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A word from the publisher and editor...



This edition of *dialogue* invites us to rethink – with open minds and hearts – some of the many assumptions that we hold about the way things work (or don't work!) in our world today.

Many writers challenge us to “think again” about questions that most people assume were “settled” long ago, things as unassailable as “death and taxes!”

There are two hot political topics, centred in BC but with important implications for all Canadians: the **Fight HST Citizen Initiative** (P.37, 59) and the **“Get Out Migration”** campaign to save the wild Pacific Salmon (P.17, 60) – both bringing people together in new ways to effect change and seeking to influence government.

Wasn't it Albert Einstein who said, **“We can't solve problems by using the same kind of thinking we used when we created them.”**

Some of the “revolutionary” thinking in this issue concerns what politicians like to consider unavoidable – war, taxes, bank interest, competitiveness...

Other articles challenge the very foundations of our ‘life and death’ thinking. One of the most thought-provoking articles is the first instalment of a new column, **Personocratia's Path** (P.39), which will likely incite a lively response from your mind! But don't forget to let your heart join the debate! Welcome to Ghis and Mado, who are the co-authors of this column.

Another ground-breaking (and lengthy) article (P.42) makes an intriguing case for re-thinking the whole idea of “cancer” – perhaps it isn't a “disease” at all!

The **“Lindsay on Law”** column, which began in the last issue, continues its in-depth analysis of the importance of knowledge and understanding. (P.47)

Readers occasionally protest that there is too much “bad news” in the magazine. And it is true that there are many things going on in the world that could cause one to worry. However, as an alternative to getting “stressed out” over world affairs, another approach would be to observe and try to understand – from the widest perspective possible – in order to find new solutions to old problems.

As always, there are links to websites that offer valuable insights. If you don't have a home computer, your local library can help you access them! We look forward to hearing your response to anything in this issue – or your heart-felt thoughts on any topic that is of interest to you!

As we end our 23rd year, *dialogue* faces a new challenge, as we must make up the shortfall from the termination (in March) of a longstanding federal postal subsidy for Canadian magazines. We do not qualify for the replacement program that the Federal Government (Department of Canadian Heritage) has established (for larger-circulation magazines). We know that many of our readers are on fixed incomes and we believe that our rate of \$30 per year should not be increased. But if you are able to make a donation toward the increase in postage (approximately \$300 for each issue), it will help to ensure we can carry on.

Janet and I are committed to continuing, as volunteers, to publish *dialogue*, but we must meet the printing, mailing & office costs from the support of readers.

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Maurice, volunteer publisher

Janet, volunteer editor/layout

...and Penny, of course!

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From Near and Far

Ignatieff, Liberals and Canada's fate

Stephanie McDowall, Nanaimo BC

Sent to Toronto Star re "No guts, no glory for Ignatieff and the Liberals" in the March 25, 2010 edition at:
www.thestar.com/opinion/article/784874

Those who have control of the Western world and a great deal of the rest want Harper to remain in power to usher in something similar to the SPPA (Mexico, U.S. & Canada) and the full participation of what remains of Canada into the "new world order". No one will be allowed to interfere in this. I suspect Ignatieff is a Trojan Horse. His aim ... be bland enough to not excite any Canadian and hence insure another Conservative victory.

With Dion at the helm of the Liberal Party of Canada I doubt if there would have been a Canadian who did not recognize his sincerity, his deep love of Canada and his desire to improve the lives of most Canadians. He too has a formidable intellect. What a shame Canadians are into the superficial just like Americans. It is true Dion looks a little nerdy but so what. As to his English.... I listened hard to what he had to say and I always understood him. The media played a role too in ensuring the poor public perception Canadians had of Mr. Dion. Most Canadians now expect our corporately controlled media to be supportive of a very conservative right wing government. The odd liberal article does not change how most thinking Canadians now view our media.

Perhaps because I live in B.C., where almost all media is now controlled by CanWest I have a skewed view of the media. However I do monitor the Toronto & Montreal English newspapers.

I don't think it is any accident that Ignatieff is not beneficial to the Liberal Party. Pity. Fascism is on the march in this country and thanks to our media, the U.S. media and both the Liberal and Conservative Parties, there is no one to counteract what is taking place. Layton is a waste of time too. He remains silent on a large number of critical issues he should be shouting from the roof-tops about.

It is my opinion that everyone of importance within any of our political parties has been bought off. This may or may not include Elizabeth May. When it comes time to vote in the next Federal election I probably will go to the polls if only to deface my ballot. I have never not voted in my life. For the longest time I believed my vote mattered. I no longer do. I now have accepted, that no matter who wins an election in Canada, nothing will change. The corporations control every Provincial Government in this country as they do our Federal Governments. I suppose you have noted how Canada's most valuable assets are being sold off to corporations ?

I never thought I would live in a Canada that has become

what it has become. I am a senior and for years have been a political and media junky. I pay attention. I think I will soon stop. It is just too heartbreaking.

I wonder if you notice what I notice ... or if you even care ? It is difficult when you need to make a decent income. ♣

World news in Canada is mostly relevant for what's being ignored

From: Alan Macdonell, Williamstown ON

To: CBC National Audience Relations

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It seems the war criminals and torture specialists of the last American administration have successfully silenced even the publicly-financed media of western civil authorities.

World news in Canada is mostly relevant for what's being ignored, rather than informative. Suppression of free speech through a complicit media both public and private, is the new reality. Even the internet is under sustained attack.

A few months ago, I picked up an item on shortwave concerning a financial swindle carried out against Iceland, population less than 400,000. I heard no more about it until yesterday, when it developed that Icelanders were on the hook for an impossible amount of ponzi-type currency. A referendum was held on the subject, and 92 percent of the citizens voted against paying it. The controversy seems to be of serious interest to a number of EU smaller countries who are in similar straights.

It would be instructive to have a CBC investigative journalist, if any are left, produce an accurate report on this matter.

Link to story of the vote in Iceland:

www.yesmagazine.org/new-economy/iceland-busts-the-banksters ♣

Bank of Canada 75th Anniversary

From: Jeremy Arney, Saanichton BC

Re: The National Post on March 11th.

I found a back issue of the National Post and it was fascinating to read the various articles published on this day about the 75th anniversary of the Bank of Canada.

There was a series about the list of governors, a suggestion that perhaps R. P. Bennett was not all that bad after all, and another biased piece called "75 years of funny money".

Interesting to note that nowhere in those musings was it mentioned what the Bank of Canada was responsible for *and did* for the country between 1935 and 1974. During this period the cost of WW11 was paid for and the social network of Canada was established and paid for by the Bank of Canada at virtually no expense to the people of Canada. This was because all the money required for the establishment of such things that we used to enjoy such =>

Bank of Canada 75th Anniversary, contd.

as the public medical system, pensions, road systems across Canada, to mention but a few of those social networks was created with money from the Bank of Canada at very low rates of interest. That interest was paid back to the shareholder of the Bank of Canada, which is the Minister of Finance on behalf of all Canadians.

Unlike all other Central Banks the BOC was and is not yet a private corporate affair, and was not operated as such as inferred in your articles. It is possible that this dysfunctional government might try to sell it, we don't know. It was not mentioned in your paper either that the reason for the change from using the Bank of Canada to finance the country and to create money for Canadians was because the Bank of International Settlements told us that this was not a fair business practice to shut out commercial banks from this potentially highly profitable process of loan and money creation. Regretfully our politicians of the time didn't have the balls to tell the BIS where to go and instead started using the commercial banks to finance the operation of Canada, and allowed them to create money that did not and still does not exist.

Big Pharma, Pfizer and Canadian Governments...

Dennis Peacock, Clearwater BC

John Le Carré (penname of David Cornwell, author of Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy and Smiley's People) once wrote, "The crimes of big pharma are one of the best examples of the saying 'the problem with the end of the cold war is the right side lost but the wrong side won.'" He later stated that he had heard that from a comedian in Berlin, so one can conclude there are some Germans with a sense of humour! (Germans of all people are the first to attest to the wisdom of this saying.)

So when one reads (in Common Ground) about Pfizer,* with its aggressive campaign to market more drugs to more people, with any method available, one thinks of Le Carré/Cornwell's novel The Constant Gardener – about 'Big Pharma' malfeasance in Africa involving mayhem and murder!

Pfizer has had a surprising influence over BC's Liberal government! Well, no surprise there – Campbell and gang are complete slaves to the corporate world – Just look at their power policies!!

Last night I was listening to 'Coast to Coast.' At its worst, this early morning program is a forum for all conspiracy theories – rides in flying saucers, with Jesus Christ and John the Baptist as pilot and co-pilot. God knows! All kinds of nonsense!!

However, from time to time, Coast to Coast brings in someone who makes sense – a lot of sense!

Last night's financial expert, who had predicted the 2008-09 financial fall-down long before it actually happened, touched upon the crimes of Big Pharma and, guess who?! -

Thus we went from a national debt of some \$80 million owed to ourselves to what we have to day which is about \$520 billion owed to commercial banks at a compounding interest rate. Those banks are paying their CEOs in the many billions in bonuses alone each year and even a simple man like me can see why.

I wonder if anyone knows how, or has the ability to calculate just how much interest has been paid since 1975 to those commercial banks which are sucking the very life blood out of Canada. How much good could that money (even if fake) have done for the country instead of taking us into an every increasing debt?

This may be an oversimplification of the facts, but it is a lot closer to the real truth then the promoted perception that the Bank of Canada is just an international "yes sir Mr. President" bank. This erroneous perception is such that the BOC is considered by your writers to be just another central bank instead of a Canadian people owned jewel.

So happy 75th indeed Bank of Canada, and how I wish we were using you for the reason you were created. To finance Canada and pay us back as we paid you back.

Jeremy Arney, [iamjema@gmail.com] ♣

Donald Rumsfeld, the man who brought us non-existent 'weapons of mass destruction' plus is indirectly responsible for the deaths of around 5000 American soldiers plus others. Well, it turns out that Rumsfeld has his 'filthy fingers' in Big Pharma in a huge way!!

No wonder governments had to waive all liability in the fast tracking of the H1N1 vaccine. Donald Rumsfeld reportedly made millions on this one. Many see the "swine flu pandemic" as a huge hype designed to sell more drugs. Naturally, with such trade deals as NAFTA, Pfizer would eye Canada (article in Common Ground, Jan. 2010) after the groundwork has already been laid out for them.

Plus there is this attack on 'Natural' remedies, in which one can detect the 'invisible hand' of Big Pharma. Of course, according to Health Canada, it's all about concern for the citizen's health. Some of it probably is, but with Pfizer, guilty of a litany of criminal activities with massive fines attached, now pushing its way into Canada, 'throwing money around like a drunken sailor' and buying off various government agencies – not hard to do in the case of Campbell's 'carpetbaggers' or, one might imagine, Harper's neo-cons. Martin's or Chrétien's liberals would also have been good bets for Big Pharma's endless cash.

One more thing. Don't expect a corrupt right-wing media to inform you of any of this. After all, beyond the price of Pfizer's stock, what interest would a corporate-owned media have in informing the public of Big Pharma's malfeasance?!

* world's largest research-based pharmaceutical company. ♣

Canada's Governance

I want to be the most Primal Minister...

W. L. M. Wilson, Qualicum Beach BC

Thanks for the great magazine you produce. The Feb.-Mar. 2010 edition had Grenville Rogers' article "The World's Best Dictatorship" which inspired me to write my version (below)

Yours truly, Bill Wilson

I want to be the most Primal Minister in the world.

No other nation claiming democratic status bestows so much power on its first minister. The first thing I must do is become leader of one of the two front organizations the owners of Canada use to maintain our façade of democracy. Whichever role I can play convincingly, that of a Liberal concerned with policies favouring the little guy or fiscally responsible Conservative with heartfelt humanitarianism, will serve my purpose. Once I convince the moneyed class I'm not a wild-eyed reformer, charisma and ruthlessness will give me the party leadership.

Then as leader I'll control all party nominations in a future election and only those appropriately subservient to me will receive the funding the rich provide me. When the next election arrives, I'll pretend that my major opponent is an actual alternative to what I offer and that his or her government would result in national disaster.

Canada is blessed with the antiquated first-past-the-post electoral system, so my party will win more seats than any other party even with far less than 50% of the vote. The more disinterest and distrust of the election process I can instill in the electorate the easier it is to swing the few votes needed for victory. Thankfully, Canadians aren't allowed to vote for their Prime Minister, so as leader of the most numerous front party in Parliament, I will at last be Prime Minister of Canada.

Assuming I don't forget who financed my ascendancy to high office and that I rule with that elites' welfare in mind, I can now enjoy the power only dreamed of by other Prime Ministers or Presidents. I now have the authority to appoint all ambassadors, cabinet ministers and senators. I can stack the Senate with those who'll vote my way while continuing the laughable guise of it being a chamber of sober second thought. I can appoint the leaders of Canada's Armed

Forces and decide when and where Canada will go to war. I can decide if we will spend billions of dollars on our military and can make sure my elite backers "win" the resulting contracts. I can appoint the heads of every commission and appoint judges to the Supreme Court of Canada. I can appoint the head of every Crown Corporation and the Governor General.

I can expel from the party any elected representative who votes for his constituents' wishes and not mine. I can call an election when I want to. I can prorogue Parliament anytime I wish. I can tell all elected members of my party how to vote on bills that I decide to present to Parliament. I'll be sure that Canada continues to borrow money from the elites' privately-owned banks, instead of borrowing from the government-owned Bank of Canada with interest returned to the people. I can decide if that borrowed money will be spent on health care, on education, on infrastructure - mostly in electoral ridings loyal to my party, of course.

