

Third Saturday Seminar 2011-2012
Humanity at a Crossroads
Session 02
15 October 2011

The Natives Are Restless
Curt Gibby

Current Events Segment

ALL Program, Lone Star College – Montgomery
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Change

There is only one corner of the universe you can be certain of improving, and that's yourself.

Aldous Huxley

Return of the Elders, Unleashing Your Wisdom

Our Middle Aged Brains

David Niesel and Norbert Herzog

Ah... if only I could stay young... instead of faking it.

No kidding! It's actually true that our brains change with age. There was a report that said forty percent of your brain cells are lost with age but that's actually not true....

Something the middle aged brain is better at doing is recognizing the central idea or big picture. So if the brain is in good shape, it can build pathways that allow it to recognize patterns and their significance and find a solution faster than a young person.

THRIVE: How to Flourish in an Insane World

By [Dr. Arnie Kozak](#) | Last updated Jul 10, 2011, 11:02 am

Let's face it, the world is a mess. Political unrest, natural disasters, overpopulation, financial turmoil, depletion of natural resources, and war are everyday concerns. And thanks to the Internet and television these concerns are available 24/7 and come right to your living room.

Life has always been stressful. It's easy to idealize a bygone era as a golden age when things were different. There has always been war, unrest, and uncertainty. Yet as few as 50 years ago, it was not in our faces. The availability of information makes life more stressful.

We need tools to help us to cope with everything that is going around us – personally, in the family, community, country, and the world.

Program for TSS Meeting 17 September 2011

- **9:30 am** Introduction & Current Events (45 Minutes +/-) – *Curt Gibby*
- **10:15 am** - 10 Minute Break
- **10:25 am** – The Natives are Restless!
- **11:55 am** Closing Remarks
- **12:00 noon** – Adjourn - Next Session – **19 November 2011**

Third Saturday Seminars

To refer to an ancient Chinese saying, our world is in interesting times and individual citizens are assaulted with a blinding array of propaganda from every conceivable source. The Third Saturday Seminar is about demystification of what is going on around is. Time will also be spent on current events. 3 Sessions. No fee.

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Spring Session TBA

<http://wwwapps.lonestar.edu/flipbook/ALL/montgomeryfall11/montgomery.html>

Save The Date

Chaos in the Middle East

Increase your awareness of history in Islamic countries and Western Europe and gain insight into the chaos theory. Hear about lessons of history predicted today's Middle East uprisings that resulted in a state of chaos. This course will show how the universal natural law, described by chaos theory explained the rise and fall of the 15th and 16th century Catholic Monarchies and how that history lesson applies to the recent rapid fall in power of the autocratic rulers of the Middle East. 1 Session. No fee.

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Peek

Here is another

SCIENCE/PHILOSOPHY/RELIGION

The Roots and Enduring Legacy of the Enlightenment

We will discuss how a few men, from Copernicus to Newton to Voltaire to Beethoven totally changed western civilization resulting in the Renaissance and Enlightenment, encompassing the Scientific Revolution, and overturning centuries of dogma based on Aristotle and the church. 1 Session. No fee.

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11 a.m. - 12:50 p.m.

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**Also our friend Ahmad Solomon suggests
these two events in October:**

October 18, 2011 (Tue) from 06:00 pm to 07:30 pm

**The Winds of Change in the Middle East: Perspectives and
Projections**

James Baker Institute – Rice University

His Excellency **Nabil Fahmy, former ambassador of Egypt to the United States** and founding dean of the School of Global Affairs and Public Policy at the American University in Cairo, shares his views on the significant political changes taking place in the Middle East. (RSVP)

<http://bakerinstitute.org/events/the-winds-of-change-in-the-middle-east-perspectives-and-projections>

and

October 28, 2011 (Fri) 6:30 pm **Anthony Shadid of New York Times will speak at Rice University**

<http://www.arabvoices.net/aaef-shadid-flyer.pdf>

Location: Grand Hall in the Rice University Memorial Center (Student Center) **Map:**

<http://www.rice.edu/maps/maps.html>

"What My Eyes Can See: Covering the Arab Revolution"

Anthony Shadid is a foreign correspondent for the New York Times. He won the Pulitzer Prize in 2004 and again in 2010 for his dispatches from Iraq. To view his writings, see <http://anthonyshadid.com/>

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operational but under eternal
renovation

<http://northstarinst.org/TSS/>

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The following presentation consists of material from many sources in addition to my own work and experience. I usually try give appropriate attribution for this material, but may have overlooked some. In many cases an Internet link to the source material is provided in order to allow you to better put these excerpts in context.

The inclusion of materials and the facts, opinions and ideas contained within them, does not in any way mean that I personally endorse or disavow any of them in whole or in part; but, that it is of importance to the discussion.

If you have any questions please contact me.

Curt Gibby <gcgconsult@n-star.com>

Before We Get Started

1. As tempting as it might be to think so, this is not a political rally for one side or another. It is a discussion of some very important real issues and questions which many, if not most of us share. Please, don't let political differences if you know about them, affect your friendships. History will tell who was right (maybe). In the meantime we need good friends, especially those who can be candid and friends at the same time.
2. By participating, we will help ourselves as well as the other seminarians deal with these important issues. Nobody has the "right answer" except for themselves. We all owe it to each other to respect and support each other. We are all Americans or guests. We will all benefit from or have to live with the outcome.
3. Please keep your remarks brief and to the point.
4. Have faith -- in each other and yourselves. **Our republic has lasted over 200 years.** We are the oldest living Constitutional democracy. Our **Constitution** limits the power of the leaders and **guarantees the rights of its citizens.** That 200 years has not all been smooth sailing. From time to time, generally in "times of war", **leaders have** usurped the authority of the Congress, **violated the Constitution and the rights of the people** who rightly or wrongly have acquiesced, being promised security. Something has always brought us back from the brink, but I don't think we ever make a full recovery. Best, we keep our rights and respect for each other intact in the first place. Let's not let anything we say or do be harmful to each other.
5. Have fun - We always do. (Sept 22, 2005)

To Any Members of Law Enforcement

If there are any members of law enforcement here in any sort of official capacity and not in a uniform recognizable as one of law enforcement we ask that you identify yourself or selves, your agency, department or organization and your official reason for being here.

Rest assured that we are engaged in no illegal activity, but we are aware of, value and have faith in our Constitutional rights.

In any case you are welcome to stay and participate as a member or guest of the Third Saturday Seminar. But, if at any time you consider anything you see or hear happening or about to happen is or will be putting any one or all of us in jeopardy of breaking the law as you understand it, we request that you advise us of that situation .

This is consistent with your obligation as a peace officer or agent to protect and serve the people. Anything else will be a betrayal and you will be derelict in your duty. It will result in harm to those you are obligated to protect.

The donuts are free to law enforcement.

n.b. I have recently been made aware that it is legal for law enforcement to lie to anyone.

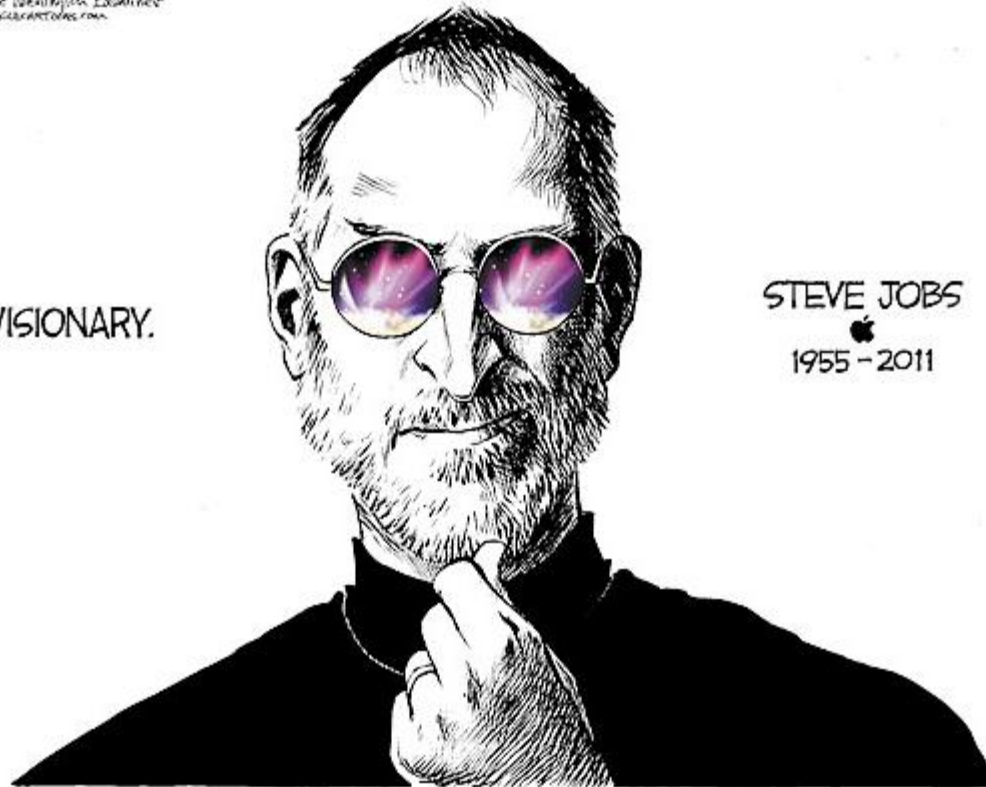
Current Events

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Ruth Orkin

American Girl in Italy is Ruth Orkin's classic signature image. In 1951, Orkin traveled to Israel on assignment with the Israeli Philharmonic. After living in Israel for a few months, she continued her travels in Italy. In Florence, she met an art student in her hotel who became the subject for a picture story titled "Don't Be Afraid to Travel Alone." Orkin shot this timeless image at the Piazza del Repubblica. The photograph originally appeared in *Cosmopolitan*, (9/52) has now appeared in countless other publications, and is known throughout the world.

