

Attachment to Motion in Limine

Defendants' Exhibits Referred to in Motion

DEFENDANT'S EXHIBIT NO. 3

CASE NO. 06CV 1389

IDENTIFICATION: _____

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The Topeka Daily Capital

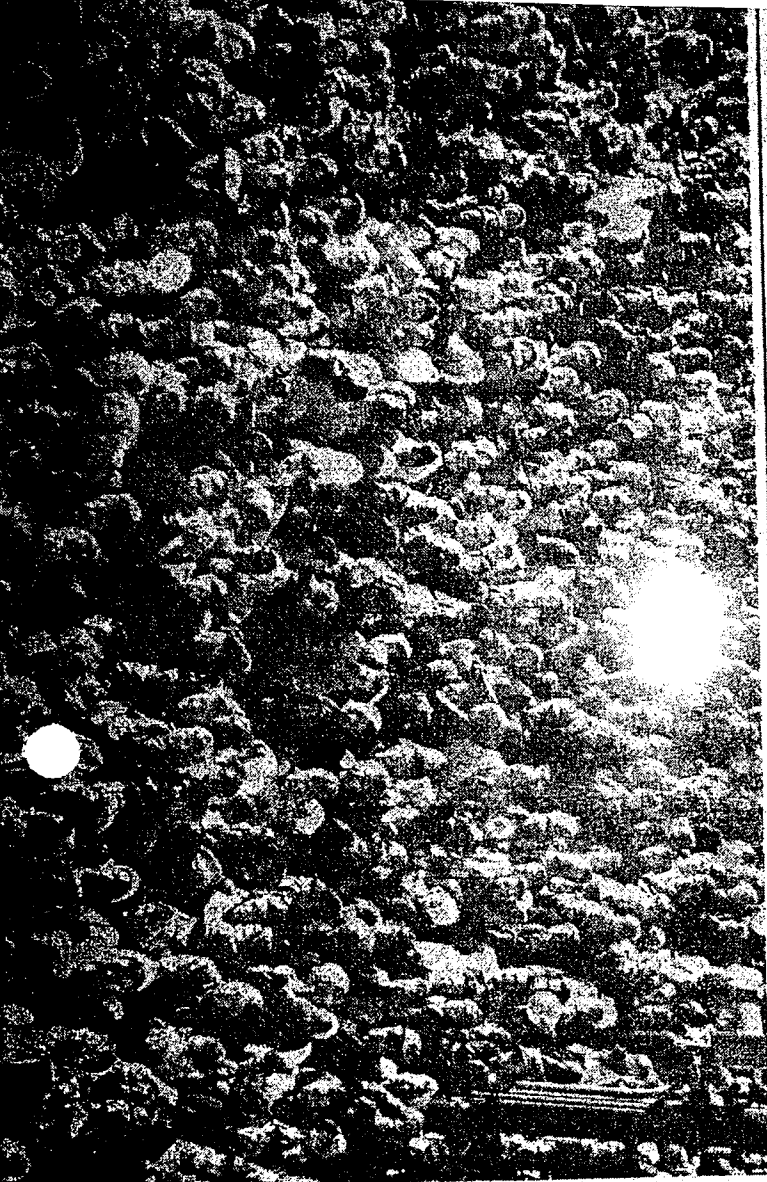
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Flood of Seek Hop

Grand Jury Clears Widow Of Woodward

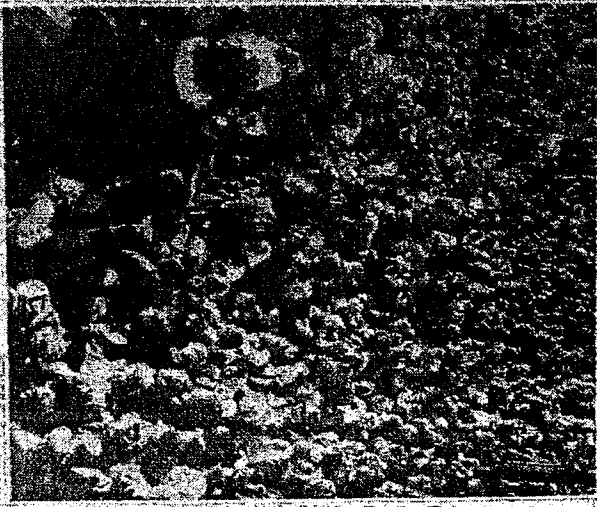
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MINNESOTA, Nov. 25 (AP)—
A blue-ribbon grand jury
found Friday night that...

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The Newspaper of Eastern Kansas
Published Daily Except on Sundays and Holidays
Volume 112 Number 111
Topeka, Kansas, April 22, 1934

Final Edition



Flood of Hopfuls Seek Hope's Job

Grand Jury Clears Wilcox Of Woodward



Members of the Grand Jury, including Chairman J. H. ...

County Will Collect Back Personal Taxes

Tots to Get Patio Shots

Byrd Word in Doubt

Byrd's word in doubt ...

Church Building Highest Ever

In local ...



Ohio Chaplain ...

Kansas Crop To Aid Turkey

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New Testament Study by Rabbi

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Youth Council Plans Annual Sing-Pageant

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Church Gifts To New High

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Sunday Church Services in Topeka

National Council Men to Speak in Topeka

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Western Say Fishes Top Curious

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Church on Thursday

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Prayer Bible Quiz

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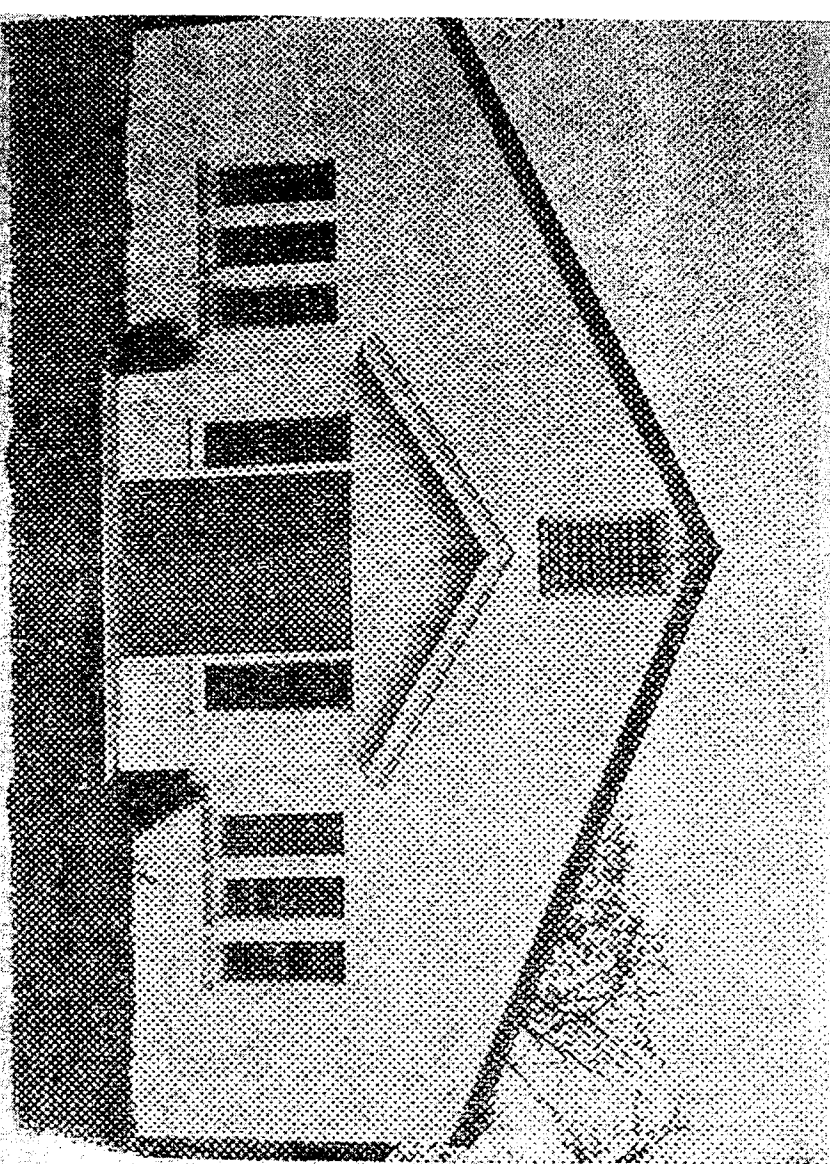
Chairman of UCC Quits After Probe Weather Is Anticipated

