

# COMMUNITY

.... *Liberty vs. Tyranny*

***Society is like a SALAD  
made of differing people and cultures  
of many colors and textures and flavors.  
If you put a salad in a blender,  
it becomes dull mess  
that satisfies nobody.***

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# Liberty

## Ten Pillars of Liberty

**see also :** Govn Booklet, p 65 "Ten Pillars of *Fascism*"

**see also :** Govn Booklet, p 67 "Ten Pillars of *Marxism*"

### 1. The Individual

- **Who owns you ?**
- All social and economic matters need to start with "who owns you" because it is at the very core of the human experience.
- My life is a gift to me.  
I therefore own my body and my mind,  
and what I create with my body and mind belongs to me.
- Since my life is mine,  
and the actions of my body and mind are also my responsibility.

#### Identity

- Whoever owns your identity, owns you.
- **There needs to be a way**  
perhaps using Public Key Crypto methods  
that you can **keep all your personal data under your personal control ....**
  - Medical Records
  - Credit Records
  - School Records
  - Tax Records
  - Voting Records
  - Activity Records ( spending, movement,travel, etc.)
  - Etc.

#### Freedom

- I am born free.  
yet Freedom is the Jungle in which the weak are prey  
and I do not wish to live in a jungle  
so I and those around me agree to give up a few freedoms  
in order that we may live and Prosper Securely and with greater Justice.

## **Liberty**

- Liberty is a Social Contract thru which we agree that my freedom ends where my neighbor's toes begin. That means greater Liberty in Nebraska and less in Manhattan so by its very nature, Liberty requires a DECENTRALIZATION OF POWER. You cannot have liberty and also have a strong centralized government.

## **2. The Community**

- **If your Mind and Hands belong to you, who owns the product of your mind and hands ?**
- To the degree that the community infrastructure aids in my prosperity, we should give back to the community to support its maintenance and development.
- The community is created to help individuals and families Prosper in Safety and greater Justice. The community is therefore primarily a product of individuals coming together for mutual benefit. Only secondarily is the individual a product of the community.
- This developmental reality flies in the face of the old Socialist assumption that the Individual is PRIMARILY a product of the Community.

## **3. Freedom vs Liberty**

### **Freedom**

- Freedom is what I call JUNGLE-DEMOCRACY in which someone in a weak or minority position loses.

### **Liberty**

- Liberty is a Social Contract based on ethics and morality and consisting of a balance of rights and responsibilities.
- This is where it is important to have an agreement in place in which the Public decides what Freedoms to give up to the Community for the Prosperity Justice and Security of all the members of the community and which it will retain for the Individual.
- The more Freedom is retained by the Individual the more they feel like that own themselves and further they can take themselves.
- Since the creation of the community begins with the Individual, any agreement between Individuals and their Community begins with Individuals giving limited rights and responsibilities to the Community, and expressly retaining all other freedoms.
- In such a Constitution "OF THE PEOPLE" it repeatedly needs to be made clear



that ONLY those rights and responsibilities listed are given up to the community.

- Because of the naturally oppressive nature of the majority ( Jungle Democracy ) it is vital that the most important freedoms retained by the individual be specifically expressed but at the same time that it be made clear that the individual's freedoms are not limited to that list of most important ones
- The USA does this in the "Bill of Rights". Individual rights are not limited to those stated in the Bill of Rights, but people were so worried about encroachment by the Majority and the Power Hungry that they felt it was important that the most important rights be specifically stated so there never be a risk of misinterpretation by the Government representatives.
- In any case it is understood that the nation belongs to "The People" and that "The People" are its government and that those with roles in government are merely temporary servants representing "The People".

#### **4. Democracy vs Republic**

- Democracy is by definition unprincipled and often emotional Mob Rule. It is a "tyranny of the majority" little different than the Jungle.
- This is resolved in the limited government of the Democratic Republic based on a Social Contract called Liberty thru which we limit government and tether our elect representatives with the stipulation that we reserve a direct Democratic over-ride if the need is great enough or our representatives stray.

##### **example :**

- Firing a representative before his term is up.

##### **or**

- Directly placing a measure on the ballot without involvement or permission from the Legislature.

#### **5. Two Chambered Legislature**

- Another powerful issue that is sometimes absent in the parliamentary " Mini-Republics " is the reasons for two chambers / houses; one regional and the other by population; one more formal and one less formal.
- The one by population is less formal because formality has in the past been used as a tool to deny the emotional passionate voice.

- In the one by region, all regions are equal so that no region feels marginalized and risk unity. This is more formal and considered the house of "Sober second thought".

### **Electoral College**

- This is the source of the "Electoral College" where each State has a number of votes based on its population based number of its representatives in the House and its equal representatives in the Senate added together.
- This is to keep small less populated states from being marginalized and thus prevents the unity of the nation from being destabilized.

