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To heal all, as we call for peace - the Sacred Mother calls for peace

- The words are a speech that were set to music -
- Chief Seattle, born in 1787 near Blake Island; his name was *See-ahth*;
  - he was a great leader with a voice to be remembered throughout time - he is known for his speech in 1854; the City of Seattle named after him.
- The most authentic and original edition was Oct 29, 1887, was published in Seattle by Mr Smith who was present and heard the 1854 speech.
- Chief Seattle died in 1866; in 1865, Seattle passed a law making it illegal for Indians to live there.

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**Hard News:** 888 - 429 - 5471 Toll free # for Canada and US  
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530- 413 - 9537

**Hard news:**

- the apartment has been de-activated of two of the 60 booby traps - police did one; robot did 2<sup>nd</sup>  
this is at the highest level - what our tax dollars do feed the criminals in NRA and the Republicans
- Focussed on the people: Jessica Redfield who was almost killed in Toronto, and got killed here
  - she loved everyone and touched everyone she met
- Everyone of us chooses to take a part in this: yet there is no death! Even if the shell looks like it is gone, the person is still here and helping us from the other side

**T:** brings up the archangels presence and how to get them to come to your house

- invite them in - helps us tune into other dimensional beings that just want to help us
- we are here to bring back all the other realms: they were visible in Camelot
- despair is not an option

**Reading: Key 118**

**Keys of Enoch**

a new age will occur for mankind surviving the great changes

those who do not choose to take the higher spiral of light will not receive final destruction, but

rather . . . will go to the Void - which begins the next cycle of re-creation as the righteous move

v. 26 god's plan has no end - it is life in the house of many mansions

**LISTEN TO THIS READING!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

**Caller:** about the shooting in Colorado - a black op?

**T&R:** yes

**Hard News:**

**R: The Time is Now:** Craig Barnes one of the elders of Santa Fe: on judiciary reviews, knows the constitution inside out;

- Mr Scalia, Roberts, Thomas - have violated their oaths of office - still not upholding the constitution - they were appointed by Bush Sr, [Schirff]
- Craig was talking of story in Aurora - still have not figured out how to enter his apartment

**Camp Loveway:** played something of Jesse Ventura being interviewed: read my book and then you'll think twice about what is happening whether

- to this day, major networks won't put him on air, including Current TV and MSNBC
- another story: issues of gun violence and gun laws - why can people walk into WalMart etc and buy glocks - has to do with NRA & Republicans
  - NRA is a lobbying group; ALEC makes laws
- Craig brought up the judges who answer to Opus Dei and the Jesuit General who is Ratzinger now - he is a hologram, the story is is of intergalactic war criminals
- Have a piece by Robert Mirabel - called stilt walkers, skin walkers
  - Elohi [elohigh], elohim - this are now bad names, thanks to Lilith, Jehovah and Lucifer

**T:** border in Turkey restricted - people not allowed in

- mass exodus to Lebanon from Syria

**R: Camp Loveway** - Benjamin Stuart - Lady of the Sun, Merk are here with Maitreya, the Cosmic Christ

- we're going to 9/11 now: 75,000+ died on that day
- Stuart made movies called 9/11, 3 versions; Klymtica; has worked with Jacques Fresco and the Venus Project

- a planetary distress signal has been lit - why Mother is here
- these guys are here in extreme red alert - project blue beam, events in London - won't happen
  - Nibiru is here: it is bigger than our sun

**T:** Chris Hayes, Melissa H-P did some **heart healing today** - those who left can help from the other side

**Audio:** **M H-P** plays Obama's speech from the death of Christina

<http://ca.video.search.yahoo.com/search/video?p=msnbc.com+melissa+harris+perry-+july+21+2012>

**Audio:** <http://upwithchrishayes.msnbc.msn.com/>

The last section: what do we know now that we didn't know before???

**Audio:** **Stephen Greer** - Contact, Disclosure and Free Energy

[SEE BELOW]

**T:** reference to Dr Greer's comment on "moral Courage"

**Astrology:** **Richard**

a very complex chart -

**Reading:** [Happy Mayan Dreamspell New Year - July 26, 2012](#)

[SEE BELOW]

**Caller:** speaking of her vision quest to help heal things

**T:** cows want to be lifted off the earth: they are feeding machines and baby machines - not a fun thing.

Most of the stuff grown is given to animals so people can eat meat! And there is arsenic in chicken . . .

**Reading:** **Welcome to the Truth: First Uranus/Pluto Square: June 24, 2012**

[SEE BELOW]

Heard Steven Greer say we will see the earth turned around in 20 years

**Caller:** Is Neil Keenan going to need to step aside and let the LIBOR investigation go on?

**T:** they are connected at the hip!

- Between the debt and LIBOR creating more of it, the entire global economy will collapse
- Each country is in debt because the LIBOR sucked the money out of each country (interest)
- As Greer said, they are not after money, want power -

**R:** heard rumours of \$800 trillions

**T:** but it's **really 1000s of trillions** - 15 billion people on the planet is no problem with new technology everything gets cleaned up and stays cleaned up

**Caller:** another mess in CA - CAFR 1 - cities & state gov'ts and school districts: **have 2 sets of books,**

- 1 shows how poor they are, 2<sup>nd</sup> set is the real assets and wealth - all pooled somewhere in Washington - all kinds of \$ hidden away

**T:** this has been going on for a long time - around 500 years ago when they decided they were the elite

**Caller:** who told us Bernanke would be going soon?

T: Ben Stewart who did Klymatica, Loose Change, Zeitgeist, other titles  
and Geitner is not long behind - all get arrested in same vortex of energy

Al Jazeera reported on the following:

- in Japan, finally said all Geiger counters were rigged, indicating premeditated - don't eat any fish!
- Canada pulling ahead of US in economic and social well being
- Murdoch resigned all his directorships of all the papers - big news!
  - 22 years ago, KOS said last thing has to happen: Media has to go!
  - Ref to Friday night and playing of *Newsroom* - prescient to talk about guns about a week before Colorado happened!
- Gabby Gifford moving from being a blue dog Democrat more to the left
  - Every species is welcome here - ref to Greer show
  - All of this earth is sacred to my people - Chief Seattle
- Russian diplomat that was saying things about the different layers of things going on in Syria  
NATO is goodbye as soon as NESARA is announced.

Reading: **Welcome to the Truth** - B Hand Clow (continued )  
Cassiopeia is twin flame of St. Germain

Reading: **Vatican Raided By Police For First Time In History** by Scott Mowry [SEE BELOW]  
<http://miraclesandinspiration.com/news.html>

Audio:

[Robert Mirabal - Stiltwalker - YouTube](#)



[www.youtube.com/watch?v=s6SqqeF9Do4](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s6SqqeF9Do4)

Mar 15, 2010 ... From the old stories of the pueblos comes the story of the **Stiltwalkers**. ... An excerpt from **Robert Mirabal's** "Music from a Painted Cave".

some of the beings in the mountains where Rama has been have never known war!  
We are an interesting species as our nature is so war-like

Audio: Presentation by Nomi Prinz in Seattle: Pirate television / February  
Name of her book: **Black Tuesday** [SEE BELOW]  
There is a printed interview Nomi had with Bloomberg  
<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2012-01-13/ex-goldmanite-nomi-prinz-fears-return-of-1930s-great-depression-interview.html>

Reading: Matt Taibbi Dishes on the "Biggest Insider Trading You Could Ever Imagine" [SEE BELOW]

Reading: Big Banks Funded the Nazis and Launched a Coup Against the President of the United States [SEE BELOW]

Reading: Bain Capital's Ties to Salvadoran Death Squads [SEE BELOW]

After reading this article, T comments that KOS has said Bain & Romney DID do the gun-running

**Audio:** Max Keiser's latest report

**[KR317] Keiser Report: Where Money Goes To Die**

We discuss the Irish government being so terribly ‘embarrassed’ that they hired two dirty bankers to ‘clean up’ their financial system and they remind David Cameron over in ‘Grim Britain’ of the ‘dreadful backgrounds’ of Bob Diamond, Jamie Dimon and their ilk. In the second half of the show, [Max talks to Wolf Richter of the Testosteronepit.com](#) about the wine bubbles and where money goes to die.