... Chairman of UCC ...

Advertisements at the bottom of the page include:

- YOUTH CHURCH**: Advertisement for youth services.
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- MAN'S BUILDING CENTER**: Advertisement for a building center.
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- Methodist Episcopal Church**: Advertisement for a Methodist church.
- Prayer Bible Quiz**: Advertisement for a quiz.
- Church on Thursday**: Advertisement for church services.
- Western Say Fishes Top Curious**: Advertisement for a fishing-related article.
- National Council Men to Speak in Topeka**: Advertisement for a speaking event.
- Ohio Chaplain**: Advertisement for a chaplain's services.
- Kansas Crop To Aid Turkey**: Advertisement for a crop-related article.
- New Testament Study by Rabbi**: Advertisement for a religious study.
- Youth Council Plans Annual Sing-Pageant**: Advertisement for a youth event.
- Church Gifts To New High**: Advertisement for church gifts.

OPENING SERVICE THIS SUNDAY, 2:30 P. M.



WESTBORO BAPTIST CHURCH

3701 West 12th

(Sponsored by East Side Baptist Church)

- Independent
- Fundamental
- Premillennial



Fred
Phelps

This Sunday afternoon at 2:30, the opening service of the new Westboro Baptist Church will be held. Each evening thereafter at 7:45, for two weeks, revival services will be held. Rev. Fred Phelps, Pastor, will be the speaker.

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RELIGION: Parish nurses
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NATION: Bush says port
rejection will have
consequences /A5

Carroll County Tin

Saturday, March 11, 2006

Westminster, Maryland

Funeral draws protesters



alah Phelps-Roper, 17, and Rebekah Phelps-Davis, both of Topeka, Kan., protest the funeral of Marine Lance Cpl. Matthew Snyder at St. John Roman Catholic Church in Westminster Friday. Snyder, 20, of Westminster, was killed in a military accident March 3 while serving in Iraq. The protesters were part of a small group representing the Westboro Baptist Church in Topeka.

Group pickets across country

Soldier's death part of God's judgment on America, leader says

are retribution from God for America's tolerance of sin and homosexuality.

On the church's Web site, a press release filled with anti-gay and anti-Roman Catholic slurs announced the group's intention to picket Snyder's funeral.

"When you turn a country over to the fags, that's a harbinger of doom," Phelps, 76, said Friday. "God Almighty is punishing this nation."

He claimed that U.S. troops dying in Iraq are bearing the brunt of God's anger toward the United States for what he called "the sins of this nation."

Phelps said the group's intention is to picket Snyder's funeral in Topeka, Kan.

The Rev. Fred Phelps, pastor of Westboro Baptist Church in Topeka, Kan., and his family members stood outside Monroe Street Friday morning, holding signs and chanting for 45 minutes to protest the funeral of Marine Lance Cpl. Matthew Snyder.

Snyder, 20, of Westminster, was buried Friday. He died in a noncombat vehicle accident in Iraq March 3.

The Midwestern church, which rose to prominence in the 1970s, has a reputation for picketing funerals and protests.

Bikers counter Kan. church members while mourners honor fallen Marine

BY ISAAC BAKER AND ARI MATTER TIMES STAFF WRITERS

While mourners gathered inside St. John Roman Catholic Church in Westminster to honor Lance Cpl. Matthew A. Snyder of Westminster, a controversial religious group picketed outside, decrying what they called U.S. tolerance of homosexuals.

Father Leo Patalinghug, who led the services for the Snyder family on Friday, said the group's message of hate against gays gives the church and the community the chance to respond positively.

"What they like to do is play on emotions rather than truth," he said in a phone interview after the funeral. "Anyone can call themselves a Christian, but I think we have a responsibility to make sure that kind of people together, especially in the midst of pain and suffering, rather than rip people's hearts apart."

Snyder, 20, was killed in Iraq March 3 in a motor vehicle accident.

Before the protest started, 77

motorcyclists, members of the Westboro Baptist Church, gathered in the parking lot of a shopping center. It's one of the many churches that protesters from the group picketed.

Richard Beckwell, of Westminster, said "This young man gave his life to defend his country."

The group began in the summer of 2005 as a mean-spirited group of Westboro Baptist Church protesters. Pa

After the bikers arrived, they gathered in St. John's parking lot and walked up to the church where Westboro members were demonstrating.

They stood about 100 yards away from the church, holding American flags and shouting slogans.

Ed Smith, a member of the Westboro Baptist Church, said the group of motorcyclists is protesting the funeral.

Please see page 77



Church Cpl. Matthew Snyder, a controversial religious group picketed the funeral of the fallen Marine in Westminster Friday.



A motorcyclist rides past protesters representing the Westboro Baptist Church of Topeka, Kan., outside the funeral of Marine Lance Cpl. Matthew A. Snyder at St. John Roman Catholic Church in Westminster Friday. A number of motorcyclists, some calling themselves the Patriot Guard Riders, rode to Snyder's funeral to show support for his family. DYLAN SLAGLE/STAFF PHOTO

Protests

From Page A1

"I never thought I would see this in Carroll County," said Smith, 58. "Doing it at a funeral is not right. It's totally wrong."

But the Rev. Fred Phelps, pastor at Westboro Baptist Church, said protesting at military funerals adds weight to the group's message.

"Dying time is truth time," he said.

