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#### **HARD NEWS:**

**T:** UN passed the resolution about Syria – quite mild.

**R:** As Dr Rouhani said, no nukes – once that happens, the Ashtar Command can openly be among us.

- A small group of life-forms has been creating havoc.
- Today, a clean bill was passed to fund the govt, and the Health Care Act was left intact!
- essentially BO said - fund this gov't and get to work!
- Things happening in a good way across the planet, has to do with the cosmic energies – we are moving further & further to the Galactic Centre – 27\* Sag – we ride on the back of Mother Gaia

- Lots of issues being addressed, and it is about peace. And the so-called friends on the right – have done nothing to support the C-in-Chief, to the point of sending in their goon squads to kill him and his family
- Video games – Grand Theft Auto #5, Black Ops and Tour of Duty – this is what Aaron was playing, plus the M-I-B adding pressure.
- reference to an article: some of us have asked why
- all of the issues going on now are moving us to seeing NESARA announced: nano seconds!
- Very shameful what the Repubs have done and wanting to destroy this country – due to the Trans National Projects and the Billionaire Boys Club
- Send these ones even more love than you can imagine: they are going down so fast! They have fried themselves in the eyes of Mother – next step is the Dark Rift: nothing more to do or say!

- No accident that Dr Rhouani is talking of Zero Nukes – it opens the door for something like ships on the White House lawn as in the movie “The Day the Earth Stood Still”

**T:** whatever Rachel is up to, she is doing spoofs on The Last Supper!

**Reading:** Mr Chair of Peter / James McBride / got arrested in Dublin last week **[SEE BELOW]**

**R:** none of these life forms have anything to do with Sananda Kumara and what he represents

**T:** the Pope blew all his good beginnings: ex-communicated the priest who was working to get women roles in the church, and getting the LBGT community

**Audio:** Barack Obama's Press Conference today at the White House. **[SEE BELOW]**

1. Congress needs to vote to keep the government open
2. Congress needs to raise the debt ceiling which equals paying for what has already been spent

**T & R** cannot get any dates on anything but it looks like what it looks like!

- Iran and Obama speaking like that is a big deal! Surely pisses off Israel and the Neo Cons in the US!
- Thom Hartmann talking a lot about **climate change**: methane gas at poles; methane gas bubbling up in the bottom of the ocean all over the place!
- Also they want him to authorize Keystone Pipeline – not going to happen! They'll get what's coming to them!
- **KOS** did not say they have stuck the dagger in the heart of the Constitution for nothing!

### **Conf. Call**

**Caller:** Date of Oct 17 – importance?

**T:** the day by which the bills which have already been run up are paid.

**C1:** the day Obamacare opens/ registration for it

- would cost billions to get the gov't back up again

**T:** they don't want it to come back up again!

**C1:** Cruz thought they would fade off and do nothing – will have to see what happens

**T:** want to run out the clock on everything – Reid put in a clean bill and it went fine in Senate; Repub plan is to say f\*\*\* it all. Creating huge roadblocks everywhere – refusing to cooperate in any way.

- As they don't pay the bills, support the people and so on – this is economic high treason and sedition - when Rama was on Randi Rhodes, guests would not answer if it was treason, etc

**C1:** heard that Rand Paul wanted all people to register for the care – no exemptions

Thought it was a good idea: if we have it. Let's just have it – what is the point of exemptions?

**T:** so much disinformation, it is stunning

Listened to a show: lady said it would reduce health care costs by 50%

**C1:** agrees – different things in different places: how can people lie on TV?

Interesting to see how it plays out!