All the above may lead one to think that democracy is yet to be tried in Canada. That's true and acknowledged by all who care to look. The peace, order and good government of Canada really involves keeping the appearance of democracy, through seemingly sincere elections, while actual rule is exercised by the plutocratic backers of a Prime Ministerial dictatorship. I have no compunctions about stating this widely accepted fact. I hope that doing so and approving of it will show I'm fit to continue the tradition. At least this statement does not display the dangerous idealism of Stephen Harper who, in 1988 wrote into the platform for the Reform Party:

"We believe in accountability of elected representatives to the people who elect them, and that the duty of elected members to their constituents should supersede their obligations to their political parties."

Just as it is now with a much more sensible Mr. Harper, you'll suffer none of that messy democratic nonsense when I become the next most Primal Minister of them all.

Waiting-in-the-wings, W.L.M. Wilson

Sociopathic Governance Hurting Canadians

Mr. Jean H. Broeckx, Castlegar BC
Canadians In Search Of Justice

I am a Canadian by birth over 71 years ago, I live in Canada, and reside in the province of British Columbia. My memory of this country goes back a long way and I've taken a lot of notes, and penned a lot of letters, on matters important to human rights, social justice and national loyalty. And folks, all three of those once proudly supported Canadian traditions, or principles, are at this point in time

under full attack, by two very powerful, aggressive and despotic organisations, calling themselves registered political parties. One is Liberal and the other is Conservative. Both since 1982, because profiteering is their whole agenda, have become the number one enemy of Canada and of the Canadian people. Both have illegitimately seized for themselves, the position of absolute authority, which was not theirs to seize. And with that authority both have spent much time colluding together and with other ⇒

powers (domestic and international) for purposes not in the best interests of Canada, or it's resident population.

They have through supporting each other at key times set themselves up as Imperial Dictators, imposing their private agendas on both country and people. Now, in 2010 these two above the law, and out of control, political parties have progressed to being more than just a veiled threat, they have become purely sociopathic, morally bankrupt, and totally intolerable.

Watching the steady decline of our once thoughtful, humble and compassionate country, for so many years is a very painful and sorrowful thing for one to be forced to do, and it has taken a lot out of me. But it has not taken my values and principles, nor my devotion to defending fairness, freedom, human justice, and the country I helped to build.

What Canada has become under the fascist hands of these two political overlord organisations, is not what we (its builders, including all indigenous peoples) wanted it to be.

And it is time we (together, rank and file, do, or die) took back from those who have high-jacked it, the country, which rightfully does not belong to any money lender, political organisation, or industrial conglomerate, but to the nation who calls it home.

I am not alone, many ordinary people all over the country are sick to death of being used, abused and victimised by the Liberal and Conservative Parties where ever one of those parties exist as a ruling party and/or the other is the opposition party, because they do not manage for the people of Canada, or the people of the province, but dictate everything in the interest of the rich minority alone. And worse, they dictate without conscience, or compassion for those who accomplish the work, those who are growing up, those who are up in age, or those who are in need.

Most notable today are the party figureheads, Stephen Harper - PM, Michael Ignatieff - Harper's Opposition and because I'm a British Columbian, Gordon Campbell - Premier of BC. None of these men, nor the parties they lead are servants of the popular majority of Canadians, worse, they are sociopathic enemies of that majority. These sociopathic enemy' babbles on about democracy, but fall far short of allowing it to exist!!

What is a Sociopath?

"The main characteristic of a sociopath is a disregard for the rights of others. Sociopaths are also unable to conform to what society defines as a normal personality. Antisocial tendencies are a big part of the sociopath's personality. This pattern usually comes into evidence around the age of fifteen. If it is not treated, it can develop into adulthood."

[quoted from www.WiseGeek.com]

Governance in British Columbia, which is the Liberal

Party's agenda (nothing else) totally fits "The main characteristic of a sociopath." as above described, but in this instance the sociopath (Liberal Party) has infiltrated the provincial government and is victimising an entire population for its private, personal pleasure and satisfaction. And being as how Gordon Campbell and his cabinet of trained seals enjoy inflicting the sociopathic insanity of the Liberal agenda, it has to be, that the entire group is made up of sociopaths, who are being highly compensated for the devastation they are inflicting on their hapless victims.

Certainly, these people are qualified social misfits, but don't just take my word for that, check the links provided at the end and decide for yourself. You should be better equipped after studying the information provided on these links. And if you are, then you will be able to see the fact, that the problem of sociopathic governance is not limited to British Columbia and is in fact a country wide epidemic, which has infected almost (if not all) governance across the nation, and they are teamed up against the population of

Canada.

Federally, we have the Prime Minister, and the Leader of the Opposition (partner parties), the Premier of BC and other premiers across the country, inflicting the same sociopathic agendas. Some of them

may not fit all of the profile features to a "T", but each one fits several of the features and the premier of BC pretty much fits them all.

However, we must consider, that all of these powerful men operate as puppets on strings, making no major decisions without the tacit approval of their backroom controllers (the people who created each party's agenda). Now, since the agendas come forth from that inner sanctum already anti-social and biased, it follows, that the sociopathic principles contained in them must originate within the bowels of the organisations themselves. And that probability is believable when one considers, that in every respect the inner powers of these parties having become more powerful than the nation, have been successful in taking-over ruler-ship of the country and are, whether we agree, or not, engaged in holding the people hostage. Basically, we the people are nothing more, or less, than a source of minimally paid slave labour, for the purposes of exploitation and wealth extraction.

The Fascist Ideal!!

Sociopathic behaviour on the part of ruling political parties, is nothing less than sociopathic governance. And in Canada federally and provincially, that insanity has hit criminal proportion and has become the operative force within the entire political structure of the country. After many years of study, it is my assessment, that the sociopathic core within each party has sought out and located its own sociopathic markers within prospective leaders prior to their being ⇒

You should be livid! You are denied the right to enjoy constant, loyal, representation because the un-elected crew behind the political parties think you are too stupid to have a voice in important matters.

chosen, nominated and selected as Party Leader material. It stands to reason, that if the sociopathic tendencies were not a part of the leadership candidate, then the unelected backroom crew would not be able to maintain control of such leaders, and hence could not effectively extend their illegitimate authority to the directing of government operations.

However; once potential leader(s) (often there are two) are decided upon by the backroom crew, a runoff vote within the party chooses the leader. Being that neither the Liberal or Conservative party contains even one percent of the population of Canada as paid up members, and only a fraction of those actually vote on party issues, it is fair to conclude, that whether it is a Prime Minister, or a Premier being selected they're basically being appointed, not elected. I say that, because one percent of a population does not have the right to elect anything, or authorise anything, for the other 99%. Yet each of these two parties constantly place the Party's pathological need to dominate, above all of the rights (democratic and otherwise) of the people of Canada and its regions, depriving the people of even having an influence over their own destiny.

Political Parties, should not be in possession of such power, or authority, that such power or authority provides for the party, or coalition of parties, the immutable right, to impose a biased agenda (especially a sociopathic agenda) upon an entire nation of people, or a country!!!

The way things are, Canada is a Sociopathic Fascist Empire, controlled by the wealthiest 10% of the population. If we as a people, the other 90% of the population, want to see those statistics turned around, you will not see that turn around accomplished by casting your vote into the pot(s) of either the Liberal, or the Conservative, parties, because both are beyond redemption at this point. Better not to vote, than vote for either of those two!!!

What we need is loyal and obedient representation, because it is OUR agenda (the agenda of the 90% of Canadians) that we need to see put into action, and used to reshape and reinvigorate our lives and our country. So get your pen, or your key board, busy, write to any minority political party you wish, and advise them that, you are seeking "loyal, obedient, representation" and would like to have confirmation that such "loyal, obedient, representation" is in fact, the keystone principle of the minority (your choice) party's constitution.

Note: Presently, "loyal, obedient, representation" (for the Canadian People) is not a requirement of being a registered political party in Canada, so it is unlikely that you will be receiving the conformation you ask for. But, asking for it is an important first step, because it points out, that you believe "loyal, obedient, representation" is lacking.

What you are really seeking is a party with enough wisdom to recognise that its success may be found in agreeing to denounce the imperial right of the dictator, for the patriotic duty of being an administrator, willing to provide "loyal, obedient, representation". The party that will put "loyal, obedient, representation" first and put it in writing on a contract with the people of Canada, by doing so, will have agreed to rid itself of the Party Whip and Party Politics, for those are a great part of the power used by our present parties to replace democratic justice with despotic injustice.

Democracy cannot function so long as the people's representatives are not allowed to put the people's agenda before the party's agenda. In fact, party agendas should be absolutely done away with, because in the making of such agendas is born the chance of conflict, with the people's will.

If Democracy is defensible and desirable as a system of governance, then one thing must be understood, the national majority has to be the controlling authority over everything government undertakes to do. If democracy is preferable to communism, dictatorship, tyranny, or whatever, then all notions of overriding the will of the people must be dropped without exception.

We have plenty of experience with what takes place when the will of the majority is not allowed to effect governance, the majority provide cheap labour and live like dogs on table scraps, while the minority thrive in luxury and take whatever they choose. It's called the trickledown theory, but it just don't trickledown, no more!!! Also, I'm sure you have heard someone saying that the majority of people are too stupid to be allowed any real say in things as important as running an economy, or country. Be advised, those people will lie to you about other things as well!!! Train yourself to ignore those who spout the doctrine of the wealthy few. Be heartened and have faith in ordinary people, because if you are not filthy rich, you are (like it, or not,) one of those ordinary people. Do you believe, that you are too stupid to decide your own future, or advise your children, or grand children?... I would hope not!!

So get to writing, or emailing, your objection to being denied your right to enjoy constant, loyal, representation. You should be livid, because you're denied that right on the grounds that the unelected crew behind the political parties think you are too stupid to have a voice in important matters. Being that there are more than 30,000,000 ordinary Canadians who qualify as victims of Canada's two main political parties and their sociopathic agendas, **it is absolutely imperative, that your voice be stifled no longer.**

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How to Identify Sociopathic Behaviour:

<http://tinyurl.com/IDSociopath>

-or- **Profile of a sociopath:** www.mcafee.cc/Bin/sb.html ♣

Former diplomat Fowler slams 'special interest' foreign policies

By David Akin, Canwest News Service, Mar 28, 2010

MONTREAL — Former Canadian diplomat Robert Fowler has slammed Prime Minister Stephen Harper's foreign policy, accusing the Conservatives of pandering to Canadian Jewish voters with a "reckless" Middle East policy that blindly favours Israel.

He also said Canada does not deserve a seat on the United Nations Security Council; that the Afghanistan mission is doomed to failure; and that Canadian politicians nowadays pursue foreign policy goals only to "corner the ethnic vote" in Canada.

"The world does not need more of the kind of Canada they have been getting," Fowler said in a speech in Montreal on Sunday morning. "Canadian governments have turned in-

ward and adopted 'me first' stances across the international agenda; and Canada's reputation and proud international traditions have been diminished as a result."

Fowler made his remarks at a weekend "thinkers" conference organized by the Liberal Party of Canada. With Liberal leader Michael Ignatieff and former prime minister Paul Martin in the room, Fowler also indicted their party, saying Liberals are embracing an "infinite array of special interests in order to shill for votes" and that "they will endorse anything and everything which might return them to power."

But harsh as those comments about his hosts were, Fowler was brutal in his assessment of the Conservative government's foreign policy. [...]

Read in full at the National Post: <http://tinyurl.com/CWfowler> ♣

Economic Bubbles and Financial Crises, Past and Present



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[March 22, 2010]

I have spent some fifty years studying economic cycles and teaching international finance, but I had never seen the likes of what we witnessed and experienced over the last three years.

That's because such financial crises seem to happen 60 to 75 years apart.

It is a fact that the outbreak of this severe worldwide financial crisis two years ago was a surprise to many people. For instance, it was widely thought that financial crises, and the severe economic recessions and sometimes depressions they provoked, were really a thing of the past thanks to the protective net of financial regulations that was designed in the 1930s to prevent a repeat of such financial collapses.

But here we are again, mired in the most severe economic crisis since the 1930s. We may ask why?

The main reason is that the U.S economy, but also most of the world economy, has been subjected to a financial experiment, over the last some 10 years, which has turned sour. In fact, it has turned into a financial fiasco.

Indeed, it must be understood that a completely new type of banking finance was invented; but all the risks involved had not been properly assessed. For a while, the debt pyramid was allowed to grow, but it collapsed when its shaky and unsound foundation disintegrated.

Of course, there have been similar financial collapses in the past, (notably in 1873, in 1907 and in 1931) and the overall cause is always the same: the financial sector takes too much risk and becomes overextended, creating in the process a debt load for the economy that is unsustainable.

Let's consider a striking fact of today financial situation: The debt load imposed on the economy is even higher today than it was in the 1930s when total debt

reached the level of some 300% of the annual production or GDP. Well, today, the ratio of total debt to the U.S. Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is close to 400 percent.

Keep in mind that it took nearly 20 years to bring this ratio down to about 140, in 1952.

What this means is that today it takes about \$4.00 of debt to create one dollar of economic activity while it took only \$1.40 of debt in the early 1950s to create one dollar of GDP activity. This shows how complex the financial system has become. The question that remains to be answered is whether it will take 20 years to lower the debt ratio from 400% to, say, 200%!

This all shows how this can be devastating for the real economy when financial flows are disrupted and when credit becomes difficult to obtain. Sadly, this is our situation today: Investors and producers have a lot of problems financing their new investment projects. This is a big monkey on the back of the economy and it is an important cause of current, and possibly future, economic stagnation. But before looking into the future, let's review quickly the main reasons why financial crises arise. Why, in other words, the financial tail is sometime allowed to wag the economic dog.