The family of seven protesters — four of whom were younger than 18 — held brightly colored signs over their heads with phrases like "Semper Fi Fags," "God Hates Fags" and "Thank God for IEDs," referring to the improvised explosive devices used by Iraqi insurgents against U.S. troops. The Rev. Marty Kuchma of St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Westminster said he thought the group's funeral protest was a disgrace.

"Who has a right to make such claims about why things happen, especially, golly, at the time of a family's grief?" he said in a phone interview. "Where's the love of Christ in it all?"

"I did not even know [the protesters] were there, and I was very conscious they were going to be."

Jane Perkins

Aunt of Matthew Snyder

Jane Perkins, Matthew Snyder's aunt, said the Patriot Guard succeeded in drowning out the Westboro Baptist Church protesters.

"I did not even know they were there, and I was very conscious they were going to be," she said.

In addition to the Patriot Guard, schoolchildren from St. John stood along the church grounds, singing and waving American flags in honor of Snyder, Perkins said.

She commended the job the Marines did in honoring Snyder.

"They were truly wonderful," said Perkins, who is also Snyder's godmother. "It was a beautiful, beautiful service."

She commended the Patriot Guard as well.

"All we saw pulling in, pulling out was American flags. All we heard was the Patriot Guard singing the national anthem," she said. "That's free speech too."

Assistant city editor Jamie Kelly contributed to this story.

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every day on the Web

Times online:

www.carrollcountytimes.com

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STANDING FOR US

Riders

... those who stood for US



www.patriotguard.org

Author	Messages	Oldest First
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gmartin ●
Posts: 0

07 Mar 2006 5:36 AM



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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

No. 194-06
March 6, 2006

DoD Identifies Marine Casualty

The Department of Defense announced today the death of a Marine who was supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Lance Cpl. Matthew A. Snyder, of Finksburg, Md., died March 3 from a non combat-related vehicle accident in Al Anbar province, Iraq. He was assigned to Combat Service Support Group-1, 1st Marine Logistics Group, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Twentynine Palms, Calif.

Media with questions about this Marine can call the Twentynine Palms Public Affairs Office at 760-830-5476.

edited by VenturaCowboy 03/07/2006 18:42

Mission Confirmation

The Maryland State Captain has received a request by the family of LCpl. Matthew Snyder for our participation

Where: St. Johns Catholic Church
43 Monroe St.
Westminster, Maryland

When: Friday, March 10, 2006
Church services start at 10:15 am.
We have been requested by the family to attend the services.

Muster Point: I will be going to Westminster tomorrow morning and will update the information upon my return

Internment: Garrison Forest Veterans Cemetery
11501 Garrison Forest Drive
Owings Mills, Maryland

<http://www.patriotguard.org/ALLForums/tabid/61/view/topic/forumid/29/postid/34099/Default.aspx>

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_____ 5/10/00 – Major T. H. Long

Circumstances:

Military funeral for Lance Corporal Matthew Snyder killed in an accident while serving in Iraq.

Westboro Baptist Church – nationally protests homosexuality and perceived permissive attitude of military toward gays. Annapolis, then 0945 to 1015

Patriot Guard Riders – military veterans primarily riding motorcycles. Mission is to protect families at military funerals from Westboro Baptist Church protestors and displays. 50 to 100 riders will assemble at Carroll Plaza.

SHOW VIDEOS

Objective:

To allow the funeral for Cpl. Snyder to proceed in a dignified manner

Insure that all protests are orderly and legal.

Contact with demonstrators and public

Reaction from public

Reminder: 1st Amendment of the U.S. Constitution guarantees all citizens freedom of speech and the right to lawful assembly.

These people have a right to protest, but at our direction

Protest area has been established – Monroe Avenue & Father Joe Way

Protest area definition

No protestors on church property or public roadway

Schools – West Middle & St. John's are open

No media on church property. Media staging area – Vivian Laxton

Arrest Procedures

Routes of travel and if something happens, detours

Radio Communications –POLICE CORD thru Command Center. If communications becomes an issue, Sheriff's Office TAC 1 will be used. Command Center is at Westminster FD.

CRT is staged & available

The Westminster Fire Department will stage an ambulance with full crew.

Once service is over, funeral procession will be escorted to Baltimore County for internment.

Other agencies' comments -

Questions -

Carroll County Office of Public Safety
 Sheriff's Department Radio Traffic Log

1-1-13

Unit	Time	10-6	10-7	10-41	10-42	Contents and Disposition of Call
CRT	915	X				ALL TEAM MEM
C810	913	X				ON POST
CAR4	913	X				HAS COMMAND 10-97 ON ALL RADIOS PCORD AND ADVISE WHEN IN POSTION
C531	913	X				ON POST
C319	915	X				ON POST
WCB04	917	X				ON POST
C419	917	X				ON POST
CRT13	918	X				ON POST
CAR6	918					ON 140 @91 PROTESTERS
WUNIT3	919	X				UNIT3 ON POST ON SCN SUP
CAR6	921					140/SUFFIX RD
CAR605	922					ON POST
CAR6	925					ESCORT 140 MARKET
MSP	928					WBC AT 140 GORSUCH 546M019
CAR6	932					RAMP TO 97
CAR6	935					GOR / MONROE
CAR6	935					TURNING OFF RADIO //WHILE OUT W/WBC
CAR4	939					5 MEMBERS OF PT GRD WALKING TO WBC AREA
CAR6	940		X			WCFD
CAR5	941					10-76 //CHURCH
WT121	942					JOHN / MAIN
CAR3	942					EVERYONE IN POSTION
W606	943					ON POST
C10	943					RIDERS PULLING ONTO LOT
CAR3	945					PT GRD HAS WENT BY WBC W/OUT INCD
CAR5	950					10-43 LOT BETWEEN THE CHURCH // MOTORCYCLES
CAR5	952					PTGRD MARCHING TO CHURCH
WUNIT3	955					10PTGRD WALKING TO WBC
CAR3	955					GOING TO FORM LINE BETWEEN WBC AND CHURCH AND THEN TURN BACK ON WBC
W600	958					UNITS ENROUTE AT THIS TIME
WCB02	1001					LEAVING GRNWASH / 13-76 CENTER/MAN
C602	1001	X				IN POST ON

