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When this nation was founded so many years ago, a dream was promised; a dream of freedom, happiness and the pursuit thereof. That dream has been threatened by a small group of individuals. These individuals do not reside in the mountains of Afghanistan. They do not reside in Iraq. The individuals who threaten our freedom are on our soil. These people are elected officials, heads of intelligence agencies, corporate CEOs, leaders of foundations and organizations. These individuals are hell-bent on preserving their power at the expense of the American people. They keep us entertained with TV shows and music videos depicting an unattainable life. While we chase the illusive carrots that they dangle, they track us, control us and use us for their end game. What is their end game? Power consolidated into the hands of one global authority.

These people decided they would indenture the American people into a live of servitude. The result of their actions has resulted in our freedom becoming an illusion, and our happiness fleeting. They would tap the American people’s energy for their own benefit, the lifeblood of the people trapped within a coded system of control, a system without individual choice, only control. Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, Income Tax, and now socialized health care... what happened to the promise of freedom?

The promise of freedom has been remembered and is being revived within the pages of this magazine. It is being rekindled across this land in “Meetup Groups”, RTR nexus points, Lone Lantern Chapters, WeAreChange Truth Squads, Freedom Force Chapters, 9/11 Truth groups, We the People Congress, and many other collections of freedom loving patriots.

This revival of Americanism has many flavors, but at the core, the “promise of freedom” drives each one. The “promise of freedom” is what our founding fathers carried deep within themselves. This promise is dependent on those who have the courage to throw off the yolk of tyranny. Preserving the promise is not merely standing when you hear the Star Spangled Banner, reciting the pledge of allegiance, or attending the local 4th of July parade and town picnic. Being an American is not allowing your rights to lay dormant. Being an American is forever exercising those rights and remaining on alert because “those” people will try to usurp your rights. When we see our inalienable rights being attacked by that small group of individuals, what do we do? If we consider ourselves Americans, we jump into action and move to preserve the promise.

Whether the action required is calling congress, taking to the streets, participating in nationwide strikes, confronting people with cameras, handing out DVDs, drafting legislation, passing out this magazine, screening films, calling the local and national media, supporting Ron Paul, running for office, or whatever it may be, find your role to play in the “Great American Restoration” and take action to preserve the promise of freedom.

It is my pleasure to present to you our second issue of Republic Magazine. Now that it is in your hands, use it to preserve the promise.

In Freedom and Truth,

Gary S Franchi Jr.
Managing Editor
Welcome, friends to a new department within Republic Magazine that tells stories of Americans who are having success at building community, keeping their focus on family, exploring new economic models, creating prosperity, using alternative energy sources and generating opportunity for others to do all of the same. In the premiere article I would like to begin by sharing with you some thoughts on the importance and benefits of... 

At first you may wonder what growing vegetables and flowers has to do with restoring America to its constitutional foundations and ending the rampant fascism that has gained control of this great nation. It’s very simple, really. The act of growing a garden is not only an exercise that delivers practical benefits to you and your family, but I’ve come to see it as a metaphor for freedom itself!

Our rights guaranteed within the documents drafted by our founding fathers are not to be lightly accepted or passively taken for granted. Our Constitution and Bill of Rights outline and detail the precepts under which a healthy United States of America will grow and prosper and its people will be able to reap the fruits of their labor and efforts. These documents express rights and truths that exist so that we have mechanisms by which we can protect them and the nation they are intended to serve! This takes vigilance, hard work, focus, innovation, vision, passion and dedication among other things. Without free Americans exercising these traits, the rights guaranteed us will wither away, or worse, be destroyed by some parasite intent upon serving its own benefit.

In much the same way, gardening is like being a good American! Nature provides us each with a potential bounty and a logical system of works that exists for us to utilize and maximize our harvest. There are laws in place that work for our benefit if we apply the responsibility to the safe-keeping of our Republic. Creating a garden takes hard work and maximizing our harvest is even harder. Like our efforts to safeguard our freedoms, what we reap in terms of the nature and quality of our harvest is directly proportionate to the nature and quality of our efforts. Sometimes you reap great harvests, other times you lose entire crops. It’s a never-ending challenge. But one thing’s for sure. If you don’t get your hands dirty, you’ll never know what might have been possible and you’ll be dependent on others to provide sustenance for you.

What could be more un-American than that?

Benefits of Organic Gardening

Various benefits that transcend the material goods we gain from utilizing the opportunity given by nature’s system and applying our efforts directly are extremely important to the soul and our overall emotional well-being. But if more esoteric reasoning is not enough to motivate you, the raw, healthy, and nutritious food that you will generate for your family is without doubt an unarguable reason as to why you should take up organic gardening!

The seeds of liberty were planted long ago for us. We must teach ourselves to dedicate much effort to tending to the garden in which they grow. Gardening offers families opportunity to gain rewards and practice stewardship that can be applied to most aspects of life.
Beauty
The beauty of a healthy plant thriving in a well-tended bed is undeniable. Vegetables that offer their fruit to us for the benefit of our bodies and taste buds are wonders of creation to behold in a healthy garden. Flowers and other ornamentals offer incredible beauty and pleasurable scent to tickle the senses. Birds and colorful insects offer amusement and joy to those with a keen eye. But most of all, the beauty of the garden can be seen in the opportunity that it provides for the family to work together directly for their well-being. What can be more beautiful than that?

Discovery
Gardening is a never-ending exercise in learning! In order to keep your plants happy and healthy, you will need to embark on a life-long journey of discovery that includes watching videos, reading books, joining clubs and meeting people. But mostly it means direct trial and error. If you approach gardening with a spirit of fun and wonder, every day in the garden reveal a new lesson about what it takes to help living things grow healthy and strong. That goes for you and your family, as well as your plants.

Satisfaction
The sense of accomplishment that comes to you through gardening is simply indescribable. It is something that must be experienced to be fully understood. Seeing the direct result of hard work, love and dedication right in front of you, beaming with life and health is unlike any experience in the world. Sitting back and admiring your spouse of many years and thinking fondly of everything that you went through together to get to this point in life or watching your child play with the neighbor kids full of childhood wonder and abandon is a comparable feeling to that gained by taking a quiet moment in the garden after a spell of hard work. Knowing how your loved ones will benefit from the fruit of these efforts gives this sense of satisfaction, a solid purpose that no amount of money can supplant.

Taste and Nutrition
In today’s age of bioengineering and intensive use of chemical pesticides, additives and herbicides you cannot beat the real value of growing food organically. This is nothing to take lightly. Much of the food that you find in the produce section of your grocery store is grown on a corporate farm and is laden with substances that are just terrible for your body. But not only that, vegetables grown in this manner are also lacking in the basic nutritional benefits that we find in the very same varieties grown in a natural state. Bottom line, “naturally grown” produce is better for you and the taste is unbelievably better! Place a cucumber, tomato, carrot and potato side by side in a taste test, one being grown on a factory-farm and one grown in your home garden and just try to tell me I’m wrong!
I'm very grateful to RepublicMagazine.com for giving me this opportunity to share what I've learned about the Constitution over the last twenty-five years. I hope this column will help restore the principles that led to the Constitution, a document which has been ignored, abandoned, and violated for too long.

You may be shocked to discover that I absolutely hate the phrase “Constitutional rights”. That’s because neither the Constitution nor the Bill of Rights has anything at all to do with your rights. If they burn the First Amendment, are you going to give up your freedom of religion? I don’t think so. If they shred the Second Amendment, are you going to voluntarily turn in your guns, and risk being slaughtered en masse like the victims of the Holocaust? I certainly hope not. Please disabuse yourself of the habit of using that nasty, misleading phrase.

While I’m at it, I want you to stop pretending that the Constitution even protects your rights. It does no such thing! Imagine standing on a railroad track in the path of an oncoming locomotive, holding up a copy of the Constitution for “protection”. That’s how much protection the Constitution gives you. None. Zero. Zip. Nada.