1. First, the question of deregulation. Too much optimism, overconfidence or simple naiveté sometimes allow the development of some form of risky Ponzi-scheme finance. And, this is pretty much what we have seen over the last 10 years. Under the old traditional financial rules, a bank or a credit union would collect deposits or borrow in the open market, lend this money to investors, keep reserves for contingencies, and would hold onto the loans until maturity.

For big banks, at least, this is no longer the model. With the merging of investment banking and commercial banking after 1999, traditional financial rules were pushed aside ⇒

and they were replaced with the rules of asset securitization through which large banks ceased being banks to become brokers, that is they ceased being lenders to become sellers of sophisticated new securities. More about that later.

Under these new rules, a bank still accepts deposits or borrows in the open market, but it does not hold on to the loans it makes. Rather, it takes a bunch of heterogeneous loans made by itself or by others, repackages and slices them up, and sells them as investment vehicles to third parties. That's what is called the "securitization" process; it is a sort of sausage machine that takes one type of securities at one end and transforms it into another type of securities, a more risky one, at the other end. – Large Banks have become large financial sausage makers!

In other words, the financial chain has been made longer, much longer; but, as with all chains, its overall strength is not better than the strength of its weakest link. And the new financial products turned out to be the weakest links. They were toxic financial products.

2. Why were such new banking rules adopted? Why were they so risky and dangerous? And how did they lead to the near complete collapse of the credit system in the fall of 2008? These are fundamental questions.

And, as for most questions, there are short answers and there are long answers. I have four short answers:

First, they were very profitable to the mega-banks for a while because the banks raked in large fees on the new financial products.

Second, the politicians were persuaded to let them "innovate" with the new leverage finance by removing most regulation that would have prevented the banks from doing what they were doing.

Third, it led to irresponsible lending because the lenders were no longer risking their own money but the money of far away investors.

And, fourth, the moral dimension cannot be neglected. Indeed, it took a lot of corruption and a lot of greed to create such a mammoth crisis. —[Greed was even glorified in the 1987 movie "Wall St." in which Michael Douglas, playing the character of financier Gordon Gekko, says: "Greed is good, Greed is right. Greed Works." This was the prevailing ideology at the time.] This is an issue that I explain more fully in my new book The Code for Global Ethics.

For a financial crisis of this magnitude to occur, it takes two kinds of corruption or fraud. (I don't delve here into the kind of intellectual corruption that supported the ideology that markets can do no wrong or that they are always "efficient". In fact, markets are very imperfect; they are often under the control of monopolies or cartels, and sometimes, they do not function at all.)

In the first place, politicians have either to make mistakes or worse, to be in the banks' pockets and do what people with money (who want more money) tell them what to do.

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This essay is drawn from Dr. Rodrigue Tremblay's notes for a conference, at the Renaissance Academy (Florida Gulf Coast University FGCU), Florida, Friday, March 19, 2010. **For the full text of the conference presentation:**

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Economics without Ethics



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In a letter dated January 22, 2010, MP Pierre Lemieux defended his boss's decision to prorogue parliament and insisted that he, personally, was working as hard as ever. He further stated that the number one concern of people in our riding is job security, economic de-

velopment, and the economy and so the time is being utilized to focus on the upcoming budget to address those concerns.

How did he reach his conclusion about our number one priority? And what, exactly, do those words mean? Let's investigate.

First on his list is job security. Russians sent to the mines in Siberia had job security. The slaves in the American South had job security as long as they kept their mouths shut, worked hard and did what they were told. The word "security" brings to mind inflexibility, power, threats, and invasion of privacy.

The Reform-Conservative party (all Progressive pretence eliminated) has demonstrated that it is in step with the corporatist belief that there are elites who are worthy to govern and control, and then there are the workers who are to serve, obey and be content with whatever is handed to them. Within this structure one can find many mind-numbing, repetitive jobs. But, they will be secure!

We have already been brainwashed to believe that the problems in the auto industry were caused by overpaid and indulged workers. And employers who continue to offer benefits and pensions to their workers get the message that they are not being efficient. Breaking up those fulltime jobs into two part-time ones is now the way to go. And behold, two people now have a job! The statistics have improved! But that job does not include amenities. How is the worker to provide for his/her own future on a bare minimum?

Well, a society dedicated to efficiency and the bottom line doesn't have time for such bothersome questions. ⇒

We need to be very careful with our definitions. Is it job security as defined by the corporatists that we want? If we fall unquestioningly for the options provided by the Reform-Conservatives, we also accept their definitions and trail along with them as they seek to shape Canada in their image.

What about economic development? The Alberta Tar Sands are a prime example of economic development as the corporatists define it. Neither Native treaty rights, land health, water purity or the condition of animals, fish or humans downstream are to stand in the way of the bottom line. We see this attitude in the actions of Canadian mining companies in Columbia, for example, and they are fully supported by Harper's party.

As Harper calls for the power to get "tough on crime", he ignores all the research that shows it does not lead to a safer society or to better rehabilitation of the convicted ones. It costs a lot more money, leads to more suicides by those who have lost hope, and builds up fear in the citizenry. It offers no benefits to society but it falls right into the lap of the corporatists who view uncooperative people as dross.

Economic development without corresponding ethical behaviour will provide some short-term benefits to an area, but at a long-term cost. People in government who can only see things in terms of a bottom line not only do not have the well being of the citizenry at heart but they are wearing dangerous blinders.

What is our definition of economic development? The Reform-Conservatives have demonstrated with their propaganda/questionnaires that they are not interested in what *we* think, only in whether we agree or not with what *they* think. I have noticed that a "no" answer on a questionnaire always offers a threat of deprivation. So what answers are likely to be forthcoming? Did that type of questionnaire give Pierre Lemieux his priority list?

Then there's the economy. Evidence indicates that the corporatists want us to believe that, if we turn all our power over to them, their largesse will trickle down to us and all will be well. It's the medieval kingship attitude and the Reform-Conservatives are showing themselves to be apt courtiers.

"Let the market decide" is the cry as the world's financial health roller coasters and the less fortunate are cast aside. Harper's latest move which pretends to offer Canadian companies more U.S. opportunities, actually forces Canadian provinces and municipalities to prefer American companies over local ones unable to match the cheaper bids. Not even the municipalities now can protect the Canadian worker!

Since a corporation's only concern is to boost shareholder profits, it is the peoples' representatives who must guard the well being of the country and its citizens. The Reform-Conservatives have abandoned that responsibility, only appearing to be interested by consulting the people with their yes/no referendum-type questions.

As Harper and company pat themselves on the back for their infrastructure impetus spending, we need to ask ourselves why that infrastructure was in such bad shape. As they win votes for their tax cuts, they reinforce the notion that taxes are a burden. Thus, infrastructure deteriorates, services necessary for the citizens' well-being decline, crucial systems are neglected, roads and bridges crumble and responsibilities are passed down from the federal government to the provincial and then the municipal with no corresponding funds to deal with them.

Why are we accepting that a rising stock index is the measure of economic health, while poverty increases, misery abounds and fear expands?

Until the measure of the economic health of our country scores high on the indices for fairness, equality, individual opportunities, and quality of life, we do not have a vibrant economy.

So G-P-R (Glengarry-Prescott- Russell) residents, does Pierre Lemieux have an accurate reading of our priorities? Are we content with the Reform-Conservative concepts?

It is important to recognize the need for clarity in word meanings because the listener interprets a word according to his/her own perceptions. Understanding this is vital to the development of healthy relationships, on both the macro and micro level.

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Dead Judges Don't Lie - Canada's Biggest Scandal

Story received from S. McDowall, Nanaimo

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The extraordinary story of how investors behind the bulk water export business hatched a bold and devious two step plan: 1. Obtain a source of abundant water for export from the British Columbia Government; and 2. Use the environmental movement & public media in Canada to persuade policy makers in the Governments of Canada and British Columbia to impose a ban on their competition...

Thousands of viewers worldwide are now turning to the WaterWarCrimes.com web site to learn about the statistically impossible co-incidence of the sudden deaths of nine (9) Canadian judges linked to the WaterWarCrimes lawsuit in Canada's Federal Court plus the sudden death by heart attack in January 2009, of a prominent Canadian politician and the sudden death by heart attack, in February 2010, of a retired prominent Canadian civil servant, both linked to the WaterWarCrimes. The total death count is now eleven and set to go higher. If you want fiction, watch the movie, *Nine Dead*. If you want reality, this story is not fiction.

This is the part of the WaterWarCrimes story that has caught the attention of the alternative media across the including globe, David Icke, Jeff Rense, Paul Drockton, and many others. **To read the story of the Water War Crimes, visit: <http://tinyurl.com/waterwarcr> ♣**

"The Fifth Columnist"

Canada's New Deal: a Social Contract for the new millennium



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In his web site, Apathy Begone:

Activating Minds and Voices, Dialogue contributor David Boese talks of social and economic egalitarianism and an ecologically sustainable future. For this future to happen, I think what is needed is a set of core values constituting a social contract. Our culture, the

industrialized, modern one, must think differently. I don't think we're headed for extinction yet. We will make every other species on earth pay for our indifference first!

Canada's New Deal: a Social Contract for the new millennium

We, the people of Canada, hold these things to be fundamentally true and desirable. These are our core values. This is our social contract. Individuals and the institutions that serve them must enter into this contract.

1. Our society shall be democratic, socially responsible and ecologically sustainable.
2. We shall be governed by only independents (MPs), and without political parties and their whipped votes. A bloc or whipped vote by our MPs is an assault on democracy and the people.
3. Canada shall be self-sufficient in the production of food, energy and goods.
4. The people of Canada shall be Leavers, not Takers (Ishmael and The Story of B., Daniel Quinn): we will not rape the land, nor drive species to extinction to build tract housing, highways and malls: we will leave the land as we found it. We will not practice "totalitarian agriculture", which destroys habitat and other species, and which will ultimately destroy our civilization (A Short History of Progress, Ronald Wright), as it has others throughout the millennia.
5. We have no right to pollute with our cars, furnaces, factories and so on. If we cannot breathe, drink or touch the output of these things, they are toxic to us and alternatives, whose outputs shall be wholly drinkable, breathable and touchable, shall be developed. Imagine directing all our energies to this goal instead of space exploration, war, the production of tomorrow's garbage, and entertainment. There is a saying, wherever you go, there you are. If we bring our current beliefs to other worlds, then we will kill their planets, too.
6. Canada shall, in 20 years time, shift our entire economy from oil-based to hydrogen-based, and/or other clean, sustainable energy.
7. We will Say No to reckless population growth, and No to immigration to feed the growth machine: No to bigger cities, to both intensification and sprawl: if Canada's population ages and jobs go begging, we refuse to grow our population for the sake of minimum wage, retail jobs, or greedy residential and commercial developers and bankers who hold the mortgages. We are not locusts.
8. We will not throw away or dump our people, the elderly, the addicts, the runaways on the street to become beggars and prostitutes in the name of competition or efficiency.
9. Interest rates beyond 5% shall be deemed usurious ex. Credit cards. Violators shall be prosecuted.
10. We condemn the stock market of today and demand its reform. This is really a secondary market ruled by speculators who flip tens of thousands of stocks a day. Make stocks only tradable every three or six months, to encourage real investment and discourage speculation.
11. No bank shall issue stocks on the stock market. Banks already have investors called depositors.
12. There shall be No investment in mutual funds or other schemes that invest outside of Canada, no foreign investment at all, since this means the exploitation of foreign workers and land at their expense and ultimately at ours. It is false economy to build offshore, if it means that Canada loses jobs, and our communities sink into economic and social ruin.
13. Canada shall not trade with human rights violators, even if their names are Saudi Arabia or China, or other purveyors in human misery.
14. Trade must complement our economy, not compete with it.
15. "Everyone has the right to a standard of living adequate for the health and well-being of himself and of his family, including food, clothing, housing, medical care and necessary social services, and the right to security in the event of unemployment, sickness, disability, widowhood, old age or other lack of livelihood in circumstances beyond his control" (UN declaration of human rights).
16. No person shall be made destitute, or indebted, for receiving medical treatment in Canada. This includes dental treatment.
17. Our hospitals and clinics shall not turn away any patient in need of treatment because of their status, be it financial, racial, ethnic, linguistic, psychological, sexual preference or other arbitrary means of excluding people.
18. We shall not eject the mentally ill onto the streets to save money.

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19. 100% of all Canada's money created shall be by the Bank of Canada, NOT private banks. All federal government debt shall be assumed by the Bank of Canada. No private or corporate bank shall hold government debt.
20. A corporation is a psychotic entity, externalizing all its by-products and growing and absorbing others solely for the sake of profit. All corporations shall be bound by our social contract and shall be have in a social way, eschewing growth and pollution and having a responsibility to the people and communities that support it. The community that houses the corporation and its workers shall receive compensation before its stockholders and executive officers.
21. No corporate executive officer shall receive more than 25 times the salary of the lowest paid individual. ALL will share in the rewards and misfortunes of a corporation. If janitors receive 20K, the CEO can only make 500K. This means that if CEOs want more, they can (bloody well) pay their lowest people a better salary. If a company loses money, corporate executives will diminish their salaries first. There will be absolutely no bonuses paid out at such times, unless ALL are paid such bonuses.
22. The taxation system shall be reformed so that personal income taxes are calculated on one (1) sheet of paper, and can be done by the average person. Taxation shall be at a flat rate.
23. Taxation of businesses shall also be at a flat rate. There shall be no write-offs or accountancy legerdemain.
24. Our government shall abandon all efforts to subsidize, advocate for, or otherwise "promote" various cultures at others' expense via Canadian Heritage or Immigration, to address people's hurt feelings, perceived historical injustices or fascist agendas, while there is genuine suffering in the land: our poor people are homeless, the old are forgotten and neglected, and drug addicts and alcoholics and the mentally ill roam our streets.
25. Our water is our nation's lifeblood. It shall not be traded or diverted to foreign countries, nor shall it be polluted.
26. Likewise, we must have air to breath. No person, enterprise or government has any right whatsoever to pollute it. Nor do our neighbours to the south.
27. The earth is the source of all our food. It shall not be contaminated by garbage, by-products of production including nuclear waste, or any non-sustainable management techniques. A landfill shall be regarded as failed social policy.
28. Cities are vulnerable to catastrophes, ex. New Orleans and Port au Prince. We must abandon our cities over time and live in small towns or collectives, if you like. This means we have to re-think economy of scale ideas, manufacturing, and other models that encourage the intensification and concentration of people and resources, water/wastewater treatment and power production in single places. A city is the antithesis of Leaving, the epitome of Taking.
29. We do not serve the Market. The Market serves Us. Breathe and Let Go. That is life.