<http://blog.alexgalmeanu.com/blog/2007/05/06/american-girl-in-italy/>

American Girl in Italy



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At 83, subject of 'American Girl in Italy' photo speaks out



Keith Beaty / Toronto Star

Ninalee Craig, 83, is the woman in Ruth Orkin's 1951 photograph "American Girl in Italy." This photo taken on Aug. 12 shows Craig standing next to Orkin's iconic image and wearing the same orange shawl she wore in the photo nearly 60 years ago.

http://today.msnbc.msn.com/id/44182286/ns/today-today_people/t/subject-american-girl-italy-photo-speaks-out/

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'Underwear Bomber' Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab Pleads Guilty

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[Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab](#), the man accused of trying to blow up [Northwest Flight 253](#) on Christmas Day 2009 with a bomb in his underpants, changed his plea to guilty on all counts before saying he did it "to avenge the killing of my [Muslim brothers and sisters](#)."

After consulting with his lawyer, the "underwear bomber" was once again read the charges against him in a Detroit court today and after each one, he told the judge, "I plead guilty."

"The Koran allows every Muslim to undertake jihad,"

[Abdulmutallab](#) told the court after changing his plea. "I carried the device to avenge the killing of my Muslim brothers and sisters... Unfortunately, my actions make me guilty of a crime."

Abdulmutallab called the failed explosives he had hidden in his underwear a "blessed weapon" and said he attempted to use it "because of the tyranny of the United States."

Abdulmutallab had [originally pleaded not guilty](#) to all charges, including attempted murder and attempted use of a weapon of mass destruction, but apparently changed his mind since the prosecution completed their opening arguments Tuesday.

What is the difference between his beliefs and ours?

<http://news.yahoo.com/underwear-bomber-umar-farouk-abdulmutallab-pleads-guilty-145542812.html>

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U.S. says it foiled Iranian-backed plot to assassinate Saudi ambassador

By [Laura Rozen](#) / [The Envoy](#) – Tue, Oct 11, 2011

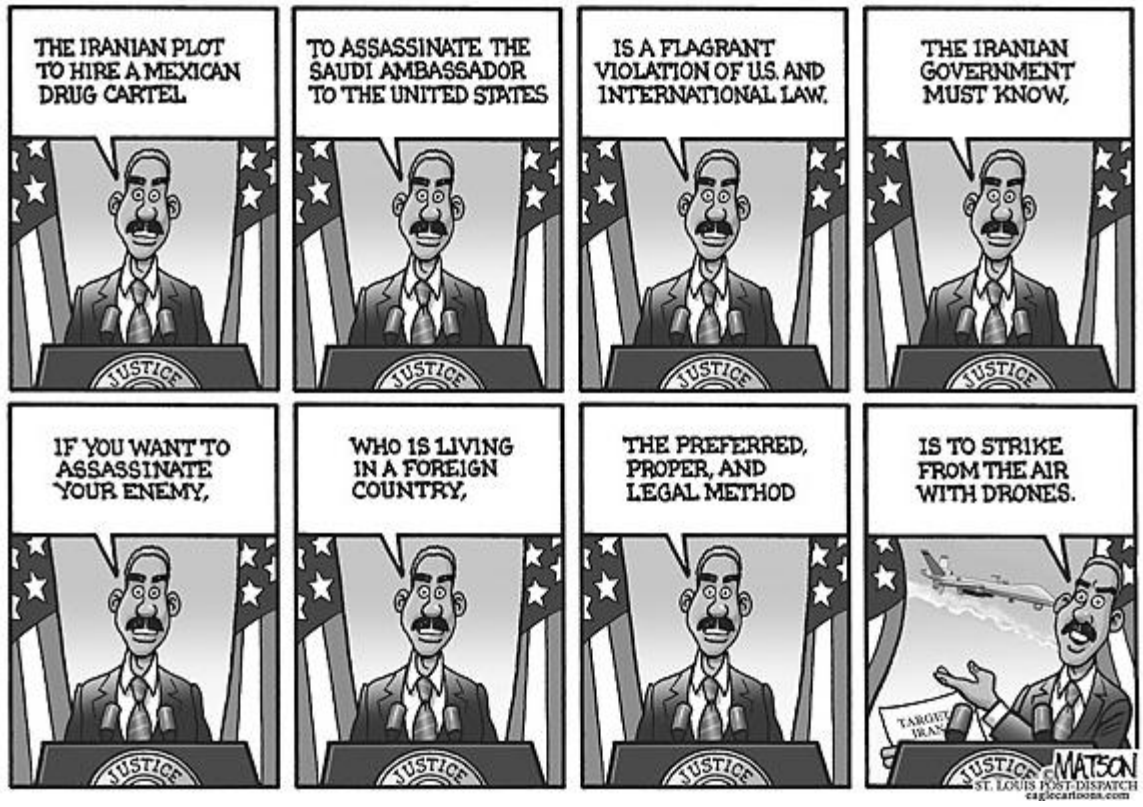
The United States said Tuesday that it had disrupted a plot to assassinate the Saudi ambassador to the U.S. conceived by elements of the Iranian Qods force.

The accusations came in a Justice Department criminal complaint unsealed Tuesday afternoon at a press conference featuring Attorney General Eric Holder, FBI Director Robert Mueller and a team of Justice Department prosecutors. The key suspect charged in the plot, a naturalized Iranian-American citizen identified as Manssor Arbabsiar, of Corpus Christie, Texas, was arrested late last month at John F. Kennedy Airport in New York; a second accused conspirator named in the complaint, an alleged Iranian Revolutionary Guards Corps-Qods Force official identified as Gohlam Shakuri, remains at large and is believed to be in Iran. The five-count criminal complaint also refers to other unnamed conspirators in the plot and suggested they also were members of the Qods force in Iran.

Iranian plot

In a related action, the Treasury Department on Tuesday designated Arbabsiar and four alleged Iranian Qods force members, including Shakuri, Qasem Soleimani, Hamed Abdollahi, and Arbabsiar's cousin Abdul Reza Shahlai, as being connected to the alleged plot.

The alleged assassination plot --unraveled by federal agents with the Drug Enforcement Agency and FBI--was "conceived, sponsored and was directed from Iran" Holder said in a statement Tuesday. "The U.S. is committed to holding Iran accountable for its actions."



Virus infects computers piloting U.S. drones



By Michael Winter - USA Today

Posted : Saturday Oct 8, 2011 14:20:45 EDT A computer virus that logs keystrokes has infected computers used to remotely pilot U.S. drones over Afghanistan and other war zones, [Wired](#) reports. As far as the Pentagon knows, no classified information has been lost or transmitted outside.

The keystroke logger was first detected nearly two weeks ago at Creech Air Force Base, Nev., where most Predator and Reaper drones are guided, and has stubbornly resisted removal, sources told Noah Shachtman, who writes the Danger Room blog.

“We keep wiping it off, and it keeps coming back,” one source said.” We think it’s benign. But we just don’t know.”

Shachtman writes that the infection “underscores the ongoing security risks in what has become the U.S. military’s most important weapons system.”



Cybercrime becomes bigger threat to energy industry than terrorists

A cyber security analyst works in the "watch and warning center" during the first tour of the government's secretive cyber defense lab in Idaho Falls, Idaho. The Homeland Security Department's Control System Security Program facilities are intended to protect the nation's power grid, water and communications systems. (AP Photo/Mark J. Terrill) Summary



In years past, discussions about security in the energy industry usually focused on protecting refineries from terrorist attacks and overseas workers from kidnapping.

Today, the greater threat is the digital theft of competitive information or technical data by outside hackers or unscrupulous employees, speakers at an FBI-sponsored event on energy security said Wednesday.

“The shift from physical security to data security has been a significant one for all of us,” said Russell Cancilla, Vice President and Chief Security Officer at Baker Hughes. “Theft of intellectual property, state-sponsored corporate espionage, those kinds of things have grown exponentially in recent years.”

A few well-known incidents in the energy industry occurred in 2008, when computer systems owned by oil companies including ConocoPhillips, Marathon Oil and Exxon Mobil were reportedly hacked by outside forces seeking oil and gas lease bidding information. Sections of the U.S. power grid were also probed by outside forces in recent years, although it does not appear any damage was done.

Few Tears Shed as Wall Street Braces for More Layoffs, Weak Q3 Results

By [Aaron Task](#) / [Daily Ticker](#) – Tue, Oct 11, 2011 12:36 PM EDT

Put away the pitchforks, it looks like the axe is about to come down on Wall Street.

New York City Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli predicts the securities industry will shed another 10,000 jobs by the end of 2012, [The NYT reports](#). That figure excludes most of the 30,000 bank tellers and other branch employees expected to lose their jobs at Bank of America.

DiNapoli also reported the average pay for securities industry employees in New York City rose 16.1% in 2010 to \$361,330, **almost six times greater** than the average salary for other private sector jobs.

In separate but related news, two former Census Bureau officials report the median household income in America fell 3.2% during the recession from Dec. 2007 to June 2009, and then fell another 6.7% during the so-called 'recovery' from June 2009 through June 2011.