**C2:** a beautiful chess match:

**T:** the Libertarian movement is evil: backed by the Koch Bros and the Pauls who are Nazis

**C2:** all the light is being shone on the darkness -

**T:** the state of Vermont has already voted for Single Payer – to be activated as soon as it is allowed

**C2:** also Oregon!

All the health care will change with the quantum changes and the new technologies

**T:** all the 6,000 technologies will come out, plus 50,000 more!

**KOS text message to Rama yesterday:** I want my religion back! [He was commenting on the Pope excommunicating the priest who worked with women and LBGT]

- Wide ranging discussion of what is coming in the new earth

**C3:** has seen that all this is coming very, very soon! Wants to work with the centres, etc

**C2:** every day, visualize it

**C3:** when you do that every day, you build trust

**C2:** going towards a New Earth Jobs Bill; thinks some of the key people in the Occupy movement might be

listening tonight

**T:** has a 2 hour documentary called "Occupy Love" which will be played on Saturday

Also, since the 1800s, climate change is 100% human caused – a definitive statement now.

**C3:** can the Ashtar Command help us with the methane gas?

**R:** yes, they can

**T:** Ashtar said they won't do it for us; we have to focus and do it

**C2:** can get together with the Green Corps and do it

**T:** Russia arrested the Greenpeaceers and have them in detention for 2 months and indicting them as pirates!

Discussion about what is happening in the prisons in the US

**C2:** so many need treatment, healing – not prison

**T:** alcohol and rape are a lethal combination – they need to be violent to get it off!

**C2:** the military gives free medical, free dental, socialized drinking in the afternoons at the end of the day!

**T:** military medical is not working!

**C3:** have the military people woken up to this yet?

**T:** need to enter the pharmaceutical industries altogether

**C2:** meditation over medication works every time.

**T:** young people going to India from israel so they don't have to go into the military or to prison is they don't go into the military. Then there are 6-8 in a room doing drugs.

**C2:** what is largest religion in Iran?

**T:** neck and neck between Islam and Catholicism: muslims waking up as fast as christians

- The founder of the Ba'hai faith spent 40 years in an Iranian prison cell

- most fundamental teaching: integrative marriage

- he was to be killed, taken to prison yard, blindfolded, then blindfold was on the ground

Guards found him back in the prison cell, teaching someone!

- Swami Purna was put in a Russian Gulag prison by Stalin; his daughter was so grieved, she almost died because her teacher was in prison. Swami Purna decided he needed to do something: in a split second, Swami Purna showed up in the throne room in spite of all the guards outside. Stalin went running out of the room and said to let Purna go as he could not be held in a cell!

- The daughter became the mother of Chris Dodd, former Senator, now a lobbyist – a naughty boy – he lobbies for anything that will get money out of the Congress.

## **MOTHER SEKHMET**

Greetings in the Office of the Christ and only in the Office of the Christ; we invoke the loving energies of St Germain and the Violet Flame

Greetings, Children of Ra!

- Indeed it is the time – yes, we are observant of your present, seemingly a dilemma of sorts. It is with great interest we must say how the folks come together to heal the story of how we move forward in this moment. It is for the highest good of all concerned – what we are referring to is what Mr 19.5\* said: pay the bills now, no time for shenanigans; it is of the utmost urgency as the rest of the planet is moving forward with the coming realities that are already based in love, mutual understanding and respect for all life.
- The ancient Zoroastrian land is not the enemy; the enemy is within, and it is our own, the ones who have sold their souls for a dime and maybe a couple of diamonds or two, concern for the welfare of a few as opposed to the rest of us. As Thom Hartmann always says, it is about the whole of us: this is the hour of need – the whole planet is saying: "Lord make me an instrument of thy peace! Where there is hatred, let me sow love!" There is no other way through the door
- Our wayward children in whatever form they are in, are still kicking, screaming, not wishing to enter yet yet that is the only way to ascension, whatever what that may be! It is not up to her, but to us: we have

- already chosen the date of our ascension – the best way to do this is to answer the call of duty within.
- We are riding on Mother's back: she comes as the Jaquar medicine woman who carries us on her back to the Elysian Fields, Nirvana – it is about ecstasy, joy, orgasmic understanding of what is happening in the moment here for this planet and the neighbouring systems as Earth becomes the 33<sup>rd</sup> member of the Intergalactic Confederation of Worlds! THIS IS HUGE!
  - It is happening now; everything is in motion. What is unfolding for all is an upliftment of magnificent proportions: the cells are screaming for it: Yet how it is done is simple: "Make me an instrument of thy peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love" - let me so love the situations so there may be peaceful solutions to all of them hand . It is exponential as one does it – the Fibonacci series, the harmony of the spheres is what is happening, and Lord Kuthumi playing the Divine fiddle puts Danial Webster to shame!
  - All is in such magnificence and, at the same time, it seems like the worst of times for humanity – take a walk down a street in Detroit, Chicago, NYC and you may not be here tomorrow. All is in divine cosmic understanding of the hour, of the moment: it is only about love. All the souls we speak of from the junkie down the street to Mr Boehner – each is unique, and important to the story. It is a magnificent day as they all get it at once.