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Apathy Begone: Activating Minds and Voices

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From my blog: <http://boeseblog.wordpress.com/>

I invite you to take a look, with the hope that it will inspire you to activate your mind and give me your support / input, either positive or negative. I have to thank my wife Shirley and my editor/tech support Ashley Clayton – for without their contributions, this blog would not have been created.

Uniqueness... What?

When I began seriously thinking about monetary reform, I didn't have any idea that there was a sizable number of people interested in this subject. I didn't do any research, I just knew instinctively, that there had to be a more stable form of creating and distributing money. The outcome of this was writing my ideas down on paper and eventually with the help and encouragement of Ashley Clayton, together we created the blog "Apathy Begone: Activating Minds and Voices."

By spreading the word and dialogue via the Internet, we are able to network with others who are working on similar pro-

jects and to support one another in our initiatives. We have recently connected with a website called, "Livable Income for Everyone" and now our website is a link on their site. Since this all began, I have found, as I said earlier, a myriad of monetary reformers which is encouraging to say the least. Without doing a lot of research, I have concluded that monetary reform of one kind or another has been around for centuries, beginning with the first minted coin, so what's so different about the reform I'm proposing? Well, as far as I can determine there is something "unique" in my model, something that hasn't been proposed by anyone in the past.

That uniqueness is in the two-tier money creation idea, whereby everyone over the age of 18 receives annual "credits" equal to the cost of living a normal healthy life, paying for only the essentials, e.g. food-clothing- shelter-transportation- insurance-education and health etc. When these credits are spent, they can be turned into "hard currency" which can be used for whatever else a person ⇒

desires to spend his/her money on. This system in my opinion, would curtail inflation to the point of being almost non-existent, because vendors would want to keep prices as low as possible in order to maximize the turn-around into "hard currency," (see: inflationary controls in the model). Also, by providing everyone with a guaranteed annual income, there would always be enough money to go around, providing for the purchase of the total GDP and at the same time bring to an end the "boom and bust" cycles, that past economies have had to endure.

The idea of a guaranteed annual income for everyone has been around for several decades and it's an idea whose time has surly come. I can't for the life of me understand why anyone (including the rich) would vote against it?

THE VERDICT IS IN!

Guilty as charged! I now have all the evidence I need to extol the very necessary need for monetary reform. All I have to do is quote from Maclean's March 1st issue, where writer Jason Kirby interviewed the CEO Jeffrey Immelt of one of the world's largest corporations, General Electric. Quote: "when a Ph.D. chemical engineer earns \$200,000 a year, and a mortgage broker pre-crisis earned \$5 million a year, that's screwed up. That's completely disproportionate to where the future of any economy is going to rest."

It can't be said any clearer than this, especially when espoused by a person of Mr. Immelt's ilk.

Please stay with us! <http://boeseblog.wordpress.com/>

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"An Apology is Only The First Step"

LENT -- THE SEASON FOR APOLOGIES

By Jim Taylor, Okanagan BC

[Mar. 24, 2010, Soft Edges column]

Maybe it's just the season of Lent, the period before Easter traditionally dedicated to repentance and preparation for renewal. Whatever the reason, it seems, suddenly everyone's apologizing for something.

Golf great Tiger Woods went on television to apologize for letting his fans and his family down by a series of extra-marital affairs.

British Prime Minister Gordon Brown apologized for the Child Migrant program that shipped children from London slums to the colonies -- theoretically for a better life under adoption, but more often as something close to slave labour.

Halifax Mayor Peter Kelly apologized for the prejudice that banished black people to impoverished communities outside the city limits -- like Africville -- and then, when the land suddenly became valuable, forcibly evicted them.

Warren Chant, CEO of Hotel-Dieu Grace Hospital in Windsor, Ont., apologized -- twice -- for surgery by Dr. Barbara Heartwell that mistakenly removed women's breasts that did not have malignant cancer after all.

Toyota president Akio Toyoda repeatedly apologized to the U.S. Congress and millions of worried car-owners for defects in cars produced by his company, which once enjoyed an unrivalled reputation for quality.

BC Liberal MLA Jane Thornthwaite apologized for impaired driving: "My actions were inexcusable. Drinking and driving is dangerous and completely unacceptable; I know that and make no excuses for what I did," Thornthwaite told the media.

And not one but two federal cabinet ministers had to apologize for temper tantrums in airports. Helena Guergis apparently threw shoes, yelled at Air Canada attendants, and called Prince Edward Island a "hell hole." Four days later, Veteran's Affairs Minister Jean-Pierre Blackburn

quarrelled publicly with security guards at the Ottawa airport over a bottle of tequila.

And finally, the Pope himself, Benedict XVI, apologized to the victims of childhood abuse by Irish Roman Catholic priests and leaders.

ONLY THE FIRST STEP

I'd like to think that my church, the United Church of Canada, might have helped to kick-start this process back in 1986 when it offered a formal apology to Canada's native peoples for misunderstanding and mistreating them.

Its example has since been followed by the Anglican, Presbyterian, and Roman Catholic churches of Canada. And eventually, by Prime Minister Stephen Harper, on behalf of the government of Canada, in June 2008.

But what does an apology mean?

The native people gathered for the United Church apology, in 1986, said, in effect, "Let's wait and see."

Because an apology does not automatically generate forgiveness. An apology expresses regret, but not necessarily repentance.

Compensation -- for the Japanese deported from the Pacific coast or the First Nations children incarcerated in residential schools -- is only a short-term solution. It hopes to buy off an injustice with a windfall handout. But it offers no assurance that the social mindset that caused the problem in the first place has learned anything from past experience, or is prepared to change in future.

Without change, an apology by itself is merely a confession, an acknowledgement of wrongdoing. Repentance calls for something more -- a commitment NOT to do the same again.

That's when we can be sure that the apologies were sincere.

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Canadian Perspectives on World Affairs

Why the facts of 9/11 are suppressed

VIDEO: Prof. John McMurtry - at GlobalResearch:
<http://tinyurl.com/GRmcmur>

John McMurtry is a professor of Philosophy at the University of Guelph, Ontario. Author of over 150 books and journals, in recent years his work has focused on the underlying value structure of economic theory and its consequences for global, civil and environmental life-organization. His analysis of the meaning and impact of the 9/11 events and their aftermath is informed by this perspective.

Received from Richard Moore, with his comment... A very good talk. But very dense with facts and insights. You may want to have a cup of tea at hand, and pause once in a while to digest. It would nice to have a transcript. Here are some hastily scribbled (approximate) quotes from the video: "There is no denial of the facts, but to mention them is a conspiracy theory". "There is no attempt at counter-argument, only disconnect... no attempt to connect the dots"...

"And there is a deep structure of consciousness at work." "There is a level of identity that operates beneath facts, a structure of pre-judgement, which selects what facts are and are not seen, or connected." - "Why is cuo bono suspended here with 9/11?" - "Why is the self-evident unthinkable?"

"How could anybody fail to connect the immense gains made by these people to their failure to protect against 9/11, which provided all the new powers?"

"The problem of denial runs deep into the collective psyche." "Something deeper than regime propaganda is at work."

"Who actually gets attacked, on the ground, in the War on Terror, are any social structures that stand in the way of total corporate privatization of resources."

Watch the video at: <http://tinyurl.com/GRmcmur> ♣

National Farmers Union goals...

Art Bradford, Orillia ON

Capitalism has controlled the world for a long time and left a large number of human beings in terrible poverty. Our governments have allowed corporations to do as they wish. Worse than that, they have supported their desires.

I read a lot of magazines, including the CCPA Monitor (Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives) and the Union Farmer Quarterly (**website:** <http://www.nfu.ca>)

Our governments have not been very kind to Canadian farmers and all of us have been affected to some degree. The Union had its 40th convention in Ottawa last Nov. 26-28. It will continue its democratic, non-partisan, grassroots family organization it its goals for: **economic and social justice for farmers and rural communities, environmental sustainability, and a healthy food system for citizens.** ♣

RECOMMENDED BY BILL WOOLLAM, DUNCAN BC:
Truth Has Fallen... Good-bye Paul Craig Roberts' final essay

Paul Craig Roberts, one of the sanest voices of the Reagan administration and lauded academic and government professional, is retiring his public essays. His last, reprinted below, summarizes his observation of government, media, and economics as criminal enterprises of "leadership" to create an American police state, veiled with psychopathically empty rhetoric of legality and American values.

Their principle policies are unlawful Wars of Aggression for empire and profit, casino capitalism for their own oligarchies, and crushing the US Constitution to pre-emptively remove the public's capacity to dissent if, and this is a big if, they ever awake from their propaganda-induced collective stupor. This anti-American agenda is protected by continuous lies of omission and commission by corporate media; a revealed propaganda machine.

Read in full at Examiner.com: <http://tinyurl.com/PCRfinal>

Paul Craig Roberts: [EXTRACT] There was a time when the pen was mightier than the sword. That was a time when people believed in truth and regarded truth as an independent power and not as an auxiliary for government, class, race, ideological, personal, or financial interest.

Today Americans are ruled by propaganda. Americans have little regard for truth, little access to it, and little ability to recognize it. **Truth is an unwelcome entity. It is disturbing. It is off limits. Those who speak it run the risk of being branded "anti-American," "anti-Semite" or "conspiracy theorist."** Truth is an inconvenience for government and for the interest groups whose campaign contributions control government.

Truth is an inconvenience for prosecutors who want convictions, not the discovery of innocence or guilt. Truth is inconvenient for ideologues. [...]

Continue reading: <http://tinyurl.com/PCRfinal> ♣

A Note of Thanks...

Shirley M. Shum, Pointe Claire QC

Wishing you a healthy year - Congratulations on the publication of a wonderful, informative magazine - I love it! ~ and look forward to every issue. I also enjoy time to re-read copies, always on my coffee table.



Denny Petrik's loving words in memory of his wife, Vivian Barbara, and poem "Perfection" - beautiful to read (in the December 2009 issue)- Thank you.

(Shirley has been a *Dialogue* reader since 1996.)

Her note card has a lovely photo of an owl by Brian Little Photography, Amherst Island, ON. brianlittle@kos.net] ♣

Save The Wild Salmon Update: The Tide is Turning

Alexandra Morton, BC [wildorca@island.net]
Weekly update March 28

Our **migration** down the length of Vancouver Island from April 23 – May 9 to give people the opportunity to tell Ottawa wild salmon are essential is building. People have contacted me to plan events in communities far beyond those that we are passing through.

Hundreds have said they will walk a portion of the trip with us and have signed the new petition at:

< www.salmonaresacred.org >

Unless every person who cares about wild salmon stands up and becomes visible to Ottawa, this will not succeed in bringing reason to this situation. You can download posters on the website.

This is not about getting rid of aquaculture; this is about bringing three runaway Norwegian companies into compliance with the laws every other fishery in Canada respects.

Salmon farms were exempted from the fishing regulations of Canada in 1993 and these Norwegian companies are lobbying our Members of Parliament to continue these exemptions when they become federally regulated in December. If they succeed, we can give up, they will once again be outside the law.

We cannot possibly manage Canada's wild fish sustainably, if one group is allowed unlimited by-catch of wild herring, wild salmon, rock cod, black cod and other species

in their nets. We cannot have one set of rules that says no fishing with bright lights and then allow fish farms on every major migration route to use these lights, attracting millions of wild fish to their farms.

Scientists studying sockeye don't know what is causing our Fraser sockeye to inexplicably crash, even when cutting back fishing to near zero has not helped. Only the south coast sockeye that migrate past 60 salmon farm sites vanished. These Norwegian fish farmers cannot be allowed to keep their disease outbreaks, on the Fraser migration route, secret any longer. Highly mechanized fish farms will never replace the wild salmon jobs in fishing and tourism, nor can they feed us as wild salmon do.

The tide is turning because of all of you. We will support the small communities we live in to build **land-based aquaculture**. Small independent businesses are much more stable than large foreign operators that come and go based on world markets. Please read the good news at the links below ~ and thank you. - **Alexandra Morton** (250-973-2306)

Updates: <http://alexandramorton.typepad.com/>

The Strathcona Regional District has defeated the zoning bylaw for the huge proposed Grieg Seafood fish farm at Gunner Pt. - www.georgiastrait.org/?q=node/958

Videos: www.youtube.com/user/PureSalmon#p/f

SEE BACK COVER RE THE 'GET OUT MIGRATION!' ♣



Erik Andersen

"Prévoyance"

Re: Nortel pensioners deal rejected by court (CBC News)

From Erik Andersen, Gabriola Island BC
'A \$57 million benefits deal between Nortel Networks Corp. and its pensioners and disabled employees has been thrown out by an Ontario judge.'

(CBC Mar. 28 article: <http://tinyurl.com/nortelpen>)

If anyone really needs it, this court decision is but another example of how the deck is getting stacked against the individual in our country.