<http://finance.yahoo.com/blogs/daily-ticker/few-tears-shed-wall-street-braces-more-layoffs-163607240.html?sec=topStories&pos=main&asset=&ccode=>

Clamping Down on Rapid Trades in Stock Market

<http://finance.yahoo.com/news/Clamping-Down-on-Rapid-Trades-nytimes-3912330071.html?x=0>

GRAHAM BOWLEY, On Saturday October 8, 2011, 5:49 pm EDT

Regulators in the United States and overseas are cracking down on computerized high-speed trading that crowds today's stock exchanges, worried that as it spreads around the globe it is making market swings worse.

The cost of these high-frequency traders, critics say, is the confidence of ordinary investors in the markets, and ultimately their belief in the fairness of the financial system.

“There is something unholy about them,” said Guy P. Wyser-Pratte, a prominent longtime Wall Street trader and investor. “That is what caused this tremendous volatility. They make a fortune whereas the public gets so whipsawed by this trading.”

Regulators are playing catch-up. In the United States and Europe, they have recently fined traders for using computers to gain advantage over slower investors by illegally manipulating prices, and they suspect other market abuse could be going on. Regulators are also weighing new rules for high-speed trading, with an international regulatory body to make recommendations in coming weeks

Veterans worry about Gulf War illness funding

By Kelly Kennedy - USA Today

Posted : Wednesday Oct 12, 2011 20:03:52 EDT A congressional move to shift control of the flow of money to research a mysterious Gulf War illness has alarmed veterans of that conflict who fear the Defense and Veterans Affairs departments have little interest in uncovering the true causes of their ailments.

“In its short history, the program has funded more trials of promising treatments than all other government programs combined in the 20 years since these troops came home sick,” said Jim Binns, chairman of the Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans’ Illnesses. “It is by far the best hope to improve their health and to prevent similar illnesses in current and future conflicts.”

In the past, Binns said, VA research focused on the mental health issues of veterans of the 1991 Gulf War, while the Defense Department stopped funding research on Gulf War illness several years ago. Now, the Defense Department’s Congressionally Directed Medical Research Program (CDMRP) exists only because Congress designates money to the Defense Department budget each year to study Gulf War illness.

But on Sept. 15, the Senate voted to exclude the program from next year’s Defense Appropriations Act, while the House, after a last-ditch amendment from Rep. Dennis Kucinich, D-Ohio, voted to fund it with \$10 million.

Old veterans benefits cuts may be new road map

By [Rick Maze](#) - Staff writer

Posted : Wednesday Oct 12, 2011 16:46:44 EDT Congressional researchers have supplied the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee with a list of veterans programs cut since 1980 in the name of deficit reduction, providing a potential road map for what lawmakers could recommend as part of the current effort to reduce federal spending by \$1.2 trillion over 10 years.

The Oct. 7 report from the Congressional Research Service, a nonpartisan arm of Congress, makes no recommendations. It simply lists the cuts in veterans' programs made in 1980, 1981, 1982, 1985, 1987, 1989, 1990, 1993 and 1997 as part of past budget-cutting legislation.

Some of these cost-cutting measures have expired and could be used by the Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction, which is required to come up with recommendations for ways to cut the deficit over the next 10 years.

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If you had purchased \$1,000 of shares in Delta Airlines one year ago, you would have \$49.00 today!

If you had purchased \$1,000 of shares in AIG one year ago, you would have \$33.00 today.

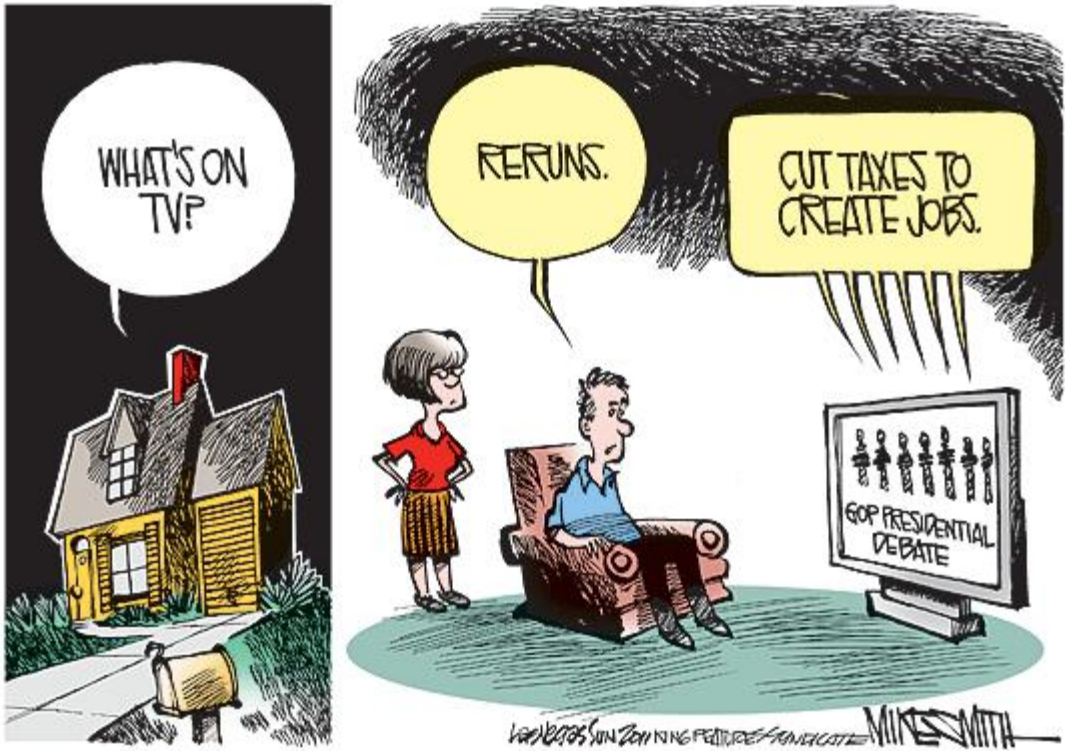
If you had purchased \$1,000 of shares in Lehman Brothers one year ago, you would have \$0.00 today.

But, if you had purchased \$1,000 worth of beer one year ago, drank all the beer, then turned in the aluminum cans for the recycling refund, you would have received \$214.00.

Based on the above, the best current investment plan is to drink heavily & recycle. It is called the 401-Keg.

A recent study found that the average American walks about 900 miles a year. Another study found that Americans drink, on average, 22 gallons of alcohol a year. That means that, on average, Americans get about 41 miles to the gallon!

Makes you darn proud to be an American!!!





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Confirmed Presidential Candidates



Barack
Obama



Randall
A. Terry



Michele
Bachmann



Herman
Cain



Newt
Gingrich



Jon
Huntsman



Gary
Johnson



Fred
Karger



Ron Paul



Rick
Perry



Buddy
Roemer



Mitt
Romney



Rick
Santorum

Dropped Out



Tim
Wirth



Tim
Pawlenty

Decided Against Running



Haley
Barbour



John R.
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Rick Perry – Project Vote Smart

Governor Rick Perry (TX)

Current Office: Governor
Office Seeking: President
First Elected: 11/05/2000
Last Elected: 11/02/2010
Next Election: 2014
Party: Republican

Please call our Voter's Research Hotline 1-888-VOTE SMART (1-888-868-3762) for more information.

Donations by Sector (2010)

Agriculture	\$1,238,993
Construction	\$3,542,042
Communications & Electronics	\$1,582,496
Defense	\$23,045
Energy & Natural Resources	\$6,031,443
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	\$7,835,080
General Business	\$3,004,407
Health	\$2,338,381
Government Agencies/Education/Other	\$1,719,034
Ideology/Single Issue	\$3,161,290
Lawyers & Lobbyists	\$1,715,619
Labor	\$43,500
Transportation	\$1,471,745
Uncoded	\$5,456,369
Party	\$25,065
Candidate Contributions	\$140,033
Total:	\$39,328,542

More information is available at [The National Institute on Money in State Politics](#).

