

THIS MODERN WORLD

by TOM TOMORROW

SCIENCE STUFF
with your host
THE RIGHT WING SCIENCE DUDE

TODAY WE'LL LOOK AT GLOBAL WARMING--MALICIOUS HOAX OR PERNICIOUS LIE?

SKEPTICAL FREETHINKERS JUST WANT TO HAVE A DEBATE!

FUNDED BY OUR FRIENDS THE KOCH BROTHERS!

FOLKS, TAKE IT FROM A GUY IN A LAB COAT--WE DON'T NEED TO WASTE ANY MORE OF OUR NATION'S VALUABLE SCIENCE TIME ON THIS GLOBAL WARMING NONSENSE!

FORTUNATELY SOME LAWMAKERS AGREE! IN NORTH CAROLINA, THEY'VE PASSED A LAW BANNING STATE AGENCIES FROM BASING COASTAL POLICY ON PREDICTIONS OF SEA LEVEL CHANGE!

AND HOUSE REPUBLICANS JUST PASSED A BILL THAT WOULD RESTRICT THE N.O.A.A.'S* RESEARCH INTO SO-CALLED CLIMATE CHANGE!

IF THERE'S ONE THING RIGHT WING SCIENCE TEACHES US--IT'S THAT A PROBLEM IGNORED IS A PROBLEM SOLVED!

FOR NOW, NOT THAT THERE'S ANY PROBLEM.

*NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION

AND WITH FEWER DISTRACTIONS, MAYBE WE CAN FOCUS OUR BIG-THINKING SCIENCE BRAINS ON IMPORTANT ISSUES--LIKE THE TRUTH ABOUT BENGHAZI! OR TAX CUTS FOR OUR FRIENDS THE KOCH BROTHERS!

BUT MISTER SCIENCE DUDE--

--ALMOST ALL SCIENTISTS AGREE THAT CLIMATE CHANGE IS REAL AND HAPPENING NOW--AND WILL HAVE DEVASTATING CONSEQUENCES!

OH, YOU CAN'T TRUST THOSE SCIENTISTS! THEY HAVE ULTERIOR MOTIVES--UNLIKE FREE-THINKING, KOCH-FUNDED SKEPTICS SUCH AS MYSELF!

BUT THAT DOESN'T-- ZIP IT.

OKAY THEN! THAT'S ALL THE SCIENCE STUFF WE HAVE TIME FOR TODAY! TUNE IN NEXT WEEK FOR A LOOK AT EVOLUTION--MALICIOUS HOAX OR PERNICIOUS LIE?

SKEPTICAL FREE-THINKERS JUST WANT TO HAVE A DEBATE!

ALSO--WILL OBAMACARE USHER IN THE APOCALYPSE?

WE'LL LOOK AT THE SCIENCE!

What would downtown Eugene be without buskers and kids hanging around playing hacky sack and crazy people muttering nonsense? Why are people afraid of that? I find it entertaining to watch the weirdos. People who hang out downtown are getting pushed from one block to another, getting harassed and having their right to peacefully assemble encroached upon. Either there is nowhere you can be or everyone gets pushed into a "ghetto" that's as far away from the action as possible; neither is a solution. Why do we have to live in a police state that doesn't value people as individuals and only protects the interests of capitalist hegemony?

Jamie Flitton
Eugene

JONES SISTERS ARE BACK

Having fun eating their own. Full of spite, oh my, haven't they had their way, yet? Stealing the pie and keeping it all. Jockeying politics, back-room energy deal, puff away into air pollution.

If you live near Noti, you get to witness an endless stream of log trucks going both ways — more than we have seen in 20 years.

Oh yeah, and 20 new patents to put you out of work: more machines, robots, drones, clearcuts.

Steve Trimmell
Veneta

WASTED TAX DOLLARS

Dear IRS: Once again my taxes withheld are less than my taxes owed for 2013, giving me the opportunity to resist some of that money as a protest to my government's continued international military aggression.

As a Jewish woman who cannot forget that German citizens pretended they didn't see the trains carrying people to concentration camps, or the camps themselves, or explained that they were following the law during the Holocaust, it is skeptical for me to support with my tax dollars our position as the world's premier investor in militarism and not speak out.

Since we still have not established a Religious Freedom Tax Fund, I have chosen to redirect part of my federal tax debt to organizations working for peace and justice, health care, preservation of our wild heritage and the environment, and restorative justice, all endeavors we could better fund on a national level if we weren't wasting money on "defense."

In the tradition of Thoreau, Gandhi and King, I am willing to break an unjust law to call attention to a greater one.

Jain Elliott
Eugene

SIZE OF YOUR CHOIR?

While reading through the March 27 issue of EW I was struck by the last piece in the Slant column. Speaking as one of your "very vocal, sometimes noisy choir," I was impressed that your production, distribution and readership numbers are strong and growing stronger. You are to be congratulated and I wish you continued success.

I am, however, disappointed with your misconception of, at least, one old phrase: "Preaching to the choir" means that you are trying to convince someone (either an individual, a couple of people or an entire nation) of something that they already believe. It has *nothing* to do with the size of your "choir" or the distance your message can travel.

As steward of our language, I would thank you to be more careful with it.

Daniel J McAuliffe
Eugene

WAR ON WILDLIFE

Why are we surprised when domestic animals are favored over our wildlife? Every day thousands of ranchers, over millions of acres of publicly owned grazing land, turn their animals out unsupervised for months. They are left vulnerable to untreated disease, inclement weather, accidents and occasionally death by a predator (wolf, cougar, grizzly or coyote).

The ranchers are rewarded for the irresponsible husbandry by compensation for the dead animal and then taxpayer-

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John H. Haines, MD
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Battlefield Band
Thursday April 10



Give Me Sight 2014
Saturday April 12
Concert 8 pm, Benefit Gala Dinner at 6 pm

Strange Desserts
Concrete Loveseat
The Sugar Beets
Halie and the Moon
Bindaas
Paul Biondi



Chris Botti

Thu. May 1
Hult Center

Coming to The Shedd

(full, updated listing at theshedd.org)

- 4.10 Battlefield Band
- 4.12 Give Me Sight 2014
- 4.26 The Ungar-Mason Family Band
- 5.1 Chris Botti
- 5.2-11 The Jazz Kings: Bésame Mucho
- 5.3 Black Prairie
- 5.7 Carol Burnett (Hult)
- 5.9-11 TAC International Film Festival
- 5.9 Steve Martin w/ Edie Brickell (Hult)
- 5.19 Chamber Music Amici: Guy Few
- 5.23-24 SheSings 2014
- 5.31 Moombah! Skyscraper Caper
- 6.11 Chamber Music Amici: Lane County
- 6.12 Dave Douglas Quintet
- 6.19-29 MUSICAL: George & Ira Gershwin's 1926 jazz age farce OH, KAY!
- 7.1-10 MUSICAL: Gentlemen Prefer Blondes
- 7.1-10 OFAM 2014: Son of Hollywood!