160 years ago the French economist, Frederic Bastiat, wrote an essay titled "The Law". His first sentence reads --- "The law perverted!" and goes on from there. His final paragraph reads: "God has implanted in mankind also all that is necessary to enable it to accomplish its destinies. There is a providential social physiology, as well as a providential human physiology. The social organs are constituted so as to enable them to develop harmoniously in the grand air of liberty. Away, then, with quacks and organizers! Away with their rings, and their chains, and their hooks, and their pincers! Away with their artificial methods! Away with their social laboratories, their government whims, their centralization, their tariffs, their universities,

their State religions, their inflationary or monopolizing banks, their limitations, their restrictions, their moralizations, and their equalization by taxation! And now, after having vainly inflicted upon the social body so many systems, let them end where they ought to have begun --- reject all systems, and try liberty --- liberty, which is an act of faith in God and his work."

Economy kept on life support while global governance is organized

Global Governance & SDR (Special Drawing Rights):

An article by Giordano Bruno (Mar 10 2010) which includes videos: <http://neithercorp.us/npress/?p=268>

Erik's comment: Good analysis. National sovereignty is fast becoming a thing of the past. Legal agreements such as NAFTA have served to progressively gut nationalism that had flourished around a constitution.

Nationalism only now serves the need to recruit soldiers but when conscription is re-instituted that too will be irrelevant. Nationalism is also useful for risk transfer but, as the author suggests, what is now "volunteered"(coerced) will likely become a legal requirement. ♣

INCOMPETENCY ISSUES: \$5 MILLION WASTED IN HEALTHCARE

Criticism of the SK College of Physicians and Surgeons* is apparently taboo...

Donald Wiks, Regina SK

I read with great interest the first page article of the Jan. 30, 2010 Leader Post [link below] regarding the radiologist, Dr. Darius Tsatsi, who was barred from practice due to lack of competence. In the article, Brian Saulte, associate registrar and lawyer for the College of Physicians and Surgeons* said it was important to send a message of this incompetence.

It would seem that another message regarding incompetence should be raised. As the College of Physicians and Surgeons have complete control in deciding whether or not doctors are qualified for licensing, it would appear that their incompetence was evident in placing Dr. Tsatsi in the position of radiologist for which he was obviously not qualified.

I, like others on the EDTA Chelation executive, and I am sure many other taxpayers in this province, wonder why the government must pay the atrocious amount of 5 million dollars for what seems to be a serious College blunder. It also seems that five years is a long time for such incompetence to be determined. What harm has actually been done to patients during this time? How much suffering and possible death resulted? It seems that the College claims no responsibility for this most unfortunate incident and in fact are not in any way responsible for the \$5,000,000 cost to the taxpayer. They do not even make an apology!

Certainly the taxpayers are not responsible for this incident.

Certainly, in our health system, many changes need to come about or we stand a good chance of losing everything we have. Costs have become horrific. Indeed, this article only deals with 'the tip of the iceberg.'

This letter was sent to the Regina Leader Post (Feb. 8, 2010) but never published. Don's note: Why was this not published? Is it because it involves the College? Can we

not ever criticize those in high places, especially if the truth is told? It would seem that lip service only is paid to democracy. It would seem that a type of autocracy is very much present in some self-regulated organizations who have influence in government, not unlike that which was prevalent in the Middle Ages.

I would anticipate that there will be much news of interest regarding the Government, College of Physicians and Surgeons and the EDTA Chelation Association at the next sitting of the (Saskatchewan) legislature, with discussion around the Amendment to the "Medical Profession Act." This is long overdue and is of great interest to those who wish to see desired change in our sickness care system.

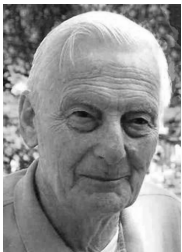
Link to Leader-Post article: <http://tinyurl.com/Lptsatsi>
From the article: "Sunrise Health Region ordered the review of more than 69,000 radiology tests on May 20 after the College of Physicians and Surgeons notified the region of serious concerns about possible interpretations...[to date] 2.38 per cent of the diagnostic exams perused by Tsatsi were deemed to have enough of a variance in interpretation to potentially affect patient care. Patients can call 1-877-854-4424 to find out if their tests were involved in the review and to notify the region if their physician has changed."

***The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan** is a statutory, self-regulating body established by legislation of the Government of Saskatchewan and charged with the responsibility of:

- Licencing properly qualified medical practitioners;
 - Developing and ensuring the standards of practice in all fields of medicine;
 - Investigating and disciplining of all doctors whose standards of medical care, ethical or professional conduct are questioned. [Quoted from: <http://www.quadrant.net/cpps/>]
- Don Wiks is president of the EDTA Chelation Assoc.,**
Regina (Tel. 306-585-2772)♣

"Mountain Murmur"

Flag remembered



Denny Z. Petrik, Clearwater BC

As I sat and watched the TV heavily detailed reporting of the antics of celebrating so called patriots at the conclusion of the Olympic Games an attack of nausea came over me. There were Canadian flags everywhere, on mitts, faces and even butts. Proud

Canadians roamed the streets treating the national flag like a rag. No lucky goal, no number of gold medals warranted such shabby treatment for the flag we cherish, or we should cherish.

I had a choice, either rush to the bathroom and throw up or shut down the TV and send my thoughts to some nicer place. I elected the latter. The silence of the living room nestled in dimmed light let my mind journey a long way back to a far

off place. Out of nowhere appeared the wonderful memory of my Cub Scout camp. I was a wee lad, we were camped by a lake, under tents for one month. The tents were arranged in a horseshoe shape with a campfire spot in the middle near the tall flagpole. Every morning we would rise, run to the creek, do some exercises and then wash in the cold creek water. Once we were all dressed in our nice uniforms and lined up outside, our uniforms were inspected. The kerchiefs had to be on straight and the whistle needed to be in the proper pocket.

When that was done, two cubs were selected and the leader handed them a neatly folded flag. The two flag boys had to very carefully unfold the flag making sure that it does not touch the ground. Then while one held the ends the other boy attached the other end to the line on the flag pole. At a

command from the leader one boy started pulling the flag up the pole while we stood at attention giving the Cub salute. As the flag rose gracefully it was easy for all of us to remember that many people worked very hard and many died to make sure that one day we may have a flag to cherish.

After sunset we lined up again, in full uniform and two other boys were selected to lower the flag to the tune of a bugle. Again, we gave the Cub salute. The lowered flag was handled with great care, folded and handed over to the leader. It was not allowed to remain on the pole over night.

As I recalled those lovely moments I also remembered the ministry across the street from our home. They had a flag pole outside. And on certain state occasions the flag would be raised. And I remember the caretaker coming out in the morning, attaching the flag to the line carefully and then very gracefully raising it. And passers by would stop and watch the flag rise, men would take off their hats. And yes, in the evening the flag would be lowered with equal care. I am not sure whether the caretaker was once a cub scout or whether he taught the cubs. One way or the other it makes me think that we need more scouting movement.

The respect for a flag is not the only good part of scouting. I remember those cub years and some of the things that we did and we were taught. At one meeting Akela took time to teach us how to wrap a parcel properly and neatly. Out in nature we were taught how to start a camp fire without matches. It may sound useless, unless you find yourself cold and miserable somewhere with not a match in sight. The one thing I liked the best about scouting was that while there always was an impetus for you to improve yourself, to learn something, it very seldom was measured against somebody else. The badge you got was not because you beat somebody it was an acknowledgment that you learned something.

As we drift deeper and deeper into the multitude of mankind, the provision of an incentive for a person to improve without bettering someone becomes more and more important. In that respect alone I feel that the present scouting

movement needs support. I believe that parents can do themselves a big favour by encouraging children to become involved in scouting and Girl Guide activities.

Here is an eco friendly movement, if you wish to be modern, teaching how to behave in nature, how to take care of it. I remember the rule we had to follow. When we left camp, it had to be clean and neat so that no one could tell we were there. Of course one does not succeed hundred percent on that one, but it is good to try. It is a movement that uses a slogan "do a good turn daily."

Can you imagine how much nicer the world would be if everybody followed that?

Mr. Applebome – editor of New York Times once observed: "Scouting core values... are wonderful building blocks for a movement and life. Scouting's genuinely egalitarian goals and instincts are more important now than they have ever been. It is one of the only things that kids do that's genuinely cooperative not competitive."

Perhaps it is my conviction that competition is no longer good for mankind, if it ever were, that my memory keeps returning to the scouting days. Perhaps it is the fact that I found depth and substance in the campfire singsongs and the long hikes and helping others and be helped in return. I enjoyed my cub and scouting days, very much. And as I see present society drifting from one emptiness to another, I sincerely hope that many young boys and girls will reach for the quality scouting offers.

I still have the fleur-de-lis that used to adorn my scout shirt. Let me see if I can remember the Scout Oath:

On my honour I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout law, to help other people at all times, to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight.

Adhering to that oath would make us all better citizens of the country called Humanity. . . .

Denny Z. Petrik, Clearwater BC ♣

Re: Minister disappointed by lack of French

John M. Wood, Morinville AB

Apparently Canada is more French now than English. The entire Olympic opening program was conducted in French first, making English, the predominant and majority (by nearly 5 to one) language of Canada, and third most spoken language in the world, a second-class language in our own country. What a disgrace!

If anyone was disappointed, it was the 26 million English speaking Canadians, insulted and deceived yet again by our so-called political 'representatives' in Ottawa and provincial legislatures. They also deceived the rest of the world by promoting the LIE that Canada is a bilingual country. IT IS NOT! The politicians -- Harper, Moore, Campbell and the

rest, are responsible for this linguistic debacle. Charest's 'disappointment' is irrelevant.

To be sure, there are many English Canadians who don't see a problem with being insulted every time the French language is forced on us. One wonders how the athletes from all the other countries must have felt being led into the stadium with their countries' names first in French.

While I'm at it, the young woman who performed our National Anthem, 'Oh Canada', had a very nice voice. But she utterly destroyed it with her Americanized 'pop style' improvisation. Calixa Lavallée must have rolled over in his grave. What is it with pop singers they can't sing music as it is written? Are the melodies too complicated? They sure as hell aren't Jazz singers! **Call Me Canadian! ♣**

Anti-English bills in Quebec: Four Decades of Canada's Language Controversy (1974 to 2010)

Ernest Semple, Montreal QC / ItsSemple@aol.com

Writing this history - <http://tinyurl.com/CLFsemple1> - in a short space was a real challenge. But the cat's out of the bag now for every one interested to get basic facts where the language controversy has been for the past four decades.

It summarizes the path from Quebec Premier Robert Bourassa to the 2010 Olympic Games in Vancouver.

It should be noted that only a small amount of carping criticism was mounted by the Francophone zealots in Vancouver, because little criticism was possible except for the lack of total equality in the presentations of the opening cere-

monies, where local native traditions were treated at the forefront of similar traditions represented from all across Canada. We can only do so much within the limits of time and space and weather.

From the security point of view, there has never been a less stressful appearing environment at any recent Olympic Games. Vanoc and Canada's excellent police services and the military showed coordination that likely will set the standard for all future major sport events and public gatherings, at least in Canada. It was a crowning achievement coming out of a very difficult year. ♣

Is Canada a Bilingual Nation?

An answer to the myth that Canada was created as a bilingual nation

EXCERPTS FROM: **"Reappraisals in Canadian History – Post Confederation"**

By C. M. WALLACE AND R. M. BRAY

(Third Edition, 1999, Prentice-Hall Canada Inc., publisher)

From Chapter 1, CONFEDERATION AND EXPANSION - by Donald Creighton (pp.5-6)

[EXCERPT] The primary aim of Confederation was political - the creation of a great 'new nationality'; and the British North America Act was the result of a political agreement among several provinces, not of a cultural compact of two ethnic groups, English and French.

Before 1867, British America still remained, and was still regarded, not as a cultural duality but, in the words of George Cartier, as 'a diversity of races.' "In our own federation," Cartier declared, "we should have Catholic and Protestant, English, French, Irish, and Scotch, and each by his efforts and his success would increase the prosperity and glory of the new confederacy."

Language was only one of the many components that made up the curious cultural medley that was British America before Confederation. National origin and national tradition – Irish, Scotch, and English, as well as French – might be equally influential; and religion, so often sharpened by sectarian bitterness, was perhaps the most important of all.

The Fathers of Confederation had to take account of these differences; but their great aim was not the perpetuation of cultural diversity but the establishment of a united nation. At the Quebec and London conferences, they gave, on the whole, relatively little time to the discussion of ethnic and cultural questions; and the resolutions they adopted on these matters, though important and essential, were few, precise in their wording, and limited in their scope.

The British North America Act contained no general declaration of principle that Canada was to be a bilingual and bi-cultural nation – or, for that matter, that it would remain 'a

diversity of races.'

The Fathers of Confederation were as little inclined to lay down the law about the cultural purpose and future of their new nation as they were to issue a general pronouncement on the nature and probable destiny of mankind. The English and French languages were given equal official status in the Parliament and the courts of Canada, and in the legislature and courts of Quebec. Canada was to establish only two federal courts, the Supreme Court and the Exchequer Court, at Ottawa; and all the other courts in the country were to be provincial courts, constituted and maintained by the provinces.

The French language had thus no official standing in the courts of any of the provinces except Quebec; and, perhaps even more important, it was given no protected place in any of the nation's schools. The Fathers of Confederation showed a fair amount of interest in education and its legislative control; but it was very characteristic of these typical British Americans, with their strong denominational affiliations and frequent sectarian biases, that what concerned them was not the role of language, but the place of religion, in the schools. The provinces were given the power to legislate in respect of education; but this authority was limited by some rather complicated provisions designed to protect any rights or privileges concerning separate or denominational schools.