Do I have your attention, yet?

The reason we are standing chest deep in the septic tank of today’s political process is because we’ve lost sight of the fact that “We the People” are supposed to be protecting the Constitution, not the other way around. We complain about the problems in Washington D.C. without facing up to the fact that Congress is only the symptom. We the People are the source of the problem. That is going to change. Right here. Right now.

All of our political problems can be traced back to a single, simple, misunderstanding. Americans have forgotten (or never knew) the difference between RIGHTS and PRIVILEGES.

(See www.ConstitutionPreservation.org/assets/chapter2.pdf)

A right is something that you can do without asking for permission, such as walking back and forth on your property. A privilege is something you require permission to do, such as walking back and forth across my property. I may grant you the privilege of walking across my property - BUT - I can revoke that privilege any time I wish. Rights and privileges are opposites! Either you need permission - or you don’t. You can’t lose “some” of your virginity, or be “a little bit” pregnant. You either are or you’re not. There’s no middle ground.

When someone places a lien on your property, it is still your property, but you cannot sell your property before you satisfy the lien. A lien is a condition or limitation that is placed against your property. Our rights are “un-a-LIEN-able”, which means they cannot have conditions or limitations placed on them. Freedom of religion is not limited to those who are Jewish, Catholic, or Protestant. “Congress shall make NO law respecting the establishment of religion, or abridging the free exercise thereof…” [emphasis added]

In closing, here are some of the “self-evident truths” that our Founding Fathers knew, that we will have to relearn if we’re going to have a hope in hell of reclaiming our Liberty:

• The creator is always more powerful than the created.
• We the People created our government, which means we always have the option of abolishing our government and starting again from scratch.
  • We the People have rights, and we grant the government privileges.
  • We the People can revoke any or all of the government’s privileges any damned time we feel like it. All it requires is our collective political will.

Thomas Jefferson said that we only have the rights we’re willing to fight for. Don’t wait until it’s too late to join the fight.

I look forward to sharing my thoughts on the Constitution as it applies to current events every month right here in Republic Magazine. See you next issue!
Activist Profile

**RON PAUL MEETUP**

**Austin, TX**

**Group Formed:** May 3, 2007  
**Purpose:** To inform the country about Ron Paul and to see him elected president in 2008.  
**Members:** 688 (and growing)  
**Organizer:** Paul Davis  
**Group Leaders:** Chuck Young (tech team), Jason Stoddard (Political networking & communications), Jerri Ward (Multi-media), Erik Ellison (web manager), Paul Davis (Austin grassroots outreach organizer), Nate Thompson (team organization / structure). Sarah Kanel (student organizer).  
**Money Raised:** $0.00  
**Money Spent:** no way to calculate.  
**Total # of Actions:** 13 major  
**Hours Spent in Actual Actions:** 50+  
**Notable Actions:**  
Office Opening BBQ and Sign Making Party  
1st Thursday’s on Congress – Tabling and Outreach

**May, June, July, August MeetUps:**  
Debate Watching Party  
Texas Young Republicans Convention – Tabling and Outreach  
Mail Iowa Campaign 1000 hand-addressed letters to Iowans  
Mail Texas Campaign 2000 hand-addressed letters to Texans  
“Austin saturation campaign” runs on an individual, daily basis.  
Texas Straw Poll  
Austin City Limits Music Festival  
**Preferred method of activism:** Car tagging (leaving brochures / cards on cars), sign & flyer posting.  
**Favorite quote:** “Extremism in defense of liberty is no vice, tolerance in the face of tyranny is no virtue” - Barry Goldwater  

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Residential candidate Ron Paul, Congressman (R-TX), has been called “Founding Father Material”, “Champion of the Constitution”, the “Leading advocate for freedom in our nation’s capitol” and even “Dr. No”. These titles are not typically associated with many of today’s politicians who rarely speak about liberty and the Constitution. Even for those who disagree with Congressman Paul’s politics, there is no debating he is a man of principle. With a consistent voting record that falls directly in line with true Constitutional principles, he upholds his oath unlike others. Congressman Paul has clearly distinguished himself from the other Presidential candidates in either party with the message of liberty and the Constitutional rule of law. But, who exactly is Ron Paul and how did he finally become the “Champion of the Constitution”?

Before Ron Paul became known as “Dr. No” he was born and raised in Green Tree, Pennsylvania just outside of Pittsburgh. In high school, Congressman Paul was a standout athlete winning the Pennsylvania State Championship in the 220-yard dash. Upon graduation from high school in 1953 he attended and graduated from Gettysburg College. From there he went on to gain his medical degree from the Duke University School of Medicine. It was during the time that he attended Gettysburg College that he married his wife Carol. He and his wife have had five children and seventeen grandchildren.

Dr. Paul is a traditional ‘baby doctor’ by trade, but his medical training is actually much broader. His formal medical training was interrupted during the Cuban Missile Crisis when he was drafted into the United States Air Force. He served honorably as a flight surgeon from 1963 to 1965. He then continued to serve in the Air National Guard from 1965 to 1968 while he completed a medical residency specializing in obstetrics and gynecology.

Following his military service he began practicing medicine working in an emergency room in San Antonio, Texas. He eventually went on to start his own medical practice. As a physician, Dr. Paul has delivered thousands of babies and performed numerous surgical procedures.

His decision to get involved in politics followed the August 15th 1971 announcement by then President Richard Nixon. Nixon announced the United States would end the issuance of money based on the gold standard. Until that time the United States still honored foreign redemption of U.S. Dollars for gold in accordance with the post World War II Bretton Woods Agreement. Foreign redemption of U.S. Dollars for gold gave the United States the right to print the world’s reserve currency. This effectively meant
the end of the honest money system that the United States had enjoyed since its inception. This perplexed Dr. Paul after having studied the Austrian School of Economics, which advocated a laissez-faire economic system based on sound money.

Dr. Paul was quoted in Texas Monthly discussing the end of the gold standard stating, “After that day, all money would be political money rather than money of real value. I was astounded.”

The founding fathers agreed with Dr. Paul’s belief that money should be based on something honest and tangible like gold and silver. With Nixon taking the U.S. Dollar off the gold standard, it meant that the Federal Reserve would have carte blanche to create as much money as it wished. This was in direct contrast to the principles of sound money demanded by the Constitution. Sound money principles were specifically elaborated on in the Coinage Act of 1792, which established our Mint and regulated the coins of the United States.

The founding fathers were well aware of the dangers that stemmed from the issuance of paper money with no backing by gold, silver or other tangible assets. During the Revolutionary War a currency called the Continental was issued. The Continental was a paper currency with no backing by gold or silver that was easily counterfeited. The popularization of the phrase “not worth a continental” was a direct result of the inflation and devaluation of the Continental because more and more Continentals were chasing the same goods and services.

The founders also knew about the threat of allowing private bankers to issue money. Take for example the following quote from Thomas Jefferson.

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“I believe that banking institutions are more dangerous to our liberties than standing armies. If the American people ever allow private banks to control the issue of their currency, first by inflation, then by deflation, the banks and corporations that will grow up around (the banks) will deprive the people of all property until their children wake-up homeless on the continent their fathers conquered. The issuing power should be taken from the banks and restored to the people, to whom it properly belongs.”

After 1971, we not only had a private central bank issuing our currency but the currency no longer had any ties to gold or any other precious metal. This was of great concern to Dr. Paul as he sought to reverse the damage that this sort of irresponsible monetary policy would cause. He first ran for Congress in 1974 and despite failing to win the seat the first time around he later would win a special election for that same seat when it was vacated in 1976.

