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BY JIM CHEATHAM

*The price of lawful public dissent must not be a dread of  
subjection to an unchecked surveillance power.*

Justice Lewis Powell

Following the terrorists' attacks on September 11, 2001, "war" was declared on terrorism, Congress enacted a gargantuan piece of legislation called the "Patriot Act" (much of which incorporated "pork barrel" projects having little to do with the so-called "war on terrorism") and President Bush asserted executive powers such as the power to indefinitely detain persons and deny them rights to legal counsel. Fortunately, some of the more controversial provisions will expire in 2005 if Congress does not reenact them. Bills in the current Congress would also repeal some of the more egregious features of the act that are not scheduled to expire and other

legislation would provide greater protection for U.S. citizens and legal residents who are currently having their civil rights violated.

Why has a piece of legislation so

dangerous to our civil liberties, not just to those of Muslim Americans and Muslim residents, drawn so little public opposition? Our guest speaker on June 17, Jim Cornehl, Professor of Law at UTA, noted a 2003 survey had revealed that 91 percent of the public didn't know what the Patriot Act is about and that he had found in his encounters with graduate students and with business leaders a total ignorance of its existence. Presumably, the vast majority of Americans, confident that it will never impinge on their lives, have repressed any misgivings for the sake of being "patriotic". Yet, in fact, the title of the act is a misnomer; it is not about patriotism

but about governmental intervention in our lives. (Much of the legislation incorporates the "wish lists" of law enforcement agencies that would never have seen the light of day except for the near hysterical atmosphere that prevailed in the weeks following 9/11) For example, what has happened to our right to petition government? Demonstrators are guided to "free speech" zones 2-3 miles from Bush when he makes public appearances so that all the public sees are his fawning supporters urging him on.

Cornehl enumerated several of the ways in which government can now investigate ordinary citizens, viz.

- government can obtain access to personal medical records
- on designation by the Attorney General, a citizen can be detained and questioned without government having to show probable cause of an illegal act

- library records of users can be inspected without their knowledge and librarians can be forbidden to reveal that fact on pain of prosecution
- government can investigate the activities of anyone using the Internet
- terrorism is so broadly defined as to incorporate formerly legal activities
- “material witnesses” can be held for months without charge
- wiretap information can now be shared among law enforcement agencies.

Under the act, some 1200 persons, predominantly Muslims, have been arrested and jailed although none has been prosecuted for involvement in terrorist activities. Nonetheless, the government has refused to reveal the names of those being held. There have been six hundred secret deportation hearings. Citizens have been designated “enemy combatants” and the government has refused to reveal the grounds on which they are being held. (Fortunately, one of the more invidious administration proposals got shot down early: that part of the so-called TIAS program that, inter alia, would have encouraged citizens to spy on their neighbors.)

Cornelius noted an increasing opposition to the Patriot Act: More than 300 communities and four states, representing 52 million Americans, have passed resolutions protesting and condemning various provisions and expressing support for safeguarding the Bill of Rights and more than three dozen court cases have been filed alleging violations of constitutional civil liberties. Finally, he observed that perhaps the worst aspect of the act is the atmosphere of secrecy and suspicion that it has fostered and cautioned that the desire for absolute security (which is, of course,

impossible to achieve) could send us down the road to dictatorship.

Speaker’s Recommended Reading: *The Myth of Homeland Security*, by Marcus J. Ranum. In a scathing criticism of the Immigration and Nationalization Service, the FBI and most other governmental agencies, this polemic suggests we will have to learn to live with the terrorist threat. The author asks: “Which did more damage to the United States, 9/11 or the collapse of Enron?”

### ELLEVEN TO DISCUSS SMART RECOVERY IN JUNE

BY RUSSELL ELLEVEN

SMART (Self-Management and Recovery Training) helps people recover from all types of addictive behaviors, including: alcoholism, drug abuse, substance abuse, drug addiction, alcohol abuse, gambling addiction, cocaine addiction and addiction to other substances and activities. SMART is an alternative to Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous.

SMART is a non-theistic approach to recovery. As such, it may be an excellent community outreach program for HOFW. Come listen and give your opinion.