In sum, the distinctive cultural features of French Canada – its language, civil code, and educational system – were confirmed in those parts of the new Dominion in which they had already become established by law or custom. They were not extended in their application to Ontario and the Atlantic provinces. They were given no protected position in the nation as a whole. [END OF EXERPT]

This book is a comprehensive collection of readings on a wide variety of topics in post-1867 Canadian history. Excerpt selected by Maurice King. ♣

In Responses to the Last Issue

Carbon dioxide versus real pollution problems

Re: THE NEXT BIG SCAM: CARBON DIOXIDE. (CO2)

By Jim S. Allan, Toronto

This is a response to *Dialogue's*, Feb-Mar, 2010, Page 23, [re markets for tradeable CO2, by Patricia Adams] in which some good points were made.

History: World Climate Change Conferences, leading up to the Kyoto Protocol in Japan, 1997 - 2005:

First, 1992, Rio. 11th., 2005, Montreal. 15th., 2009, Copenhagen, which involved some 192 countries.

Some non-governmental sources have estimated the costs of reaching Canada's Kyoto targets to be huge, ranging from 100% price hikes, to loss of jobs, to \$26,000 per person!

Kyoto's concern about global warming refers to Greenhouse Gases (GHGs), with emphasis on Carbon Dioxide (CO2). It calls for a 30% reduction (240 megatonnes) of GHGs over the period 2008 to 2012 and/or 5.2% or 6% average below 1990 levels, per year, by 2010 or 2012. To the average person, these numbers mean nothing.

Furthermore, the Canadian Taxpayers Federation advises that the UN says Canada has already increased its GHGs from 1990 to the end of 2003, by 24%!

What hope now for any average reduction in Canada, let alone one of 6% below 1990 levels, without massive reduction in our energy production which would have a devastating effect on our economy, resulting in huge increases in unemployment?

Carbon Dioxide is itself NOT poisonous. In fact it is extremely valuable. In the presence of (sun) light, through the process of photosynthesis, it is vital to plants for them to produce the essentials for animal life such as food, wood, fibres and oxygen. In light, most plants inhale Carbon Dioxide and exhale Oxygen; and in darkness, they exhale Carbon Dioxide. Oxygen of course, is essential for animal life.

Compared to the effect of sunlight, Carbon Dioxide's effect on global warming is claimed to be minute, as is the effect of other GHGs, the main ones of which are:

Nitrous Oxide (NO2). Sulphur Dioxide (SO2). And Methane. These are poisonous.

The main cause of global warming is the effect of sunlight, "Solar Radiation", getting through to the Earth's surface, through depletion of the Ozone layer which has little or nothing to do with Carbon Dioxide.

Over eons of time (millions of years), planet Earth has passed through four major cycles of cooling (Ice Ages) and the offsetting effects of cyclical Global Warmings (going

back 2.7 billion years ago), without any influence from mankind at all. This cycle continues today quite apart from human activity.

I submit, controversies regarding reducing Global Warming and Carbon Dioxide include:

1. The DIRECT COSTS, which, some predict, will be absolutely staggering for Canada.
2. The complexity of: "Permits", "Credits", governmental "International Credits", "carbon sink credits" (agriculture and forestry), and all their related indirect bureaucratic administrative costs.
3. The difficulty for a country such as Canada to prevent cheating by countries outside Canada benefiting at Canada's expense.
4. Reduction to global warming compared with the far more significant effects of the sun.
5. Concentration on Carbon Dioxide, not air pollution. Air pollution does indeed need to be addressed. But there are ways other than Carbon Dioxide trading for doing this, without the risk of putting millions of people in "developed countries" (such as Canada) into abject poverty.

At the UN Convention on Climate Change in Buenos Aires in December 2004, it was predicted that Canada, Japan and Russia will withdraw from the Kyoto Protocol after 2012.

The KEY QUESTION is: Which will be the higher – the positive benefits from Kyoto type controls, or the negative costs to a country like Canada? We have not been given a clear balance sheet to help answer this question!

The effect of Kyoto will not be felt clearly by the average Canadian in its early stages. But there are predictions it will have a gradual and staggering effect on Canada and future generations down the road.

The majority of the provinces, with Alberta in the lead, have taken the position Canada should not follow Kyoto without a detailed plan agreed to by all the stakeholders involved.

Through International Credits, etc, Kyoto controls will result in significant economic potential being transferred from developed countries, such as Canada, to countries considered not to be developed, such as Russia, China, India, (all of which can afford to have atomic weapons; and Brazil and Mexico. These countries are exempt from Kyoto's GHGs reduction requirements, as they are considered not to be developed countries.

Note how Kyoto rules are like an international game for points. Someone has to referee and control the game! Who is that someone to be? Might we saddle ourselves to yet another bonanza for Canadian minorities, even larger than

our “gun control fiasco”, our “sponsorship scandal”, or our “Trudeau’s official bilingualism millstone” to name a few? Bonanzas at the expense of the significant majority of Canadians. What are the penalties for violation? And who is going to enforce them? And how?

The United States and Australia have opted not to go the Kyoto route. The United States is pursuing its own non-Kyoto alternative, e.g.: Reduction of 18% to poisonous substances, such as: Nitrous Oxide, Sulphur Dioxide, Methane, and Mercury, and other GHGs, by the year 2012, with incentives for complying. This seems to be a more practical and pragmatic approach.

If Canada does comply with Kyoto requirements, will she:

a) Be able to compete with other countries economically when she probably will be required to transfer significant amounts of her own equity (capital), that could otherwise be available for investment in Canada, to “developing” countries, by having to buy “credits”, etc, from them? Answer, likely, “No!”

b) Have to sell at disadvantageous terms to foreigners our natural resources (and eventually our sovereignty)? Answer, likely, “Yes!”

Economically, manufacturing may simply become a non-starter for Canada! And then, if we find ourselves in conflict, or at war, where would we be as far as self reliance and self defence are concerned?

Should we not protect our natural resources, sovereignty, equity, and good health of our citizens, by avoiding the costly, inequitable, Kyoto, which hamstringing our economy, by applying our own controllable clean air requirements, recognizing Canada’s unique conditions with a relatively small population in a huge land mass with extreme climates; and concentrate on alternative sources of energy, such as: Nuclear? Organic? Wind? Solar? Tidal? Geothermal (heat pumps drawing water from deep underground)? And Hydrogen?

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The Francization of New Brunswick

A WARNING TO NB TAXPAYERS AND BUSINESSES

Matthew Glenn, Minto NB

The drive continues, as it has since the establishment of the University of Moncton, to eventually make New Brunswick a French province, emulating Quebec where the English language is all but outlawed.

Recent examples are clearly visible as French agitators infiltrate cities and towns, demanding French in many areas where numbers DO NOT warrant.

One of their methods is to break the law by getting a parking or speeding ticket as an excuse to demand all services in French with threats of court action if not adequately delivered. Recent examples are, forcing Moncton City Hall to provide French services in all departments, bilingual street signs in Saint John at the cost of thousands of dollars even though Francophones are only 5% of the population. The city of Fredericton with 5 or 6% has bowed to the same demands as well as providing simultaneous translation at council meetings at a cost of thousands of dollars per year.

At one point the mayor publicly admitted that this unnecessary service had only been used once, yet city tax payers are on the hook to provide the funding regardless whether it is being used or not. This is quite a cash cow for French translating companies.

There are many other examples of possible “PAID AGITATORS” at work here in N.B., as well as other provinces outside Quebec.

We should all be aware of the recent court case regarding the lady who was caught speeding in Grand Falls, N.B., who won the case and was awarded over a \$100,000 by the

courts because she did not receive proper service in French by the RCMP officer and others.

Another glaring example, being the resident from Moncton who recently visited the emergency ward at the Tracadie-Sheila hospital where an English doctor had offered his services, since a French or bilingual one was not available. She immediately scampered to the media and launched a complaint in very good English. Was this really an emergency or was it another agitator demanding more French?

At the present, one of these agitators who foisted their French service demands on Moncton, Saint John and Fredericton now has their sights set on the town of Riverview.

“Beware”, the smaller predominately English towns and villages are about to be consumed by this French Language tsunami.

Where is the fairness in language of choice when an English speaking resident of the province was recently convicted and sentenced for harassment for daring to ask at a government office to provide them with satisfactory service in “English” their language of choice.

These assaults by language agitators on cities and towns are indeed harassment on a MEGA scale. It’s time for our government to escort these agitators out of the province and divert the millions of dollars spent annually on duplication to essential services that would benefit all New Brunswickers, not just the vocal and demanding few

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THE FIGHT TO STOP THE HST IN B.C.

How can we stop the HST?

Introduction to the Citizen Initiative Petition

Citizen Initiative Petition to repeal the HST

What is the HST?

The HST (Harmonized Sales Tax) is a new federal sales tax created by merging the GST with the PST, to be collected by the federal government and shared with BC.

Why is the HST bad for BC?

- It will add 7% more to the cost of many goods and services that were previously exempt under the PST.
- It will transfer the entire sales tax burden from businesses to consumers.
- It will cost the average household in BC an extra \$2,100 per year.
- The HST removes BC's exclusive Constitutional right to set and collect provincial sales tax in BC.
- The BC Liberals' promised NOT to implement the HST in the last election.
- BC's economy is struggling, and an extra tax will hurt citizens and economic recovery.

How can we stop the HST?

BC is unique in Canada to have a Citizen's Initiative law that provides for a legally binding petition to be conducted. Fight HST has been approved by Elections BC to conduct a Citizen's Initiative petition to repeal the HST.

The Citizen's Initiative petition requires the signatures of 10% of registered voters in every one of BC's 85 Electoral Districts to be successful. If the Initiative petition is successful, the BC Government must submit a draft Bill to the Legislature for a vote, or conduct a province wide referendum (Initiative Vote) on the question.

What is the petition called?

The Fight HST Citizen Initiative is titled: An initiative to end the harmonized sales tax (HST)

What does the petition mean?

The purpose of the initiative draft Bill is to declare that the agreement between the federal government and BC to establish a harmonized sales tax (HST) is not in effect.

The draft Bill would reinstate the 7% provincial sales tax (PST) with the same exemptions as were in effect as of June 30, 2010.

The draft Bill is retroactive to June 30, 2010. The Bill proposes that the provincial share of HST revenues received between June 30, 2010 and the date of Royal Assent of the Bill that exceed what would be collected under the PST rules as of June 30, 2010, would be reimbursed to British Columbians on a per capita basis.

When does the petition start?

The Fight HST petition will start on April 6, 2010. Signatures must be collected within 90 days, ending on July 5, 2010.

Former premier leading the fight

Delta – Fresh on the heels of a resoundingly successful trip to Northern BC, former BC Premier Bill Vander Zalm, leader of the Fight HST petition to repeal the HST, brought his Town Hall Tour to the Okanagan and the Kootenays, Mar. 27-31, to expand awareness for his petition, and to sign up more volunteer canvassers.

"We signed up over 350 new canvassers at our meetings in Northern BC last week," said the charismatic former premier, "We now have somewhere between 2,500 and 3,000 volunteers across the province, and they are pouring in daily."

Vander Zalm says wherever he goes, Finance Minister Colin Hansen seems to follow. "He showed up in Merritt two days after I went there. Then he tailed me to Dawson Creek and Fort St. John. I think we gave him the slip somewhere between Prince George and Smithers, but he'll probably find us again on this trip. Must be tough doing damage control for a tax that 85% of British Columbians don't want."

"It would be a lot easier and less costly for all concerned if they just started listening to the people who elect them, rather than trying to convince everyone to accept a tax they don't want," Vander Zalm said.

Vander Zalm's petition requires the signatures of 10% of registered voters in all 85 electoral districts to succeed. "We need as many volunteers spread out across the province, since a shortage of signatures in even one riding means the whole petition is invalid. That is why the Okanagan and Kootenays are so important. Without them, there can be no success."

For up-to-date information about the FightHST Campaign, visit the website: <http://fighthst.com>

How can I get involved?

We have 1,750 volunteers registered to date, but we need 4,500 to guarantee success....Signature Canvassers, Riding Captains, Regional Organizers

You can volunteer online at: www.fighthst.com

To canvass, you must be a BC registered voter. To register or to confirm your registration go to:

www.elections.bc.ca/index.php/voting/online-voter-registration/

Who is Fight HST?

Fight HST is a grass roots group led by former BC Premier, Bill Vander Zalm. Fight HST is made up of British Columbians from all walks of life and all political persuasions, including NDP Leader Carole James; newspaper columnist Bill Tieleman; BC Conservative Chris Delaney, BC Refederation Leader Mike Summers, Independent MLA Vicki Huntington and thousands of others committed to stopping the HST. For more information: www.fighthst.com
[Website and posters authorized by: Bill Vander Zalm, Financial Agent (604) 946-1774] ♣

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Who Are We?

Personocratia's Path

What the Hell Am I Doing Here Anyway?

As **Personocratia's Path** is going to be a regular column, let us first start by introducing Personocratia and telling her story. She was born out of the question stated above – What the hell am I doing here anyway? At the end of her first book, **The Medical Mafia** Ghis (previously called Ghislaine Lanctôt, MD) mentioned that the true state of a person's health depends upon her level of consciousness. As we are divine beings, submission is what makes us sick. But how should a divine being act in daily life? To answer this question, she experimented intuitively for the next seven years, developing practical solutions. In her second book, **What the Hell Am I Doing Here Anyway?**, she came up with a key concept, which she called Personocratia.

The name Personocratia comes from two words. In non-legal English, a person is an individual human being. In Greek, *kratos* means rule or authority. Thus, a Personocratia is an individual who follows her own internal divine rule. The word finishes with an A in order to celebrate the feminine principle (spirit/soul), which always precedes the masculine principle (matter/body). Personocratia can be identified through three criteria: 1) Identity; 2) Authority; 3) Sincerity. Firstly, she knows that she is an individualized version of the Supreme Being. Secondly, she acknowledges her individual sovereignty. Thirdly, she behaves as this Supreme Authority in all aspects of her daily life.