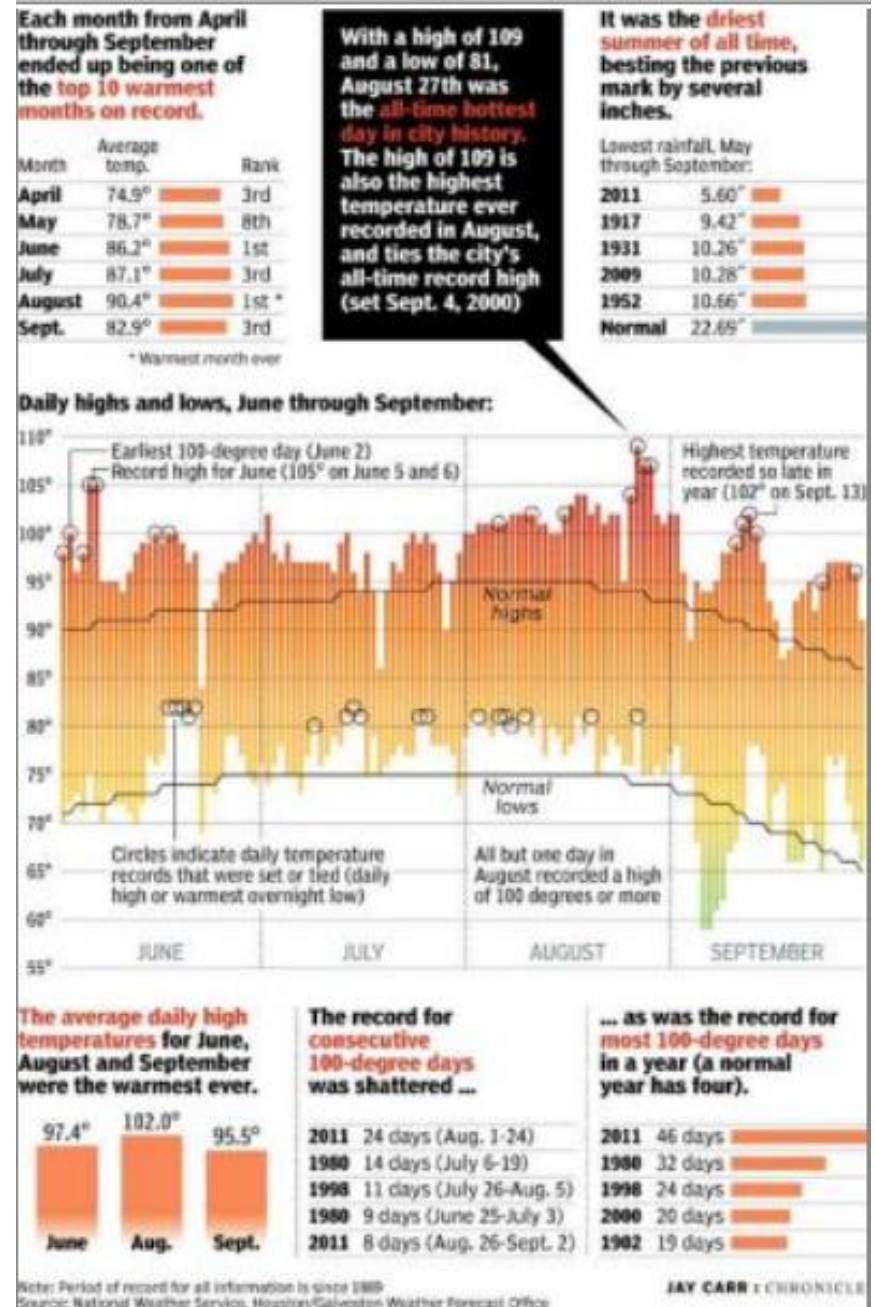
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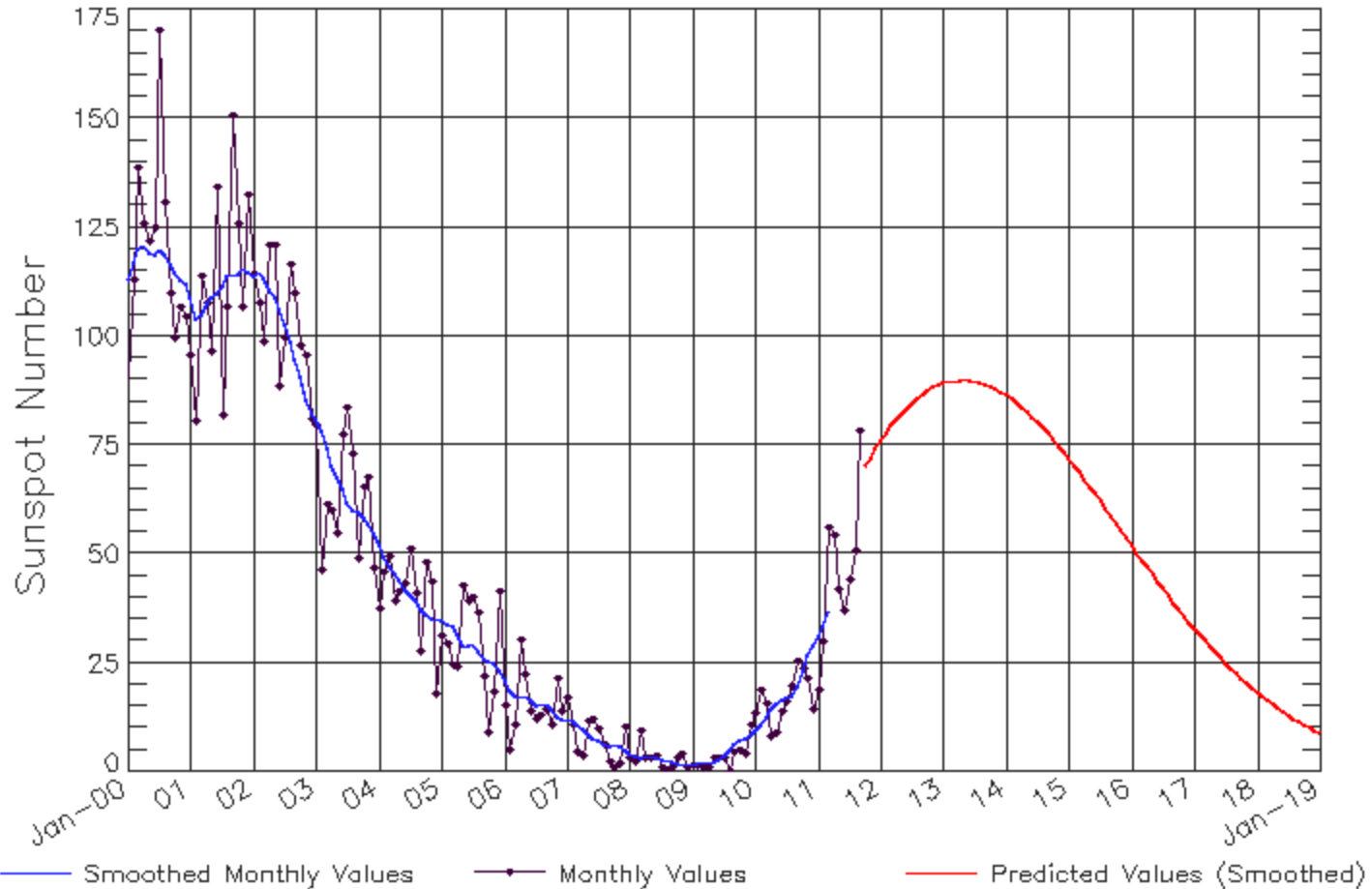
By **ERIC BERGER,**
HOUSTON
CHRONICLE

Updated **09:10 p.m.,**
Friday, October 14,
2011



Sun Spots

ISES Solar Cycle Sunspot Number Progression
Observed data through Sep 2011



Updated 2011 Oct 4

<http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/solarcycle/>

NOAA/SWPC Boulder, CO USA

Stricken ship cracks as captain faces NZ court

AP Associated Press By NATACHA PISARENKO - Associated Press | AP - Wed, Oct 12, 2011



Click image to view more of the stricken Rena

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TAURANGA, New Zealand (AP) – A cargo ship that has spilled hundreds of tons of oil since striking a reef off New Zealand's coast appeared to be breaking up in heavy seas, as its captain faced criminal charges in court Wednesday.

A vertical crack was apparent from the deck to the waterline of the Liberian-flagged Rena, which ran aground Oct. 5 on Astrolabe Reef, 14 miles (22 kilometers) from Tauranga Harbour on New Zealand's North Island. About 70 containers have fallen off the deck of the 775-foot (236-meter) vessel as it has listed increasingly in the worsening ocean conditions.

Nine held over Shanghai building collapse

Technically speaking, the building didn't collapse, it fell over. gcg

The Chinese authorities are holding nine people in connection with the collapse of a 13-storey block of flats, raising fresh questions about corruption and shoddy practices in China's construction industry.



A general view of a toppled 13-storey apartment building that buried one worker in Shanghai. Photo: Reuters

By Peter Foster in Beijing

5:11PM BST 29 Jun 2009

The collapse at the Lotus Riverside, a complex of 11 residential buildings in Shanghai, early on Saturday morning killed one construction worker and left hundreds of prospective tenants angrily demanding their money back.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/asia/china/5685963/Nine-held-over-Shanghai-building-collapse.html>

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S&P 500 INDEX,RTH (SNP: ^GSPC)