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OINDzw34z58&feature=player\\_embedded#t=3s](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OINDzw34z58&feature=player_embedded#t=3s)

**Closing:**                   **Rainbird**  
Reading about Crow Medicine

**Music:**                   **Gaiatree mantra**

2012, July 21

Stephen Greer - Contact, Disclosure and Free Energy

Part 1 [http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_detailpage&v=usAh67ozOQ8](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detailpage&v=usAh67ozOQ8)

**Dr. Greer discusses the following topics:**

- The highly secretive and ruthless group (MJ-12, Majestic, Cosmic-Ops, PI-40) that is behind the UFO cover-up.
- The 'Norway Spiral'.
- The Orion Project's efforts working with breakthrough technology that would eliminate the need for fossil fuel based technologies.
- The reason behind the ruthless secrecy of the Extraterrestrial and UFO subjects.
- Dr. Greer's personal story including his experiences with Extraterrestrials.
- The mind-set of the ruthless group known as Majestic-12 (MJ-12, Majestic, Cosmic-Ops, PI-40).
- So-called "Gray" aliens are in fact man-made PLFs (Programmed Life Forms).
- So-called 'alien implants' are man-made devices.
- The reason why there is fear mongering of the Extraterrestrial subject.
- So-called 'alien abductions' are in fact carried out by covert human groups.
- The massive amount of disinformation on the Extraterrestrial subject.  
This disinformation has infected the UFO subculture.
- Dr. Greer has held the body of an 18 inch sized Extraterrestrial.
- The connection between consciousness and the Extraterrestrial subject.
- The logical fallacy of the so-called ET "threat" argument.
- Scalar weapon systems (Directed Energy Weapons, Electromagnetic Weapons) that orbit Earth and target Extraterrestrial vehicles.
- CSETI (not to be confused with SETI) experiences with Extraterrestrials.
- The limitations of space and time as we currently understand them - how this relates to Extraterrestrials.
- The covert plan by the highly secretive and ruthless group (MJ-12, Majestic, Cosmic-Ops, PI-40) to stage an alien "attack" on Earth.
- The stupidity of the so-called alien "hybrid" theory pushed by certain individuals in the UFO subculture.

Part 2 [http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_detailpage&v=xHzQCmYkWqQ](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detailpage&v=xHzQCmYkWqQ)

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- The stupidity of some fear-based theories that ETs pose a "threat" to us.
- The reason for the negative portrayal of Extraterrestrials in Hollywood movies.
- Dr. Greer answers questions from the group.

<http://www.disclosureproject.com/>

The Disclosure Project is a nonprofit research project working to fully disclose the facts about UFOs, extraterrestrial intelligence, and classified advanced energy and propulsion systems. We have over 500 government, military, and intelligence community witnesses testifying to their direct, personal, first hand experience with UFOs, ETs, ET technology, and the cover-up that keeps this information secret.

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## LATEST NEWS & UPDATES

### THE NEXT STEP FOR DISCLOSURE

Dr. Steven Greer has teamed up with Emmy Award winning filmmaker Amardeep Kaleka ([www.neverendinglight.com](http://www.neverendinglight.com)). Together, they will produce the Disclosure documentary that will connect the dots and rock the world. This film will include witnesses to the UFO secrecy, explain the connection to Free Energy and provide the vision of Contact with ET Civilizations as witnessed by the CE-5 contact teams. Never before has the wealth of information and insight of Dr. Greer been connected to such a talented filmmaker.

This film will make history and you can be a part of it. This film will be funded by people like you.

Find out more about the film and how your contribution can propel the world to the next step of Disclosure and Transformation. Go to: [www.sirius.neverendinglight.com](http://www.sirius.neverendinglight.com). Be a part of history!

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**Find out the latest from Dr. Greer. He now has a blog.**

[DrGreersBlog.DisclosureProject.org](http://DrGreersBlog.DisclosureProject.org)

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### WORLD PUJA

Friday July 13, 2012

11 a.m pacific – 2 pm eastern

6 pm pacific – 9 pm eastern

A most profound experience : report on Crestone 2012

Paola Harris, Dr. Jan Bravo, Emery Smith

"Thank you for the most profound of experiences". This is what someone wrote after the 1st night's field work at the Crestone Expedition, June 2012. Listen to Ms.Paola Harris, Dr. Jan Bravo and Mr. Emery Smith and find out what happened that night and the others.

### World Wide Evidence for Sirius: The Movie

#### Dr. Steven Greer and Paola Harris

Paola Harris ([www.PaolaHarris.com](http://www.PaolaHarris.com)) was based in Europe for years and is in touch with all the best UFO researchers as well as doing her own research. Her mission and Dr. Greer's is to bring the information about UFOs and ETs out to the wider population who have an interest, but little access to credible research. She will be joining Dr. Greer for this show to discuss her research and the types of evidence she will be able to bring to the table for the Sirius documentary.

<http://www.worldpuja.org/conversations.php>

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## DISCLOSURE PROJECT: PRESS CONFERENCE OVERVIEW



On Wednesday, May 9th, 2001, over twenty military, intelligence, government, corporate and scientific witnesses came forward at the National Press Club in Washington, DC to establish the reality of UFOs or extraterrestrial vehicles, extraterrestrial life forms, and resulting advanced energy and propulsion technologies. The weight of this first-hand testimony, along with supporting government documentation and other evidence, will establish without any doubt the reality of these phenomena.

[Learn more »](#)

**Watch the May 9, 2001 Press Conference at:** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lkswXVmG4xM>

**Watch the 2 Hour Witness Interview DVD at:** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dUOTF7NQlwQ>

**Watch the 4 Hour Witness Interview DVD Part 1 at:** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ud49Gh9yYLS>

**Watch the 4 Hour Witness Interview DVD Part 2 at:** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kpHAXxRKksQ>

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed people can change the world; indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

-- Margaret Mead, anthropologist

"Few men are willing to brave the disapproval of their fellows, the censure of their colleagues, the wrath of their society. Moral courage is a rarer commodity than bravery in battle or great intelligence. Yet it is the one essential, vital quality for those who seek to change a world which yields most painfully to change."

-- Robert F. Kennedy 1966 Speech, US Democratic Politician

Here's to the crazy ones, the misfits, the rebels, the troublemakers, the round pegs in the square holes... the ones who see things differently -- they're not fond of rules... You can quote them, disagree with them, glorify or vilify them, but the only thing you can't do is ignore them because they change things... they push the human race forward, and while some may see them as the crazy ones, we see genius, because the ones who are crazy enough to think that they can change the world, are the ones who do.