### **Mini-Republics**

- A few Mini-Democratic Republics also have 2-chamber Legislatures but have one ( upper ) house populated by the "The Elite" and the other ( lower ) house populated by "The People".
- The regions have no house of equal voice and so this causes regional resentments for which the Elite can then come to the rescue as the "sobering force". It is an old "Divide and Conquer" tactic used to assure Elite power.
- If the formula is one house of Elites and one by Region, the effect is the same. In this case the populated areas feel that they have no properly proportional voice which creates a resentment for which the Elite can then come to the rescue.
- We find this often a power tactic of Legislatures where a problem is created so that the Legislature can then come to the rescue and take credit for the solution to a problem that they created in the first place. while blaming the problem on that missing element, either "The People" or the Region or if need be, ignoring or denying the source of the problem's creation all together.
- If there is only one chamber it tend to be by population although it can be only by region. The decisions tend to be made to the benefit of the more powerful at the expense of the less powerful which would build division and resentment rather than unity.

### **examples :**

- What might do well in a large State may not in a small State.
- What might be well needed in the heavily populated Big Cities might easily be a hinderance and resentment in less populated Regions  
**Why would Kansas or Idaho feel part of the nation if it has no say ?**

- Some Governing Elites use division to hold on to power.

Dividing the population among itself  
gives greater and more stable power to the Ruling Class.

**see** : Govn Booklet, p76 "Divide and Conquer" section

## 6. Separation of Powers

- Liberty is ALWAYS in conflict with Governmental Power.
- The most important is the three government branches being apart.  
The Prime Minister or Premier sitting in parliament is very risky  
and can lead to decisions for the benefit of government  
at the expense of "The People".
- If the Law Enforcement Powers ( Executive Branch )  
can sit behind closed doors with the Law Making Powers ( Congress ./ Parliament )  
then Laws can often be made for the benefit of Law Enforcement or Parliamentary Individuals  
rather than to the benefit of their Public Bosses.
- The Law Enforcers / Military can then quietly twist arms of the Lawmakers  
into giving them greater and wider powers  
even it those powers are at the expense of Public's Liberties.
- **Would you let employees make decision behind your back ?**

## 7. Mini-Republics

- Many who live under Parliamentary Socialism  
believe it to be a Democracy because they get to vote.
- The idea of voting for a Party or an individual selected by a Party  
rather than selecting an Individual to run  
means that the Politician is primarily beholding to the Party  
and only secondarily to "The People".
- The Public is supposed to be the politician's primary employer  
and the primary focus of his purposes.
- This is why a more mature Democratic Republic always has **PRIMARY ELECTIONS**  
so that the person running under a party banner  
is selected by "The People" registered and belonging to that party.  
so that the candidate is primarily loyal to "The People" and not the party.
- At the same time it is important to note that "Open Primaries"  
in which anyone can vote in a Party;'s Primary Election

undermines and destroys this safeguard and SHOULD NEVER BE ALLOWED because if I were in favor of one party I would be tempted to vote for the weakest person to run for the other party.

## 8. The Ruling-Elite

- The career politician and how they develop a "Ruling Elite" attitude. also needs to be discussed.
- If a Power Role is held too long or are too separated from "The People" a feeling of being separate and above "The People" may easily result.
- We see this all the time where Politicians feel that they know what is going on and they know what is best and the public is not professional enough and cannot make or even understand the proper decisions.
- It is like some doctors or lawyers who do not want to explain themselves to their clients. It is that "shut up and trust me" attitude. Such "professionals" are not very professional at all.
- Making sure a representative reports and explains to "The People" on an on-going and timely basis is therefore important to remind them of their correct self-image and role.

**see :** the section on a [Politicians WebPage](#)

- Making sure no Representative holds a position long enough to identify and define themselves with it is also very important.

## 9. Peace thru Justice

- Law is a guide, not a hammer. It is a guide for juries. Justice for one case may be injustice for another case.

Justice has to be tapered to the individual situation.

**example :**

- If the law says that you must not work on the 7th day and you work on the 7th day to save a life, you have broken the letter of the law, but you have not broken the Spirit or Intent of the law. That is one reason that JURIES are so important.

## 10. Justice thru Liberty

### Power to "The People"

- **Judiciary Branch** is over-ridden when needed via the constitution and the jury system.
- **Congressional Branch** is over-ridden when needed via the constitution, recalls , write-ins and elections.
- **Executive Branch** is over-ridden when needed via the constitution, recalls, impeachments and elections.

### Liberty

- Freedom is the anarchy of the jungle.  
It preys on the weak and minority.
- Liberty tethers that freedom for sake of Ethics and Morality so we can come together and Prosper in greater Security and Justice.

### Social Contract

- Liberty is a social contract  
in which we retain as much freedom as possible while sacrificing just enough for the creation, maintenance and further development of community Security, Justice and Prosperity.

### Opportunity

- Liberty has no meaning without opportunity.  
If you say to someone living in dire hopeless poverty or fear that they have liberty, it is meaningless to them because they have no means to make use of it.
- That is why those who want community control rather than individual control of people's lives, first try to create and exploit fear and hopelessness.

#### example :

- The American Welfare System is a prime example of that.  
It takes months to get on the Welfare Roles and so if you dare to get a job and if you then lose that job, you are without income for months.  
This assures that those on Welfare stay on their knees rather than risk getting up onto their feet.  
This creates Hopelessness rather than Hope.

**see :** Govn Booklet, p52, 76 "Welfare" sections

### **Cooperation**

- Liberty is a "Social Contract of Cooperation".
- In the Cooperative Community .... the individual effects the whole.

### **Liberty vs. Tyranny**

- It is the nature of the human species that we suffer from FEAR and to reduce this feeling, we seek to control the world around us and thus the less we feel in control of our own lives, the more we try to control the lives of those around us.