Index Value:	1,224.58	Prev Close:	1,203.66
Trade Time:	4:19PM EDT	Open:	1,205.65
Change:	↑ 20.92 (1.74%)	Day's Range:	1,205.65 - 1,224.61
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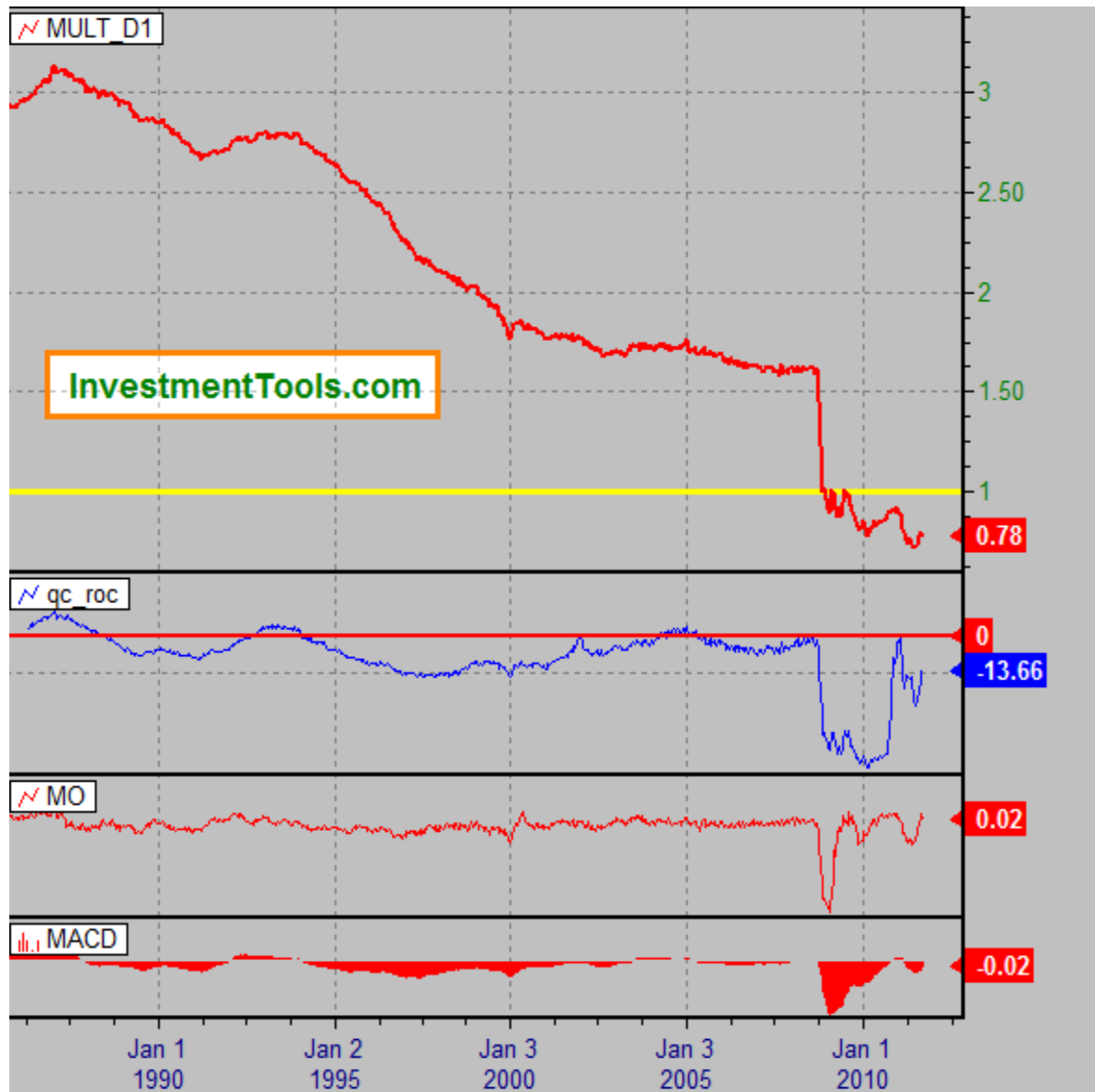
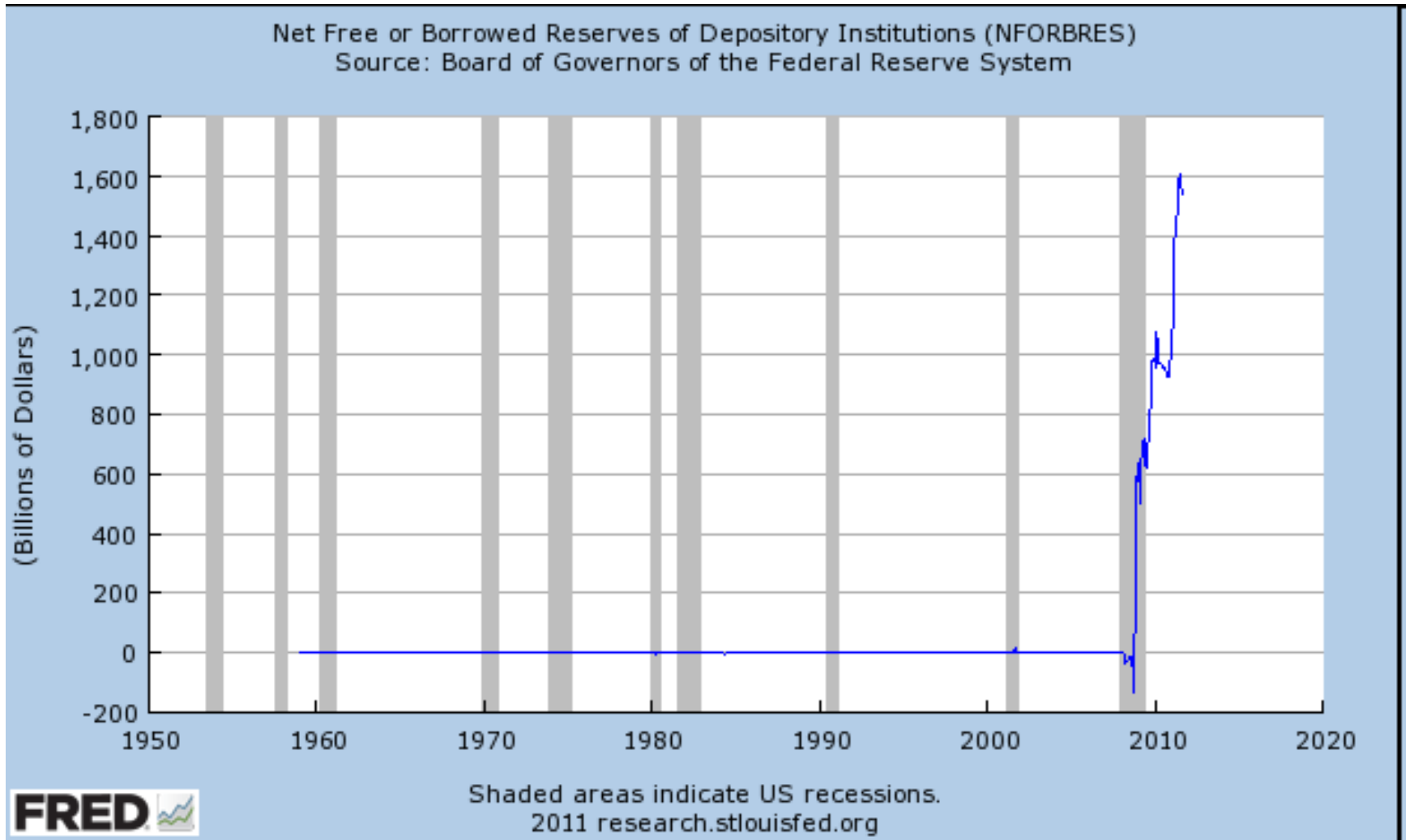


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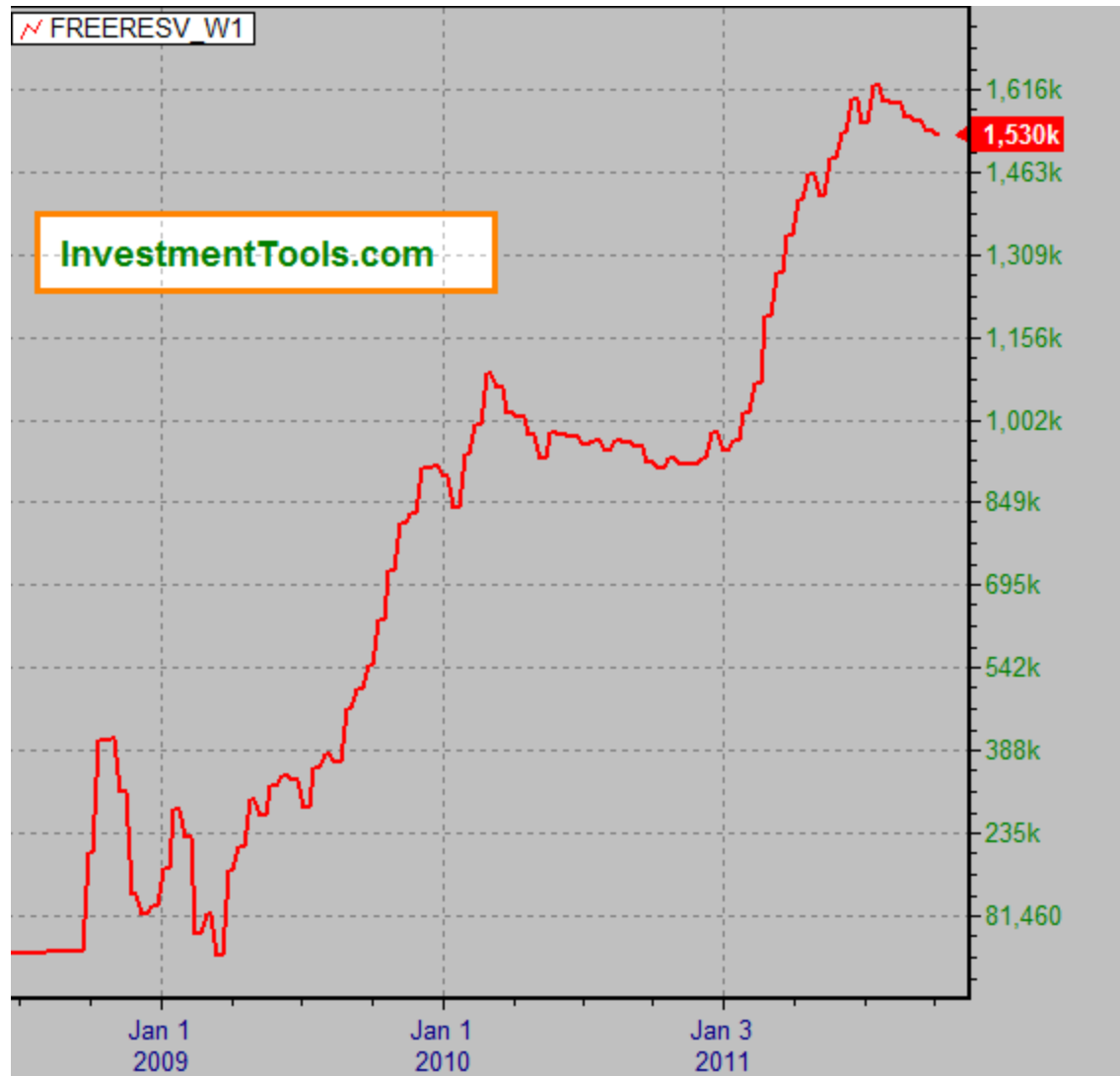