-- Steve Jobs, US computer engineer & industrialist (1955 - 2011)

### President Eisenhower's farewell address to the nation, January 1961

"In the counsels of Government, we must guard against the acquisition of unwarranted influence, whether sought or unsought, by the Military Industrial Complex. The potential for the disastrous rise of misplaced power exists, and will persist. We must never let the weight of this combination endanger our liberties or democratic processes. We should take nothing for granted. Only an alert and knowledgeable citizenry can compel the proper meshing of the huge industrial and military machinery of defense with our peaceful methods and goals so that security and liberty may prosper together. [Listen to the entire speech](#)

**MEDIA CONTROL DOCUMENT - CIA Memorandum Subject: [Task Force Report on Greater CIA Openness - dated December 1991 \(Page 10 is missing\)](#) - June 2004 [PDF File - 4.85 Megabyte} or [Read Each page in JPG format.](#)**

Note: This memo supports "[Media Play](#)" - by Steven M. Greer, M.D - most notably on page 6, which says "PAO [Public Affairs Office] now has relationships with reporters from every major wire service, newspaper, news weekly, and television network in the nation. This has helped us turn some intelligence failure stories into intelligence success stories, and it has contributed to the accuracy of countless others. In many instances, we have persuaded reporters to postpone, change, hold, or even scrap stories that could have adversely affected national security interests or jeopardized sources and methods." Read more documents [here](#).

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## 2012, July 17 - [Happy Mayan Dreamspell New Year - July 26, 2012](#)

By Mahala Gayle, on July 17th, 2012

On July 12, 2012, I was awakened from dreamtime by the voice of Jose Arguelles saying to look up the alignment for July 24, 2012. He said this is a very important day. I immediately knew that was the ending of the Dreamspell calendar for this year. I looked up the meaning of the glyph for that day, and it is the Red Overtone Earth, which is guided by life force.

Then I looked in a book I have had for years called *It's About Time* by Nell Arnaud. This is what it says about the Red Overtone Earth, which is called Caban.

Caban is the glyph of the red earth and is the access point to your natural alignment with Earth force. It is the point-of-perfect centeredness in the eternal present from which all alignment and magic manifest. Your center, the Earth center is the secret of gravity's magnetizing force. From the center point within self, you align with this galactic center.

It goes on to say:

Caban is a symbol of the Earth Keeper, the keeper of the garden, the shaman-healer who, through reverence for all life, heals and sanctifies the Earth. As you bring light to yourself, you bring light into matter. Caban also has a staff that is both connected to the cosmic consciousness of the stars and firmly planted in the Earth. Caban holds the ascension of Earth and all humanity.

After reading the meaning of this glyph I understood what is so important about this day. It is a day when we need to do ceremony, or meditate, to initiate another consciousness shift to push us totally into a new reality. If enough of us can bring in the light we can cause a big difference in the world. It would be kind of like the Harmonic Convergence that happened in August of 1987 which pushed us into a new timeline. The Harmonic Convergence was instigated by Jose Arguelles. He has been nudging me to get this information out there so we can gather in consciousness and move into the energy of love, joy, and magic.

The tone for Caban is called Overtone and is the number five. This is the number of the year we are in. The number 2012 equals five. The Goddess Star is a five-pointed star and represents the planet Venus and the Pleiadian system. This is what the Mayan Calendar is based on.

The meaning for this Overtone is about radiance and the vibration of center, empowerment and taking command. Radiance is the quality of radiating out from center, expanding one's essence and energy so that it is felt, perceived, and seen at a distance. Use this Overtone to empower your radiance by committing to your center. Your center is the most stable, wise, calm, joyous, and powerful part of you.

Being centered means to be self-validated, self-assured and aligned with the present moment. When you are this intimately connected to yourself and aligned with the present moment, you are an unstoppable force, able to take command and be resourceful. All the energy and intention to this point has been gathered up to empower and intensify the intention of your creation and to facilitate the next phase of creation.

See why July 24 is such a powerful day? July 24<sup>th</sup> is the last day of the calendar, and July 25 is a day out of time and also a time for celebration. It is New Year's Eve for the Dreamspell.

I think it is very important to pay attention to those days and connect with this energy. It's time to move out of pain, suffering, and all of that old third-dimension stuff we don't need anymore. This Dreamspell calendar is lined up and starts with the star Sirius rising over Egypt and the Pyramids. Sirius was a very important star for the ancients. It was also very important for the United States because our government was set up on July 4, 1776, which lines up with 13 degrees Cancer and that is where Sirius is located in the heavens.

The glyph for July 26, or this upcoming year, is the Blue Resonant Storm and is ruled by the planet Pluto, which is a very powerful planet.

This glyph is called Cauac and is the initiation by fire, the lightning path, and the arrival of the thunderbeings who bring the final transformation. To the Maya, Cauac represents the storm, the thundercloud full of purifying rain, and the lightning that shatters any false structuring of reality.

Pluto rules Scorpio, and Saturn will be moving into that sign in October of this year. The moon's node will move into Scorpio by the end of August so look for the shattering of false reality.

This is why it is so important to release all of your fears, worries, and negative thinking now so you can move into this new energy and start manifesting happiness. Live in the NOW! Yesterday is gone; tomorrow is not here yet, so what is there to worry about? Worry is just an illusion anyway, so why stress out worrying about what may happen? Create from the energy of your heart. All is well in my world. Blue storm will open a gateway to new consciousness.

The Resonant tone is one of attunement and vibration of inspiration, channeling and mystical power. Attunement means to be aligned with your desired vibration. To attune to your highest self is to synchronize with its resonance, to adjust and bring yourself into harmony. The more you attune to your highest nature, the more effortless and elegant it becomes to channel information, energies and forms whenever you need or desire them.

A seven tone is a call to the vibration of inspiration, channeling and mystical power. A seven tone is calling you to decode hidden systems. Seven is direct connection and close personal relationship with Source. When you believe in your divine connection, you receive divine illumination. A resonate tone lives by their own rhythm, they are not crowd-followers, but are elevated by their sense of individualization. The musical note for this tone is F#.

The Olympics are starting on July 27, 2012, and it is in England this year. England has been one of the main powerhouses for the banking system and control of the world. The reason for this is that the energy from the great central sun that holds 27 galaxies in place focuses into Stonehenge and the dark took control of that area. If we focus our energy on this area at the opening ceremony of the Olympics, and send lots of love and light and good thoughts to that area we can change the energy from one of control to one of love. Please check out this video: [Vortex Energy part 29 – 2012 Olympics, Crop Circles, The Olympians and the Consciousness of Humanity](#).

If the information in this article resonates with you, please find time to do some kind of ceremony on July 24 so we can all join in consciousness to bring more light to Mother Earth. Then on July 27<sup>th</sup>, we could all focus on England. We are powerful beings. We are the ones we have been waiting for, and it is time to take back our power. We are God's perfect children and It's time for us to manifest the power of Love.

So Be It! Written in love and light!

\*\*\*\*\*Mahala Gayle\*\*\*\*\*



2012, June 24

## Welcome to the Truth: First Uranus/Pluto Square: June 24, 2012

By Barbara Hand Clow

This is the first of seven articles on the seven Uranus/Pluto squares—2012-2015—the time of the early stages of a great renaissance in our world. We are breaking through to another evolutionary level, a process that always involves great struggle very much like a baby bird breaking its shell. Some day, people will realize that our species experienced a great leap forward 2012-15, one that can be compared to the late medieval Renaissance 500 years ago. During the Renaissance, we learned that art and beauty feed the human soul; now during these seven squares, we are *discovering the power of the human heart*. This article describes the potential of the first Uranus/Pluto squares in light of the critical issues we face right now. My intention is to clearly assess current reality to identify the special qualities that can manifest do in this climate.