## LEGAL ISSUES

COMPILED BY JIM CHEATHAM & MICHAEL RIVERA

### SUSPECT IN MADRID BOMBINGS ARRESTED

Two suspects in the Madrid train bombings were arrested in Italy and Belgium, authorities said Tuesday. A newspaper said one allegedly helped organize the March 11 attacks, which killed 191 people. A man identified only as Mohamed the Egyptian was arrested overnight Monday in Milan, a judicial official said on condition of

anonymity. The official declined to give details on the man's real name and what his role may have been. Another suspect in the Madrid bombings was arrested in Belgium, the Spanish news agency Efe reported. The Spanish Interior Ministry confirmed Tuesday that arrests had been made in Italy and Belgium, but would not give further details. [\(AP\)](#)

### AMERICANS’ PRIVACY MUST BE PROTECTED

A federal advisory panel says congress should pass laws to protect the civil liberties of Americans when the government sifts through computer records and data files for information about terrorists. The eight-member panel found that the Defense Department and other agencies were collecting and using “personally identifiable information on U.S. persons for national security and law enforcement purposes.” Some of these activities, it said, resemble the Pentagon program known as Total Information Awareness, which was intended to catch terrorists before they struck by monitoring e-mail and databases of financial, medical and travel information. One of the panel’s most important recommendations is to involve the courts in deciding when the government can search electronic databases. (NYT)

### U.S. OUTLINES TERROR CASE AGAINST PADILLA

Former Chicago gang member Jose Padilla is a trained terrorist who met with top Al-Qaeda leaders, discussed detonating a nuclear bomb in the U.S. and accepted an assignment to use natural gas to blow up high-rise apartment buildings, possibly in Texas, Deputy Attorney General James Comey alleged on June 1. Coming two years after Padilla’s arrest, these revelations were meant to answer criticism that the government overreached in arresting

a U.S. citizen and denying him normal access to the court system. Steven Shapiro, legal director of the ACLU, called the timing of the public release "curious at best," with the Supreme Court expected to rule on the legality of the detention in the next few weeks. (AP)

## LETHAL INJECTION TO BE DECIDED BY COURTS

The Supreme Court ruled for the first time on May 31 that a Death Row inmate can pursue a last-ditch claim that lethal injection is unconstitutionally cruel. Justices unanimously sided with a convicted Alabama killer who claims that his veins are so damaged from drug abuse that executioners might have to cut deeply into his flesh to administer the deadly drugs. Lethal injection is used in Texas, Alabama and 35 other states, largely because it is considered more humane than the electric chair, a firing squad, the gas chamber or hanging. Texas, which leads the nation with 361 executions carried out by lethal injection, has never used the cut-down method and has no policy in place to do so, a prison spokesman said. (AP)

## ASHCROFT CAN'T BLOCK ASSISTED-SUICIDE LAW

In a 2-1 ruling, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals on May 26 said Attorney General John Ashcroft cannot sanction or hold doctors criminally liable for prescribing overdoses under Oregon's voter-approved Death with Dignity Act. "The attorney general's unilateral attempt to regulate general medical practices, historically entrusted to state lawmakers, interferes with the democratic debate about physician-assisted suicide," Circuit Judge Richard Tallman said. He said Ashcroft's threat to take action "far exceeds the scope of his authority under federal law." A Justice Department spokesman was

unprepared to comment on whether it will appeal. The Bush administration had earlier decided that suicide is not a "legitimate medical purpose" under the Controlled Substances Act, and had threatened to punish doctors by revoking the federal licenses they need to prescribe medicine. Oregon argued that Congress intended only to prevent illegal drug trafficking by doctors and that it left decisions about medical practice to the states. (AP)

## PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTION BAN INVALIDATED

A federal district judge on June 1 struck down the Partial Birth Abortion Ban Act, enacted in November, that makes it a crime for doctors to perform any "overt act" to "kill the partially delivered living fetus." In a 117-page decision, the San Francisco judge, Phyllis J. Hamilton, ruled 1) that the law placed an undue burden on women seeking abortions, 2) that its language was dangerously vague, and 3) that it lacked a required exception for medical actions needed to preserve the woman's health. Two other cases, in Nebraska and New York, are pending. All three judges had halted enforcement of the law while they conducted trials. The White House said it would continue to fight for the law, presumably implying it was prepared to carry the issue to the Supreme Court, if necessary. (NYT)

## COURT UPHOLDS BIBLE CLASS BAN

A federal appeals court has upheld a ruling that argued weekly Bible classes are unconstitutional in the public schools of Rhea County, Tennessee, the same county where the "Scopes Monkey Trial" pitted creationists against evolutionists 79 years ago. A three-judge panel of the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati agreed Monday with a February 2002 ruling by U.S. District

Judge R. Allan Edgar of Chattanooga.