C806	1001					HAND FULL OF BIKERS HEADING BACK TO WBC
W@809	1007	X				MOTORCADE IS 10-23 ST JOHNS CHURCH
W@UNIT3	1007					GROUP HAS BEEN INFORMED OF ARRIVAL EVERYTHING IS OK
CAR3	1009					COMMAND TO CAR6
CAR4	1010	X				W/W@UNIT1
CAR4	1010					ALL INVOLVED GROUPS ARE STILL AT LOCATION
CAR3	1019					WBC IS PACKING UP GOING TO VEH W/ESCORT
CAR3	1019					PROVIDE ESCORT TO LINE
C10	1020					WBC PUTTING STUFF INTO VEH
CAR3	1021					ALL WBC LEAVING 140 / TO COUNTY LINE
C10	1026					MSP TAC SURVEILLANCE 10-8 10-42
CAR8	1033					WILL REMAIN ON POST
CAR3	1038					10-6 COMP
C421	1042					STANDBY AT COUNTY LINE FOR 15MINS / C421 TO STAND BY
C10	1043					MAKE NOTIF TO SCHOOL 1 PROTESTERS HAVE LEFT
CAR3	1045					10-8 FROM DETAIL
CAR5	1048					SCHOOL 1 NOTIF
ECC	1049					CRT CAN SECURE C197
CAR6	1051					
W@UNIT1	1054	X				CHAN 2 NEW IS TRYING TO GET IN // NEAR THE SULLIVAN
C419	1058					CLEARING THE FINKSBURG AREA C421
C531	1058					GOING BACK TO OPS ON REG PATROL
C531	1058	X				GOING BACK TO OPS ON REG PATROL
C421	1058	X				CHURCH IS LETTING OUT
W@UNIT3	1116					MARKET / 140 IN POSTION
W@602	1116					AT POST
W@601	1119					AT POST
W@603	1119					TRAFFIC HAZARD CANNOT GET OUT DUE TO TRAFFIC
C419	1123					SENDING 2 CARS OUT THERE
CAR3	1124					C10 / C741 GOING TO ENGLAR RD
CAR3	1124					HAVE C419 SHUT DOWN 140
C10	1127					FUNERAL GETTING READY TO LEAVE THE CHURCH
W@UNIT3	1128					MSP MOTORS TURNING ONTO WIMERT AVE
W@UNIT3	1128					WEST PARKING LOT CLEARED
W@606	1136					INTERSECTION CLEARED
C10	1136					ALL SHERIFFS UNITS CAN CLEAR // GO BACK TO REG OPS
CAR3	1136					MSP UNITS AT CHURCH CLEARED
C55	1137					COMMAND 10-7
CAR6	1138					

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1 type of Complaint - Assist Other Agency

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Investigative Contact:

Rebekah Phelps-Davis

Westboro Baptist Church

Topeka Kansas 66601

Office# (785) 233-4162

Cell# (785) 640-6334

On March 8, 2006 I received a telephone call from a female identifying herself as Becky Phelps-Davis. Ms Phelps-Davis inquired as to whether I had reviewed a fax that she had sent to me earlier in the day. At the time of this call, I had not. She then went on to explain the following information:

- Ms Phelps-Davis indicated that she was a member of the Westboro Baptist Church from Topeka Kansas. She went on to state that she and other members of her congregation were coming to Westminster on the morning of March 10, 2006 to conduct a "religious demonstration" at the funeral of fallen Marine Lance Corporal Matthew Snyder. Ms Phelps-Davis was aware that the funeral was to be at St. Johns Catholic Church on Monroe Street. She requested the assistance of the Westminster Police Department in conducting a peaceful protest at the church which she indicated was located at 43 Monroe Street.
- According to Ms Phelps-Davis, a small group of no more than 10 protestors would be coming to Westminster to conduct the protest. They planned to protest in front of the church from 0945 to 1015 hours only. She asked that the WPD establish a "dead zone" for her group in which they could protest peacefully without having to be concerned with potential counter-protestors. She stated that they would be using small hand-carried signs which were approximately 22" square and bore no stick or struts.
- Ms Phelps-Davis expressed concern that a group described as the "bike guard" would be attending the same protest as counter-demonstrators. Ms Phelps-Davis stated that this group had previously beaten up members of her church with fists and feet, thrown them to the ground and taken their signs, and blocked their ability to protest by holding large tarps in front of their message. Ms Phelps-Davis indicated that she and her group were fearful of injury from the group and she repeatedly asked for protection and a "dead zone" to ensure the safety of her protest group.
- I asked Ms Phelps-Davis if she had worked successfully with other police agencies when conducting such protests in the past. She indicated that she had and identified *Captain Brian Burgess* of the *Ford County (Kansas) Sheriffs Office* (620) 227-4590 as an appropriate contact person.

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I advised Ms Phelps-Davis that I would attempt to locate her fax, review the relevant information and call her back on 3/9/06 with feedback relating to her request. I then located and reviewed the letter which she faxed to me (copy attached).

Investigative Contact:

Captain Brian Burgess
Ford County Sheriffs Office (Kansas)
(620) 227-4590

On March 8, 2006 I spoke to Captain Burgess regarding his prior contact with the Westboro Baptist Church. Captain Burgess provided the following information:

- Captain Burgess stated that representatives of the Westboro Baptist Church had recently conducted a protest at a church in Dodge City during the funeral of a fallen soldier. He indicated that the group's message was very anti-American, anti-military and anti-homosexual. The group is run by Fred Phelps, a local attorney who claims to be the pastor of the Westboro Baptist Church. According to Burgess, the church has approximately 60 members, many of whom are relatives of Mr Phelps and attorneys.
- Captain Burgess indicated that many members of the Phelps family are attorneys. They are very familiar with First Amendment issues and make a practice of suing police departments and governments who they believe abridge their rights to protest. Burgess indicated that the Church typically videotapes their protests (for the purpose of gathering evidence for a civil suit) and he suggested that we make our own videotape should members of the church protest here.
- Captain Burgess stated that the funeral in his community was also attended by approximately 700 members of the Patriot Guard, a motorcycle group that was recently formed in response to the protests by the Westboro Baptist Church. The role of the Patriot Guard is reportedly to bring honor and dignity to military funerals by shielding the families of fallen soldiers from the Phelps group and their anti-American rhetoric. Captain Burgess indicated that the Patriot Guard conducted themselves in a totally non-confrontational manner during the event and they caused no problems. They did position themselves between the family of the fallen soldier and the members of the Westboro Baptist Church to shield the family from the group. This was accomplished without incident.

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- Captain Burgess recommended a number of operational practices to deal with such a protest to include building a snow fence area for the protestors to stand in, using multiple officers to deal with the Phelps' in case of complaint, filming the entire protest with video, and providing chase cars outside the immediate area of the protest in case of major problems. He also recommended that I review a 7-minute video prepared by CNN relating to the prior protest in Dodge City. The video was available on www.patriotguard.org.

After speaking with Captain Burgess, I began to examine the details of the proposed protest. I learned that the area of Monroe Street at the main entrance to St. John's Catholic Church is outside the Westminster City limits – in Carroll County. I then contacted Major Thomas Long of the Carroll County Sheriff's Office to brief him regarding the pending protest.

On March 9th a planning meeting was held involving members of the Westminster Police Department, the Carroll County Sheriffs Office and the Maryland State Police. Plans were developed to handle both traffic and crowd control issues relating to the planned protest utilizing the staff of all three agencies. Additionally, representatives of the Baltimore County Police (traffic and intelligence), the States Attorneys Office and MSP Intelligence participated in the meeting.