As many of you know, it seems to be impossible to comprehend what's actually happening to our species right now, and it seems to be even more difficult to forecast what is coming next. However, for one small group of humans—astrologers—there is clear guidance at this time. We are very much needed right now, so we must strive to find ways to describe what we know to ordinary people, not to just shop talk among ourselves. I begin with the general astrological map of our times, which is very informative and compelling.

Astrology is rarely as clear as it is right now: Pluto, which rules truth and debt, went into Capricorn in 2008 where it will be through 2024. When Pluto transits Capricorn, there is always a great struggle over the control of human resources, so the battle opened with the financial crisis in 2008. Previously Pluto was in Capricorn AD 778-795; 1024-1041; 1269-1286; 1516-1532; and 1762-1777, and all of these periods were characterized by great transformative changes in the world. For example, the first period indicated—778-795—was when Charlemagne carved Europe up into territories and the Papacy was granted its territories, which has evolved into the hugely powerful Vatican Bank. The last period listed—1762-1777—was the time of the American Revolution and its foundation as a nation. Simply put, we are in the early stages of a gargantuan struggle over who *globally* owns and controls what. As it was during 1762-1777, the United States is the central stage for this transformation because 1) it is still attempting to be the world's empire, and 2) in the USA 1776 founding chart, Pluto is in 28 Capricorn, so the US will have its Pluto Return in 2022. Secondly, while Pluto is in Capricorn, during 2012-15, Uranus in Aries—revolution and surprise—*applies* seven squares to Pluto that will trigger a crisis over all the issues that came forth during the Uranus/Pluto *conjunctions* of the 1960s. The charts for the seven Uranus/Pluto squares are cast for Washington, DC, since it is the theatre for the struggle over global control. More about the 1960s in a moment, since first we need more general astrology.

When Uranus goes into Aries every 84 years, a whole new innovative cycle begins, and the surprise factor is always huge. The last time Uranus was in Aries was 1927-1933 —the previous world financial collapse. Few doubt that we are now in the middle of a global financial crisis. Well, *Uranus in Aries squared Pluto in Cancer in 1932-34*, but these were waning squares after Uranus opposed Pluto in 1901-02, the time when processes complete, which in the 1930s was the West's heavy industrialization. So, even though comparisons between our era and the Great Depression are tempting, something entirely new is going on, since the squares are *applying* as the squares after the conjunction when new things emerge. We will see *a totally new reality emerging out of due the struggles generated by these squares*. We need to identify *what* this reality will be and also realize that *nobody* can avoid the coming changes. The Uranus/Pluto squares were pushing everyone during 2011, which was so apparent with the Arab Spring and the European financial crisis. Personally, anyone who is *not* experiencing great changes right now is resisting this energetic push. However, you can see what's actually happening to all of us if you face your truth. This will happen because these seven applying squares are the first to occur *since Pluto was sighted* in 1930; we are slated to hyper-truthful.

No matter how much anyone tries to hide from it, *Earth's people must adopt sustainable living*, or the slated renaissance will abort. As this new emergent reality formulates pushed by intense Uranus/Pluto squares, we struggle to co-create with it. Meanwhile, many people are confused by the failure of the 1960s alternative-cultural revolution, yet now we can now see that *sustainability* was birthed by the flower

children. This failure occurred because it wasn't time yet. But now that Uranus has attained its square position to Pluto, sustainability will be the fruition of the Uranus/Pluto conjunctions of the 1960s. This failure forty years ago is the cause of a great amount of angst and pain between generations, which is explored in depth in my article, "Uranus Square Pluto and Generational Tension". This failure is the wound that needs to be healed now because the generations must work together.

Elite power systems won the battle in the short run, but now a battle over the issues will be played out again, and the winner is going to be chosen by each one of you. Let's look at a few of them:

- 1) Organic farming and protection of species seems to have lost out to chemicals, genetic modification, seed control, and pesticides. Corporate agricultural businesses seem to be totally dominant, especially financially, yet locally grown organic food and species protection is emerging.
- 2) Alternative and natural healing has been constantly belittled and attacked by allopathic medicine and pharmaceutical corporations. Yet, the Wellness movement has been growing in spite of them.
- 3) Sustainability struggles to save limited resources and to stop constant growth, while houses have become "tear-downs" in the face of high rises as technology just keeps on producing seductive gadgets and gobbling up world markets with the inventions. Yet, in this ferocious end-stage struggle to take anything one can get, small sustainable communities are forming everywhere.

During the 1970s through 2000, movements to create sustainability and harmony with our planet were driven underground, but they didn't die and now they are the seeds for the new era 2012-15. However, the global elite power mongers possess unbelievable power and control over resources by means of globalization, corporate legal systems, and financial systems that concentrate money in the hands of a few. Yet, the path we each must choose is so clear! Each person who buys or grows local organic, uses alternative medicine, and lives simply (even if it's only because they are forced to by the economic crash) is *turning the tables on the elite*. Elite systems are crashing internally and externally just when the sustainability movement is attaining critical mass. In this environment, the Uranus/Pluto squares are pushing everyone to destroy the old systems, which forces more and more people to adopt new ways of life. Many people are already noticing that they feel good when they are riding the new energy wave, yet they feel chaotic and terrible when they resist the changes and cling to the old ways. This evolutionary tidal wave is rolling anyone who can't flow. The first square offers insight on the tides.

The chart for the first Uranus/Pluto squares is cast for 1:17 AM, EDT (Michelson) for Washington, DC, and it gives us much information about the winners and losers in this struggle. Since the US is still the dominant global power, I am using exact conjunctions to the USA 1776 founding chart (Sibley). The Sun in 3 Cancer is conjunct Venus-conjunct-Jupiter in the 1776 chart, indicating that we must protect beauty and nurture our resources, which emphasizes the need for sustainability. The Sun in 3 Cancer exactly trines Neptune in 3 Pisces calling attention to the transit of Neptune in Pisces, which has just begun! Pisces is the home sign of Neptune and its quest is spiritual awakening, so the central drive for beauty and wellbeing is very spiritualized. Therefore, besides adopting sustainable living now, it is also time to activate our imaginations. This combination tells us that we all need to engage in a collective dream by filling our minds with beautiful images of the coming golden world. Jupiter, the lunar south node, and Venus all square Neptune/Chiron, which means the awakening of our spiritual powers is very intense. This square also shows us exactly what's missing—a beautiful and spiritual life.

Of course, Uranus exactly squares Pluto, as the Sun in Cancer opposes Pluto, which stimulated the global activation of nurturance. The Sun/Pluto opposition puts Uranus at the top of a T-square, so how this works out will be a shock. This shaking will be continual through June 29, when the Sun exactly opposes Pluto and later exactly squares Uranus; whew! Uranus exactly sextiles Venus in Gemini, so these surprises may come through intellectual beauty, possibly a philosophical epiphany. Or, wild and chaotic expressions of Mother Nature may awaken many to her beauty. Retrograde Saturn squares Mercury in Cancer, which encourages us to meld our intentions with the sustainability movement, especially since Mars in Virgo sextiles Mercury in Cancer giving us aggressive and clear minds.

Putting it all together, the first Uranus/Pluto square suggests that a religious crisis is brewing. This will probably be expressed in the US elections with a Mormon contender, Romney, going against rather

charismatic President Obama. Also, the sexual abuse crisis in the Roman Church is simmering beneath the surface and many fingers point to the Pope. In this testy environment, it is always best to keep your mind clear and know your own beliefs. I got a great reminder that I'm doing okay the day I finished this column. A friend who'd just had a session with Gerry brought this poem to me.