Edgar ruled that the Bible Education Ministry program in Rhea County violated the First Amendment's clause calling for separation of church and state. The appeals judges ruled that although school officials contended that the classes were value-driven, teaching responsibility and positive morals, they were "also teaching the Bible as religious truth." (CNN)

## CHURCH & STATE

COMPILED BY JIM CHEATHAM

## 48 CATHOLICS IN CONGRESS WARN OF BACKLASH

Forty-eight Roman Catholic members of Congress, all Democrats, have warned in a letter to Washington Cardinal Theodore McCarrick that U.S. bishops will revive anti-Catholic bigotry and severely harm the church if they deny communion to politicians who support abortion rights. "For many years Catholics were denied public office by voters who feared that they would take direction from the Pope. ... While that type of paranoid anti-Catholicism seems to be a thing of the past, attempts by Church leaders today to influence votes by the threat of withholding a sacrament will revive latent anti-Catholic prejudice, which so many of us have worked so hard to overcome." (WP)

## CASTING THE FIRST STONE

It is one thing to preach the teachings of the church, quite another to use the centerpiece of the faith selectively as a tool to influence the ballot box, that confessional of democracy. Even a member of Congress opposed to abortion complained that church leaders were "politicizing the Eucharist." If citizens

who are Methodist, Muslim or Jewish begin to suspect that Catholic politicians are beholden first and foremost to Rome, a notion we thought was laughable and bigoted when John F. Kennedy ran for president, who could blame them? Next month (June) American Catholic bishops meet for a retreat in Colorado. There they should speak out against grievous sin, the sin of using communion to punish by those who have not the moral authority to persuade. —Anna Quindlen, Newsweek

### **DOES MOORE HAVE ALABAMA COATTAILS?**

Roy S. Moore, the ousted Alabama Supreme Court Justice of Ten Commandments notoriety, has achieved icon status with several Republican candidates in his home state. Moore is appearing in their campaign commercials and is being quoted in their brochures. On the campaign trail, those candidates wear glittering lapel pins in the shape of two stone tablets. Invoking Moore in the GOP primary reflects a continuing struggle between traditional business oriented conservatives and new religious conservatives for the state Republican party. The "Roy Moore slate", as it is referred to, includes three candidates for the Supreme Court, one for Congress and one for the Court of Civil Appeals. (NYT)

### **BUSH TO ENLIST CHURCHES IN HIS RE-ELECTION BID**

The Bush campaign is seeking to enlist thousands of religious congregations across the country to distribute campaign information and register voters, according to an e-mail to a Pennsylvania pastor obtained by the NYT. Liberal groups charged that the effort invited violations of the separation of church and state that would jeopardize the tax-exempt status of churches that

cooperated. Some socially conservative church leaders said they would advise pastors against participating in such a partisan effort. But Bush administration spokesman Steve Schmidt said "people of faith have as much right to participate in the political process as any other community," and the e-mail message was about "building the most sophisticated grass-roots presidential campaign in the country's history." (NYT)

### **LEO STRAUSS AND THE GRAND INQUISITOR**

"There is a certain irony in the fact that the chief guru of the neoconservatives is a thinker who regarded religion merely as a political tool intended for the masses but not for the superior few. Leo Strauss, the German Jewish émigré who taught at the University of Chicago almost until his death in 1973, did not dissent from Marx's view that religion is the opium of the people; but he believed that the people need their opium. He therefore taught that those in power must invent noble lies (à la Plato) and pious frauds to keep the people in the stupor for which they are supremely fit. ... There is a strong asceticism at the heart of neoconservative ideology that explains why it appeals to the Christian Right. Neoconservatism dovetails nicely with the views that humanity is too wicked to be free; too much pleasure is sinful; and suffering is good because it makes man cry out to God for redemption. With the neoconservatives and the Christian Right in power, Americans can forget about the pursuit of happiness and look forward to perpetual war, death, and catastrophe. And in the midst of all the human carnage and calamity that such policies are bound to bring, the Olympian laughter of the Straussian gods will be heard by those who have ears to hear it. In short, the Straussian elite makes the Grand Inquisitor (of Dostoevsky's