During the afternoon hours of March 9th, Captain Vince Maas (Carroll County Sheriffs Office) and I made phone contact with Ms Davis as a follow-up to my earlier conversation with her. We explained that we had developed a plan to assist her with a peaceful protest at St. John's Church and that Captain Mass would be the incident commander. We further explained that her group would be provided a safe area along Monroe Avenue at the entrance to St. John's Church where they would be permitted to conduct their protest. During this phone conversation Ms Davis advised that they would be leaving Kansas later in the day to come to Maryland. She indicated that there would be a small group of protestors in just one or two vehicles. Plans were made for Captain Maas to meet the group at the Baltimore/Carroll County line and escort them to the scene of the protest.

On the morning of March 10th the protest was conducted as planned. Three adults and 4 children attended the protest representing the Westboro Baptist Church. Approximately 80 members of the Patriot Guard attended the funeral at the invitation of the Snyder family. The protest lasted approximately 45 minutes and was conducted without

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incident. The members of the Church left the area by van and were escorted to the County line by a representative of the CCSO.

Attachments: CCSO Operations Special Order 06-002
Westminster Police Department Special Operations Plan
Map of St. John's Catholic Church
Faxed letter from Westboro Baptist Church

Case Status: Closed by Report
Report prepared by: Chief Jeffrey Spaulding ID# 001 _____
Date of report: March 10, 2006

Letnaunchyn, Christopher S

From: Letnaunchyn, Christopher S
ent: Friday, March 10, 2006 3:06 PM
To: Evans, J. Michael; Watson, Benton
Cc: Butler, Deborah A.
Subject: Funeral

Tracking:

Recipient	Read
Evans, J. Michael	
Watson, Benton	Read: 3/13/2006 7:32 AM
Butler, Deborah A.	

The sheriff's office wanted me to pass on their thanks for our efforts today. All went well without any incidents and the family wishes were met. Thanks

Chris

U.S. Department of Commerce
National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration

National Climatic Data Center
Federal Building
151 Patton Avenue
Asheville, North Carolina 28801

**QUALITY CONTROLLED LOCAL
CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA**
(final)
HOURLY OBSERVATIONS TABLE
BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON INTL AIRPORT (93721)
BALTIMORE, MD
(03/2006)

Elevation: 143 ft. above sea level
Latitude: 39.172
Longitude: -76.684
Data Version: VER3

Date	Time (LST)	Station Type	Sky Conditions	Visibility (SM)	Weather Type	Dry Bulb Temp		Wet Bulb Temp		Dew Point Temp		Rel Humid %	Wind Speed (MPH)	Wind Dir	Wind Gusts (MPH)	Station Pressure (in. hg)	Press Tend	Net 3-hr Chg (mb)	Sea Level Pressure (in. hg)	Report Type	Precip. Total (in)	Alti-meter (in. hg)
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		BKN150 OVC200		10.00		63	17.2	55	12.7	48	8.9	58	15	210	23	29.52	6		29.68	AA		29.68
		BKN120 OVC200		10.00		63	17.2	55	13.0	49	9.4	60	13	210	22	29.49			29.66	AA		29.66
		FEW080 SCT120 OVC150		10.00		63	17.2	56	13.2	50	10.0	63	13	210	21	29.49	6	011	29.65	AA		29.65
		SCT035 BKN065 BKN090		10.00		63	17.2	56	13.5	51	10.6	65	14	210	23	29.50			29.67	AA	T	29.67
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		SCT039 SCT180 SCT250		10.00		69	20.6	59	15.1	52	11.1	55	19	220	31	29.52	5	000	29.68	AA		29.69
		BKN046 BKN200		10.00		73	22.8	59	15.0	48	8.9	41	24	230	29	29.54			29.70	AA		29.70
		SCT065 SCT160 SCT200		10.00		75	23.9	58	14.4	44	6.7	33	23	230	35	29.52			29.70	AA		29.69
		SCT070 SCT160		10.00		76	24.4	58	14.7	44	6.7	32	18	250	33	29.54	1	003	29.69	AA		29.70
		FEW075 SCT160 BKN250		10.00		77	25.0	57	14.0	40	4.4	27	22	240	30	29.54			29.69	AA		29.70
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Press Release

For release Monday June 5, 2006

MILITARY FUNERAL PROTESTORS SUED IN FEDERAL COURT

The father of deceased Marine Corps Lance Corporal Matthew Snyder has instituted a civil lawsuit in the US District Court for the District of Maryland (Greenbelt) against Mr. Fred W. Phelps, Sr. and as yet unnamed co-conspirators from the Kansas based Westboro Baptist Church, arising out of their disruption of Matthew Snyder's funeral on March 10, 2006, in Westminster, Maryland.

Matthew Snyder died in Iraq on March 3, 2006 while assigned to the Combat Logistics Battalion-7, Twentynine Palms, California in Al Anbar Province, Iraq. His body was returned to his home in Finksburg, Maryland with full military honors, where the service was held at St. John's Catholic Church.

Mr. Phelps, along with other conspirators yet to be named, appeared at the location of the service to spread their distorted message that US service personnel are being punished by God for their defense of homosexual values. Utilizing children bearing signs stating "Thank God for dead soldiers", "Semper Fi Fags," and "Thank God for IEDs" [improvised explosive devices – the remotely detonated bombs responsible for significant US casualties in Iraq], Mr. Phelps and other members of his family sought to inflict emotional harm upon the family of Matthew Snyder.

Mr. Phelps and his co-conspirators also engaged in a series of media statements and internet postings on their website www.godhatesfags.com in which they alleged that Matthew Snyder's parents did not love him and that they taught him perverse and evil values such as adultery.

"Our action is a simple one at its core," stated lead attorney Rees Griffiths, Chair of the litigation section of the 69 attorney firm, Barley Snyder from York, PA. "If you lie about another persons' character and actions and it results in harm, then you are liable for defamation. If you intentionally inflict emotional distress upon another person, resulting in physical and emotional harm, then you are liable for that harm. When you work in concert with others to accomplish these unlawful purposes, then you are liable for conspiracy."

“There is no law that permits a person to terrorize and abuse another during their moment of greatest loss and grief,” stated attorney Craig Trebilcock a partner at Barley Snyder in York. This is not a case about the war, nor a case about homosexuality. It is a simple case of lies and hurt being intentionally inflicted upon the Snyder family and other military families by a gang of heartless fanatics. This will stop.” Attorney Trebilcock is a Lieutenant Colonel in the US Army Reserve, who served a one year tour in Iraq/Kuwait in 2003-2004. “I am proud of my service as a reserve Army officer,” stated Trebilcock, “but must make clear that my involvement in this suit is solely in my civilian capacity and does not involve the US military.”

“We are bringing a team approach to this litigation,” stated Sean Summers, a litigation associate at Barley Snyder. “Our firm stands 100% behind putting an end to the victimization of grieving military families who are abused by Mr. Phelps and his followers. I can think of nothing more vile than a group that seeks to trade upon the misery of parents grieving over the death of their child. It is unbelievable and we are seeking punitive damages to reflect the outrageous nature of this mean-spirited conduct.” Mr. Summers is a reserve Captain in the US Army Judge Advocate Generals’ Corps who served a six month tour in Afghanistan in 2002. He too is solely acting in his civilian capacity in bringing this suit on behalf of the Snyder family.

