

These artistic men live outdoors and are completely invigorated with respect for these women. These men go out of their way to pray and meditate to Gaia or “Great Mother Spirit.” A Swiss psychedelic psychiatrist on YouTube who goes by the name of “Dominique Beatnik” has described such women as having “big hairy bushy” features, citing the famous cartoonist Robert Crumb’s Yeti woman series, and specifies a local artist man who lives in the mountains and forests of Oregon where he is either worthy of being with a beautiful sasquatch, if not already there, making love to her!

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HARASSED AND MISTREATED

I am a senior citizen, longtime resident of Eugene, dog lover and owner, and want to alert my neighbors as to how our public dollars are being spent. My mini schnauzer (20 pounds) and I were walking one of our usual routes in our neighborhood when an “animal control” truck came into view. My dog had been off-leash for a few minutes while I picked up after him. As soon as I saw the truck I put him back on-leash — as he always is around other dogs and children.

The “officer” (Berry) stopped me anyhow and proceeded to harass me about a prior interaction he thought he’d had with me. He immediately threatened to call

for police intervention. I became fearful and continued walking toward a neighbor/friend’s house. He followed me in his truck for 10 blocks. Soon after I arrived at my safe house, two patrol cars showed up and three police officers spent an hour investigating me and my little dog, who has a current license and is completely under my control. I am a threat to no one and have zero convictions.

If I can be so mistreated and harassed by public employees working for the city, I fear for what my home has become. I believe city workers should be spending their working time more wisely, don’t you? And the next time you hear from

city officials that we don’t have enough police presence, question the truth of that statement!

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WHAT IS LOCAL?

I rent out a widget. I used to own the widget and use it myself, but then I upgraded to a newer widget that better served my needs. I didn’t want to part with my old widget so now I rent it out. When my widget was first built, it was of the highest quality available at the time and I enjoyed using it for my own purposes. And for many years other people, mostly itinerant students, enjoyed the use of my widget as well. But lately some members of my global village (albeit from a little farther away than many might consider “local”), have used local builders and purchased local materials to build a newer, more comfortable, more energy-efficient widget.

And now I can’t seem to rent my widget. I was here first, and while my widget isn’t of the highest quality and isn’t what the consumer wants anymore, why should a non-local member of my global village come here and be able to rent his widget when mine is still for rent. It’s not fair! Is it? The conversation of “out-of-state” builders and “too much student housing” and the construction of PK Park and subsequent disuse of Civic Stadium and the myriad other examples of this insufferable provincialism makes me laugh or cry, I cannot decide.

What is local? What is a global community? Should I only sell other types of widgets I create locally? I employ 21 people in 10 different states. Should I have made them all uproot their families and move to Eugene to keep everything local? Or does local include my fellow countrymen and does the global village supersede buying local? I think I will either have to upgrade my widget or maybe I should tear down my widget to be able to compete with all the new widgets that consumers prefer.

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WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS

When we humans succeed in temporarily quieting our pesky, dominant, rational thinking mind and relax ourselves, we can learn to become more consciously aware of the power of enjoyment. The three energy frequencies of awakened doing are acceptance, enjoyment and enthusiasm. Now we can develop a sensitivity to feel certain things or to know intuitively without being able to explain exactly how we know.

Through the power of the heart-mind, plus the power of marijuana efficacy, I can and will take the necessary steps in becoming the highly conscious pot-smoking dude I want to be and the world needs.

Joe Canfield
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