### **This is the seed of Tyranny**

- This means that very successful people do not tend to seek government power nearly as much as those who have fearful hearts and minds.

#### **example :**

- A very successful lawyer seeks to practice law.
- A less successful lawyer is more apt to seek a candidacy.

### **Mantras of Democracy**

- Democracy is the common cry, yet means different things to different people. It usually means that "me and mine want our way" which is why decentralisation of power is so important to the feeling of Liberty at every individual level.

#### **example :**

- Arabs Sunis don't want Democracy because they see it as Shiits having a majority vote.
- They do not understand the limits of the Democratic Republic with such things as a "Bill of Rights" and the "Decentralization of Power" would provide each group with control over their own cultures without threat from the other.

### **Unity**

#### **Under Liberty**

- The KEY to Unity is "Minding Your Own Business" ! The moment neighbors feel imposed upon, the harmony needed for willig unity is threatened.
- Just like with the "Decentralization of Power", our differences is our strength

- We gain strength thru the diverse flavor, texture and color of our society and by celebrating those difference we live in respect and peace.
- What is good for me may not be good for you  
so under Liberty, DIVERSITY CREATES UNITY
- The world is NOT a "Melting Pot".  
Each culture has unique things to offer.  
World Society is a SALAD of many Textures and Colors and Flavors.  
If you put a Salad into a Blender you get a mess that does not satisfy anyone's taste.
- Unity is therefore about letting each element of the Salad express itself without being overpowered by any other.

**example :**

- Texas and California and New York  
are as different from each other as  
Germany and France and England  
yet, unlike in Europe  
they do not believe that Unity comes thru Centralization.
- They have not gone to war with each other  
because they stay united  
with the understanding that they each minds their own business.
- Each, like all good neighbors, respect each other  
and do not feel threatened by each other  
but are quick to come to each others aid when needed.
- A Texan does not drive thru Manhattan. New York  
with a shotgun mounted in the back window of his truck.

**and**

Someone from California does not walk thru downtown Dallas Texas  
smoking Cannabis.  
.... it is about simple cultural respect between neighbors.

**Under Tyranny**

- As long as our relationships are defined by our differences,  
we will empower those who sow hatred rather than peace.  
Barrak Hussein Obama

**Peace**

- Slavery can be very peaceful.  
They also has guaranteed health care, jobs and housing.  
so when people call for peace, they should call for Justice first.

- Is Peace a worthy goal without first Justice ?  
Can there be Justice without first Liberty ?

## The 1960s

- In the American Freedom movement in the 1960's for example.  
the mantras were ....
  - "don't trust anyone over 30"
  - "don't trust the government"
  - " do your own thing",
- Now these same individuals  
have all reached a very untrustworthy age of well over 30;  
many of them have government jobs  
especially at the Bureaucratic Class;  
and they don't want anyone else doing their own thing  
because they now call that "selfish" rather than "self interest".

## Places of Liberty

### Markets

- The three pillars of the market are ....  
INVESTMENT, PRODUCTION and CONSUMPTION.

### Investment

- Historically the creation and marketing of new products and ideas  
were determined by "Madison Avenue" types sitting around an oval table.  
The problem with that formula is that it fails 90% of the time.  
Nine of ten new product fail.
- The investment market should be AS EASY AS CONSUMING  
and primarily controlled by the consumers  
so that it reacts accurately to consumer wishes and needs.
- The Investment Market should be easy to access, and understand by the 13 year old mind  
so that anyone and everyone can be involved,
- Right now it is made complicated and intimidating  
and some of the rules even restrict involvement  
so that the average person IS NOT ALLOWED to invest  
in some of the most lucrative investments.

**see also :** Econ Booklet, p64 "Investment Of the People" appendix

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### **Production**

- Production success is far less risky if Consumers have a stronger Investment voice in Production.

### **Consumption**

- Options should be easy to compare in detail so that the best purchase decision can be made with no waste and no regret and better choices triumph over louder voices.

### **Trade**

**see** : Econ booklet, p36 "Fair Trade" section

### **Expression**

- Communication has gone thru an exciting expansion well beyond the written word alone.
- We have a huge menu of options at hand that assure society a vibrant and accurate real-time communications capacity.
  - Speech
  - Text
  - Video

### **Assembly**

- The right to peaceably assemble is an extremely important one. What needs to be better defined in a modern world is what ASSEMBLY actually means.
- We can now easily come together over the internet and even speak face-to-face that way. The question then is ....
- **Do we need to physically assemble ?**
  - Chats
  - Forums
  - Tweets
  - WebSites
  - FaceTime
  - Facebook
  - Skype
  - Email
  - etc.
- Although these many Communication and Assembly options can bring us together

they can also just as easily compartmentalize us into connecting ONLY with like-minded people and thus negate the "DIVERSITY of ASSEMBLY" needed for a healthy society "Of the People".

- How do we keep Communication and Assembly vibrant between DIVERSE viewpoints ?
- How do you LOGICALLY filter PURE EMOTION and direct discussions ?