### **How Our Hearts are Joining**

*Wall Street toys with  
and swallows  
our futures,  
futures that we handed  
to our governments  
in trust and in apathy.  
No more.  
No longer.  
Empires often do down  
In shows of force,  
Lying, denying,  
grasping, dramatizing,  
fooling themselves with  
no longer potent posturings.  
It's nothing  
compared to  
how our hearts are joining.*

--Susan Parker

October 4, 2011

2012, July 17 taken from Miraclesandinspiration.com

<http://miraclesandinspiration.com/news.html>

## VATICAN RAIDED BY POLICE FOR FIRST TIME IN HISTORY

Further within the time between Drake's proclamations, other monumentally significant world developments have transpired.

Reports out of Italy are stating for the first *ever* time in its long and demonically corrupt history, the Vatican was raided by Italian police on July 5, 2012, who were searching for evidence in an ongoing money laundering scandal growing worse by the week for the Holy See. (*Here is [the original report on an Italian news channel, TGCOM 24.](#)*)



Italian authorities closing in on Vatican. | Photo by Carconi/AP

The Vatican and its secretive bank, whose official name is the Institute for Works of Religion (its Italian acronym is IOR), continue to draw an [unprecedented amount of high level scrutiny from Italian prosecutors regarding its long history of shady financial dealings, questionable earnings and money laundering.](#)

Unfolding like another Dan Brown-penned thriller in the mold of "*The Da Vinci Code*," this latest story has a long, long way to go before it reaches its final chapter. And it will likely get very, very ugly by that point.

The story thus far has involved [the head of the Vatican bank](#), the Pope, various high ranking cardinals, archbishops, [the Mafia](#) and even [the Pope's butler](#), but not yet including the countless of victims of their high crimes and misdemeanors. Just a typical day in Vatican City.

The Vatican is already reeling from [a scathing international pedophile scandal](#) that has stretched from the US to Ireland to Belgium and nearly every other country the Catholic Church has a presence. Now Canadian citizens are joining the fray in the form of a [new lawsuit filed on July 1st](#), which is seeking to implicate the Vatican, the Crown of England, the government and churches of Canada, and pharmaceutical corporations for crimes against humanity and criminal conspiracy. (*See video below for more details.*)

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=3z9\\_cg\\_QzOg](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=3z9_cg_QzOg)

Rev Kevin Annett: Historic Federal Lawsuit against Vatican, UK Queen, Big Pharma et al.

It is important to realize we are witnessing the final, death throes of the Vatican and its evil agenda as it implodes from within, piece by piece, scandal by scandal.

Once a thorough investigation gains some real teeth and the discoveries of centuries of criminal activity by the Vatican have been fully revealed, police authorities may have to wait in line as the people storm the gates to Vatican City demanding answers. As we have said before, and will say again — all roads lead to Rome.

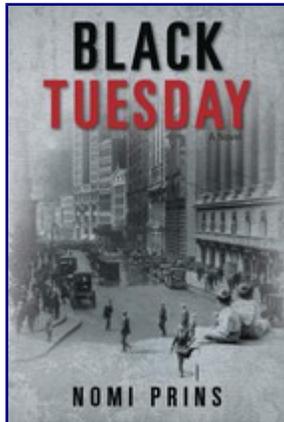
Make no mistake about it, Vatican City sits at the top as the heart of the spiritual control of the human race, followed by the City of London as the financial control and Washington, DC as the military control. At this stage of the game, these three power centers are feeling the heat being turned up to levels never seen before. And it is

only going to get hotter and hotter!

2012, Jan 13      **Ex-Goldmanite Prins Fears Another Great Depression: Interview**  
*By Yalman Onaran - Jan 13, 2012 10:01 PM MT*

The conditions that led to the birth of Occupy Wall Street are very similar to those before the Great Depression, says former [Goldman Sachs Group Inc. \(GS\)](#) managing director Nomi Prins.

Prins is the author of "[Black Tuesday](#)," a novel set in 1929 and '30 in which the heroine accidentally discovers dark secrets at the nation's largest bank. Prins has also written three nonfiction books, including "It Takes a Pillage: Behind the Bailouts, Bonuses and Backroom Deals From [Washington](#) to Wall Street" (2009).



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The cover jacket of "Black Tuesday" by Nomi Prins. Source: Nomi Prins via Bloomberg



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Nomi Prins, author of "Black Tuesday." Source: Nomi Prins via Bloomberg

In an interview at Bloomberg world headquarters in New York, we discussed the past and future of the financial system and the mistakes policy makers are repeating.

Onaran: Why did you go for fiction this time?

Prins: In nonfiction, you don't have the ability to dig into the emotional impact on people of financial disasters. You can talk about statistics, but that doesn't do it justice. I wanted to explore the emotional side of the story.

Onaran: Why did you use the 1930s as the backdrop to the story rather than the current crisis?

Prins: There are so many parallels between the 1930s and now, they're staggering. Just like the asset bubble that caused the Great Depression, our subprime bubble has led to the 2008 crash from which we're still suffering. So I wanted to say: "We've been here before. Why are we doing this again?"

## Rich Versus Poor

Today we have this 1 percent versus 99 percent, the dislocation between the rich and the poor, between the bankers and everybody else. That was very prevalent back then, leading up to the Depression. So the contrast between the poor Lower East Side residents and the [Wall Street](#) bankers in the 1930s was very intriguing to me.

Onaran: Are we repeating the same mistakes of the Great Depression?

Prins: The [Glass-Steagall Act](#) was created in 1933 to make sure banks couldn't take advantage of their deposit and loan customers to get involved in the creation of new securities. So the risk of [investment banking](#) was separated, and the biggest banks were split up. But this time around, we didn't do that -- we didn't break up the banks, we actually consolidated more of their risk. We made them bigger. We lost the opportunity to make the banks less complex and not have the government subsidize zombie banks.

We've done so many things wrong, I'm afraid this will be a prolonged depression on the economy.

## Roosevelt's Reforms

Onaran: How could [Franklin Delano Roosevelt](#) carry out fundamental reforms -- banks had just as much political clout then, no?

Prins: Banks didn't see that they were losing their power when they were forced to split. The same people stayed on the boards of the new entities formed, so they thought they continued to wield power in the financial system.

Onaran: Are the banks cooking the books now as they were at the time?

Prins: Yes. By not marking to market the complex securities in their books, they're hiding losses. Second, if you have loan properties and if you haven't finished foreclosure, the related assets aren't marked down. So there's massive overvaluing going on across the board.

(Yalman Onaran writes for Bloomberg News. The opinions expressed are his own. This interview was condensed from a longer conversation.)

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2012, July 19 **Matt Taibbi Dishes on the "Biggest Insider Trading You Could Ever Imagine"**

[Democracy Now!](#) / By [Juan Gonzalez](#) and [Amy Goodman](#)

Sixteen international banks are accused of rigging a key global interest rate used in contracts worth trillions of dollars.



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**JUAN GONZÁLEZ:** We end today's show with Matt Taibbi. He's a contributing editor for *Rolling Stone* magazine. His most recent in-depth [piece](#) is "The Scam Wall Street Learned from the Mafia: How America's Biggest Banks Took Part in a Nationwide Bid-Rigging Conspiracy—Until They Were Caught on Tape."