A Personocratia represents an individual with a totally different consciousness. Why is this new type of awareness needed today? Simply because all aspects of human society are on the verge of total collapse! Bankers control the world through a system of money that is based on credit rather than a real exchange of products or services. This situation cannot go on forever and a global financial crash is imminent. Most political, legal, financial, religious, spiritual leaders and other elites are corrupted beyond repair. It is now too late to improve on a global system that is rotten to the core. Simply, we are fast approaching the end of humanity as we know it.

This is not a pessimistic view, but a realistic one. I need to face the truth before I decide to explore a radically new path. Once I see the situation with my eyes wide open, I cannot go back to believing in old stories. Remember when you were a kid and someone told you that Santa Claus was not real? Once you found out, you could never believe that

story again. Well, the same thing is happening to us now, as we discover the real state of today's various systems.

Once I understand who creates laws and why, I cannot obey them without cringing. Once I discover that schools and universities teach us lies so that we become the elite's submissive slaves, I cannot spend years learning what I will later need to unlearn in order to become who I really am. Once I find out how money is created out of thin air, I cannot continue using credit cards and bank accounts. Once I know that bankers finance both sides of a war to gain control of a country, I can neither pay taxes that go straight into their pockets nor participate in wars as a soldier.

Once I understand that the biggest lure to remain in the system is my belief in the sacredness of the family, a notion engrained for generations by the elite into its *sheeple*, I cannot go on with my role as a devoted mother/father, dutiful daughter/son, faithful husband/wife. The list goes on until, one day, I realize that nothing I believed in was ever true. They were mere dreams instilled in me by the elite in order to enslave me while they kept pretending that I was free. A slave who thinks she is free does not rebel.

O, what a good sheep I have been! Now that I KNOW, how can I go on?

When I am driving on a road and realize that it is leading to a dead-end, what do I do? I stop and make a 180° turn in the other direction.

Guess what? Humanity is in a dead-end! So, STOP! Let us stop doing what we have been doing for millennia and explore a totally new way of being and acting. I had been listening to external authorities. I will now listen to my own internal authority. I had been dutifully obeying parents, teachers, bosses, the

media... I will now do what my own inner voice tells me. It may imply acting in a way that is so radically different that friends and family will think that I have gone crazy. Let them think what they want. Let the unconscious white sheep obey until they collapse. Let the rebellious black sheep go on with their endless fighting until they die of fear and exhaustion. I am getting out of the sheep mode to live like a **Personocratia**, who knows that she is the Supreme Being inside a physical, emotional and mental body. Finally, there is hope ahead – a new and exciting path to follow.

Personocratia's Path is meant to help you explore this innovative behaviour. It will offer disturbing information ⇒



Personocratia's Path, contd.

about the real workings behind each system. Because of space restraints and as the mind never has enough proof when it is afraid of losing an old belief, no lengthy explanations will be given to convince you that what is mentioned is indeed true. To have convincing proof, you will have to surf the Internet, browse through books, attend lectures, or trust your inner voice, all of which we have done extensively before bringing you the information that will be found inside each of our columns.

Two Personocratias – or more, depending on the subject – will be writing this regular column. The first, Ghis, previously known as Ghislaine Lancôt, was an MD for 25 years and the owner of several medical clinics in Quebec, Ontario and Florida. After writing her bestseller, **The Medical Mafia**, she stopped her medical career and dived into the study of all the others systems that touched her daily life. She told herself: “If indeed the Supreme Being resides in all things, this means that a plant, a dog, and a human being are all made up of this Supreme Authority. It is the very fabric of all living and non-living matter. The only difference is that I know it and the dog doesn’t. Once I truly believe this, I cannot go on acting like an intelligent and fearful animal. I must change my behaviour and start acting like the Supreme Being that I truly am.

But how the hell does one do that?” So, Ghis studied all the details of her life and, each time, she would ask herself: “How would the Supreme Being act? Would It wear a seatbelt? Pay income tax? Use a credit car? Call Its reproducers ‘Mom’ and ‘Dad’? Lie to Its boss in order to get a raise? Have sex with Its partner when It doesn’t feel like it? Have sex at all, as reproduction is not needed when one is immortal? Continue a job that bores It? Now, would the Supreme Being buy life or fire insurance? Would It carry a health insurance card? Eat low calorie food in order to stay slim? Put on makeup and sexy clothing? Get a facelift or breast implants? Take Viagra and run five kilometres a day to stay fit? The answer is NO, in each case!

Every new question brought a change of behaviour. Ghis’ daily life was totally transformed. She dropped credit cards and, gradually, all other cards. She closed her bank accounts and stopped paying income tax. She told her four ‘reproductions’ that she was not a mother and that she no longer considered them as her children, but as old friends. Her latest and most dramatic change was to let go of citizenship, her birth certificate, her name and her passport. No longer a Canadian citizen, she is left with her true identity – Ghis, a Personocratia who knows that she is the Supreme Being incarnated in a body. This whole process, she shared

in her second book, **What the Hell Am I Doing Here Anyway?** (2002) and her third book, **Madame Ghis – Escape in Prison**. The whole process is now explained in more details in a series called **Personocratia’s Booklets**, which she co-authors with Mado.

The second regular writer of this column, Mado, followed many side tracks before discovering Personocratia in 2004: martial arts, high school teaching, outdoor education, permaculture, alternative health, writing and homeschooling three kids. Her life eventually became a living hell as she tried her best to live an out-of-the-system lifestyle with her family while mothering her severely retarded and sickly third child. As for many other Personocratias, suffering became the springboard into a new life where she now learns to let go of the ego’s outdated animal program in order to live according to the inner call of her soul.

We guarantee that this new **Personocratia’s Path** column will rock your boat, forcing you to reassess your old belief system, to question fundamental assumptions that you and all of society have been taking for granted for millennia.

Here are a few: “The family is sacred”, “The Bible is sovereign” • “The Constitution is paramount” • “A regular medical check-up is the surest way to stay healthy” • “We start and end with the family” • “Two things are inevitable, death and income tax” • “One cannot survive without food and drink” • “Working hard guarantees salvation” • “If I don’t pay income tax, there will be no roads, schools or hospitals” • “The first wealth is health”

• “Once a mother, always a mother” • “We are all children of God” • “Death is a natural part of life” • and so on. Personocratia will explain why none of this is true, not even death! Once this is established, she will propose novel ways of behaving in daily life that will bring about the changes leading to a new species, where accident, illness, aging, and death no longer exist.

You may tell yourself: “What is the use in changing my whole life? Things ain’t that bad!” Realize that we are in the middle of a huge evolutionary crisis. Humanity is fast disappearing to give rise to a new species. The basic structure of modern society is in an advanced state of putrefaction. Let us put our energies in the right direction. Instead of trying to improve on the old system, let us get ready for this new life in a transformed world.

How can we do this, concretely? Stay tuned with the **Personocratia’s Path** column, which you will now be able to find inside each new *Dialogue magazine*.

INFOS AND BOOKS: www.personocratia.com

VARIOUS VIDEOS: www.dianedares.com ♣



Be Your Own Authority

by Owen Waters, Delaware US

In the 1960s, parents and teachers complained that the younger generation had less respect for authority than they did when they were that age. In the 1980s, parents and teachers complained that the younger generation had less respect for authority than they did when they were that age. In the 2000s... well, you get the picture. Every generation has progressed more in the same direction because The Shift is dissolving the old habit of submission to authority. Traditionally, organizations were run on hierarchies of authority. In order to work within a hierarchy, you were expected to surrender your willingness to think for yourself and, instead, obey orders without question. Human creativity was suppressed, while such a structure encouraged people to be closed-minded when exposed to any new information or ideas.

People with open minds, on the other hand, can think for themselves and therefore become their own authorities. Being open to new ideas, they can awaken to creative, new solutions to challenges in their work and in their lives.

Once the human mind is free to think for itself, these new ideas and solutions can be gained from the three main stages of focused conscious awareness. These are:

1. Concentration. This is used to make a study and rational analysis of all available material.

2. Reflection. This is the process of digesting information,

sleeping on it, and thinking it over on more than one occasion. It opens up the problem to more levels of consciousness than just the daily, waking consciousness. Each time the situation is examined, a more insightful overview is obtained, leading to deeper and longer-lasting solutions.

3. Meditation. In this state of alert awareness, the full power of your intuitive insight can be accessed. In this state, your intuition senses the whole reality of the situation and delivers information which would be unobtainable by any other means. The deeper the meditative state, the clearer it becomes as to what the best solution can be...

It is very simple to become an experienced meditator. Make meditation your number one priority, each and every day. The Infinite Being meditation technique is one of many meditation techniques you can use, and it is a very powerful one. It can be found at:

www.infinitebeing.com/0405/ibmeditation.htm

As we pass through *The Shift* into the New Reality, we are learning to apply self-empowerment to all facets of life. Self-education and reflection mean that you can rely upon your own perceptions about what is best for you. [...]

Basically, it all comes down to these four words:

Be your own authority.

Article written by Owen Waters, [www.InfiniteBeing.com] author of "The Shift: The Revolution in Human Consciousness," which is available both as a paperback and a downloadable e-book, at: www.infinitebeing.com/theshift ♣

The first Ringing Cedars Canadian Workshops in May Vancouver 8-9 • Ottawa 15-16 May

For everyone who has read (*or read about in the June-July 2009 issue of Dialogue*) the Ringing Cedars series about *Anastasia*, by Vladimir Megré, the first **Ringing Cedars Workshops** to be held in Canada will be in Ottawa and Vancouver next month (May 2010):

OTTAWA: Here is the link to the full description of the Ringing Cedars Workshop to be held all day Saturday & Sunday, **15-16 May**, at the Best Western Barons Hotel & Conference Centre in Bells Corners (western part of Ottawa): **More Info:** <http://tinyurl.com/RCottawa>

VANCOUVER: All day Saturday & Sunday, **8-9 May**, at the YWCA Hotel, 733 Beatty Street (off Robson) in downtown Vancouver: **Info:** <http://tinyurl.com/RCvancouv>

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SHAMANIC TRANSFERENCE

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What we don't remember and make conscious, we act out, even evoking and dreaming up the seemingly external field around us to collude with us so as to give living shape and form to our inner process. Whatever we repress, deny, or split-off from, we will unconsciously, and compulsively re-enact in the present, as if we are unknowingly trying to complete an incomplete process. We will project outside of ourselves and "transfer" onto others unconscious parts of ourselves, dreaming them up to play certain roles, so as to help us to actually recreate and act out our inner, unconscious process in full-bodied form as an unconscious way of seeking resolution. Paradoxically, these enactments are simultaneously the "problem" as well as our attempt to solve it. [...] READ MORE on Paul's website: www.awakeninthedream.com/wordpress/?p=422

"This is nothing other than an evolutionary quantum leap in human consciousness, unimaginable until now." ~ Paul Levy

A pioneer in the field of spiritual emergence, Paul Levy is a healer in private practice, assisting others who are also awakening to the dreamlike nature of reality. Paul is also a visionary artist and a spiritually-informed political activist. He is the author of *The Madness of George Bush: A Reflection of Our Collective Psychosis*, which is available on his website:

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What If Cancer is Not a Disease?

From: S. McDowall, Nanaimo [stephmcd@telus.net]

Awesome excerpt from a book explaining cancer

These understandings should bring comfort to so many!

Cancer is not a Disease - It's a Survival Mechanism

Book Excerpt: Andreas Moritz's book, Cancer is not a Disease - It's a Survival Mechanism

Andreas Moritz, Landrum, SC (US)

(NaturalNews) What you are about to read may rock or even dismantle the very foundation of your beliefs about your body, health and healing. The title, "Cancer Is Not a Disease" may be unsettling for many, provocative to some, but encouraging for all. This book will serve as a revelation for those who are sufficiently open-minded to consider the possibility that cancer and other debilitating illnesses are not actual diseases, but desperate and final attempts by the body to stay alive for as long as circumstances permit.

It will perhaps astound you to learn that a person who is afflicted with the main causes of cancer (which constitute the real illness) would most likely die quickly unless he actually grew cancer cells. In this work, I provide evidence to this effect.

I further claim that cancer will only occur after all other defense or healing mechanisms in the body have failed. In extreme circumstances, exposure to large amounts of cancer-producing agents (carcinogens) can bring about a collapse of the body's defenses within several weeks or months and allow for rapid and aggressive growth of a cancerous tumor. Usually, though, it takes many years, or even decades, for these so-called "malignant" tumors to form.

Unfortunately, basic misconceptions or complete lack of knowledge about the reasons behind tumor growth have turned "malignant" tumors into vicious monsters that have no other purpose but to kill us in retaliation for our sins or abusing the body. However, as you are about to find out, cancer is on our side, not against us. Unless we change our perception of what cancer really is, it will continue to resist treatment, particularly the most "advanced" methods. If you have cancer, and cancer is indeed part of the body's complex survival responses and not a disease, as I suggest it is, you must find answers to the following pressing questions:

- **What reasons coerce your body into developing cancer cells?**
- **Once you have identified these reasons, will you be able to change them? What determines the type and severity of cancer with which you are afflicted?**
- **If cancer is a survival mechanism, what needs to be done to prevent the body from taking recourse to such drastic defense measures?**
- **Since the body's original genetic design always favors the preservation of life and protection against adversi-**

ties of any kind, why would the body permit self-destruction?