## Decisions

- The more that Individuals make their own decisions, the greater is overall Liberty. The problem is that some Individuals can make rather stupid decisions that do harm to themselves and others.
- Furthermore giving those personal decisions to an seeming more reasonable Elite Minority does not solve the problem because although it can be argued that it may reduce the number of stupid and harmful decisions, it does not eliminate them, and worse yet with decision centralized by a small group of Government Elites ( usually Bureaucrat ) it results in a "one solution fits all" approach which rarely fits any one individual as well as individual decisions do.
- So if we allow a decentralization of decisions as much at the Individual level as possible, but do so out in the open and with easy access to all the fact and opinions needed for that individual to make the best decision with the least regret, then we can better isolate mistakes and multiply successes.
- We therefore begin by allowing as much FREE WILL as possible and as much FREE THOUGHT as possible and then rely on DECENTRALIZED ELECTIONS to provide many diverse experiments in JUSTICE so that we can better isolate mistakes and multiply successes.

## Success

- It matters not our abilities, nor the intentions of our choices but only the results of our choices.
- Success is a process that involves FAILING UNTIL YOU DON'T. If you are afraid to fail, your fear will keep you from success.

### example :

- When you were first learning to walk you fell down over and over hundreds of times until one day you fell down less

and eventually hardly at all.  
Learning to walk is about Falling until you don't  
We did not count your failures, only your eventual success.  
We then say you successfully learned to walk.

**Yet** .... you still fall / fail now and then.

**So** .... FAILURE is not about falling,  
but about not getting back up.

## Types of Liberty

### Individual Liberty

- I own my life, myself and the product of my mind and my hands.  
I may give or spend or invest or save or throw away that product  
as long as such a decision does not damage the community  
or interfere with the liberty of any other individual.

### in-Equality

- All individual organisms from trees to people are created unequal.
- People are unequal in their physical and intellectual makeup and potential.
- We seek to have individuals treated equally enough  
so as not to make a victim out of some for the benefit of others.

### Equality

- Individuals need be equal ONLY under law  
in their access to the Justice System.
- A problem arises when a poor person only has access to a mediocre lawyer  
and a rich individual has access to a very good lawyer.  
This can easily result in UNEQUAL JUSTICE.  
if the lawyer has too much power in the process.  
This can be easily negated when the JURY has most of the power.
- What is justice in one situation for one individual  
may not be justice in the next similar yet different situation.  
That is why we have juries.

### Group Liberty

- Should the Governmental (elected and bureaucratic) and the Economic Elite  
make the rules that benefit themselves at the expense of others ?
  - **Should elected rule makers invest  
when they make laws that can effect their investments ?**

- Should Bureaucrats make rules that grow their jobs such as increasing the number of regulations and effectively increasing the size of their department as a result ?
- Should the Rich buy influence that make laws that make them richer or the competitors disadvantaged ?
- Should anyone profit from rules they help create ?

# Individual

## Self Ownership

- **Who owns you ?**
- Any discussion of Liberty and Government needs to start with "who owns you".
- My life is a gift to me.  
I therefore own my body and my mind,  
Therefore that I create with my body or mind BELONGS TO ME.
- What I do with my Body and my Mind is MY RESPONSIBILITY.
- My freedom ends where my neighbor's toes begin.  
That means greater Liberty in Nebraska and less in Manhattan.  
That is why for there to be liberty, governing should be decentralized.
- All government starts with the understanding  
that every individual's life is a gift to them  
and they own that life  
and have a right and responsibility for as much control over their life as possible  
to pursue their own goals and pilot their own life.  
**( Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness )**
- Democracy is about taking care of yourself.  
The theory is that society was created  
"to help individuals and families flourish in an environment  
to promotes Justice, Security and Prosperity."
- Control decisions and decisions that direct an individuals prosperity  
need to be made as much as possible at the individual level  
because Individual Goals, Needs and Dreams differ.  
**What might make one happy may make another miserable.**  
It is why the "Pursuit of Happiness" clause exists.

## Under Tyranny

- In Socialist theory the individual is a product of the community  
the and the purpose of the individual ii there to help the community flourish  
and the individual and sub-groups can be sacrificed to help the community flourish.

## Culture of the Individual

- It has been historically shown that Independent individuals come together more easily and give of themselves more freely.

## Independence

- Being able to pilot your own life is different than being truly independent.
- A healthy human is dependent on others for emotional well being. To be truly independent is to be lonely and eventually bitter.

## Self Control

- Self control is an easier result of SELF-OWNERSHIP because self-ownership fosters PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY.

## Personal Protection

- Effective non-lethal protection that tags the attacker so the police can find him later.

**see also :** Govn Booklet, p24 "Enforcement" section

## Privacy

- Without Privacy, ownership of the self is greatly diminished.
- The more complicated life gets the more privacy we need.
- Privacy begins with "Personal Space" which we can agree is at the very least "arms length" so the expectation of touch is minimized.
- Everyone needs a place where they can be quietly alone with themselves.
- Nobody should be able to go door-to-door .... home is a private sanctuary.

## Economic Class

- The level at which people see themselves being has a lot to do with the levels people imagine themselves going.

### **Poor Class**

- Not even having the basics you need makes you a "Welfare Slave".
- Do not have the basic standards and dignities of life.
- Have basic survival fears.
- Often so limited in social and or economic skills that they are unemployable.