Matt Taibbi has also been closely following the Libor scandal. Sixteen international banks are accused of rigging a key global interest rate used in contracts worth trillions of dollars. The London Interbank Offered Rate, known as Libor, is the average interest rate at which banks can borrow from each other. Some analysts say it defines the cost of money. The benchmark rate sets the borrowing costs of everything from mortgages to student loans to credit card accounts.

**AMY GOODMAN:** Matt Taibbi is with us here in New York. His latest book is called *Griftopia: A Story of Bankers, Politicians, and the Most Audacious Power Grab in American History*. Matt, welcome to *Democracy Now!*

**MATT TAIBBI:** Good morning.

**AMY GOODMAN:** Explain Libor.

**MATT TAIBBI:** Libor is basically the rate at which banks borrow from each other. It's a benchmark that sets—that a lot of international investment products are pegged to. When Libor is low, that means that the banks feel confident in each other; and when Libor is high, that means there is generally instability. And what we've been dealing with in this scandal are really two different types of manipulation: one in which the banks manipulated Libor downward so as to create the appearance of good health generally, and then, more specifically, a much more insidious kind of corruption where they were manipulating it both up and down in order to capitalize on particular trades, depending on what the banks were holding that day. So this is an explosive, gigantic financial scandal.

**JUAN GONZÁLEZ:** But, Matt, you know, I was listening to Lawrence Kudlow a couple of nights ago on CNBC, the guru of business journalism, and he claims this is a victimless crime, that this has been blown up out of proportion by the rest of the media and by some of the government regulators.

**MATT TAIBBI:** I mean, it's—I can't imagine how he could possibly—a sane person could possibly describe this as a victimless crime. Basically, every city and town in America, to say nothing of the rest of the world, has investments that are pegged to Libor. Most of them are holding investment accounts that actually will decrease in value as Libor goes down. So, you're talking—

**JUAN GONZÁLEZ:** Well, I think that's what most people don't understand, that they say, well, if the interest rate goes down—

**MATT TAIBBI:** Right.

**JUAN GONZÁLEZ:** —that means you're paying less. But they don't understand the interest swaps that

have occurred with many of these governments.

**MATT TAIBBI:** Right, most individuals think of it in terms of their own mortgages or their own credit cards. And it's true, most of those people probably benefited when they were manipulating Libor down. But now, remember, they also manipulated it upwards at times. But when it was downward, those individuals did benefit. But on the whole, overall, ordinary people actually suffered when Libor was manipulated downward, mainly because local governments, municipal governments tended to lose money. So if you live in a town that had a budget crisis, that had to lay off firemen or teachers or policemen, or couldn't provide services or textbooks in their schools, you know, that might be due to this. And remember, even the tiniest manipulation downward, when you're talking about a thing of this scale, would result in tens of trillions of dollars of losses. So it's an enormous scandal. It eclipses anything we've seen since 2008.

**AMY GOODMAN:** Matt, on Wednesday, U.S. Treasury Secretary Tim Geithner defended himself against criticisms that regulators should have done more to address concerns over the credibility of the Libor interest rate.

**TREASURY SECRETARY TIMOTHY GEITHNER:** We acted very early in response to concerns that the processes to set this rate was impaired and flawed and vulnerable to misrepresentation. We were worried about it, we were concerned about it. I took the initiative to brief the entire U.S. regulatory community on this at a very early stage, early May. My staff then briefed the SEC, CFTC. We brought it to the attention of the British and took the exceptional step of writing them—putting in writing to them a detailed set of recommendations that revealed the extent of the concerns in that context. And the U.S., to its credit, set in motion, at that stage, a very, very powerful enforcement response, the first results of which you have now seen.

**AMY GOODMAN:** That's Treasury Secretary Tim Geithner. Matt Taibbi, your response?

**MATT TAIBBI:** Well, first of all, the Bank of England chief, Mervyn King, says that the memo that he sent to the British actually didn't outline any specific regulatory concerns. It didn't give them any information but only proposed steps that they might take in the future. And those steps were actually just more recommendations for more self-regulation for the banks. My question is, if the Bank of England and the Fed knew about this activity dating back to 2008, why was nothing done? Why were there no criminal investigations until now? Why did the rest of us not hear about it? This is information that should be pertinent to everybody who makes investments, but it was kept secret from everybody. Remember, the information that the Fed got was that some of the banks not only were manipulating Libor, but they were doing it because they felt they had no choice, because everybody else was doing it. And for the Fed to get that information and not immediately launch a massive criminal investigation, or help the Justice Department do that, speaks to the ineffectiveness of their response.

**JUAN GONZÁLEZ:** Well, isn't part of the problem, though, that some of these governments and central banks actually looked—looked aside at what was going on because they wanted to keep interest rates low, and hopefully bringing the economies back and having some kind of economic resurgence?

**MATT TAIBBI:** Yeah, absolutely. There's one way to look at this and say, OK, the Bank of England and the Fed knew about this in 2008, but they had an interest, perhaps, in seeing Libor artificially suppressed, because in that panic of 2008, when everything in the markets was going haywire, it actually benefited governments by creating the image of financial soundness in the markets. But, A, that's an irrational response, because it's a terrible precedent to set for the government to allow manipulation of the markets in any way, and, B, the banks weren't doing this just to make themselves look healthier, they were also doing this just to make money. They were trading against this information in what essentially was the biggest kind of insider trading you could possibly imagine. So, I don't think that argument is going to hold water.

**AMY GOODMAN:** Matt, some, like you, say the Libor scandal could cost the banks tens of billions of dollars. But the *Wall Street Journal* editorial page has portrayed Barclays bankers as the victim. When the scandal first broke, the *Journal* ignored it for a week. Then, in a [piece](#) called "Barclays Bank Bash," it wrote, quote, "Federal gumshoes are hot on the trail of banks suspected of attempting to manipulate a key interest rate. If only it were easy to separate the effect of alleged manipulation efforts by private banks from the deliberate manipulation by government," unquote. Talk about the U.S. media coverage of the Libor scandal.

**MATT TAIBBI:** Well, first of all, there hasn't been enough coverage in the United States, and that's probably because the scandal has not yet spread to our shores. And it will, because this starts—it probably starts with Barclays and UBS and the Royal Bank of Scotland. These are the three banks that we know of already that have admitted to this conduct. But it's eventually going to involve big American banks, as well. And we know who they are; we don't have to mention them. But they're the other—the American banks in the survey are also going to be involved in this.

But I think the American media generally has been slow to realize the gravity of the scandal. I think there's a lot of fatigue out there among people with all of the financial corruption. I think news editors generally are reluctant to go there, especially with something as complicated as Libor. But what we're going to see is a lot of coverage like what you just heard from the *Wall Street Journal*, where there's going to be a suggestion that this was done in sort of a patriotic manner, in order to create an appearance of soundness in the markets during a period of crisis, that this was done at the behest of governments. And I would suspect that that's going to be the first line of defense for these banks.

**JUAN GONZÁLEZ:** I wanted to ask you about something else not directly related to Libor but certainly to banks and to the—your connection to them to the Mafia: the recent revelations that HSBC, one of—the biggest bank in Europe, admitted that it was laundering tens of millions of dollars in drug money from the Mexican drug cartels, forcing one of its chief officers to resign publicly in a hearing?