The Brothers Karamazov) look compassionate by comparison." -- Shadia B. Drury, Free Inquiry, Jun/Jul 2004. For all those curious about what holds neoconservative ideologues and evangelicals under the same tent this article is a must read.

### **RELIGIOUS LEADERS ASSAIL GAY MARRIAGE AMENDMENT**

Officials of several religious organizations, including Presbyterian, Lutheran and Episcopal churches, sent an open letter to Congress on June 3 opposing the proposed constitutional amendment banning same-sex marriages. "Although we have differing opinions on rights for same-sex couples, we believe the Federal Marriage Amendment reflects a fundamental disregard for individual civil rights and ignores differences among our nation's many religious traditions," the letter said. The United Church of Christ and the Unitarian Universalist Association, which recognize same-sex marriages, also signed the letter. So did representatives of the Anti-Defamation League, the Union for Reform Judaism, the liberal Alliance of Baptists and the Quakers. (NYT)

## **RELIGION IN THE NEWS**

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### **CONSERVATIVE FOUNDATION WORKING TO BREAK-UP MAINLINE DENOMINATIONS**

As Presbyterians prepare to gather for their General Assembly in Richmond, a band of determined conservatives is advancing a plan to split the church along liberal and orthodox lines. Another divorce proposal shook the United Methodist convention in Pittsburgh in May while

conservative Episcopalians have already broken away to form a dissident network of their own. In each denomination the flashpoint is homosexuality, but also in each case the Institute on Religion and Democracy has helped incubate traditional insurrections against the liberal politics of the denomination's leaders. With financing from a handful of conservative donors, including, n.b., Scaife family foundations, the Olin and Bradley Foundations and Howard and Roberta Ahmanson's Fieldstead & Co., the 23-year old institute is now playing a pivotal role in the biggest battle over the future of American Protestantism since churches split over slavery at the time of the Civil War. The institute has brought together previously disconnected conservative groups within each denomination to share resources and tactics, including forcing heresy trials of gay clergy, winning seats on judicial committees and urging congregations to withhold money from their denomination's headquarters.

Together, the Methodist, Presbyterian and Episcopal churches have 12.5 million members, and for decades they and other mainline denominations have provided the theological backbone and foot soldiers for liberal causes like abortion rights, racial and economic equality, the nuclear freeze, environmentalism and anti-war movements. Liberal Protestants argue the Institute's financial backers are motivated by a secular political agenda, not by theology as they allege. (NYT)

### **PAT TILLMAN 'WASN'T RELIGIOUS'**

Pat Tillman, the millionaire NFL player with the Arizona Cardinals who signed up to be an Army Ranger unit and died (killed by friendly fire, it was subsequently revealed) on April 22 in Afghanistan, was an atheist. At

the May 3 memorial service his younger brother Rich asked mourners to hold their spiritual bromides. "Pat isn't with God. ...He wasn't religious." The memorial program featured a quote by Emerson, which had been found underlined in Tillman's belongings: "But the great man is he who in the midst of the crowd keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of solitude." (Freethought Today)

## **NEWS BRIEFS**

### **TOP OF THE NEWS** COMPILED BY JIM CHEATHAM

#### **AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL ON PRISONER ABUSE**

For nearly a year Amnesty has been raising concerns about allegations of torture and abuse of detainees by U.S. and Coalition forces in Afghanistan, Guantanamo, Iraq and elsewhere based on interviews with former detainees and other sources. We have had no meaningful response from the Bush administration. And, despite repeated requests we have been denied access to all detention facilities run by the U.S. Amnesty is openly calling for specific, verifiable steps to this horrific crisis, including

- 1) a public declaration stating that the torture and humiliation of prisoners will not be tolerated.
- 2) a halt to ill-treatment of prisoners in U.S. custody;
- 3) granting independent human rights monitors unrestricted and regular access to the government's detainees in all detention centers;
- 4) compensating victims of abuse and conducting future

interrogation of prisoners in accordance with strict human rights standards, and

- 5) an end to incommunicado detention.