Congressman Paul would become one of four Republican Congressmen to endorse Ronald Reagan in his run against Gerald Ford for the nomination for President. By supporting Reagan, it was clear that he did not buy into President Ford’s “Whip Inflation Now” campaign. Ford’s campaign encouraged the American people to fight inflation by enacting personal saving policies and better spending habits. Congressman Paul knew the Federal Reserve, not the American people, was the cause of inflation. Paul knew this because the Federal Reserve had the power to issue America’s currency since 1913 and that determined the amount of inflation. Although, he would lose in the general election six months later, Dr. Paul ran for Congress again and won a full term in 1978. He was re-elected again in 1980 and 1982.

During this time, Congressman Paul gained the reputation as “Dr. No” for refusing to vote for laws that he saw as unconstitutional. Amazingly, he continued to deliver babies in private practice while he served in Congress. The issue of monetary policy remained a primary focus as he served on the House Banking Committee where he spoke out against the policies of the Federal Reserve. During this time, Congressman Paul also wrote several books on the subject of monetary policy encouraging the return to an honest money system.

Dr. Paul made the suggestion of forming a commission to determine what role gold should play in the economy. In 1982 the U.S. Gold Commission was formed as part of a response to the near inflationary collapse of the U.S. Dollar that plagued the U.S. economy in the late 1970s and early 1980s. The Commission’s report made suggestions as to what role gold should play in the U.S. economy.

Dr. Paul would go on to make a failed run for Senate in 1984 before returning to his medical practice. He would not stay out of politics for long, however, making a run for President on the Libertarian Party ticket in 1988. During the campaign Dr. Paul endorsed

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### In Loving Memory

**Aaron Russo (1947-2007)**

Esteemed filmmaker, ardent activist and loyal patriot Aaron Russo lost his battle with cancer on August 24, 2007 at the age of 64. Aaron will be profoundly missed but always remembered. He was a husband, father, friend, mentor, and inspiration to many.

Aaron’s long list of achievements includes his work in the areas of filmmaking and political activism. His documentary film, “America: From Freedom to Fascism”, debunked the justification of both the IRS and the Federal Reserve as well as exposed their crooked basis. This movie received widespread acclaim, including opening to standing ovations at the Cannes Film Festival. Congressman Ron Paul was also featured in the documentary, in which he presents his views on the economy and the Federal Reserve. The clip can be viewed at: [http://www.freedomtofascism.com](http://www.freedomtofascism.com)

Aaron’s work in the realm of activism proved to be invaluable and selfless. He will be perpetually revered as a true patriot and tireless fighter for our freedom. We must continue to venerate Aaron’s legacy as we move forward by honoring his great words: “There are no boundaries one must adhere to when preserving one’s liberty”.

Aaron’s family has asked that all cards and support via US Post be sent to:
All Your Freedoms, Inc.  P.O. Box #1213, 264 South La Cienega Blvd. Beverly Hills, California 90211

If you wish to send support to the family in the form of a financial gift, please do so by visiting [www.russomedicalfund.com](http://www.russomedicalfund.com). All funds go to Aaron’s family.
the same message of liberty and Constitutional government that has now become the foundation of his 2008 presidential run. Despite being an early supporter of Reagan, Dr. Paul was critical of the huge deficits that occurred during the Reagan administration and sought to inject the limited government and freedom message into the 1988 presidential campaign. He ended up placing third in the election with 431,750 popular votes.

Following his 1988 run for President, Dr. Paul stayed out of politics until the Republicans regained control of Congress in 1994. He believed that the message of limited Constitutional government would be more effective with the political shift. Even though that has not proven to be the case as government has expanded to become more intrusive since the 1994 Republican take over of Congress. However, Dr. Paul has remained steadfast with the principles of limited Constitutional government.

Since his return to Congress in 1996, Congressman Paul has truly been the leading advocate for freedom in our nation’s capital. He has maintained a perfect Constitutional voting record continuing to vote “No” on any legislation that is not specifically authorized by the Constitution.

Congressman Paul’s politics are refreshingly simple and honest. Follow the Constitution, emphasize local control and allow liberty and free markets to work. These principles are true for any of the important issues that are facing this country today.

It would be impossible to detail Congressman Paul’s stance on every issue in the space of this article, but what is clear is that he is a man of integrity and principle. Over the ten terms that he has served in Congress, his voting record and message of freedom, liberty and adherence to the Constitution has remained the same.

Let’s now run down Congressman Paul’s stance on a variety of issues and how it pertains to the Constitution and the message of liberty. This list will be prefaced with a brief history of U.S monetary policy.

THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Currently, the U.S. economy is manipulated by a private central bank called the Federal Reserve. The Constitution specifically prohibits the issuance of bills of credit and demands that honest money like gold or silver be issued. The government in 1913 allowed for the establishment of a private central bank called the Federal Reserve to print the money for the government. As time went on, this allowed the Federal Reserve to gain a monopoly on printing money, which is the system that we currently have in place today. Today’s money is not backed by any sort of tangible asset like gold or silver and much of it is manipulated by the Federal Reserve in secret. In layman’s terms, simply put, the Federal Reserve is given legal authority to print counterfeit money and loan it back to the U.S. government at an interest rate that it sets. The Federal Reserve is entirely unconstitutional and through their policies, they create the booms and busts that have plagued
our economy since its inception. The current mortgage meltdown that is causing tremendous problems with our economy is a symptom of the policies implemented by the Federal Reserve.

Through the government giving this group of private bankers legal authority to create money out of thin air, we as a nation have facilitated a dramatic increase in the size and scope of government as well as the erosion of individual civil liberties. Congressman Paul has previously introduced legislation to abolish the Federal Reserve because he understands, like the founding fathers did, the dangers of emitting bills of credit under the control of a private banking system.

When referring to the central bank during the interview, Paul stated, “The Federal Reserve creates money and that is inflation. When you create new money the rest of the money goes down in value and people’s prices go up.”

Congressman Paul is 100% correct as bankers at the Federal Reserve can manipulate the money supply to steal wealth from the American people by way of inflation. Under a gold and silver standard it would take effort and work to increase the money supply by finding more gold and silver. Under a gold and silver standard it would be impossible for bankers to steal wealth from the American people by simply issuing additional currency. Such a system would also constrain the ability of politicians to increase the size of government without having access to the money making machine that the Federal Reserve currently provides. The issuance of money should rest with the people as the Constitution demands, not in the hands of a private, for-profit institution like the Federal Reserve. If elected, Congressman Paul would introduce competition to the Federal Reserve by encouraging the use of private money like the Liberty Dollar and potentially authorizing the Treasury to issue gold and silver as money. This would effectively put the Federal Reserve out of business because honest money in the form of gold or silver that is also legal tender would win out in the marketplace over Federal Reserve Notes that have no intrinsic value.

When asked how he would restore an honest monetary system Congressman Paul replied, “You should turn it completely over to the marketplace and let private money evolve and use gold and silver or if the government is to be involved they should issue a currency and define it as a weight of gold or a weight of silver but not fix the ratio. That to me would be a better standard than we had in the 19th century.”

Congressman Paul recently introduced legislation to the 110th Congress in the form of H.R. 2755 which would abolish the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal Reserve. His clear statements and legislation make Congressman Paul one of the only politicians in Washington who actually understands how our monetary system works and knows what needs to be done to fix it.

THE INCOME TAX/IRS

Another important issue pertaining to the economy is the income tax, a tax considered by many as direct government theft. The income tax, like the Federal Reserve, is believed to be unconstitutional because the Constitution demands that taxes be apportioned or equally divided. The income tax is not apportioned and therefore unconstitutional. The same can be said for filing an income tax return.
The requirement of filing an income tax is a clear violation of the Fifth Amendment because it forces the individual to provide evidence to the government that later can be used to incriminate the individual. Congressman Paul recognizes that the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and the income tax are both unconstitutional and has previously introduced legislation to abolish the IRS and end the income tax.