**MATT TAIBBI:** Right, yeah, that's obviously a big scandal, too. It probably has been overshadowed by the Libor revelations recently. We've obviously heard things like this before, banks not asking enough questions about where the money is coming from: the Bank of New York scandal back in the late '90s with the Russian mob money that was flowing there by the billion; you know, to a lesser degree, the scandal involving Jon Corzine and his company, and what questions did Chase ask or not ask when they were dealing with them. There's clearly a laxity among all the banks in asking enough questions about where money is coming from. I suspect that the HSBC scandal will help spread awareness in that regard, as well.

**AMY GOODMAN:** What is the solution, Matt Taibbi?

**MATT TAIBBI:** To the Libor situation or—

**AMY GOODMAN:** Yes, and overall, whether we're talking about HSBC to—

**JUAN GONZÁLEZ:** To crooked banks.

**AMY GOODMAN:** —the power and to the administration, not to mention in this election year, the opponents, shoring up and supporting and protecting?

**MATT TAIBBI:** Well, the Libor scandal presents really the mother of all regulatory dilemmas, because this scandal could not have happened if it was just one or two or even three banks acting as rogue participants. The way Libor works is, they take a survey of 16 banks every day. They take the four highest numbers and the four lowest numbers, and they throw them out. They average out the remaining numbers. And what that means is that pretty much all the banks have to be in on it in order to move the needle in any one direction. So you're talking about 16 of the world's biggest, most powerful financial institutions. And if they're all cooperating in what essentially is a gigantic international price-fixing operation, what do regulators do? You know, fines are clearly not going to be sufficient. Even if they pursue criminal investigations and jail a few of the traders, that's really not going to be sufficient either. So, it really poses a tremendous question. What are they—they're going to have to revoke some kind of privileges to all of these banks, and that will really result in a massive shake-up of the entire financial system.

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# 2012, July 19 **Big Banks Funded the Nazis and Launched a Coup Against the President of the United States**

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*Preface: Not all bankers are bad people. For example, many bankers at smaller banks and credit unions are good people who are [trying to help their communities](#).*

## **Banks Fund Terrorists**

It is newsworthy that HSBC has been accused by the Senate of [laundering money for terrorists](#). And [see this](#).

Big banks have been caught in a [wide variety of criminal activities recently](#).

But this is nothing new.

## **American Banks Funded the Nazis**

Many big American banks funded the Nazis.

The BBC [reported](#) in 1998:

Barclays Bank has agreed to pay \$3.6m to Jews whose assets were seized from French branches of the British-based bank during World War II.

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Chase Manhattan Bank, which has acknowledged seizing about 100 accounts held by Jews in its Paris branch during World War II ...”Recently unclassified reports from the US Treasury about the activities of Chase in Paris in the 1940s indicate that the local branch worked “in close collaboration with the German authorities” in freezing Jewish assets.

The New York Daily News [noted](#) the same year:

The relationship between Chase and the Nazis apparently was so cozy that Carlos Niedermann, the Chase branch chief in Paris, wrote his supervisor in Manhattan that the bank enjoyed “very special esteem” with top German officials and “a rapid expansion of deposits,” according to Newsweek.

Niedermann’s letter was written in May 1942 five months after the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor and the U.S. also went to war with Germany.

The BBC [reported](#) in 1999:

A French government commission, investigating the seizure of Jewish bank accounts during the Second World War, says five American banks **Chase Manhattan, J.P Morgan, Guaranty Trust Co. of New York, Bank of the City of New York** and American Express had taken part.

It says their Paris branches handed over to the Nazi occupiers about one-hundred such accounts.

One of Britain’s main newspapers – the Guardian – [reported](#) in 2004:

George Bush’s grandfather [and George H.W. Bush's father], the late US senator Prescott Bush, was a director and shareholder of companies that profited from their involvement with the financial backers of Nazi Germany.

The Guardian has obtained confirmation from newly discovered files in the US National Archives that a firm of which Prescott Bush was a director was involved with the financial architects of Nazism.

His business dealings ... continued until his company's assets were seized in 1942 under the Trading with the Enemy Act

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The documents reveal that the firm he worked for, Brown Brothers Harriman (BBH), acted as a US base for the German industrialist, Fritz Thyssen, who helped finance Hitler in the 1930s before falling out with him at the end of the decade. The Guardian has seen evidence that shows Bush was the director of the New York-based Union Banking Corporation (UBC) that represented Thyssen's US interests and he continued to work for the bank after America entered the war.

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Bush was a founding member of the bank [UBC] ... The bank was set up by Harriman and Bush's father-in-law to provide a US bank for the Thyssens, Germany's most powerful industrial family.

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By the late 1930s, Brown Brothers Harriman, which claimed to be the world's largest private investment bank, and UBC had bought and shipped millions of dollars of gold, fuel, steel, coal and US treasury bonds to Germany, both feeding and financing Hitler's build-up to war.

Between 1931 and 1933 UBC bought more than \$8m worth of gold, of which \$3m was shipped abroad. According to documents seen by the Guardian, after UBC was set up it transferred \$2m to BBH accounts and between 1924 and 1940 the assets of UBC hovered around \$3m, dropping to \$1m only on a few occasions.

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UBC was caught red-handed operating a American shell company for the Thyssen family eight months after America had entered the war and that this was the bank that had partly financed Hitler's rise to power.

Indeed, banks often finance [both sides of wars](#):

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HOP6I9ePdqs&feature=player\\_embedded](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HOP6I9ePdqs&feature=player_embedded)

The San Francisco Chronicle also documents that leading financiers [Rockefeller, Carnegie and Harriman funded Nazi eugenics programs](#).

### **American Bankers Funded Coup Against FDR**

According to the BBC and other sources, Prescott Bush, JP Morgan and other leading financiers also funded a coup against President Franklin Roosevelt in an attempt – basically – to implement fascism in the U.S.. See [this](#), [this](#), [this](#) and [this](#).

<http://www.washingtonsblog.com/2012/07/big-banks-funded-the-nazis-and-launched-a-coup-against-the-president-of-the-united-states.html>



# Chris Hayes on the Twilight of the Elites and the End of Meritocracy

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**Sarah Shatz**

If history is "one damned thing after another," the short history of 21st-Century America looks like one damned gigantic clusterfuck. First, and worst, national security and intelligence failures enabled the 9/11 terrorist attack, the largest mass murder on the continent in the nation's history. Then came Enron, a colossal fraud and the largest corporate bankruptcy ever. Next we had the pointless and devastating Iraq war, the biggest foreign policy disaster since Vietnam. At mid-decade, we watched a major American city, New Orleans, drown on national television, killing a thousand people. A few years later, the housing bubble popped, wiping out trillions of dollars of wealth and precipitating the largest financial crisis in 70 years and the worst economic recession since the Great Depression. Unbelievably, very few people have been held to account for this catalogue of scandal and disaster – not in Washington, not on Wall Street, not, for the most part, in America's corporate boardrooms.

All of which – and more – has left a banged-up and bewildered American people down on the nation's bedrock institutions, sour on the future, and asking: *What the hell happened!?*

In an excellent new book, [Twilight of the Elites](#), journalist Chris Hayes argues that what happened is this:

Our ruling class failed us. Behind the seemingly haphazard pile-up of recent calamities he sees a pattern: In each case, a cadre of Very Important People succumbed to some combination of blinkered groupthink, deception, self-dealing, fraud, smugness, and self-delusion. And in virtually every case, they escaped accountability. Or, as Hayes puts it: "All the smart people fucked up, and no one seems willing to take responsibility."