**see also :** Social Booklet, p22 "Despair"

### **Working Class**

- Working paycheck-to-paycheck makes you a "Wage Slave".
- Look to others ( government ) for security.
- Make trade-offs between needs.
- Often find themselves waiting until the next paycheck to buy a need.

### **Lower-Middle Class**

- Have some savings and investment.
- Provide their own basic security.
- Tend to be adequately insured.
- Have savings.

### **Upper-Middle Class**

- Paying half your income in taxes makes you a SHARECROPPER; not quite slave, not quite free.
- Have a vacation home.
- Have a maid.
- Do not tend to do their own financial planning.
- Have investments.

### **Rich**

- Invest in production.
- Create jobs for others.

### **Uber-Rich**

- Rarely think about money limits or needs.
- Power and success is more important than money.
- Experiences are more important than things.

### **Social Class**

- The Ruling Class and "Group Think" is being replaced by INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY because choices are expanding and people want to make their own choices to steer their own lives and determine their own future with their own "Pursuit of Happiness".

**see :** Social Booklet, p22 "Culture of the Individual" section

- Conversation tendencies reflect thinking structures and thinking structures tend to reflect how people see themselves and those conversations tend to fall into 4 categories; conversations about ....
  - People
  - Things
  - Experiences
  - Ideas

## Economics of the Individual

- We can for the first time in history produce custom products to individual tastes at almost the same cost as mass production.
- A World of "the Economics of the Individual" draws near where the dominance and Influence of an individual tastes and practices grows and Group, Community and Regional culture diminish in economic power and the spectrum of product and service choices expands.
- This represents the birth of the "CULTURE of the INDIVIDUAL" which will go far in bringing the world of individuals together in spite of regional, national and cultural differences.

## Wide Production

- This creates very BROAD SPECTRUM Individual Economies .... and needs custom products ( goods and services ) without suffering the delays and extra WAREHOUSING ISSUES.

## Fast Process

- Soon we shall be able to custom manufacture as easily and inexpensively as mass production and we can imagine the entire PRODUCT PROCESS in a 3 Days cycle ( 3 days plus shipping )
  - Order
  - Make
  - Ship

## Social Individual

### Citizenship

- Only those born of "Parents Born in the Country" or of parents that are legally Naturalized citizens should themselves be considered citizens upon their birth.



- Some people come to a country just to drop a baby, so simply being born in a country from a parent visitor should not automatically make you a citizen of that country.

### **Involvement**

- Getting "The People" to care. is directly proportional to their stake in caring and their feeling of power in the process.

#### **example :**

- School Systems have a "Parent-Teachers Association" which in theory would imply that it is a power-sharing relationship between parents and teachers.
- When parents attend they often find that it is just the teachers and Administration talking at them.
- A properly functioning PTA would be discussing the issues and problems so as to come to a common understanding and then discussing possible solutions resulting in an action plan and a mutually agreed upon way to measure results.
- It would be a power-sharing relationship between Teachers and Parents with Administration officials being occasionally invited to answer questions and make an accounting.

### **Homelessness**

- In the 1970's the Federal Courts ruled that Mental Institutions were in bad shape and so rather than fixing the problem they emptied the Mentally Ill and abandoned them onto the Streets under the banner of "Justice" and patient "Rights".
- They are now attempting the same with Prisons.
- Countless thousands if not millions died of neglect, disease, crime and starvation.
- All people should have a minimal level of dignity.
- Hopelessness, such as living forever on Welfare

can lead to self-destruction  
and anti-social behavior ....

- My life is useless, so I do whatever I want.
- Because I hurt, I hurt others.
- I have paid with blood and tears; now they pay me in blood and tears.

**see :** Civilization Appendix

### **Disobedience**

- Everyone has the right to disobey  
as long as they are also willing to suffer reasonable consequences  
as determined by the community.

### **Elite Syndrome**

- Upon retirement,  
a Professor becomes a "Professor Emeritus".  
a Judge is still called Judge  
a Senator is still called Senator  
a Doctor is still called Doctor.  
It is a forever thing.  
It is what they are rather than just what they do.
- This can cause an us/them mindset  
due to an inability to compartmentalize themselves from their work.  
This can cause those individual to see themselves "set apart".  
Their perspective and thus their judgement  
becomes different than that of the general public.
- Retirement from their work is like a death experience  
and many do indeed succumb after just a very few years of retirement.  
This is all good and well until we talk about politicians and judges,  
because we "The People" are the government.
- Because they feel "set apart"  
and they see and judge the world thru the lens of their profession,  
They may even feel a feeling of contempt for the general public over time.  
A teacher may feel a level of contempt for the students.  
A Judge may feel a level of contempt for the defendants.  
A Politician may feel a level of contempt for his constituents.  
Police Officers may feel a suspicious contempt for "The People" in general.  
I call this the "Elite Syndrome".
- Ruling Elite and their armies of Bureaucrats  
are about systems/communities/nations not individuals.

If we are to have a healthy Government of "The People"  
this tendency works against that goal  
because politicians often tend to forget that they are servants  
and start imagining that they are rulers set aside.  
The same goes for judges.

- This "Elite Syndrome" in government  
can more accurately be called "Ruling Class Syndrome".  
It harkens in part to the old saying that power corrupts.  
It is, therefore, important that politicians and judges  
move in and out of that profession  
and that they are paid on a scale not out of line with that of the general public  
so that their lifestyle and concerns are more in line with those they serve.  
They need to remain "Of The People".