In the first Republican Presidential debate of the 2008 campaign, Congressman Paul said that he would immediately move to abolish the IRS and end the income tax if elected to office. Furthermore, Congressman Paul has stated many times in various campaign appearances that upon abolishing the income tax, he would replace it with nothing. Congressman Paul contends that if government operated within its lawfully defined limits as provided in the Constitution, there would be no need to have an income tax.

What hard working American citizen wouldn’t welcome the abolition of the IRS and Income Tax?

FOREIGN POLICY

Congressman Paul refers directly to the Constitution on issues of foreign policy. The Constitution advocates a policy of non-interventionism, which simply means staying out of entangling alliances and the internal affairs of other nations. Congressman Paul favors withdrawing from institutions like the United Nations, World Trade Organization, NATO and others, as he believes that these organizations erode our sovereignty. He supports free trade but is against arrangements like NAFTA that are widely viewed as corporate welfare agreements masqueraded as free trade agreements.

When asked about regional and global governing institutions he stated, “To work in the direction of loss of sovereignty which is what happens when you setup these regional governments, the WTO, the IMF and World Bank. They are working for the New World Order a new system of government and I’m not in support of that at all.”

During the latter half of the 20th century, the U.S. policy of non-intervention has been completely abandoned in favor of empire building. We have also abandoned the notion that only Congress has the power to declare war. Congress has not declared war since World War II and yet the U.S. has been involved in several undeclared foreign wars including the current war in Iraq.

Congressman Paul voted against authorization to go to war in Iraq and supports immediate troop withdrawal based on the premise that it is unconstitutional, since war with Iraq was never declared by Congress. During the Iowa GOP debate that aired on ABC News, he stated the following when asked about the Iraq war, “Just come home. We just marched in, we can just come home.”

This simple and powerful message on the Iraq war has really helped to shape and define his campaign. As President he would strengthen our national defense by withdrawing our troops from their current mission of empire building and use the military to defend our national borders, as was intended by the Constitution.

THE 2ND AMENDMENT

Congressman Paul is a strong supporter of the 2nd amendment. He has consistently voted against gun control legislation, supports the private ownership of automatic firearms and has been given the highest Congressional rating by the Gun Owners of America. He believes that the individual, not the state, is in the best position to protect their lives and liberty and that is why he has voted continuously in support of upholding the 2nd amendment.
HEALTH CARE

Congressman Paul supports a true free market health care system to fix the problems it is plagued by. He believes the American health care system has the problems it does because of government involvement, which has resulted in a corporatist-fascist model. Strangely enough, many of the other presidential candidates, particularly on the Democratic side of the fence, believe that we need more government involvement to fix the system. Congressman Paul opposes a universal national health care plan because a national health care system is not authorized by the Constitution and it would vastly increase the size and scope of government. When asked how a government-run health care plan would operate he replied, “It would be like asking FEMA to take care of it.”

He also talked about the rising costs of medical care and stated, “Medical care costs prices skyrocket because of inflation, the government is involved and bureaucrats are involved.”

In addition, he said referring to advances in technology, “Technology should lower the prices of everything involved if all things are equal.”

Congressman Paul’s message on health care is really quite simple. There is no government involvement with computers and cell phones and the prices of those things have gone down. If government wasn’t involved in the health care system, the price of health care would also go down.

NORTH AMERICAN UNION

The North American Union is the stealth push for the integration of Canada, Mexico and the United States into a regional government entity under a common currency known as the “Amero”. Congressman Paul is strongly opposed to the NAU. This secret push towards North American integration began with the Security and Prosperity Partnership signed by George W. Bush and established regional agencies that would oversee governmental functions across North America. The SPP is unconstitutional because treaties with other nations are required to have congressional approval.

EDUCATION

Congressman Paul supports eliminating the Department of Education allowing states and local government control over public education. He also supports introducing free market competition. From a Constitutional perspective the Department of Education can be considered unconstitutional because the Constitution states that this is a matter that should be left to the states and local government.

WAR ON DRUGS

Congressman Paul supports the decriminalization of drug laws based on the premise that the government does not have the right to tell the individual what they should or should not put in their body.
THE ENVIRONMENT
On the environment, Congressman Paul believes we need to strengthen private property laws because people who truly own something will be more likely to take care for it, than will the state. Nations that have favored socialism and collectivism over freedom, liberty and private property have had rampant amounts of pollution because individuals do not have true ownership of their property.

IMMIGRATION
On immigration, Congressman Paul supports ending the welfare state that provides the incentive for individuals to come here illegally. He has also proposed legislation that would end birthright citizenship eliminating another incentive for illegal immigrants to enter the country.

During the interview he stated, “The welfare state provides an incentive for people to come, as well as, an incentive for some of our people not to work and take some of these jobs.”

He also talked about physical border security and stated, “We need more border guards. I would provide the personnel by bringing our troops home.”

Congressman Paul supports both ending the incentive for illegal immigrants to come to the United States in addition to providing physical border security. He also opposes any sort of amnesty for illegal immigrants.

PATRIOT ACT/MILITARY COMMISSION ACT/REAL ID ACT
Congressman Paul voted against the Patriot Act and Military Commissions Act, which were two pieces of unconstitutional legislation that allowed for domestic spying and the elimination of habeas corpus. He supports the abolishment of both laws because they are in direct contradiction with the freedoms guaranteed in the Constitution. He is also strongly opposed to the Real ID Act, which is a national ID card program that is slated to start in 2008.

SIZE AND SCOPE OF GOVERNMENT
Congressman Paul also favors abolishing federal government agencies that are not specifically authorized by the Constitution. This includes the Department of Homeland Security among others that have already been mentioned. During his June 13th 2007 appearance on the “Colbert Report” he made it clear that he would reduce the size of government dramatically. In terms of programs that people depend upon like Social Security and Medicare he favors eliminating them by reducing them in size over a period of time. This way, people who depend upon these institutions would get the help they needed until it was possible to eliminate them entirely.

INTERNET REGULATION
Congressman Paul is against regulation and taxation of the Internet. When asked about the push towards taxing and regulating the Internet and he compared it to regulating things like books. He stated, “Books are available. We don’t regulate books.”

This is a very good point. If the government doesn’t regulate books, why should the government regulate things like the Internet?

He also referred to the Internet as “our secret weapon” calling it a “political equalizer.”

Ron Paul’s campaign website is ranked at 20,124 among every website in the world according to the global ranking website Alexa.com. Alexa ranks Yahoo.com as the number one website in the world next to msn.com and google.com. Hillary Clinton’s campaign site is ranked at 21,650, Obama’s at 22,433 and Giuliani’s at 117,055.

Considering the tremendous success that Congressman Paul’s presidential campaign has had on the Internet, it is easy to see why he holds this position on Internet regulation and taxation. The Internet is also one of the reasons why young people have flocked to support his presidential campaign.

Dr. Paul believes a major problem affecting this country is the Federal Reserve because this is the engine that is used to expand the government, erode civil liberty and wage war. He is the only presidential candidate that understands the dangers of a private central banking system, and is willing to address it. The ability of the Federal Reserve to print money that is legal tender out of thin air has allowed the government to behave irresponsibly and offers very little in the way of checks and balances.

A statement he made about the Federal Reserve, during the interview, sums it up. He stated, “If you want to strive for personal liberty you want government to be small. The Federal Reserve permits the members of Congress and politicians to expand government without being responsible.

No individual running for President has the education and background on monetary policy that Congressman Paul does. We are faced with a monetary crisis; the U.S. Dollar has lost, approximately, more than half of its value since 2000. There is a clear need for a President who understands the concept of honest money to reverse some potentially damaging trends.