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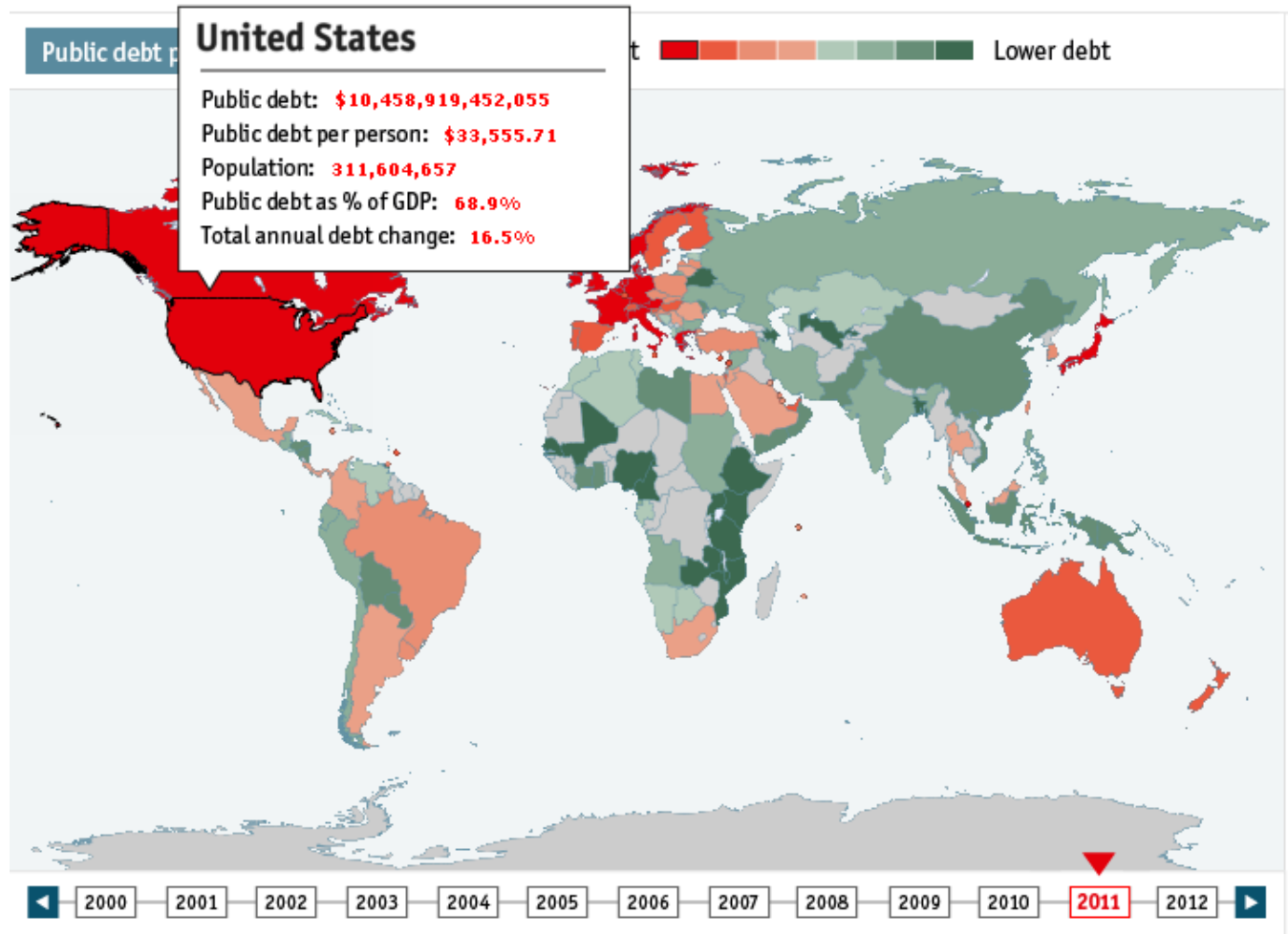
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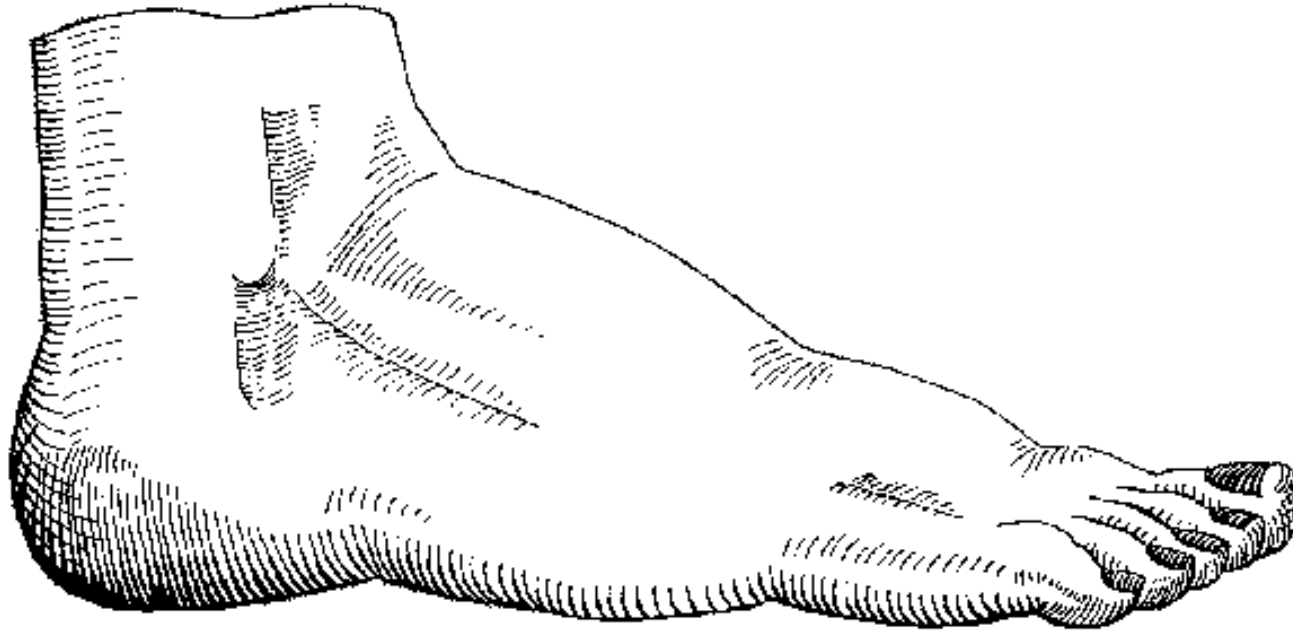
Don't be Panicked!

Welcome back to interesting times !



See You 19 November 11

The Monty Python Foot, a convenient way to end something that would seem to go on for ever accomplishing nothing.... (*See deus ex machina*)



The famous Python Foot can here be seen in its original format in the bottom left corner of "An Allegory of Venus and Cupid" by [Bronzino](#) (~1545)

When Monty Python had no ending for a skit, this foot would appear out of the sky and squash whatever was on screen with a rude noise. Allowing the show to move on.

Enrichment Material

What makes you an Authority?

The word authority comes from the word *author*. And the word author has a Latin root. It means: “he who enables growth”.

So, the person whom you recognize as an authority is a person who enables your growth.

The others are the ones to decide if I am an authority to them or not.

What makes you an Authority?

Your personal abilities:

1. Your Inner Power
2. Your knowledge

Authority and Inner Power:

I just said the true Authority is the result of your Inner Power.

This means I would judge your sense of Authority as your Inner Power.

<http://www.luismartinssimoes.com/2009/07/how-to-be-respected/>

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Authority and Inner Power:

Yet, most people will judge your authority by **how you appear** and **how you act**.

We could call this your intrapersonal intelligence and your interpersonal intelligence.

People will confuse your Inner Power with your appearance and your acts, which are part of the ego.

This means that may you be totally genuine or totally faked, you will be an authority for someone.

Some will like a person's big ego and strong personality.

And he will be considered as an authority to them. That's their choice.

Some others will prefer another person's genuine vibration and ability to connect and recognize the source, and he will be considered as an authority to them.

It's always the others' choice.

<http://www.luismartinssimoes.com/2009/07/how-to-be-respected/>

Authority and Knowledge:

You can be considered an authority for thousands of characteristics:

It can be because you are a good listener, or because you react calmly and softly to others' fragilities, or because you are good at saying, "No," or because you have no fears, or because you verbalize and observe your emotions...

If you are an individual who is very much identified with your ego, you will recognize authority to egotistic people.

If you are an individual who prefers to connect to the Source, to the I Am, you will recognize authority in spiritual people, for example, but not in egotistic people.