**T:** comments in background

- It is pre-determined: he takes a ride with us to the Dark Rift; in the moment, we are saying love them more as they leave, and they ARE LEAVING! The cells which are incorporated into a form are not behaving in a manner conducive to life, and the lights go out very soon! She is the magnificent Jaquar medicine woman with us on her back, This is the greatest rush we have ever had, concerning the moment we are in because we are the masters of our own destiny as we choose the Law of the One which is eternal life.
  - As she does this for all, it is for The One; as we are The One, it affects all; it is infinite. What we are experiencing is the greatest call ever, as our species has experienced it in the last 26, 826 years since she was here the last time.
- The Nibiru is back, as are the contingency forces; it is a moot point – the weapons will not function – it is in the best interest of all to tell Uncle Sam that he takes his orders from her, and how We The People are saying "Now is the time for peace; now is the time for love"
  - Best way to describe it: continue to politely call the elected representatives even if they have committed war crimes, etc: if you wish to continue holding that seat, you will do what I ask as a voter!
- Interesting drama unfolding across the planet: don't let the church play doctor with you.

**T:** another ad to go along with Uncle Sam showing up in the doctor's office: now it is Jesus!

**Mo:** It is a cosmic joke, but a very serious one: as we are everything and everyone, it is in our best interests to work with the instruments of peace: best interest in the people of Syria, Gaza, Ramallah to have enough water, food, sleep, no bombs dropping. Would be good for the echoes of war to cease! Now is the time!

**T:** Need to hurry up - millions in Syria are starving to death!

**Mo:** that is a direct result of the Billionaires Club and the transnational corporations

- Even though it may seem to be such a travesty, some are asking to be able to go through that experience to say . . .
- in the same moment, it is about love which is how it gets done.

**T:** if they shut the gov't down next week: no pension, no medical, no social services, no paycheck to military

**Mo:** it must be about the instrument of peace, not war; when that is the order of the day, things change in an instant.

**Audio:** [Sonic Geometry: The Language of Frequency and Form](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FY74AFQI2qQ)

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Throughout history, numerous clues and hints regarding geometry and frequency have been staring at us, calling to us, and waiting for us to put them into place like pieces of a giant puzzle. Here at the dawn of a new age, this sonic-geometric puzzle is finally nearing completion, revealing the building blocks of a language based on energy, frequency and form.

How will we use it? With whom will we be communicating? Now that we know the basics of this new language, maybe we are ready to begin the conversation.... again?

**T:** guess we can't say we don't know what it sounds like to have 144,000 frequencies!

**Mother:** Kadoish, Kadoish, Kadoish

**R:** has been to the Temple of Inscriptions; we gotta tune up here

**T:** talking of the Baktun in the Mayan cycle, which is 144,000 days      9 is the completion of love

**Audio:** Bill Maher

[Guest List: September 27, 2013](#)

### The Interview

**Tim Robbins** is an actor, producer, writer and director whose latest movie, *Thanks for Sharing*, is out in theaters now. He's also the Founding Artistic Director of [The Actors' Gang](#), which works with communities and prisons to reduce violence and increase self-esteem and tolerance.      Twitter: [@TimRobbins1](#)

### The Panel:

**Monica Mehta** is a financial columnist for *Entrepreneur* magazine and *Inc.* magazine and author of *The Entrepreneurial Instinct: How Everyone Has the Innate Ability to Start a Successful Small Business*.