## Speech / Political Expression

### Patriotism

- Freedom of expression is extremely important for Individual Liberty  
as long as they are not Hateful or Vulgar  
and thus interfere with any other Individual's feeling of security.
- Such expressions include, but are not limited to...
  - Patriotic expressions, such as the display of the National, State or regional Flag.
  - Religious expression such as the tasteful display of a religious symbol.
- Such expressions should not be allowed to be interfered with by anyone.

### Politics

- With the internet and its WebSites, Forums and Blogs it is very easy to express oneself these days  
without having to physically protest and disrupt other people's Liberties in the process.

**see :** Social Booklet, p17 "Expression and Assembly" sections

- Any citizen should be free and unencumbered to express any political opinion they wish.  
as long as it is not vulgar and they do not call for violence.  
and in so doing interfere with other individuals feelings of security.
- Just as votes may not be paid for,  
people at public assemblies should also not be allowed to be paid to attend.
- Only voting adults should be able to take part in a public political assemblies.
- Bringing children to such events should be illegal  
because it exposes children to possible violence

and the use of children as shields.  
That would be a form of child endangerment and abuse.

## Religion

### Despair

- The opposite of Hope is Dispair  
and dispair breeds evil.
- Dispair makes a person emotionally numb  
and so leaves them feeling like a robot;  
like an anonymous object;  
not belonging like they don't matter.  
and so more easily see others as not mattering.
- These feelings can lead to self-loathing and a loss of self-respect  
that then expresses itself in a lack of empathy and respect for others.  
which can lay the foundation for anti-social destructive behavior.
- Hopelessness, such as living forever on Welfare  
can lead to self-destruction  
and anti-social behavior ....
  - My life is useless, so I do whatever I want.
  - Because I hurt, I hurt others.
  - I have paid with blood and tears; now they pay me in blood and tears.

**see also :** Social Booklet, p10 "Homelessness"

### Evil

- Criminals / Evil thrives on tolerance.
- If people feel frustrated and powerless and depressed  
and see and feel injustice around themselves or toward themselves  
they can respond with either destructive or self-destructive behavior.
- That is why a government "Of The People"  
is SO important.

# Community

## Individual vs. Group

- Independence vs. Interdependence
- Is the community created to allow individuals to justly and securely prosper or does the individual exist for the benefit of the community ?
- Do the needs of the many outweigh the needs of the few, or is sacrificing the few, the destruction of the trust of the community ?

## Groups

### Why We Gather in Groups

- In order to secure the benefits of a more civil existence we give up some of our Freedoms in order to live in greater Justice, Security and Prosperity as belonging to a more civilized community. This is called LIBERTY.
- It should be said that in some groups individuals give up some of their Freedoms in exchange for the advantages of Power and Force over others. This is called TYRANNY.

### Small Group Culture

#### example :

- Family
- Club

### Flock Culture

#### example :

- Church
- Classroom

### Herd Culture

#### example :

- School
- Race
- Nation

## Herd Behavior

- Herds are easier to **STEER**.  
Flocks are easier to **LEAD**.

## Group Types

- There are 2 types of groups ...
  - Those for the purpose of Security and Prosperity ( **uplift in Liberty** )
  - Those for the purpose of Power and Control ( **oppress in Tyranny** )

## Group Energy

- "Group Energy" is an emotional high.

### example :

- Audience when on stage
- Mob on the street
- NightClub
- Football Game

## Group Think

- People will behave in a group ( to do or not do )  
in a way that they would never behave as an individual  
both good and bad.
- Mob or group behavior can lead to terrible things.  
That is why **INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY** should always be paramount even in a group.

## Role Think

- People take on roles and behave according to  
what they think the role expects of them
- example :**
- If you put a uniform on someone,  
it diminishes their individual judgement.  
If you have them in a role of prison guard,  
they act more brutal than they otherwise would.

## Community Structure

### Democracy vs. Republic

- Mob Rule vs. Tethered Representatives

## Values

- are born
- they grow

- they give fruit
- they diminish
- they die

### **Hard-Scape**

- Structural values
- Values in Government are not about "The People".  
If the structure is right, it will take care of the bad-seed people in it.
- If NOT done thru the structure,  
then it becomes a constant battle of maintenance.
- It is like gardening,  
A good hardscape can make garden maintenance much easier.
- You want the structure and form to mature into the proper form.

### **Soft-Scape**

- It starts with the seeds.  
**What are the seeds of good government ?**

## **Community Types**

### **Individual**

- All government starts with the understanding  
that every individual's life is a gift to them  
and they own that life  
and have a right for as much control over their life as possible  
to pursue their own goals.  
**( Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness )**
- The difference between any two individuals  
is greater than the difference between any groupings  
thus society is naturally based on the individual  
and is the only model that can parallel reality.  
therefore the only one that can be sinc'd with society.

### **Privacy**

### **Nomad**

- Current structures do not allow for a Nomad.  
You must have a PERMANENT ADDRESS if ....
  - You want a Driver's License

- You want to Vote

## **Family**

- To help individuals grow and flourish in a secure and nurturing environment.
- The Family Unit is the primary incubator of the child.  
It is where the character and socialization is formed.
- If the Family is replaced by the Community,  
then the Individual can be marginalized in his own mind  
during the very beginnings of that individual's formation.
- This is the primary and most stable level of government.  
If there are not strong and stable families.  
there cannot be strong and stable communities or nations.

