern part of the Lower Peninsula enjoys 57 of the 110 seats in the State House and 27 of the 38 seats in the State Senate.

Governor John Engler stated that the UP gets more than its fair share. That is the mentality of most of those who live south of Mt. Pleasant. Since the UP, itself, only has 14% private land ownership, meaning that 86% of the UP lands has no property-tax base or growth potential, maybe we deserve more, a lot more.

The UP and the Northern Lower Peninsula has the greatest amount of the State's natural resources, but most of it is under state, federal and environmentalist control. It is nice Granholm can come up with \$4K for each young citizen, but that does not help the local governments plow and maintain their roads and it certainly doesn't help small school districts in their continued efforts to give those same young children a decent education.

The people in the UP need answers and they need them now. Not one Democrat stepped up to the plate and asked the Governor to release the delinquent PILT funds, though they are endorsed by the UP Township Associations. Not one Democrat asked to have the Revenue Sharing reinstated, though most Democrats are endorsed by the MEA and the teachers. They're happy with an ice rink in Marquette that was built backwards, just like the mall in downtown Negaunee.

We are quite capable of being the truly independent State of Superior; we just can't ever successfully do it if we keep voting for the spineless autocratic Democrats. ~JCP