#### **BUSH ADMINISTRATION'S OPPOSITION TO CONDOMS**

The Bush administration's enlightenment on AIDS treatment has not, alas, been matched in AIDS prevention programs. Spurred by the religious right, the administration and Congress have fenced off the nation's international AIDS prevention funds to be used for abstinence programs starting in 2006, even though such programs alone are insufficient. ... They have removed information about condom use and references to the value of sex education and condom promotion from the Web sites of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Agency for International Development. Their benighted policies put millions at risk. (NYT editorial)

#### **THE DARK SIDE OF AMERICA**

The sickening pictures of American troops humiliating Iraqi prisoners have led inevitably to questions about the standards of treatment in the corrections system at home, which has grown tenfold over the last 30 years and now jails people at eight times the rate of France and six times the rate of Canada. ... some of the chilling pictures from Iraq – such as the ones of inmates being paraded around naked – could have been taken at some American prisons. And humiliation by prison guards is far from the first thing on most of an inmates' list of worries. ... The nearly 12 million people who pass through the corrections system each year are often subject to violent attacks by other inmates, and prisoner-on-prisoner rape is endemic. Drug-resistant strains of

tuberculosis, easily transmitted in tight spaces, have become a common problem. Illegal drugs ferried in by prison employees – and used by inmates who share needles – have made prison a high-risk setting for H.I.V. infection and most recently the liver-destroying hepatitis C. ...The prison system can no longer be seen as the province of prison officials who cover up or mismanage problems that eventually come back to haunt the rest of the society. The country needs to formulate national prison standards and create an independent body that enforces them, if only by opening prisons to greater public scrutiny. (NYT editorial)

**NO ABORTIONS AT MILITARY HOSPITALS ABROAD**

The House, debating its version of the defense appropriation bill, defeated an amendment proposed by Rep. Susan Davis, D-Calif., to restore the right of servicewomen and dependents to obtain privately funded abortions at military hospitals overseas. The vote was 221-202. (AP)

**DREAMY DO-GOODERS ARE SOMETIMES RIGHT**

A few years ago, Vice President Dick Cheney dismissed those of use who advocate energy conservation as dreamy do-gooders. Had he spent the last three years using his bully pulpit to push for conservation and alternative energies, rather than dismissing them, we'd be a lot less dependent today on foreign oil. Oh, that is so naïve says the oil crowd. Well, what would you call an energy policy that keeps America dependent on a medieval monarchy (Saudi Arabia) with a king who has lost most of his faculties, where there is virtually no transparency about what's happening, where corruption is rampant, where we (the U.S. Embassy) have asked all Americans

to leave and where the educational system is so narrow that its own people are decrying it as a factory for terrorism? Now that's what I'd call naïve. I'd also call it reckless and dangerous. –Tom Friedman, NYT

**HoFW NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BOARD MEETING**

Our next board meeting is scheduled for June 15, to follow immediately after Russell's presentation on Smart Recovery. Please join us before the June 15 meeting at Jason's Deli, 5000 Overton Ridge Rd, between Hulen and Bryant Irvin, (COSTCO is at 5300 and Steak and Shake is at 5020) for dinner at 5:30 p.m. Dolores will be on hand at our meeting to take dues from old members who have forgotten to pay up and from any wishing to become new members.

**TRASH PICKUP SATURDAY**

Our next Adopt-a-Street pick-up will be Saturday, June 12, 2004 at 10 a.m. Kimberly and Michael Rivera will coordinate this effort. Those of you who would like to beat the heat and start earlier can simply leave your full bags at the roadside where the coordinators will pick them up. Usual meeting place is at the Osteopathic Family Medicine Clinic parking lot on the corner of Granbury Road and South University Drive. The address is 3750 S University Dr, Fort Worth.

In the event of rain Friday night or Saturday morning, the pickup will be rescheduled.