Authority and Knowledge:

Your knowledge is your ability to master [Instruction on Matter](#).

People will like your knowledge in Economy, or in Finance, or in Law, or in Philosophy, or in Engineering, or in Astrology, or in Painting...

This means authority does not claim for obedience, never!

Only someone who feels that his authority may be at stake will claim for obedience thru the use of power.

Power inspires fear.

Authority inspires respect.

<http://www.luismartinssimoes.com/2009/07/how-to-be-respected/>

RETURN of the ELDERS UNLEASH YOUR WISDOM

It's time for the Return of the ELDERS! Previous successful societies relied on the councils of their ELDERS to offer WISDOM in times of confusion. Folks, we can't quit yet.

What does Authority mean?

The true Authority is the result of your inner power. It's the wisdom that comes from within.

It has to do with your connection [to the source, to the I Am](#).

Authority has nothing to do with the verb to have, but rather with the verb to be.

You do not have authority. You are seen as an authority.

The big difference between the External Power and Authority lies in the fact that authority cannot be imposed, it needs to be recognized.

So your authority depends on those who look at you.

Some people may recognize your authority and some others may not.

And you cannot do anything about it.

This is why people who are very much identified with their ego, and thus seeking for others approval, can't stand those who do not recognize their authority and hence use power to submit them by force.

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Accepting the challenge

Many of you have in fact made real contributions during your lifetimes and careers. And now you feel you have earned a rest and start cashing in your chips and enjoying the good life.

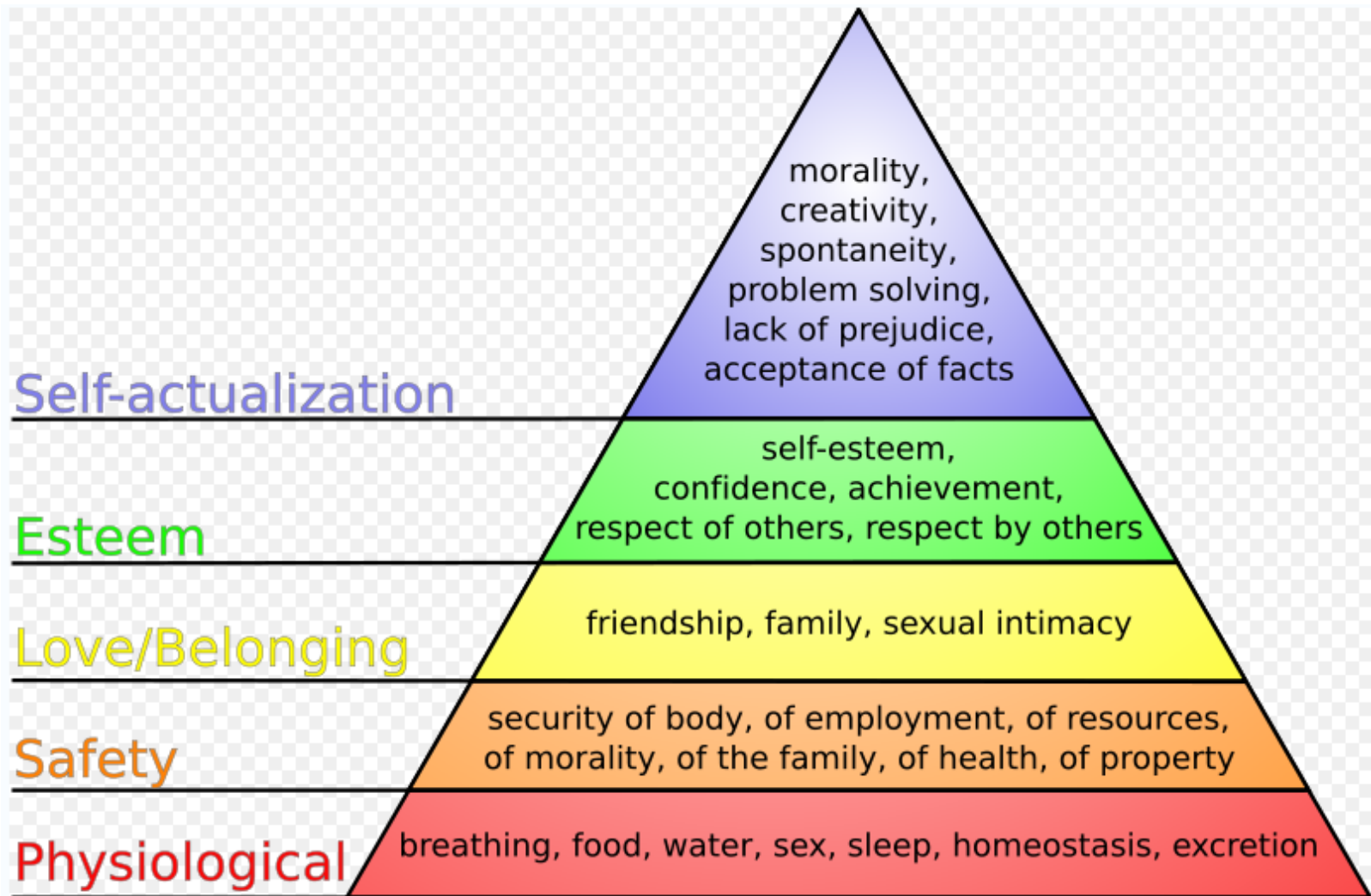
Not so fast, I'm afraid. We still have work to do if we are going to still have the America we thought we were going to have, but we see disappearing.

One of life's persistent questions:

“Why do cockroaches roll over before the die?”



Mazlow's Hierachy of Needs



[Maslow's_hierarchy_of_needs.svg](#) (SVG file, nominally 1,717 × 1,124 pixels, file size: 8 KB)

It all connects

Fear, War, Greed

To much capital in the hands of the few

Too little money in the hands of the consumers.

Credit is not a replacement for disposable income

Oil is a limited resource

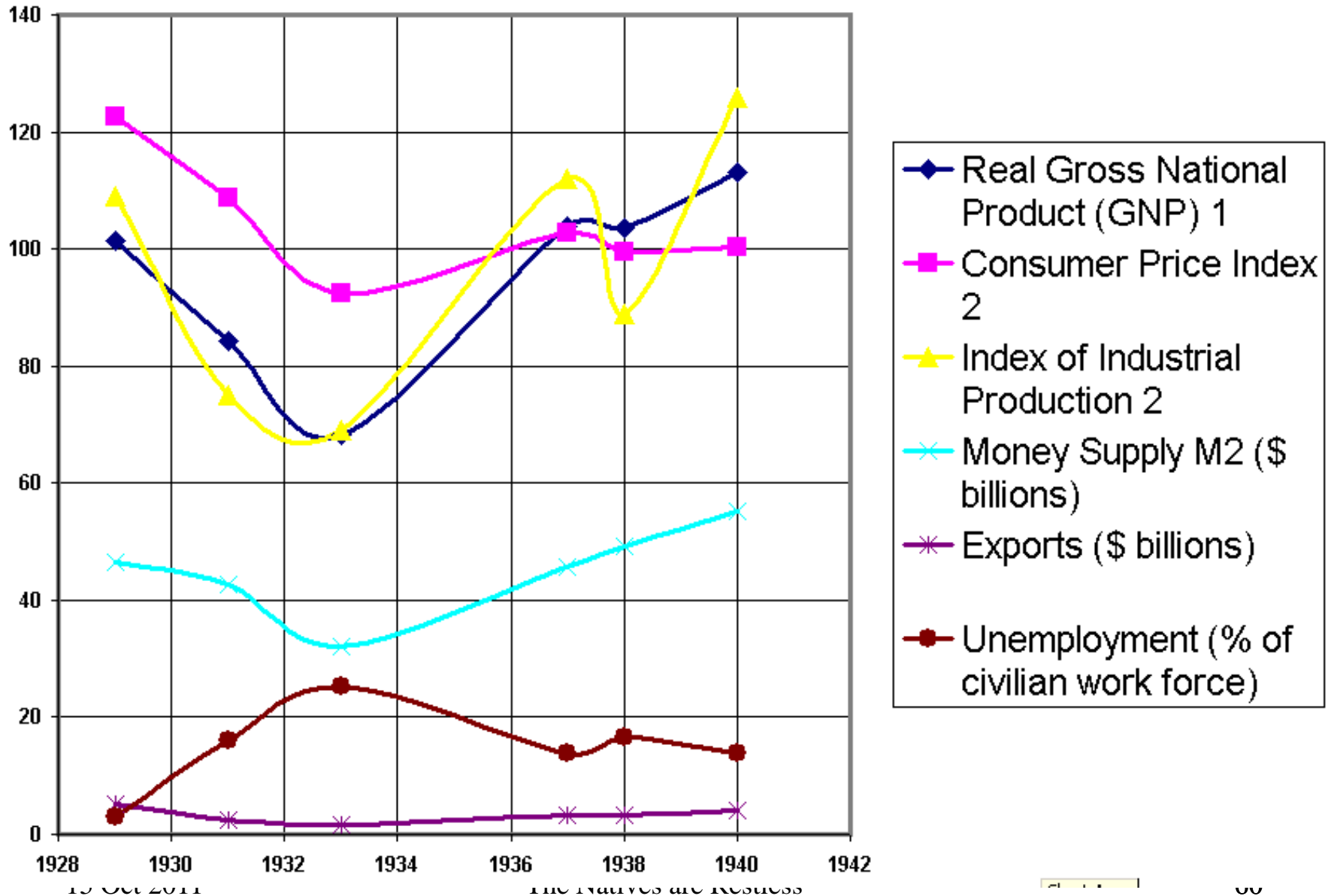
Unable to anticipate what looks obvious in retrospect

Trusting of Authority

Lacking critical ability/Education

Etc.