“Across the country our politicians are taking legislative action to protect grieving military families by forbidding protests at military funerals in military cemeteries. However, those laws do not preclude attacking grieving families’ privacy or search for closure at private churches, cemeteries, or via electronic means, such as the internet,” stated attorney Paul Minnich, a litigation partner at Barley Snyder. “As opposed to those government actions, this is a private suit by a private family that says. ‘Enough is enough. Stop the lies. Stop the abuse,’” declared Mr. Minnich.

Additional information is available at the website www.matthewsnyder.org
Significant case developments will periodically be posted to this site.

Point of contact for the above is Rees Griffiths at 717-846-8888.

PRESS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

For more information contact Craig Trebilcock, Esq. (717-852-4999)
or Sean Summers, Esq. (717-852-4997)

FATHER OF DECEASED MARINE ASKS GRIEVING FAMILIES TO STAND TALL

On June 5, 2006, Al Snyder, father of deceased Marine Corps Lance Corporal Matthew Snyder filed a civil lawsuit in the US District Court for the District of Maryland (Greenbelt) against Fred W. Phelps, Sr. and as yet unnamed co-conspirators from the Kansas based Westboro Baptist Church, arising out of their disgraceful protest of Matthew Snyder's funeral. The reason for the filing of the lawsuit, according to Mr. Snyder, is: *"It is time to put a stop to the victimizing of grieving military families. These fanatics from the Westboro Baptist Church have indicated that they intend to continue abusing families of heroes who died in Iraq and Afghanistan. While our government has passed a law to try to control access to military cemeteries, it is up to individuals to stand tall, even in their grief, to bring an end to this shameful conduct. I encourage any family who is victimized by the Phelps clan to exercise all of their remedies, within the bounds of the law, to bring an end to this reign of terror."*

Mr. Phelps, along with others yet to be named in the suit, appeared at the location of the funeral service for Matthew Snyder, to spread a message that U.S. service personnel are being punished by God for their defense of an immoral and homosexual loving nation. Utilizing children bearing signs stating "Thank God for dead soldiers", "Semper Fi Fags," and "Thank God for IEDs" [improvised explosive devices – the remotely detonated bombs responsible for significant US casualties in Iraq], Mr. Phelps and other members of his family inflicted emotional harm upon the family of Matthew Snyder. Subsequently, on their website, they defamed Al Snyder, claiming that he had raised his son "for the devil" and had taught him "adultery." The complaint being brought against the Westboro Baptist Church/Phelps Clan is available online at www.matthewsnyder.org for any family or attorney who wishes to use it as a reference in weighing their legal options. Future legal documents relevant to the case will be provided by the law firm of Barley Snyder on this site as well, in order to be of assistance to other attorneys who determine that the filing of a lawsuit is appropriate in their client's cases.

"It is only by military families standing together in unity against this tyranny that we can spare future military families from this abuse," stated Mr. Snyder. *"Until it becomes too expensive and too inconvenient for them(WBC) to pursue this hateful course of action, they will not stop. I plan to be the beginning of the end for this dishonorable campaign."*

AL SNYDER STATEMENT 6/5/06

My name is Al Snyder. My son, Matthew Snyder was a United States Marine, who was serving his country in Iraq when he died on March 3, 2006. He was 20 years old.

If you ask anyone who knew my son what they remember most about Matt, they would tell you it was his smile and his sense of humor. Matt truly lived by the expression "If you can't say anything nice about someone, then say nothing." He was very loyal to his family and friends. He liked sports and comedies, such as Sanford & Son, Malcolm in the Middle, and the Blue Collar Comedians...and, he loved the Marine Corps. He was my hero.

My son dreamed of being a United States Marine and defending his nation, as so many other servicemen before him. I was not enthusiastic about the idea of Matthew joining the Marines, as I feared for his safety. But I respected his decision and admired his willingness to serve his country. He gave his life for something he loved – the United States of America.

I love my son. I love him for being the little boy who brought a smile to my face, and I love him for being the man who was willing to put service to his nation above concerns of personal safety. Mr. Phelps and his cult have described my son burning in hell on their website. They have stated that I did not love my son and that I taught him evil. On the day of his funeral I went to find closure for the loss of my child. The streets were lined with police and citizens who saluted the passage of my son's coffin.

But, rather than closure, I was confronted with hatred from Mr. Phelps and his gang who used children to celebrate the death of my son. I did not think that such people existed in our country. But I guess history has shown us that there's always someone waiting to distort and misuse the freedoms our society provides.

When Matthew joined the Marines he swore an oath to uphold and defend this nation and its values against all enemies foreign and domestic. He gave his life in support of those ideals. I am too old to serve in our military, but I too can uphold the ideals that my son died for.

By bringing this lawsuit it is my hope that I can help bring an end to the abuse and terrorizing of innocent families by Mr. Phelps and his minions. I also ask that others across the country have the courage to stand up against the pattern of intimidation by this group and that other abused families find the strength to stand against them. It is hard to stand tall when your heart is broken, but unless people rise above their pain and take a stand against these people, there will never be an end to this.

I am making this statement today, because I feel it is important for people to understand why I am bringing this action. However, I-and my family- are still grieving, and request that any questions after today be routed through my attorneys.

Semper Fi, Matt.

DEFENDANT'S EXHIBIT NO. 22

CASE NO. 06CV 1389

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vs.

* FOR

JULIA FRANCIS SNYDER

* CARROLL COUNTY

Defendant/Counter-Plaintiff

* Case No: C-2000-32560

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AMENDED PETITION FOR CONTEMPT FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE MARITAL SEPARATION AGREEMENT AND FOR FAILURE TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT AND HEALTH CARE AND PETITION TO INCREASE CHILD SUPPORT

Now comes Julia Francis Snyder, Defendant/Counter-Plaintiff, by William T. Glasgow, her attorney, and respectfully represents unto Your Honor:

COUNT I

Contempt for Failure to Comply with the Marital Separation Agreement and for Failure to Pay Child Support and Health Care

1. That the parties were divorced on December 22, 2000 by the Circuit Court for Carroll County.
2. That the parties entered into a Marital Settlement Agreement dated August 23, 1999 which was incorporated into the Judgment of Absolute Divorce.
3. Paragraph Six of the Marital Settlement Agreement states: "That the Husband shall pay additional child support which shall be fifty percent (50%) of all costs incurred by the child for extracurricular athletics, music lessons and other activities in which the child may engage that have fees or costs, including, but not limited to the attendance of summer camps."
4. Paragraph Eight of the Marital Settlement Agreement states: "That the parties shall divide equally the payment of any necessary and reasonable, medical, dental, orthodontic, eye care or other hospitalization expenses incurred on behalf of their children which are not covered or reimbursed by insurance."
5. Paragraph Eighteen of the Marital Settlement Agreement states: "That the cost of any

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major, necessary repairs or any major improvements which shall be defined as a single repair or improvement in excess of \$100.00 shall be divided equally between the parties.