- **Why do almost all cancers disappear by themselves, without medical intervention?**
- **Do radiation, chemotherapy and surgery actually cure cancer, or do cancer survivors heal due to other reasons, despite these radical, side-effect-loaded treatments?**
- **What roles do fear, frustration, low self-worth and repressed anger play in the origination and outcome of cancer?**
- **What is the spiritual growth lesson behind cancer?**

To deal with the root causes of cancer, you must find satisfying and practical answers to the above questions. If you feel the inner urge to make sense of this life-changing event, (cancer that is), you most likely will recover from it. Cancer can be your greatest opportunity to help restore balance to all aspects of your life, but it can also be the harbinger of severe trauma and suffering. Either way you are always in control of your body.

To live in a human body, you must have access to a certain amount of life-sustaining energy. You may either use this inherent energy in a nourishing and self-sustaining or in a destructive and debilitating way. In case you consciously or unconsciously choose negligence or self-abuse over loving attention and self-respect, your body will likely end up having to fight for its life.

Cancer is but one of the many ways the body tries to change the way you see and treat yourself, including your body. This inevitably brings up the subject of spiritual health, which plays at least as important a role in cancer as physical and emotional reasons do.

Cancer appears to be a highly confusing and unpredictable disorder. It seems to strike the very happy and the very sad, the rich and the poor, the smokers and the non-smokers, the very healthy and the not so healthy. People from all backgrounds and occupations can have cancer. However, if you dare look behind the mask of its physical symptoms, such as the type, appearance and behavior of cancer cells, you will find that cancer is not as coincidental or unpredictable as it seems to be.

What makes 50% of the American population so prone to developing cancer, when the other half has no risk at all? Blaming the genes for that is but an excuse to cover up ignorance of the real causes. Besides, any good genetic researcher would tell you that such a belief is void of any logic and outright unscientific (as explained in the book).

Read online: www.naturalnews.com/022578.html

Andreas Moritz's book, Cancer is not a Disease - It's a Survival Mechanism, explains the root causes of cancer and how to eliminate them for good. www.ener-chi.com ♣

Magical Moon Lake

Magical Moon Lake – Part I

Meet the animals, insects, trees and stones of my home at Moon Lake and make some unusual discoveries along the way.

By Karl Backhaus, Holland Centre ON

Meet the animals, insects, trees and stones of Moon Lake - my home and make unusual and unexpected discoveries along the way. With complementary insights.

Written for my nieces and nephews and their children and anyone interested in the magic of life.

How It All Began ...

This collection of short stories was triggered by a vivid dream I had on the night before New Year's Eve, 1993. In my dream a clearing in a forest was covered with many wild flowers. I was part of a group of 13 people, men, women and children of various backgrounds. As we settled down to sit near the quietly bubbling main spring of Moon Lake, we formed a circle.

Everyone in our group had to tell a story. I thought I would have plenty of time to think about one, but to my surprise it was my turn first to begin our story-telling. All this happened so quickly. At this point I was totally unprepared to tell a story whereas some of the other participants even had a manuscript to read from. I had to come up with a story in a hurry without any clues or time to think of one.

While desperately looking for hints of what I could talk about I noticed a hare looking at me from some distance. Nobody seemed to notice this friendly wild hare, for everyone was focused on me for my story to begin. The hare kept intensely looking at me.

Somehow there was a mental connection between us. Suddenly a clear image of a potato came to my mind.

Was this a telepathic message? How would a potato help me in my situation? As often happens in dreams, when things become difficult, one wakes up, and this was also the case with me. Even though I tried, I could not go back to my dream that night, and I never had a second chance to listen to the stories of the other storytellers.

For quite a while I could not sleep again for I was thinking about all the stories I had missed, as well as my own story, wondering about the meaning of the potato image given to me by a hare. Still pondering my dream, I realized that there were many stories I could have told, but I had never thought of them as being stories. These were not made-up ones but my own true real adventures and exciting experiences which were much more thrilling to tell than anything I could invent. My brain began racing as all these untold amazing experiences came to my mind. I was anxious to get up, but I waited until dawn to jot down the titles of my stories, title-after-title, twenty-two in all.



Boy, I had a real collection of stories now, and in case I ever returned to the circle of storytellers,

I decided to record these real-life stories so I would be prepared. Everything you will read truly happened, written without compromise or any alteration to make them sound more dramatic. For me, they are exciting enough and, even if some of my experiences may sound unreal, what you will get is the 'real McCoy'.

As I began writing my stories, many details came alive as if they had only occurred yesterday. Over a period of a decade, I have added amazing new experiences at Moon Lake, giving now a more complete picture and better understanding of this magical place.

Although English is my second language, the writing seemed effortless when page after page materialized from my old-fashioned Smith-Corona typewriter.

Later, as I re-read the stories, I became aware that they were connected by a continuous thread that joins the inter-relations of humans, animals, plants and even stones, and explores my understanding of what each of these seemingly different worlds can offer and teach us. In many instances, God and Guardian Angels do not seem to be strangers. For this last thought, I will let the stories speak for themselves.

Our present world is often geared to sensational stories that may or may not be true. We really do not know what or whom to believe anymore. Many of us are on mental overload and our senses often numbed through over-stimulation. My stories are geared to a very different style or pace, often are subtle and directed towards a world that does not seem to exist for many, yet for me is real world the way I experience it.

Written in a simple way some of my stories may trigger curiosity or perhaps awaken those .se mystical or spiritual explorer is on hold. This sleeping explorer may have forgotten that things can be looked at in more than one way, revealing again the small miracles that happen every day. My stories are written for all ages, children and adults alike, for the young at heart, for those who search for the magic in life and for all who want to be part of the story-telling circle.

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TO BE CONTINUED IN THE NEXT ISSUE ♣

Links and Letters

Ideas and links to a few of the items that have caught my attention recently...

To Vote or Not to Vote!

From Phil Lyons:

Do you still believe that voting is going to change anything fundamental? All you can do is try to build mass movements to at least threaten revolution.

From Stephanie:

No, I no longer believe that voting in a different government changes anything. The whole system is corrupt... world wide.

I will not be voting in the next Federal election. Will be the first time in my life I have not voted. MPs and MLAs can be useful re passports, liquor licenses, etc., etc. However, nothing ever changes that threatens the system...

I agree with you, Phil. A threatened revolution would bring about some changes but they would still only be small changes. For every real benefit Canadians have enjoyed or presently enjoy, people died on our streets. This is what it will take again. The problem that exists today is that those who control us have access to all this incredible technology, which will be used to spy, control, kill or maim us. During Tommy Douglas's day, this did not exist. So... I am glad I am old. What will be coming will be extremely bloody. How far in the future this is, I have no idea – but it WILL come.

Even those who are trying to teach and instruct us in starting at the community/local level to take control of various areas effecting us all... if through peaceful means we were somehow able to bring about some significant changes... those in control would kill off those they perceived as leaders; although in the kind of organizing we should be doing - if done properly - there would be no leaders.

Vera Gottlieb:

Stephanie... we will continue at odds on this voting/not voting thing. Especially as a woman, go and VOTE - even if it seems useless. I already suggested once: try to get numbers - not percentages - of how many people did not vote at the last federal election. Numbers, not percentages. If these people would only realize that there is strength in numbers and show the 'elite' that we are not totally out of it yet and go and vote, things might change.

This is EXACTLY what 'they' are hoping for: you staying home and not voting. Don't give in!! Don't undermine that for which we are fighting so hard. Even defacing your ballot shows someone what you feel.

Richard Moore:

I'm with Stephanie on this one. Hoping 'things might change' through voting, at this stage of history, would be like staying in your cabin while the Titanic sinks, hoping 'things might change'. ♣

Stephanie McDowall, Nanaimo BC

Anti-Empire Report by William Blum

"In America you can say anything you want — as long as it doesn't have any effect." - Paul Goodman

Progressive activists and writers continually bemoan the fact that the news they generate and the opinions they express are consistently ignored by the mainstream media, and thus kept from the masses of the American people. This disregard of progressive thought is tantamount to a definition of the mainstream media."

www.killinghope.org/bblum6/aer78.html ♣

Celente: The Political Atheist's Gospel

Who is behind transforming the world's greatest entrepreneurial empire into a doomed merger of Big Government with Big Business' 5-min. video on the economy, etc. It seems the U.S. is going down. We already know this but I find Celente likable and interesting:

www.rense.com/general90/poltt.htm ♣

A Very Canadian Coup in Haiti:

Stephanie: Have we heard any expression of concern from any Federal MP about the dreadful exploitation of Haiti and her people by the Corporations, including Canada's. There have been expressions of sympathy and a call for generous aid to Haiti but nothing regarding Canada's fascist role in this country by any MP's as far as I am aware. Perhaps in Montreal? The following article explains it all.

The Top 10 Ways Canada Aided the 2004 Coup and its Reign of Terror, by Richard Sanders

A new article that sums up Canada's odious role in Haiti's 2004 coup and the brutal dictatorship that followed.

http://coat.ncf.ca/Haiti/Canada_in_Haiti.htm

The Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives will publish this five-page article in The CCPA Monitor (April 2010). ♣

What Does Greece Mean to You?

- John Mauldin's Weekly E-Letter (Mar. 27 10)

This is a very good read. Interesting and instructive. (There is a short sales pitch in the body of article.) – Steph.

EXCERPT: "At the heart of our story, then, lies the discovery that networks of things of all kinds – atoms, molecules, species, people, and even ideas – have a marked tendency to organize themselves along similar lines. On the basis of this insight, scientists are finally beginning to fathom what lies behind tumultuous events of all sorts, and to see patterns at work where they have never seen them before."

www.frontlinethoughts.com/ ♣

Stories & comments from Stephanie McDowall
Nanaimo, stephmcdo@telus.net ♣

Laughter & 'Lightenment

From John McCullough/Cary Grant: **A Little Humour**

I was in the six item express lane at the store quietly fuming. Completely ignoring the sign, the woman ahead of me had slipped into the check-out line pushing a cart piled high with groceries.

Imagine my delight when the cashier beckoned the woman to come forward looked into the cart and asked sweetly, 'So which six items would you like to buy?'

Wouldn't it be great if that happened more often?

Because they had no reservations at a busy restaurant, my elderly neighbor and his wife were told there would be a 45-minute wait for a table.

'Young man, we're both 90 years old,' the husband said. 'We may not have 45 minutes.'

They were seated immediately.

The reason Politicians try so hard to get re-elected is that they would 'hate' to have to make a living under the laws they've passed.

All eyes were on the radiant bride as her father escorted her down the aisle. They reached the altar and the waiting groom; the bride kissed her father and placed something in his hand.

The guests in the front pews responded with ripples of laughter. Even the priest smiled broadly. As her father gave her away in marriage, the bride gave him back his credit card.

Women and cats will do as they please, and men and dogs should relax and get used to the idea.

Three friends from the local congregation were asked, 'When you're in your casket, and friends and congregation members are mourning over you, what would you like them to say?'

Artie said: 'I would like them to say I was a wonderful husband, a fine

spiritual leader, and a great family man.'

Eugene commented: 'I would like them to say I was a wonderful teacher and servant of God who made a huge difference in people's lives.'

Al said: 'I'd like them to say, 'Look, he's moving! He's still alive!'

Smith climbs to the top of Mt. Sinai to get close enough to talk to God. Looking up, he asks the Lord... 'God, what does a million years mean to you?'

The Lord replies, 'A minute.'

Smith asks, 'And what does a million dollars mean to you?'

The Lord replies, 'A penny.'

Smith asks, 'Can I have a penny?'

'The Lord replies, 'In a minute.' ♣

From John McCullough/Leslie Ellis/Bill Graham

Blessed are the cracked, for they let in the light!

1. My husband and I divorced over religious differences. He thought he was God and I didn't.
2. I don't suffer from insanity; I enjoy every minute of it.
3. Some people are alive only because it's illegal to kill them.
4. I used to have a handle on life, but it broke.
5. Consciousness: That annoying time between naps.
6. You're just jealous because the voices only talk to me
7. Beauty is in the eye of the beer holder.
8. Perhaps Earth is the insane asylum for the universe!
9. I'm not a complete idiot -- Some parts are just missing.
10. Out of my mind. Back in five minutes.
11. Ever stop to think, and forget to start again?
12. Being 'over the hill' is much better than being under it!
13. Procrastinate Now!
14. A hangover is the wrath of grapes.
15. He who dies with the most toys is nonetheless DEAD.

16. I smile because I don't know what the hell is going on.

17. Wrinkled was not one of the things I wanted to be when I grew up.

18. I have a degree in liberal arts; do you want fries with that?

19. Stupidity is not a handicap. Park elsewhere!

20. A journey of a thousand miles begins with a cash advance. ♣

From Peter Sauv :

Dying Priest's Request

The old Priest lay dying in the hospital. For years he had faithfully served the people of Ontario. He motioned for his nurse to come near.

"Yes, Father?" said the nurse. "I would really like to see Dalton McGuinty and Dwight Duncan before I die," whispered the Priest.

"I'll see what I can do, Father," replied the nurse. The nurse sent the request to the Premier's office and waited for a response.

Soon the word arrived that the Premier and Finance Minister, devoted Christians both, were delighted to visit the Priest.

As they went to the hospital, Dalton commented to Dwight "I don't know why the old Priest wants to see us but it will certainly help our images and might even get us some favourable publicity for our HST Deal." Dwight agreed that it was a good thing.

When they arrived at the Priest's room, the Priest took Dalton's hand in his right hand and Dwight's hand in his left. There was silence and a look of serenity on the old Priest's face.

Finally Dalton McGuinty spoke. "Father, of all the people you could have chosen, why did you choose us to be with you as you near the end?"

The old Priest slowly replied, "I have always tried to pattern my life after our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

"Amen," said Dalton. "Amen," said Dwight.

The old Priest continued, "Jesus died between two thieves. I would like to do the same!" ♣

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Where

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When

April 22 EARTH DAY to
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