Ron Paul’s stance on political issues, his life experiences and solid Constitutional voting record make it obvious that he is a genuine and honest man. We urgently need this type of patriot as the next President of the United States. Unlike the majority of politicians who seek office for power, fellow freedom lovers and patriots had to convince him to run for President. They felt he was the right man at the right time.
Ron Paul is the George Washington of our time. Ron Paul is running for President for the right reasons. He is truly the “Champion of the Constitution”. The phenomenon of grass roots support for this man is nothing short of amazing. Politicians fighting for the chance to become President of the United States could only dream of the people’s support that Ron Paul has. No presidential candidate can boast his own 24-hour radio network other than Ron Paul. RonPaulRadio.us is not managed by Ron Paul’s campaign; his supporters run it. Musicians from coast to coast have written songs of praise about Ron Paul. Ranging from country to reggae and Rock and Roll to Rap there is no shortage of musical fare to celebrate his message. The actual numbers of grassroots supporters, on meetup.com, are now over 37,000 in 630 cities. Compared to Obama’s 4,071 nationwide supporters or Hilary’s 861, Ron Paul’s grassroots campaign is an unstoppable force that builds momentum daily. His solid number of supporters should be encouraging to anyone who considers himself a modern patriot.

Those who want to see this country released from corporate controls and returned to its Constitutional foundations can take refuge in Dr. Paul. Given the chance to act upon these principles from the office of President, “Dr. No” could end up becoming “Dr. Yes” as his efforts would shift from voting against bad policy to supporting and enacting correct and just Constitutional policy.

Ron Paul is a refreshing change for our Constitutional Republic, as opposed the destructive policy that had held sway for too long in this country.

Vote Ron Paul in 2008? You have a choice! Protected by the Constitution, your right to vote is the only remedy to protect the fate of our children and grandchildren for generations to come. The title of President of the United States of America must be held by one who values the honesty, integrity, and the constitutional fortitude of those that forged this great nation. Our republic, born in 1776, needs to be restored. You get to decide who has the ability and who will do it.
While these may not be ALL the websites that offer information about Congressman Ron Paul, we felt it important to publish this list to illustrate the scope of interest and support for this candidate. Because the mainstream media has done a very good job of focusing on reporting news for those candidates that will further their own agenda and spend “LOADS” of money advertising in the coming year, we are setting the record straight by informing the public that Ron Paul IS a serious contender in the coming election for President.

We respect your freedom as an American to choose your President. Therefore, we will not demonstrate the same bias and mind control techniques as the other media outlets by telling you who to vote for. We believe that the proof does a darn good job of speaking for itself!

You can go to www.google.com and do a search for yourself or in the interest of making it easy for you and others to get information on Dr. Paul, we have put together a special resource website with all of the links to the websites below in clickable format. Just Visit:

www.ronpaulronpaul.com
BUMPER STICKER

How often have you been sitting in traffic staring at the bumper stickers on the car in front of you? I know I’ve stared at quite a few. Bumper stickers are an extremely cost effective way to spread the message you want. Placing a sticker won’t take very long. It should take you less than 60 seconds. Whether you build your own bumper sticker online or purchase one that is ready to go, proper placement on your vehicle is key. Placing your sticker on the bumper can take it out of direct eyesight, if the bumper on your vehicle is too low. If you place it on the on the trunk lid of your car the message will likely be in direct line of sight to the driver of any vehicle behind you, but it may harm your paint job. I suggest placing your bumper sticker on the lower corner of your rear window for best exposure. Placing it on the window of your car won’t harm paint and the sticker can easily be removed later. If you don’t care about your paint job then put the stickers where you think the best visibility will be.

MAKE AND DISPLAY AN INFO SIGN

Info signs can be a very effective method of guerilla activism. While it may take longer than 60 seconds to make and place your sign, the impact of the message will be just what it takes to plant the seed in the reader’s mind and that should be less than 60 seconds to be very effective. Choose your material. Heavy card stock is good, but will not last the first rainfall. Larger plastic garage sale signs work great and will stand the weather, just remember to use the white backside. Choose your message. Keep it short and snappy because your audience will likely be cruising along at 50 miles per hour. Pick your sign placement. Telephone poles work great just get that sign up high enough so it will be difficult for it to be tampered with or removed, yet it will remain in line of sight. Placement along a busy highway or at a high-traffic intersection will yield great results. Be creative! There are many places you can post your new sign just exercise safety when doing so and don’t destroy anyone’s private property in the process.
INFO CARDS IN POLITICAL BOOKS

So you like to visit bookstores and drink expensive coffee? Let’s make real use of the time spent by all in these places by placing info cards in politically-biased books. The question is what do you want the cards to say? What books do you choose? If you know what books are out there, then you can make your cards before you get to the store. Otherwise, get a stack of sticky notes, a cup of expensive coffee and a pen, browse a section and choose your targets. Sit down after your coffee has cooled, and start writing. In some cases a handwritten note will have more impact than a professionally printed card. Once your simple statements, facts, and/or websites are created on your sticky note, return to the aisle and place them in the books you’ve chosen. Don’t limit yourself to just the political section, visit the cookbook aisle, the novel section and the classics. Make an afternoon out of it with some friends at the mall, and have a great time doing it! You aren’t breaking any laws, so what’s the worry?

SELF INKING STAMP

This one is easy and takes virtually no time at all. First you need to get your Ron Paul Stamp at www.RonPaulStamp.com or other activist related stamper. Once it arrives start stamping! You are only limited by the surface you stamp. Porous surfaces like cardboard and paper are generally the best. Glossy surfaces like those with a plastic coating or laminate won’t hold the ink. Likewise, glass and CDs or DVDs will not let the ink dry and it will end up rubbing right off. Paper is the ideal surface for stamping. When paying bills stamp Ron Paul right on the bill and the envelope you mail back to them. Some people have raised the legitimacy or legality of stamping or writing on money. It is not against the law to stamp or write on the notes, it is illegal only if you destroy or mutilate them to the point of making them unfit for circulation. I play it safe by only stamping the back of my bills. That way, when I use FRNs (Federal Reserve Notes) to make a purchase I always present the bill with the stamped side down to ensure it gets into circulation. If the bank teller or cashier sees the stamped bill there is always the chance they may reject it, but if they don’t see it they can’t reject it. Most times they just don’t care either way. Think about the denomination of the FRN you choose to stamp also. Folks who carry around stacks of hundreds generally have friends who also carry around hundreds. So if you can stamp hundred dollar bills you may be able to influence some high rollers to the cause. You can also stamp Ron Paul on your hundred dollar bill, then cash it in for two fifties, stamp Ron Paul on those, cash the fifties in for twenties and a ten, stamp Ron Paul on those, continue until you have stamped Ron Paul down to 100 one dollar bills.

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The sixth anniversary of 9/11 is upon us. The first series of an inevitable hundreds of thousands of pieces of steel have been laid at the foundations in Lower Manhattan where the Twin Towers used to stand.

World Trade Center Building Seven, the last building to fall, was the first building to be replaced, having been completed since May, 2006.

“Reflecting Absence,” a memorial that will be located in the Twin Towers’ footprints, has incensed family members and survivors alike. Diane Horning, the leader of the WTC Families for Proper Burial, an organization dedicated in fighting for a proper burial of the 1,148 victims that sit in a landfill in Staten Island, personally told me she will never return to the site, and neither will a number of others.

In the area surrounding the World Trade Center complex, thousands of residents, rescue workers and others are suffering from debilitating lung problems that can ultimately be traced back to an EPA memo, amended under the watchful eye of the White House, declaring that the air was “safe to breathe.” Hundreds have already died.

The Flight 93 Memorial in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, has only raised $11 million out of the estimated $57 million price tag. It is projected to be finished in 2011.