Twitter: [@MonicaMehtaNYC](#)

**Robert Reich** is the Chancellor's Professor of Public Policy at the [University of California Berkeley](#) and the author of *Beyond Outrage* -- now available in paperback. He is featured in the new documentary 'Inequality for All,' which opens in theaters this Friday.      Twitter: [@RBReich](#)

**Matt Welch** is the Editor in Chief of *Reason* magazine and co-author of *The Declaration of Independents*. This week, he [appeared on MSNBC](#) to discuss Obamacare, the looming threat of a government shutdown and America's foreign policy regarding Iran.      Twitter: [@mleewelch](#)

**Dr. Carl Hart** joins the panel mid-show. He is an Associate Professor at [Columbia University](#) whose area of study concerns the behavioral and neuropharmacological effects of psychoactive drugs in humans. His book is *High Price: A Neuroscientist's Journey of Self-Discovery That Challenges Everything You Know About Drugs and Society*.      Twitter: [@drcarlhart](#)

**Audio: [KR502] Keiser Report: Trickle-Down Flamethrowers**

**[http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=DN5GUmFME44](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=DN5GUmFME44)**

Posted on [September 26, 2013](#) by [Stacy Herbert](#)

We discuss flamethrowers and jihadis in the world of banking. We also note that houses in London earn more per day than the average worker in London. In the second half, Max interviews [Mitch Feierstein](#) of [PlanetPonzi.com](#) about the Fed's balance sheet, housing bubbles around the world and putting lipstick on pigs.

**Reading:** Voices of our Ancestors – D'yanni Yawhoo “conscious living, conscious dying “

**Closing:** Rainbird

2013, Sept 13

## South Carolina Man Arrested In Dublin On Conspiracy Charges

By: Denise Yost, Multimedia Content Manager - [email](#)

<http://wsav.membercenter.worldnow.com/story/23428077/south-carolina-man-arrested-in-dublin-on-conspiracy-charges>



DUBLIN, Ohio -

A South Carolina man was arrested in Dublin Thursday, accused of conspiracy.

According to Dublin police, officers assisted the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division to assist in serving and arrest warrant for 59-year-old James Thomas McBride.

McBride was arrested at a location on Frantz Road and taken to the Franklin County Jail.

He was arrested on the South Carolina charges of conspiracy/criminal conspiracy, common law conspiracy defined and impersonating/assert authority to intimidate or hinder official by threat, harassment, etc.

Further information was not immediately released, but NBC4 will update as we learn new information.

Office of the Press Secretary

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## Statement by the President

James S. Brady Press Briefing Room

3:42 P.M. EDT

THE PRESIDENT: Good afternoon, everybody. Before I discuss the situation in Congress, let me say a few things about two important opportunities in our foreign policy.

Just now, I spoke on the phone with President Rouhani of the Islamic Republic of Iran. The two of us discussed our ongoing efforts to reach an agreement over Iran's nuclear program. I reiterated to President Rouhani what I said in New York -- while there will surely be important obstacles to moving forward, and success is by no means guaranteed, I believe we can reach a comprehensive solution.

I've directed Secretary Kerry to continue pursuing this diplomatic effort with the Iranian government. We had constructive discussions yesterday in New York with our partners -- the European Union, the United Kingdom, France, Germany, Russia and China -- together with the Iranian Foreign Minister. Going forward, President Rouhani and I have directed our teams to continue working expeditiously, in cooperation with the P5-plus-1, to pursue an agreement. And throughout this process, we'll stay in close touch with our friends and allies in the region, including Israel.

We're mindful of all the challenges ahead. The very fact that this was the first communication between an American and Iranian President since 1979 underscores the deep mistrust between our countries, but it also indicates the prospect of moving beyond that difficult history.

I do believe that there is a basis for a resolution. Iran's Supreme Leader has issued a fatwa against the development of nuclear weapons. President Rouhani has indicated that Iran will never develop nuclear weapons. I have made clear that we respect the right of the Iranian people to access peaceful nuclear energy in the context of Iran meeting its obligations. So the test will be meaningful, transparent, and verifiable actions, which can also bring relief from the comprehensive international sanctions that are currently in place.