6. Paragraph six of the Marital Settlement Agreement states: "That the Husband shall pay directly to the Wife for the support and maintenance and child care expenses of the children the sum of \$988.97 per month."

7. Paragraph seven of the Marital Settlement Agreement states: "That the Husband shall maintain his existing health insurance coverage or equivalent coverage for the benefit of the children."

8. Paragraph eighteen of the Marital Settlement Agreement states: "That the Husband shall pay to the Wife one-half of the mortgage payment, or \$486.03, whichever is greater."

9. That since August 23, 1999, the Defendant and Counter-Plaintiff has incurred expenses for sporting activities of the children, medical expenses of the children, and necessary household repairs that totaled in excess of \$1,250.00.

10. That the Defendant/Counter-Plaintiff has discussed these above referenced items prior to incurring the expense with the Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant and has presented him with the bills and receipts.

11. That the Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant has refused to reimburse the Defendant/Counter-Plaintiff despite repeated demands.

12. That the Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant either refused to discuss any of the expenses or refused to open the envelopes containing the bills and the receipts.

13. That the Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant is currently in arrears for child support in the amount of \$450.00.

WHEREFORE, Defendant/Counter-Plaintiff prays:

A. That the Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant be held in contempt for the wilful failure to pay one-half of the expenses for athletic activities, medical treatment and household repairs.

B. That the Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant be ordered to pay the sum of \$480.00 directly

to the Defendant/Counter-Plaintiff.

C. That the Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant be ordered to pay one-half of all medical expenses of the children not covered or reimbursed by insurance directly to the Defendant/Counter-Plaintiff.

D. That the Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant be held in contempt for wilful failure to pay the full amount of child support.

E. That the Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant be ordered to pay the sum of one-half of the sporting activities, medical expenses and household repairs directly to the Defendant/ Counter-Plaintiff.

F. That the Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant be held in contempt for wilful failure to provide health insurance.

G. That the Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant be ordered to reimburse the Defendant/Counter-Plaintiff for monies that she advanced for health insurance for the children.

H. That the Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant be ordered to provide health insurance for the children in the future.

I. That the Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant be ordered to pay the Defendant/Counter-Plaintiff's counsel fees and Court costs for having to bring this Petition.

J. That the Defendant/Counter-Plaintiff be granted such other and further relief as may be appropriate.

COUNT II

CHILD SUPPORT

14. Defendant/Counter-Plaintiff incorporates the allegations contained in Count I, paragraphs 1 through 13 as if fully set forth herein.

15. That the Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant has stated that he is now earning \$10,000.00 to \$15,000.00 more per year than he was in his previous job.

16. That if that is true, then the child support guidelines should be increased.

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WHEREFORE, Defendant/Counter-Plaintiff prays:

A. That the Defendant/Counter-Plaintiff be awarded child support based on the Child Support Guidelines.

B. For such other and further relief as the nature of her cause may require.

I HEREBY CERTIFY under the penalties of perjury that the facts alleged in the Amended Petition for Contempt are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Julia Francis Snyder

JULIA FRANCIS SNYDER

William T. Glasgow

WILLIAM T. GLASGOW
3440 Ellicott Center Drive, Suite 103
Ellicott City, MD 21043
410-418-4927
Attorney for Defendant

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 11th day of March, 2002, a copy of the foregoing was hand delivered to: Michael A. Stoner, Esquire, 507 Park Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21201, Attorney for Plaintiff.

William T. Glasgow

WILLIAM T. GLASGOW

ALBERT LEONARD SNYDER

Plaintiff

vs.

JULIA FRANCIS SNYDER

Defendant

IN THE

CIRCUIT COURT

FOR

CARROLL COUNTY

Case No: C-2000-32560

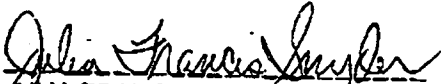
**ANSWER TO PLAINTIFF'S PETITION FOR CONTEMPT
AND CROSS PETITION FOR CONTEMPT BY THE DEFENDANT**

Now comes Julia Francis Snyder, Defendant, by William T. Glasgow, her attorney, respectfully Answers the Petition for Contempt as follows:

1. She admits the allegations in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4.
2. She denies the allegations in paragraph 5.
3. She admits the allegations in paragraph 6, and in further answer states that the Plaintiff gifted the shares of stock to the Defendant.
4. She admits the allegations in paragraph 7.
5. She denies the allegations in paragraph 8.
6. She admits the allegations in paragraph 9, and in further answer states that the Plaintiff gifted the money market account to the Defendant.

WHEREFORE, the Defendant prays:

- A. That the Petition for Contempt be dismissed.
- B. That the Plaintiff be ordered to pay the Defendant's counsels fees and court costs in this matter.
- C. For such other and further relief as the nature of her cause may require.


JULIA FRANCIS SNYDER

CROSS PETITION FOR CONTEMPT

Now comes Julia Francis Snyder, Defendant, by William T. Glasgow, her attorney, respectfully represents unto Your Honor:

1. That the parties were divorced on December 22, 2000 by the Circuit Court for Carroll County.
2. That the parties entered into a Marital Settlement Agreement dated August 23, 1999 which was incorporated into the Judgment of Absolute Divorce.
3. Paragraph Six of the Marital Settlement Agreement states: "That the Husband shall pay additional child support which shall be fifty percent (50%) of all costs incurred by the child for extracurricular athletics, music lessons and other activities in which the child may engage that have fees or costs, including, but not limited to the attendance of summer camps."
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6. That since August 23, 1999 the Defendant and Counter-Petitioner has incurred expenses for sporting activities of the children, medical expenses of the children, and necessary household repairs that totalled \$960.00.
7. That the Defendant/Counter-Petitioner has discussed these above referenced items prior to incurring the expense with the Plaintiff and has presented him with the bills and receipts.
8. The Plaintiff has refused to reimburse the Defendant/Counter-Petitioner despite

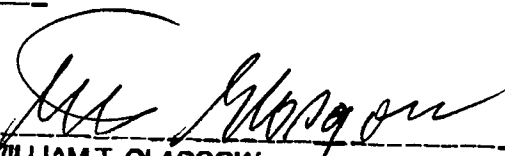
repeated demands.

WHEREFORE, Defendant/Counter-Petitioner prays:

- A. That the Plaintiff be held in contempt for the wilful failure to pay one-half of the expenses for athletic activities, medical treatment and household repairs.
- B. That the Plaintiff be ordered to pay the sum of \$480.00 directly to the Defendant and Counter-Petitioner.
- C. That the Plaintiff be ordered to pay the Defendant/Counter-Petitioner's counsel fees and court costs for having to bring this Petition.
- D. That the Defendant/Counter-Petitioner be granted such other and further relief as may be appropriate.