The 9/11 Commission, a supposedly bi-partisan independent investigation into what happened, closed its doors on August 21st, 2004. Since then, former chairmen Thomas Kean and Lee Hamilton have published a book, criticizing the process and noting a number of problems they experienced. Mr. Hamilton went so far as to tell CBC News reporter Evan Solomon that their work was “a first draft of history.” He also had never seen Loose Change.

The Family Steering Committee, which criticized the 9/11 Commission step by step, are still fighting for answers to their
ever-growing list of questions.

Meanwhile, the Bush administration has waged war against two sovereign nations, based upon the premise that 9/11 was conducted by nineteen members of al Qaeda under the direction of Osama bin Laden.

Osama bin Laden has never been tried in a court of law. The crimes of 9/11 are not even listed on his official FBI wanted poster. He was immediately declared guilty in the court of public opinion, with news anchors blaming him for the attacks before either Twin Tower fell. We wanted vengeance, and we wanted it immediately.

**And now where are we, six years later?**

We are entrenched in two wars, and many will tell you that they see a third on the horizon. The anti-war movement, which has been screaming loudly before boots were even on the ground, still holds regular protests to voice their distaste for the Administration. (Although an Executive Order signed by President Bush on July 17th may well put an end to that.)

The 9/11 Truth Movement, which has been slowly gaining steam since 9/11/2001, is in a class of its own.

**What have we learned from?**

While our evidence and our numbers have grown tremendously, do we know anything we didn’t know before?

Our basic premise as investigators, activists, and freedom-loving Americans remains the same: 9/11 was an inside job.

**The ancillary grounds are as follows:**

- The Twin Towers should not have collapsed in the manner that they did. The complete pulverization of concrete and virtually everything except the steel; the molten metal reported underneath buildings One, Two, and Seven which fueled raging fires that burned until December, 2001; the horizontal propulsion of steel beams and cross-sections weighing up to 200,000 pounds; the eyewitness reports of explosions inside the building before and during the collapses; all of these issues and more lend credence to the controlled demolition hypothesis. National Institute of Standards and Technology’s refusal to research this hypothesis and test for the necessary residues, as well as their refusal to provide an actual mechanism for the collapse of the Towers, has only fueled this debate.

- Debate also rages on whether or not a 757 hit the Pentagon, but those two camps can certainly agree on one thing: the Pentagon should not have been struck at all. Norman Mineta’s testimony to the 9/11 Commission illustrates this premise succinctly.

- Flight 93 certainly did not crash intact in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, due to the actions of either Ziad Jarrah or the “Let’s Roll” crew. A secondary debris field eight miles away in New Baltimore, as confirmed by the FBI to Brian Cabell of CNN, lends significant credence to
the idea that something happened to Flight 93 while it was airborne. Eyewitness testimony from locals such as Susan McElwain testifies that a small white aircraft was seen flying from the south-east towards the site where Flight 93 would crash moments later.

- World Trade Center 7 was blown up. Period, case closed, end of story. NIST is still struggling to explain the collapse under the guidelines of the official narrative, and they have now contracted ARA in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to analyze the building, but only between floors 8 and 46. Perhaps this is an attempt to avoid mentioning an explosion that occurred on the 6th floor, as experienced by both Michael Hess and another individual who swears on his life that it occurred before either of the Twin Towers had fallen.

In essence, we know everything now that we knew back then. Our convictions are simply much stronger, and backed by much more evidence and experts. Architects and engineers are finally speaking out. Even Daniel Jowenko, a man who has operated a controlled demolition company for nearly thirty years, has stated multiple times on record that a professional team took WTC7 down.

But what have we done with the information we have now at our disposal? The mainstream media and others have gone through Gandhi’s three steps. They’ve ignored us, they’ve laughed at us, they’ve fought us … but we’re still waiting for the victory. Our movement has become infiltrated with individuals who claim to have our best...
interests at hand, while clinging publicly to theories that should be discussed in private, and doing it on FOX News while the world watches. There are individuals in the 9/11 Truth Movement, however, who care more about their ego than accomplishing anything tangible. There are also people who, quite simply, no longer give a shit.

What do we do now? What’s the next step? Do we sit idly by while the Bush administration continues to wage war both abroad and at home, assailing on innocent lives and what were once guaranteed liberties? Do we wait for the criminals responsible for the acts of September 11th to walk out of office in 2009? Or do we stand up and fight?

To the authorities who continue to spin their web of lies and promote the official story I say to you, if we’re wrong, prove us wrong in a court of law. Release the documents we’ve been begging to read. Show us the video you’ve refused to release. Let us hear the cockpit voice recordings you’ve only provided belated transcripts for. Tell us the truth, no matter how uncomfortable or life-shattering it may be. Our future, as both a country and a civilization, demands it.
The End of the IRS
Part 2
An Interview With Anti-Tyranny Activist and Educator
Sherry Peel Jackson

Samuel Anthony Ettaro: Yeah. It really is an astonishing state of affairs and that whole cognitive dissonance thing… It’s strange… So many people see what folks like you are doing as courageous. I’ve used this analogy before. This isn’t courage… it’s not a matter of… it is being courageous, but it strikes me as, like you said, you’re just a mom protecting her family. If I were upstairs in the middle of the night and my family was sleeping, and my wife’s sleeping next to me and my mom’s in the other room snoozing away and my little girl’s in her bedroom with her kitty cats all curled up and safe and warm and I hear somebody kicking my basement door in, am I gonna lay there in bed and put the covers over my eyes and hope that that person’s not gonna mean me harm and not hurt my little girl and not mean my family harm? Or am I gonna be a man and step up and get down there and protect my family? And that’s what we’re doing. What choice do we have, folks? You know, the devils are at the door. Are you gonna hand ‘em over? Are you gonna hand your family over?

SJ: I’ve gotta make another statement. … This might sound a littleee harsh…

SAE: You go right ahead.

SJ: As far as the income tax, every April 15, they were coming in and raping me. If I don’t do something, 10 years from now they’re gonna rape my daughter and I can’t have that.

SAE: There you go. “Get outta here!” And the only other alternative is to do a Ceausescu. We don’t want it to come to that. I mean, I don’t think anybody wants a violent revolution in this country…

SJ: No, we don’t.

SAE: No, we don’t.

SJ: We love our country. We love our country.

SAE: Absolutely. Nobody wants to see it turn to that. But unfortunately, what’s gonna end up happening, what scares me is what’s gonna end up happening is that if we wait too long, and then the carpet is pulled out and you have mass panic, you have middle class, the people we were just talking about whose eyes glaze over when you talk about this stuff, when they don’t have their truck and they don’t have their big plasma TV and their 167 channels and their easily accessible mass of food centers to go and get whatever they want and need and the crap hits the fan so to speak, and we have chaos, it’s gonna turn ugly. And it doesn’t … need to come to that if people would just wake up and get busy building a better way, take back the power that they have, get to know their neighbors, reach out and make a difference even locally, that’s gonna spread and it’s gonna help and it just astonishes me.

SJ: But you still have to prepare for what you just said. I don’t like to talk about it a lot. But what we do when I have workshops, we talk about those possibilities of people just losing their minds.

SAE: Heck, no way.

SJ: Because there are no solutions to that.

Gary Franchi: Speaking of solutions… I want to talk about...
Ron Paul, and, you know, I’m probably one of his biggest cheerleaders. And my question is, because as I’ve talked to people, and I’ve said, you know, “Ron Paul wants to get rid of the IRS,” and one of the biggest questions people come back at me with is, “Well what do we put in its place?”