## **Privacy**

## **Home**

### **Castle**

- In Florida, You cannot have your principal home taken from you.  
There are other states with similar laws.

## **Privacy**

## **Taxes**

- Why should people keep renting from the Government,  
property that they own, especially the elderly?
- Property taxes are immoral.  
Once you have bought a piece of property outright,  
no government should be able to take it from you.  
Property taxes are nothing more  
than paying rent to the government to keep your property.
- Property taxes didn't exist until 60-100 years ago
- Property taxes pay for roads, schools, police, parks, etc.  
that benefit your property
- Property taxes disproportionately punish the elderly,  
who no longer have the income they once had,  
yet are expect to pay ever increasing taxes on properties they own outright.



- Abolish property taxes and foreclosure of seniors with paid off homes over property taxes.

## Community

### Purpose

- A Community is a Social contract of responsibility in which we give up a small measure of Freedom so that we might gather together with an expectation of ....
  - Safety
  - Liberty
  - Health
  - Prosperity / Opportunity
  - Justice
- My liberty ends where my neighbor's toes begin. Therefore I should have less liberty in Manhattan than in Nebraska.

## Neighborhood / Village

- To help individuals and families live in a secure environment.
- It is VERY important that control by a neighborhood's Homeowner's Association ( HOA ) not get out of hand and create undue restrictions on your liberties. In prior Socialist / Fascist/ Marxist experiments in the World one of the key ways of controlling people was thru a strong neighborhood control. Even now in many countries, including even modern day Japan, you must register with the Police Dept near the neighborhood into which you move and an officer will visit you from time to time to check on you.
- Home owners associations... they can take your home if you
  - #1. do not abide by their rules, and
  - #2 if you owe them money, even if it is less than \$1,000.
- A neighborhood should control ....
  - Speed limits and speed hump placement
  - Location of Bus Stops
  - Noise Control ( barking dogs and loud parties )
  - Weed Patrols
  - Appearances of public spaces ( signs, plantings etc )
  - Street parking restrictions
  - Gated access decisions
  - Temporary placement of Dead-End planters

( for children playing or elderly quiet )

### **Front Yard**

- Should be up to the community standards.
- The look and content of a front yard should be determined by the community
- A flag post in the yard should be up to the community.,

### **Back Yard**

- Back and halfway up the sides .... should be up to the homeowner as long as it is not easily seen by the neighbors and is within the standards set by the Health Department.

### **House**

- Front and halfway down the side .... should be up to the neighborhood standards.
- That which is attached to the front of the house should be up to the homeowner as long as it is of a nature deemed not offensive to minors.
- Any Flags should be allowed to be attached to the front of the structure.

## **Section / Ward**

- To help create a pleasant, human scale place to dwell.
- Each part of a town have control over its own flavor ....
  - Parks
  - Small Business Support ( ex: do cafes spill out onto the sidewalk )
  - Car parking
  - Bike Paths and bike parking
  - Speed limits
  - Curfew times

## **Town**

### **Mayors**

- Mayors should ONLY be elected.  
Towns should not have City Managers or Mayors that are appointed.
- It is a layer too much removed from "The People".  
Such a City Manager would feel first and foremost responsible to the Council when he should feel first and foremost responsible to "The People".

### **Councils**

- There should be elections every year on the same day so that "The People" are in the habit of voting.

- City or County Council members should have a 2 year term the first time and a 3 year term when running for re-election.
- That way the public can alter the ratios of council on an annual basis.
- The result is that Councils are far more focused on the support of the public.

### **Behavioral Standards**

- Gun Carry Laws
- Porn
- Appearances of public spaces ( signs, plantings etc )
- Smoking in Restaurants
- Not do in public that which negatively impacts children and elderly ( those most vulnerable )
- Children
- Should teens have a curfew ?
- Nothing good happen being out after midnight.

### **Area / District**

**see also :** Ecology Booklet, p20 "Regions" section

- To create and maintain a healthy infrastructure.
- No taxing or enforcement power  
Only function is to foster agreements.
- Hiring of Keepers ....
  - Lake
  - Valley
  - River / Stream
  - Ridge
  - Marsh
  - Ecosystem

### **County / City**

- To create a secure and prosperous area.

### **Structures**

- The human race socialized quite well on it's own without public education for thousands of years.

- 100 years ago we didn't have public school education and county hospitals weren't required to treat every person regardless of their ability to pay. Most people didn't have electricity , sewers, water, road maintenance or garbage collection, local police, or fire rescue or any public works.



## State Regional

**see :** Ecology Booklet, p20 "Regions" section

- To preserve, maintain a flourishing ecosystem.
- No taxing or enforcement power  
Only function is to foster agreements.
- Beach
- Pinelands
- Hill Country
- Foot of the Mountains
- Mountains

## State

- To help the counties flourish.
- To determine Cultural Norms  
for media and educational content.