**BOOK CORNER**

*The Lesser Evil: Political Ethics in an Age of Terror*, by Michael Ignatieff (2004)



How much of our liberty should we

sacrifice to security at times of national crisis? There is no easy answer. Obviously, much depends on the direness of the threat to be confronted. In virtually every crisis more of our liberties have been demanded of us than, in retrospect, was deemed justifiable. Most egregiously afflicted have usually been minorities enjoying little sympathy from a broader public, viz., Lincoln's jailing of Southern sympathizers and FDR's detention of Japanese Americans. Censorship and economic restrictions (e.g., rationing, price controls and banning of strikes) customarily, at least for such of those expected to last for a limited period, invoke only a quotidian grumbling. Woe to the politician who shrinks from putting the security of the many above the rights of a few! But now, since perhaps for the first time in our history we are engaged in a "war" with no foreseeable end, a more serious stocktaking of the trade-offs between lost liberties and additional security is in order.

Should there be any constraints on how we deal with terrorists? Are we bound by a higher morality to "fight with one hand tied behind our back?" The Bush administration has waffled on the issue of our obligations to treat suspected terrorists humanely.

On the one hand, administration spokesmen have at various times indicated that the relevant Geneva

avoided had the Congress not been so pusillanimous as to surrender its oversight powers and had not the

pretty awful regimes for rather dubious objectives or we have let domestic political considerations compromise our role as a fair intermediary (viz., the Israeli-Palestinian conflict).

*Perhaps it is a universal truth that the loss of liberty at home is to be charged to provisions against danger, real or pretended, from abroad.*

Letter of James Madison to Th. Jefferson, 5/13/1798

*To lose our country by a scrupulous adherence to written law would be to lose the law itself, with life, liberty, property and all those who are enjoying them with us; thus absurdly sacrificing the ends to the means.*

Letter of Th. Jefferson to John B. Colvus, 9/20/1810

conventions to which we are a party do not apply and at other times have claimed that detainees are being treated in accordance with those conventions. It has mostly equivocated on our obligations under the convention forbidding torture of prisoners. There are no easy answers. "Either we fight evil with evil or we succumb." But that does not imply that "anything goes."

Michael Ignatieff, Director of the Carr Center for Human Rights Policy at Harvard University and prolific author, has given his readers a very engaging discussion of the issues involved in restoring the minimum degree of security necessary for national and personal well-being the public demands while at the same time assuring those responsible do not use public apprehensions to further their own political agendas. For one, our own long-term security and the health of our political institutions depend on adhering to restraints that will have short-term costs. Ignatieff stresses the importance of retaining executive branch accountability and judicial review, no matter how dire the threat. (Arguably, much of the prisoner abuse scandals could have been

courts been so timid as to allow the executive to hide behind legal fictions in order to isolate detainees from the legal system, both here and abroad.) Among the other points Ignatieff makes is our obligation to avoid the use of torture. Although some liberals, most notably Alan Dershowitz, have argued that it has been, is and will be employed regardless of Geneva Convention obligations, hence, it is far preferable to acknowledge the fact with tight legal controls to minimize its use, Ignatieff points out the high moral costs involved. (Does the president or any other official have the moral authority to order anyone in the executive branch to use means so odious whatever the circumstances?)

It is very much incumbent on us to eschew any measures that take us to the moral level of terrorists, he says. We are in the long run engaged in a contest for public opinion. It is in our own interest to take a higher road, and that it should be so seen by a world public, rather than to engage in practices that make it easy for terrorists and their sympathizers to show a seeming moral equivalency to their own actions. Too often we have at least tacitly supported some

There is a lot more to ponder in this rather short work. It is well worth the time invested.

## **HoFW Events**

### **June HoFW Meeting**

The next regular HoFW meeting will be June 15 at 7:00 pm at West Side UU Church. Russell Elleven will enlighten us on Smart Recovery. Mark the occasion down in big red letters on your calendar.

### **Board Meeting**

The next quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors is set for June 15 immediately following the regular meeting.

### **July HoFW Meeting and Picnic**

The regular HoFW meeting will be our annual picnic. We will meet at Trinity Park.

### **Adopt-A-Street Trash Pick-up**

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