But *why* did the smart people fuck up, again and again? Because, Hayes argues, America's mechanism for sorting the gifted and talented from the rest of us – what we proudly call our meritocracy – has broken down, to the point where it "isn't very meritocratic at all." And the consequence is that we're "led" by a grasping, status-obsessed elite class that's increasingly socially and economically distant and prone to rigging the game for its own benefit, the public good be damned.

Hayes, who hosts his own show on MSNBC, *Up with Chris Hayes*, and is editor at large at *The Nation*, sat down the other day with RollingStone.com to talk about how America's meritocracy stalled out and its elites went bad, and where we go from here.

The book describes how the promise of American meritocracy has been betrayed. Remind us what that promise entails.

It's basically the vision of the American Dream, of social mobility -- that everyone, regardless of their family name, gender, creed, or geographical origin will compete on an even playing field, and then there'll be this intense funneling process that gets us down to the most talented and the brightest, who will helm our institutions and comprise the governing elite or the 1%, although those two things are increasingly the same thing.

But social mobility, by most counts, is on the decline. How can that be true in a functioning meritocracy? The mechanisms of mobility and of equal opportunity are inevitably subverted by unequal power and wealth. We want to make a neat division between equality of opportunity and equality of outcome, but in practice, we can't. I use my high school, Hunter College in New York City, as an example. It's a public school, free, open to students from all five boroughs, but it's highly selective. When I went there, in the 1990s, you took one test to get in, in sixth grade. If you scored high enough you got in, if not, not. And if you were the mayor's kid and you didn't score high enough, you didn't get in. That's the kind of democratizing promise of the meritocracy.

But that was then ...

Right. What's happened over time is you've seen a decline in black and Latino students in the school -- who were always underrepresented, but are even more so now -- at the same time as there's been this growth of a test prep industry. Parents are paying thousands of dollars for cram schools to prepare their kids for the test, and now the majority of kids getting in are products of the test-prep regime. So the test prep industry has been this perfect parable: You have this scarce resource -- a spot at an elite school -- and people with money in a very unequal city have a clear advantage over those who don't.

You say this process produces distinctive "psychopathologies" in the people who go through it. What's an example?

The pathology of ceaseless competition is inculcated early and creates this kind of constant status obsession upwards. You're habituated early on to think of life as winning a set of competitions toward some small set of scarce resources. You have to jump through these hoops, make your way, show everyone, by the amount of money you make and the status you've acquired, that you belong there. That's very different from the idea, say, of *noblesse oblige* -- which is not to be nostalgic for the previous ruling establishment, which was also morally bankrupt in all sorts of ways -- but it's a very different vision: You are bred to rule, and you must rule with grace and wisdom.

How does this explain corruption and cheating at the top?

What's insidious about meritocracy is that it countenances and tells a story that justifies the extreme inequality. Which is why you see these extreme payouts at the top. And those extreme payouts create

tremendous corrupting influences. And the reason that I talk about Major League Baseball in the book and connect it to Enron and Wall Street is that if you have this vision of an institutional arrangement with huge rewards for performance, it's trickier than it looks to design a system that doesn't also have big rewards for cheating. And right now, the size of the payouts at the top are so big that you get a lot of cheating.

The idea of being held accountable for bad behavior or poor performance would seem pretty essential to meritocracy, right? But that's not really how it works.

There's two different ways you can think about meritocracy. One is this idea of finding the natural aristocrats, and that's an extremely dangerous one; it's almost like a Calvinist vision, of people that are the elect, the saved. That idea underlies a lot of the problem here. Another one is just the idea of constant assessment, like in, say, professional sports. It's not like, you are great and you'll be great forever; it's, no, as soon as Derek Jeter has a crappy few months, he's getting killed in the New York press, and people are saying he shouldn't get a new contract. That's a very different model than the one that locates some central feature of somebody that makes them the best decision maker. There's confusion between the two models: We like to think we have the latter, but we actually have the former.

And the flip side of this lack of accountability up top is an excess of accountability for everybody else. Right. We're relentlessly punitive at the bottom and unimaginably forgiving at the top. We put more people in prison per capita than any other nation in the world. Our labor market operates under conditions of "at-will" employment, largely, which means if you come in one day and call your boss "dude," and he doesn't like it, you're fired. And at the top, corporate compensation has become totally detached from performance. Nowhere should there be a more meritocratic reward structure than with CEOs: Do a crappy job, there should be accountability; do a good job, get rewarded. Instead, the game is totally rigged. CEOs all sit on each others' compensation committees. It makes people feel that it's not on the level, that some people have a special deal. It's the opposite of meritocracy.

Toward the end of the book, you write that "if you want meritocracy, work for equality" -- because inequality of wealth is at the root of inequality of power and opportunity. How different would American society look if we did that?

The underlying premise in all of this is the idea that there's this scarce, small set of good jobs and fulfilling lives to be had, and everyone is going to compete for those. One alternative is a vision of society where everyone who's willing to work can have a good job and a fulfilling life, which is what it should be. That's a far superior social model. And it's also in stark contrast to the one we have now.

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Some of the first investors in Mitt Romney's firm Bain Capital, according to a [report](#) on the *Los Angeles Times*, were Salvadoran families living in Miami with members accused by the US government of funding death squads in the brutal civil war in El Salvador.

When Bain Capital was founded in 1984, Romney and his partners had trouble raising funds for their initial investments. "\$9 million came from rich Latin Americans," the *Times* reports, "including powerful Salvadoran families living in Miami.... At the time, U.S. officials were publicly accusing some exiles in Miami of funding right-wing death squads in El Salvador. Some family members of the first Bain Capital investors were later linked to groups responsible for killings."

The civil war in El Salvador lasted from 1980 to 1992 and killed more than 70,000 Salvadorans. It started after Archbishop Óscar Romero was assassinated while giving a mass shortly after he published an open letter to President Carter asking him to cut off US military aid to the Salvadoran military regime.

The *Times* reporters found no direct evidence that the accused Salvadorans themselves "invested in Bain or benefited from it"—it was "family members" of Bain investors who were linked to the killings.

Romney himself made a trip to Miami in 1984 to raise money for Bain from the Salvadorans. "The group included some of El Salvador's wealthiest people," the *Times* reports, including coffee exporters Francisco R.R. de Sola and his cousin Herbert Arturo de Sola. His brother, Orlando de Sola, according to the *Times*, was "suspected by State Department officials and the CIA of backing the right-wing death squads, according to now-declassified documents."

Orlando de Sola has denied supporting the death squads. He is now serving a four-year prison term for "unrelated fraud charges." Reporters from the *LA Times* interviewed him at the prison in Metapan, El Salvador. He told them he "did not benefit from the family investment in Bain Capital." He added that his family's "relationship with Bain Capital was a step to diversify into foreign investments. But I insist to you, I was not part of it."

The other Latin American investors declined or did not respond to requests from the *Times* for comment.

The Salvadorans hid their investment in Bain by working through shell companies set up in Panama, "then known for tax advantages and unusual banking secrecy." The *Times* quoted Steven H. Hagen, a Miami lawyer who provides tax advice to offshore companies and international investors, describing Panama in the 1980s as "the country of choice for foreigners wanting to make investments on a confidential basis."

The reporters on the story, Joseph Tanfani, Melanie Mason and Matea Gold, relied on Bain documents in Massachusetts corporate filings and other public records. The documents show that Bain Capital was "enmeshed in the largely opaque world of international high finance from its very inception." The reporters added that "the documents don't indicate any wrongdoing" by Bain or Romney.

For more, see Justin Elliot's January [report](#) at Salon.com.