Resolving this issue, obviously, could also serve as a major step forward in a new relationship between the United States and the Islamic Republic of Iran -- one based on mutual interests and mutual respect. It would also help facilitate a better relationship between Iran and the international community, as well as others in the region -- one that would help the Iranian people fulfill their extraordinary potential, but also help us to address other concerns that could bring greater peace and stability to the Middle East.

A path to a meaningful agreement will be difficult, and at this point, both sides have significant concerns that will have to be overcome. But I believe we've got a responsibility to pursue diplomacy, and that we have a unique opportunity to make progress with the new leadership in Tehran. I also communicated to President Rouhani my deep respect for the Iranian people.

As I said before, this comes on the same day that we can accomplish a major diplomatic breakthrough on Syria, as the United Nations Security Council will vote on a resolution that would require the Assad regime to put its chemical weapons under international control so they can ultimately be destroyed. This binding resolution will ensure that the Assad regime must keep its commitments, or face consequences. We'll have to be vigilant about following through, but this could be a significant victory for the international community, and demonstrate how

strong diplomacy can allow us to secure our country and pursue a better world.

Now, America's security and leadership don't just depend on our military strength, or our alliances, or our diplomacy. First and foremost, America's strength depends on a strong economy where our middle class is growing and everyone who works hard has a chance to get ahead. So let me say a few words about the situation that's developed over the past few weeks on Capitol Hill.

Here at home, the United States Congress has two pressing responsibilities: pass a budget on time, and pay our bills on time.

If Congress chooses not to pass a budget by Monday -- the end of the fiscal year -- they will shut down the government, along with many vital services that the American people depend on. The good news is, within the past couple of hours, the United States Senate -- Democrats and Republicans -- acted responsibly by voting to keep our government open and delivering the services the American people expect. Now it's up to Republicans in the House of Representatives to do the same. I say that because obviously Democrats have a great interest in making sure that these vital services continue to help the American people.

So far, the Republicans in the House of Representatives have refused to move forward. And here's the thing -- unlike the last time they threatened this course of action, this debate isn't really about deficits. In fact, our deficits are falling at the fastest pace that they have in 60 years. By the end of this year, we will have cut our deficits by more than half since I took office. So that's not what this is about. And in fact, if you've been following the discussion, the Republicans in the House don't even make a pretense that that's what this is about.

Instead, the House Republicans are so concerned with appeasing the tea party that they've threatened a government shutdown or worse unless I gut or repeal the Affordable Care Act.

I said this yesterday; let me repeat it: That's not going to happen. More than 100 million Americans currently, already have new benefits and protections under the law. On Tuesday, about 40 million more Americans will be able to finally buy quality, affordable health care, just like anybody else. Those marketplaces will be open for business on Tuesday no matter what -- even if there's a government shutdown. That's a done deal.

As I've said before, if Republicans have specific ideas on how to genuinely improve the law, rather than gut it, rather than delay it, rather than repeal it, I'm happy to work with them on that through the normal democratic processes. But that will not happen under the threat of a shutdown.

So over the next three days, House Republicans will have to decide whether to join the Senate and keep the government open, or shut it down just because they can't get their way on an issue that has nothing to do with the deficit.

I realize that a lot of what's taking place right now is political grandstanding. But this grandstanding has real effects on real people. If the government shuts down on Tuesday, military personnel -- including those risking their lives overseas for us right now -- will not get paid on time. Federal loans for rural communities, small business owners, families buying a home will be frozen. I'm already starting to get letters from people worried that this will have an impact on them directly. Critical research into life-saving discoveries will be immediately halted.

The federal government has a large role across the country and touches the lives of millions of people, and those people will be harmed. And even the threat of a shutdown already is probably having a dampening effect on our economy; we saw that the last time these kinds of shenanigans were happening up on Capitol Hill.

So to any Republican in Congress who is currently watching, I'd encourage you to think about who you're

hurting. There are probably young people in your office right now who came here to work for you, without much pay, because they believed that public service was noble. You're preparing to send them home without a paycheck. You've got families with kids back in your districts who serve their country in the federal government, and now they might have to plan how they're going to get by if you shut the government down.