The Years of the Great Depression



Don't just be a thermometer, Be a thermostat

Jill Carroll

**“...we are the leaders we've
been looking for.”**

Grace Lee Boggs

Basic Wilderness Survival Skills

From: **British Columbia Outdoor Wilderness Guide**

Fear - For anyone faced with a wilderness emergency survival situation, fear is a normal reaction. Unless an emergency situation has been anticipated, fear is generally followed by panic then pain, cold, thirst, hunger, fatigue, boredom and loneliness. It is extremely important to calmly assess the situation and not allow these seven enemies to interfere with your survival.

Pain - Pain may often be ignored in a panic situation. Remember to deal with injuries immediately before they become even more serious.

Cold - Cold lowers the ability to think, numbing the body and reducing the will to survive. Never allow yourself to stop moving or to fall asleep unless adequately sheltered.

Thirst - Dehydration is a common enemy in an emergency situation and must not be ignored. It can dull your mind, causing you to overlook important survival information.

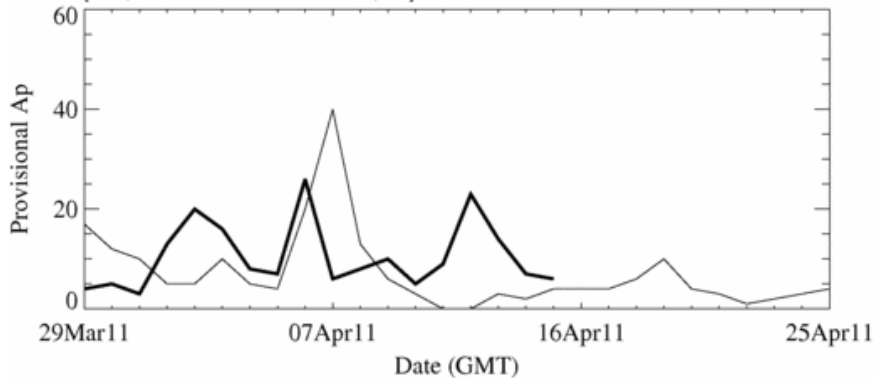
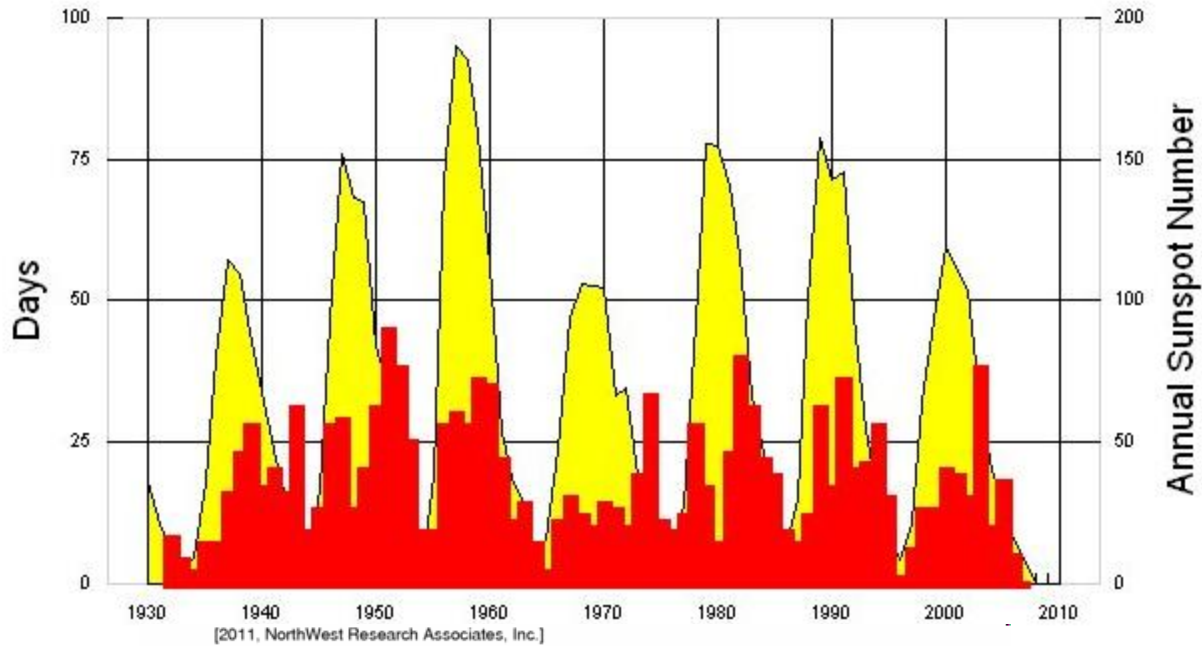
Hunger - Hunger is dangerous but seldom deadly. It may reduce your ability to think logically and increase your susceptibility to the effects of cold, pain and fear.

Fatigue - Fatigue is unavoidable in any situation so it is best to keep in mind that it can and will lower your mental ability. Remember that in an emergency situation this is often the body's way of escaping a difficult situation.

Boredom & Loneliness - These enemies are quite often unanticipated and may lower mind's ability to deal with the situation.

<http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/stp/geomag/image/apstar07.jpg>

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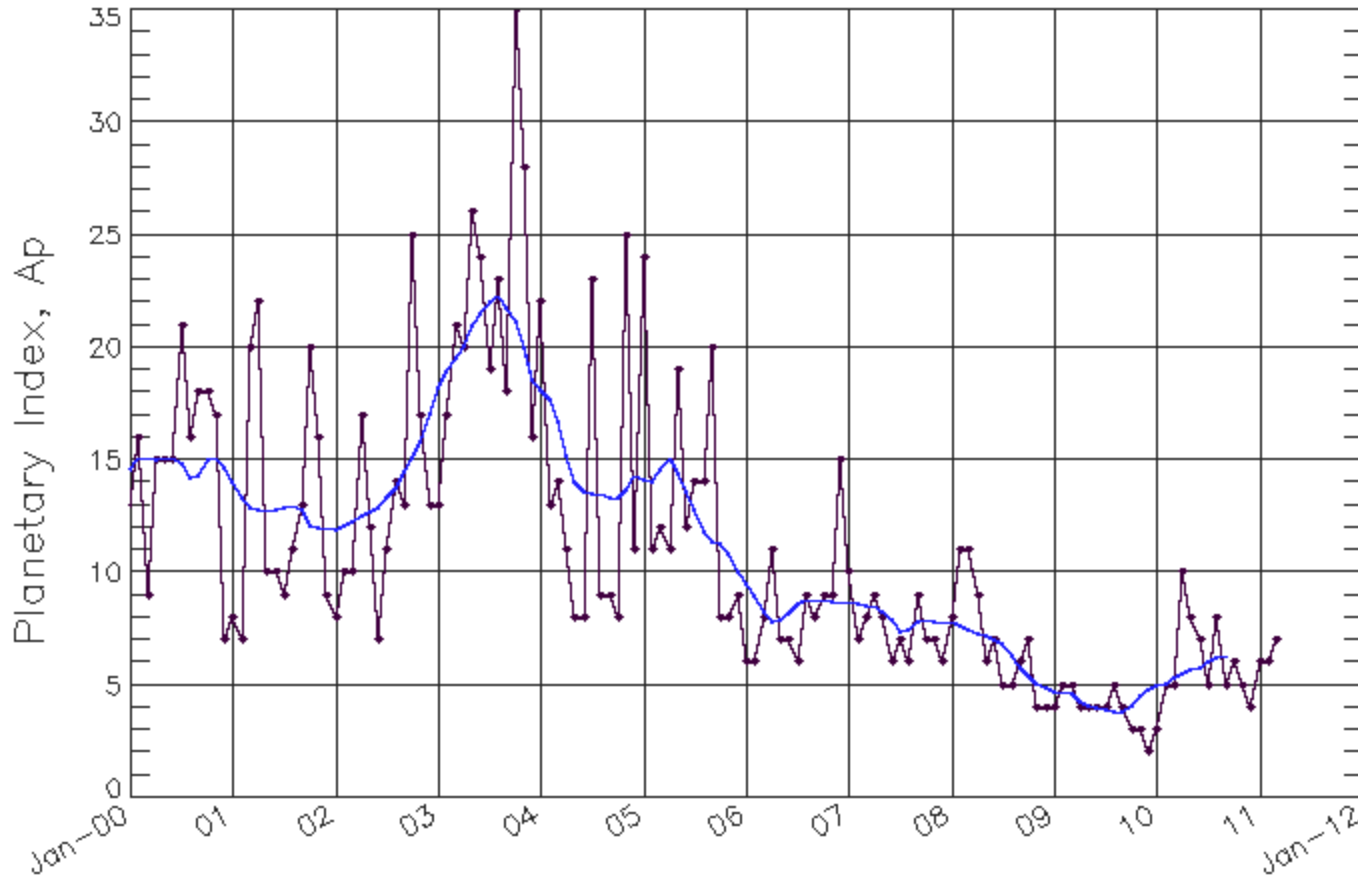


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The Natives are Restless

<http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/SolarCycle/>

ISES Solar Cycle Ap Progression
Observed data through Mar 2011



— Smoothed Monthly Values —●— Monthly Values

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