SJ: My answer is, “Absolutely nothing.” The constitution has the perfect text. The constitution says we should be collecting impost, excise duties and tariffs. All those goods that come over here that say “Made in China,” “Made in Taiwan,” “Made in Wherever,” those people should be taxed for the privilege of bringing that stuff over here and selling it to us at Wal-Mart, I’m sorry, at Wal-Mart. However, China has been given most-favored nation status and we’ve been stuck with a burden that really doesn’t belong to us. So as long we go back to the constitution, then there will be enough money to fund the 18 duties that government has been given. Believe it or not there are only 18 duties that the government has been given. They have not been given the duty to make up the National Endowment of the Arts and make us pay for it, or the National Education Association and all these other entitlement programs that are stealing from you to give to other people. If somebody wants to paint pictures, let them pay for their own pictures. Let them paint their pictures and then sell ‘em. You know, why are you taking my money to fund some art, that you call “art,” that I don’t necessarily call “art.” Like Jesus in a glass of urine, upside down. Stuff like that. Why are we paying for that? So things that would be cut out would be the things that are entitlements and people would get around to helping themselves. Welfare, welfare wasn’t always around. Neighbors helped neighbors, family members helped family members and we were a tighter, stronger country. But all this stuff is breaking us down. The education system, the government school system is dumbing-down the children. Here in Georgia they don’t even teach the children, teenagers in high school, how to balance a checkbook. But they have at least three credit card applications coming to them in their senior year. It’s gotta stop.

GF: I’ve been trying to give it some thought. It seems that what people should do is if you go to a job and you fill out the application and all that stuff, you should have a checkbox that
GF: OK, so playing the Devil’s Advocate for a moment, it seems like we have to do it. They try to make it mandatory.

SJ: Right, well it’s not mandatory, you know, but people don’t know. And if you don’t know your rights, you don’t have any.

GF: Right, ‘cause they make it seem like we have to do it. They try to make it mandatory.

SJ: Right, well it’s not mandatory, you know, but people don’t know. And if you don’t know your rights, you don’t have any.

GF: So, have you been able to talk to Ron Paul, or collaborate anything with him ...

SJ: Well, I met him at a conference in December before he decided to run for president. And I’ve been looking at his record for several years. And what I have to say about the man is he’s consistent. He’s not switch-o, change-o; you know, tell one group one thing and go tell another group another thing. He doesn’t do that like other candidates do. They want power, he wants change, and he wants change for the betterment of this country.

GF: He wants change for the people.

SJ: Yes, like getting rid of the IRS. You know, take all those IRS agents and IRS workers, 170-some-odd-thousand or however many there are, and put them down on the border to protect our border. That would be a great job for them right now.

GF: (Laughs) How much money is the IRS sucking out of people? They’re already taking the money, but then these people have salaries to pay, too.

SJ: That’s right.

GF: What kind of budget do they have?

SJ: I don’t know the budget, but $1 that doesn’t belong to them is too much. And if you’re working hard for yourself and your family, you ought to be able to keep that for yourself and your family. Again, based on the research that we’ve done, corporate profits are taxable. So if you have a corporation and you’re paying people to work for you and you’ve got machines and all that, after you’ve paid those, the profit that’s left over is taxable. I see it over and over. Even the Supreme Court definition of “income” is “corporate profits.” But there’s not a definition of “income” in the codes and regulations. Just like Aaron said when he was asking Mr. Cohen on the movie.

GF: That was the question that I want to get to. Corporations have to pay tax. Now, some people have said that they’ve made us, our individual beings, corporations; all capital letters, the straw man argument.

SJ: That may be true. … Uh, yeah.

GF: OK, so playing the Devil’s Advocate for a moment, if that’s the case, and they’ve made us into a corporation, shouldn’t we have to pay taxes if we’re a corporation that they’ve created?

SJ: If you research that and you believe that they’ve made you a corporation, then you need to figure out not to be a corporation because that’s not what we are. We are human beings created by our creator. We are not corporations. So if you think that you’ve been made a corporation, the person that thinks, that needs to research and figure out how to get themselves to be just a regular human being. There are a lot of different things … There’s so much research out there about how we’ve been duped. But what we want to do is stay on point, don’t let them call us a kook for talking about stuff like that. Stay on point and make them admit that they’ve made us a corporation if that’s the case.

GF: I sure am glad you’re out there sharing this message with the people. … Regarding the Federal Reserve. Is the IRS the collection arm of the Federal Reserve?

SJ: Definitely. The Federal Reserve is a non-auditable private banking cartel that collects about $30 million an hour of interest from the American people. The money that you pay in taxes doesn’t go toward fixing the roads; the gas tax does that. It doesn’t go toward the police and the firemen; your ad valorem tax or real estate tax goes toward that. It goes to these private bankers. And what we’re doing is paying all of that money so that their children who are born in 2026 will never have to work a day in their lives. Yes, they’re the bouncers for the club.

GF: Wow. … Now, one of the things that Aaron (Russo) really wants to do, and that I support, is getting rid of the Federal Reserve system. And, when I bring that up to people, they just kind of shudder. … (Stammering) I don’t know anything else. … They just get confused. They’ve known the Federal Reserve to be there this whole time and they don’t know what could be put in its place. If that’s the case, what type of system, economic system do we return to? If the Fed is gone and the IRS is gone?

SJ: One with money and that’s with real money, not Federal Reserve notes. President Kennedy started making United States notes and then he was killed. The first thing that Lyndon Baines Johnson did when he got in office was rescind the executive order for the United States notes and give that responsibility back over to the Federal Reserve. You’re messing with the big boys when you talk about the Federal Reserve, and most people don’t understand it. Now, if they were to understand it, they still may fear it, but most people don’t understand that the Federal Reserve is a private banking cartel. They don’t understand that. There are other societies in this world that don’t have a federal reserve. Their money is backed by gold. I think the French franc and the money in Denmark is still backed by gold. But we have this stuff that’s backed by thin air, so I’m not comfortable with that. And Ron Paul said he’d get rid of the IRS and probably the Federal Reserve and put us back in a system where what we give somebody means something. And the dollar is really, really going down. In other countries you have to give three Federal
Reserve notes for one of their dollars.  

GF: So we get rid of the Fed and we put a system of sound money in place. Uh, wow, uh, I mean, the value of the dollar is dropping rapidly. The system is set up to fail.

SJ: While Americans are paying attention to Oprah and “American Idol” and “Survivor” and the fact that they’re being totally distracted from the real issues and it’s all by design. But what we all need to do is wake up. That’s my Web site, Wake The People. We need to wake up, because what’s happening is, we’re gonna get hit, we’re gonna get blind-sided like the quarterback that gets blind-sided when he’s trying to throw a pass. People have no clue, the reason I fear to go in the beauty shop or the nail shop or wherever and hear them talk about the last night’s winners on “American Idol” but they have no idea who Mahmoud Ahmadinejad is and how he may influence whether our gas goes up to $5 by the end of June.

GF: That’s a whole ‘nother topic, a whole ‘nother interview!  
SJ: This whole subject a huge topic. Now if you look at “The Creature From Jekyll Island,” which is a book by G. Edward Griffin, and “The Money Masters,” which is a tape series by Bill Still …you’ll see that this has been going on for years. A lot of the people that really meant well for the country, a lot of them were killed. Mysteriously poisoned, killed, you know. Congressmen and senators alike that wanted to get the country back on track.

SAE: Sherry, tell me, were you standing there with me in front of the camera at the New Hampshire debates, looking these people in the eye, and able to give them the hard questions, who would you have asked the tough questions of, and what would that question be?

SJ: Basically all of ‘em. You got Edwards, you got Guiliani, you’ve got Obama, I don’t know if I want to say anything to Hillary … but the question that I would ask is …

SAE: (Laughing) Hey, good point. I wouldn’t either. .. What would, what would you hit ‘em with?