## Traffic Rules

- Green
- Green and blinking Orange (countdown)
- Red

- Red and blinking Orange (no countdown)
- Green

## Regional

**see also :** Ecology Booklet

- To preserve, maintain a flourishing ecosystem.
- Only rules and laws that effect the entire Region.
- No taxing or enforcement power  
Only function is to foster agreements.
- Regions based on general ecology  
for example ....
  - East Coast
  - Adirondacks
  - New England
  - Eastern Mountains
  - Central Valley
  - Mississippi Delta
  - Ozarks
  - Southwest Desert
  - Tall Grass
  - Short Grass
  - Western Desert
  - Upper Wet Corner of the Left Coast.

## National

- To help the States flourish in unity, peace and justice.
- Only rules and laws that effect the entire nation.
- A nation belongs to "The People".
- The rulers are servants of "The People".  
The rulers are given powers by "The People".  
Those powers can be modified or taken away by "The People".
- An American is English, or French, or Italian, Irish, German, Spanish, Polish, Russian or Greek  
and may also be Canadian, Mexican, African, Indian, Chinese,  
Japanese, Korean, Australian, Iranian, Asian, or Arab, or Pakistani, or Afghan,  
Cherokee, Osage, Blackfoot, Navaho, Apache, Seminole  
we all come together because we can **all speak American**.

## Alliances

- To debate and help reach common ground on common issues.
- No governmental authority.
- No taxing or enforcement power  
Only function is to foster agreements.
- Only rules and laws that effect the alliances between nations.

## Continental

- To debate and help reach common ground on common issues.
- No governmental authority.
- No taxing or enforcement power  
Only function is to foster agreements.
- Only rules and laws that effect the entire continent.

## Global

- To debate and help reach common ground on common issues.
- No governmental authority.
- No taxing or enforcement power  
Only function is to foster agreements.
- Only rules and laws that effect the entire planet.

## Power

- In the search for power, like so many things in this life,  
what seems to be obvious on the surface  
is so often much different when you pull back the layers.  
Power is like that too.
- The less we use our power the greater it will be.  
That doesn't make sense on the surface.
- We mistakenly equate power with dominance.  
We see it as a "taking" thing., but taking creates power without loyalty  
just as your boss can take and the tax collector can take,  
but you are more loyal to your boss  
because his power is more in what he gives in exchange  
He serves the employee with a job and opportunity so he is the more powerful.

- We are given power so we might serve, not enslave.  
The greatest form of power is still restraint  
and harnessing that potential to help others.
- Great leaders have always understood this power principle,
- If you want to be a powerful writer for example,  
it is about serving all the needs of the reader.
- The more we serve, the freer we are.  
It is thru serving each other well that we become powerful.
- For thousands of years  
it was all about some working really hard  
and the wealthy not much at all.
- Now we are all investing in each other  
and at the same time serving each other.  
It turned what seemed logical inside-out.
- So if you seek to be powerful.  
Seek to serve well.
- In a small experimental bite here and there,  
use your youth to sample the menu  
and in the process discover your path.
- So power is a quiet thing.  
A true power therefore does not need to be used.

## Centralization of Power

- The more generally applied a law or the more central a power  
the less it can respond to individual circumstances  
and so the greater chance of individuals becoming collateral damage  
as the hammer of the law becomes larger and less sensitive  
the individual becomes more expedient.

# APPENDIX



# Civilization

- The world we created wobbles a lot.  
Sometimes to the right  
and sometimes to the left,  
and sometimes feels as if its going to fall over completely,  
but it's spinning  
and the smoother it spins,  
the faster it can spin  
the less it wobbles.

## Process

- Civilization is created by women  
because they demand safety and comfort from their men  
( "I want it safe and comfortable or you are on the couch" )  
and by living that way,  
they create an expectation of it in their children  
as civilizing expectations becomes a process  
rather than a cultural condition.
- When college students gather together to rent an off-campus house ....
  - A.** Girls make a NEST
    - Clean and tidy
    - Decorated with pretty things

## while

- B.** Guys build a LARE ....
  - With beer kegs for end tables
  - A blanket covering up the holes and tears in the sofa
  - A reclining chair or two or three
  - Bed sheets for curtains
  - A cable spool as a coffee table
  - Big screen tv
  - A killer sound system.

## Components

### Psychological

- Happy

- Worry / stress free / ease of mind
- Comfort ( clean, warm, dry )
- Safe
- Hope ( goals for a better tomorrow )
- Faith ( seeing beyond themselves )
- Charity ( concern for others )

### **Shelter**

- Shelter ( safe / lockable, warm, clean, dry )
- Cleaning ( sewage, trash, cleaning )
- Soft bed

### **Power**

- Electrical
- Gas
- Oil

### **Food**

- Protein ( beans, meat )
- Carbs ( grain )
- Dairy
- Fruit

### **Hygiene**

- Clean Water
- Plumbing ( Toilet / Sink / Bath )
- Warm water
- Clean drinking water
- Trash Disposal

### **Clothing**

- Clean
- Warm
- Dry
- Protective

### **Transportation**

- Vehicle
- Roads
- Walking / bike paths
- Rail
- Water
- Air

## Information

- Socialization ( safe public gathering )
- Education ( teachers, materials )
- Communication ( TV, Radio, Internet, Phone)

## Justice

- Law
- Enforcement
- Courts
- Jails / Prisons / Rehabilitation

## Medical

- Doctors
- Ambulance
- Hospitals

## Education

- Training / Opportunity

## Employment

- A Job
- A Business