Past shutdowns have disrupted the economy, and this shutdown would as well. It would throw a wrench into the gears of our economy at a time when those gears have gained some traction. And that's why many Republican senators and many Republican governors have urged Republicans to knock it off, pass a budget, and move on. Let's get this done.

This brings me to Congress's second responsibility. Once they vote to keep the government open, they also have to vote within the next couple of weeks to allow the Treasury to pay the bills for the money that Congress has already spent. I want to repeat: Raising the debt ceiling is simply authorizing the Treasury to pay for what Congress has already authorized.

Failure to meet this responsibility would be far more dangerous than a government shutdown. It would effectively be an economic shutdown, with impacts not just here, but around the world. We don't fully understand what might happen, the dangers involved, because no Congress has ever actually threatened default. But we know it would have a profound destabilizing effect on the entire economy -- on the world economy, because America is the bedrock of world investment. The dollar is the reserve currency. The debt that is issued by the Treasury is the foundation for our capital markets. That's why you don't fool with it.

Now, some Republicans have suggested that unless I agree to an even longer list of demands -- not just gutting the health care law, but cutting taxes for millionaires, or rolling back rules on big banks and polluters, or other pet projects that they'd like to see and they've been trying to get passed over the last couple of years -- that they would push the button, throw America into default for the first time in history and risk throwing us back into a recession.

Now, I am willing to work with anybody who wants to have a serious conversation about our fiscal future. I've demonstrated that by putting forward serious reforms to tax and entitlement programs that would bring down our long-term deficits. I have said in the past, and I will continue to say, that I'm willing to make a whole bunch of tough decisions -- ones that may not be entirely welcomed by my own party.

But we're not going to do this under the threat of blowing up the entire economy. I will not negotiate over Congress's responsibility to pay the bills that have already been racked up. Voting for the Treasury to pay America's bills is not a concession to me. That's not doing me a favor. That's simply carrying out the solemn responsibilities that come with holding office up there. I don't know how I can be more clear about this. Nobody gets to threaten the full faith and credit of the United States just to extract political concessions. No one gets to hurt our economy and millions of innocent people just because there are a couple of laws that you do not like.

It has not been done in the past; we're not going to start doing it now. I'm not going to start setting a precedent not just for me, but for future Presidents where one chamber in Congress can basically say each time there needs to be a vote to make sure Treasury pays its bills, we're not going to sign it unless our particular hobbyhorse gets advanced.

Imagine if you had a Republican President and a Democratic Speaker, and the Democratic Speaker said, well, we're not going to pass a debt ceiling unless we raise corporate taxes by 40 percent; or unless we pass background checks on guns; or whatever other list of agenda items Democrats were interested in. Does anybody actually think that we would be hearing from Republicans that that was acceptable behavior?

That's not how our constitutional system is designed. We are not going to do it. The American people have

worked too hard to recover from a bunch of crises -- several of them now over the last couple of years inflicted by some of the same folks in Congress that we're talking about now -- to see extremists in Congress cause another crisis.

And keep in mind, by the way, this whole thing has to do with keeping the government open for a few months. The continuing resolution -- the bill that's designed to avert a government shutdown -- basically just funds the government for another couple months so we could be doing this all over again. I'm sure the American people are thrilled about that.

And that's why we've got to break this cycle. My message to Congress is this: Do not shut down the government. Do not shut down the economy. Pass a budget on time. Pay our bills on time. Refocus on the everyday concerns of the American people.

There will be differences between Democrats and Republicans. We can have all kinds of conversations about how to resolve those differences. There will be areas where we can work together. There will be areas where we disagree. But do not threaten to burn the house down simply because you haven't gotten 100 percent of your way. That's not how our democracy is supposed to work.

Every day that this goes on is another day that we're not focused on doing what we need to be focused on, which is rebuilding this great country of ours so that our middle class is growing and everybody has got opportunity if they're willing to work hard. That's what I'm focused on. That's what Congress should be focused on as well.

Thank you very much, everybody.

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