SJ: I would hit ‘em with the fact that the people have been denied a redress of grievances. In other words, the We the People Foundation just got word maybe a week ago that the government, yeah, there’s a First Amendment right to redress of grievances, but you can ask a question of the government, but the government doesn’t have to answer you. I would ask them are they willing to change that? I would also ask them, I would say “There’s a group of people that have researched tax law extensively and it appears that people that live and work in the 50 states don’t owe. Would you please get your legal staff together and sit down with these tax researchers so that we can get to the bottom of this, because you are a civil servant?”

SAE: What could be done as president, if you become president? What would the question be? To one of those people …

SJ: Would you go to eliminate the IRS and follow the constitution, which has the perfect tax – impost, excises duties and tariffs. There won’t be enough money in there for the American … the National Education Association. There won’t be enough money in there for the National Endowment for the Arts. Those people can pay for that crap themselves. Education needs to be taken care of on a local level. If I have a problem with the education in Georgia I need to go down to Sonny Perdue, 20 miles from my house at the capitol and talk to him and not have some bureaucracy called the National Education Association. So the money for all of this unconstitutional bureaucracy that we have won’t be there. But if we get back to the constitution, which is the perfect tax, are you willing to do that? Are you willing to get rid of the IRS, take all of those IRS agents and employees who are working there now, put them on our borders to protect our borders and then turn around and get us back to the taxes we’re supposed to be paying.

GF: Let’s get back to definitions, isn’t there a definition for a “corporation” vs. an individual in the IRS code. Isn’t there an obvious difference there between a corporation and an individual? And if there is, how can you take and turn an individual into a corporation since we know that a corporation is not a living, breathing person with a soul?

SJ: Well, there are a lot of misconceptions and manipulations in the code. Yes, a corporation is something
that’s not living and breathing and doesn’t necessarily have a termination, whereas we do die at some point or another. But you have to look at the people who manipulated and wrote the code to see – and I don’t know if you know this – but there are several different definitions for different things in the code. There are more than four definitions of the United States in the code. It depends where you look in the code. And the definition that Webster’s Dictionary has of it is not necessarily the same definition that is in the code. And that’s where a lot of people make their mistake. If somebody asks you, “Do you have a firearm?” – I believe that’s under Title 27 – and you say “yes,” that means that you have, like, grenades and things like that. Not just a regular handgun. So we get tripped-up because we don’t know the law. Bill Clinton knew the law, because he asked the question, “It depends on what the definition is ‘is’ and it depends on what the definition of ‘sex’ is.” He knows there are several different definitions. There’s the Webster one and there’s the legal one. So yes, you’re on track as far as realizing that this thing is a smoke-and-mirrors situation because of the different definitions of “United States” and “income” and all these other things, and “person” and “individual” that are within these 66,000 pages. So that’s just another issue. But what I try to do is later bring it back to the question, “What is it that requires us to file an income tax return and pay an income tax?” Still haven’t gotten any answers. These people are our civil servants. But our civil servants have taken over the house and we need to get it back. They’re not answering our questions.

GF: Sherry, you have a Web site, could you give us that info so people can continue to follow your works? What can people find there? What kind of information?
SJ: Uh, well, one of them is wakethepeople.com. The wakethepeople.com Web site shows, when it’s updated, where I’m going to speak. And I don’t speak about the income tax. I give away the DVDs that I have. We talk about solutions. We talk about getting out of debt. We talk about real money, and buying real estate, and international investing, and those kinds of things that will help us improve our futures. You know, the elite people, they’re not better than us. They just know some things that we don’t know. And once we know them and apply ‘em, then we can help ourselves and our families like they’ve helped themselves and their families. … But wakethepeople.com and invisibleshackles.com, and those two Web sites talk about, well, the Invisible Shackles Web site talks a little bit more about the solutions to some of the problems that we have concerning our finances, and the fact that we’re always broke, and there’s always something, like a man and a woman that are married, they can hardly make ends meet, and the woman has to go out and work and the children are sitting up there looking at the video box all day and there goes the dumbing-down of America. So we talk about things like that.

GF: Sherry you have a DVD that’s available there. Is there a price for that? They can order it on your website?
SJ: No, I just give it away when I speak. I don’t have time to mail thousands of copies out because I don’t charge for any of this stuff. But it gets expensive trying to put it in the mail. … I’ll mail you some so you can give ‘em out. I’ll be giving them out when I’m in Chicago and in other cities that I have to speak. But basically the information is out there. What we have to do is educate our friends, family and neighbors, because if we don’t, then they’re not gonna understand, and they’re not gonna be the ones that are poised for change when we need to make a change, and we need it now.

GF: It’s been an honor to take part in this interview with you.
SJ: You’re welcome.

SAE: Yes, Sherry thank you so much for your time and all that you’re doing in service to our country.

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Managing Your Debt
by George Shepherd

In recent years the “buy now, pay later” mentality of consumerism has taken over American life. Credit card and home equity loan offers arrive daily, identity theft is at an all time high and new laws are making it easier for common citizens to be robbed of our liberties and privacy.

There is no better way to control a mass amount of people than to plunge them into poverty and fear. As the hamster wheel continues to spin out of control, it becomes harder to escape its perpetual motion of working harder but going nowhere!

There is a solution…it’s called WAKING UP! Debt and greed will destroy you, our nation and our future, if we do not elect to understand and control it.

In the next few years, the amount of repossessions, foreclosures and bad debt charge offs will force growing numbers of people into a financially uncomfortable position. A position that many will never recover from. This will lead to a rise in crime, drugs, hunger and possibly disease. This will make it very easy for the government to step in and install a police state, dictatorship or other freedom-destroying plan. And who will be able to afford to fight back, NO ONE! Our country was created to protect the rights and freedoms that we’ve so easily given up. (For more on this actually READ the Patriot Act.) Installed by our government to protect our country. Not a pretty picture huh…?

Now that we’ve identified the problem, what is the solution? It all comes down to paying what you owe ON TIME and not taking on financial responsibility that you cannot EASILY manage. Bankruptcy laws have changed and it’s not as easy to relieve yourself of monetary burdens and bad decisions as it once was. So, don’t expect any sympathy from the courts, IRS or private lenders (loan sharks).

GETTING BACK ON TRACK

The first step to getting back on track is to stop using credit to finance your lifestyle. This means that you might not get that brand new car, jewelry or Playstation you’ve been expecting. It takes sacrifice and diligence to lift yourself out of debt and create real wealth.

Cut up ALL YOUR CREDIT CARDS but one. You can always order a replacement card from the company once you’ve gotten things under control. This will also make it difficult to justify your usual impulse buying habits. The one card that you have left, is to be used only under EXTREME EMERGENCY. This card must be either given to a trusted friend or family member to avoid being accessed and easily maxed-out.

Sit down with your family and develop a budgeting strategy for spending less and putting more money toward paying off credit debt. This is hardest for children to understand particularly if they are accustomed to getting almost anything they ask for or wearing designer fashions. We all want to give our children more that we had, but give them OPPORTUNITY instead of bad financial leadership and generational debt.

Figure out all your minimum payments and begin and pay them (minimums only) in advance of their due dates. This will start rebuilding your responsible credit profile. The money that is left over after all minimums have been paid should be applied to PAYING OFF the credit card with the lowest balance. Don’t expect to do this within one or two months, but when it is paid off, start paying off your next lowest balance card and continue until all Revolving (credit cards) debt has been eliminated.

By this time you should have only your largest debt items such as mortgage, car or student loans. Each time you paid off a card or debt, the minimums that you were paying should have been automatically added to the paying off of the next largest debt. This exponentially speeds up the process of becoming debt free.

Once you’ve handled all your revolving debt, start chipping away at those large debts we mentioned earlier. Building a bright future starts with honest intention then action. It takes all of us working together toward a common goal, each doing our small, yet so monumentally important parts, to build a better world. Your good and bad decisions not only affect you but, your children, your neighbors and our country. No one will bother to pick you up from the battlefield of life if you are not first willing to help yourself!
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