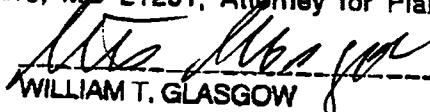
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JULIA FRANCIS SNYDER


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410-418-4927
Attorney for Defendant

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 11th day of June, 2001, a copy of the foregoing Answer to Petition for Contempt and Cross Petition for Contempt was mailed to: Michael A. Stoner, Esquire, 507 Park Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21201, Attorney for Plaintiff.


WILLIAM T. GLASGOW

ALBERT LEONARD SNYDER * IN THE
 Plaintiff * CIRCUIT COURT
 vs. * FOR
 JULIA FRANCIS SNYDER * CARROLL COUNTY
 Defendant * Case No. C-2000-32560

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O R D E R

THIS cause standing ready for hearing and being duly submitted, the proceedings have been read and considered by this Court.

WHEREUPON, it is this 25th day of July, 2002, by the Circuit Court for Carroll County, ORDERED, that the parties' agreement is hereby adopted as follows:

- A. The Plaintiff, Albert L. Snyder, shall pay child support to the Defendant, Julia F. Snyder, for the month of June, 2002, in the amount of \$826.64;
- B. Beginning in July, 2002, the Plaintiff, Albert L. Snyder, shall pay child support to the Defendant, Julia F. Snyder, in the amount of \$777.45 monthly.
- C. The Defendant, Julia F. Snyder, shall be responsible for maintaining health insurance coverage from May 22, 2002, the date of this hearing.
- D. The Plaintiff, Albert L. Snyder, shall pay \$1,392.91 to the Defendant, Julia F. Snyder, for outstanding child support and medical expenses arrearages.

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Defendant, Julia F. Snyder, shall pay to the Plaintiff, Albert L. Snyder, his share of the Putnam Account and Exxon Stock, with such amount to be calculated as one-half of the value at the time of the execution of the Marital Settlement Agreement plus interest at the rate legally charged for Judgments; and it is further

ORDERED, that the Plaintiff, Albert L. Snyder, shall pay the amount of \$155.17 to the Defendant, Julia F. Snyder, as reimbursement for medical expenses and household repair and maintenance; and it is further

ORDERED, that the parties shall equally divide the costs of this proceeding.



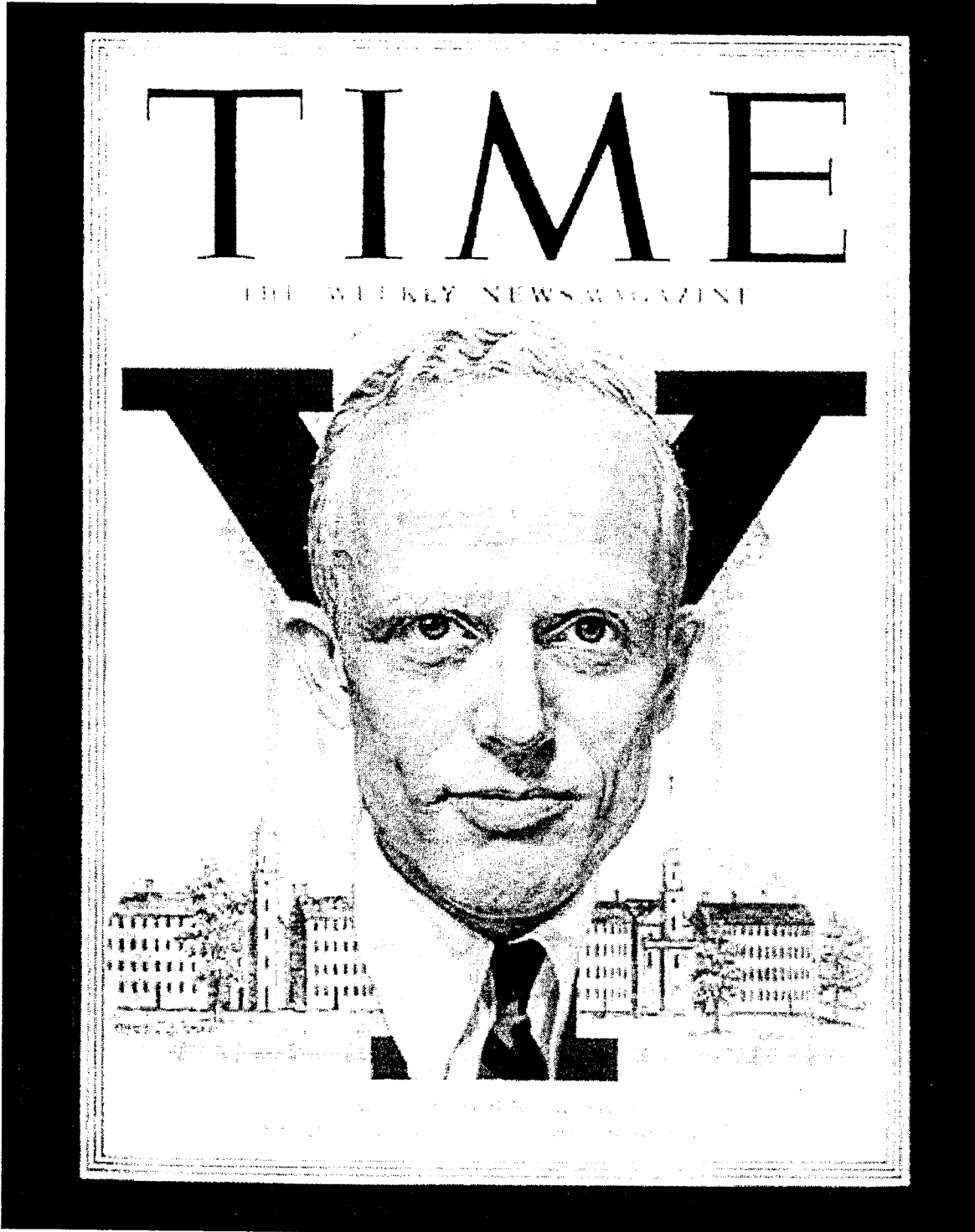
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Repentance In Pasadena

Five-year-old John Muir College* at Pasadena (enrollment: 2,000) has no more than the average quota of campus sin. But to Fred Phelps, 21, a tall (6 ft. 3 in.), craggy-faced engineering student from Meridian, Miss., John Muir is a weed-grown vineyard. Day after day this spring he has called upon his fellow students to repent. His method: to walk up to groups of boys & girls munching their lunchtime sandwiches in the quadrangle, ask "May I say a few words?" and launch into a talk.

Fred Phelps's talks drew crowds of up to 100. Over & over he denounced the "sins committed on campus by students and teachers . . . promiscuous petting . . . evil language . . . profanity . . . cheating . . . teachers' filthy jokes in classrooms . . . pandering to the lusts of the flesh." Such strictures sent Dr. Archie Turrell, principal of John Muir, and most of his faculty into a howl. Not only was Evangelist Phelps attacking them, they decided, but conceivably he was violating California's state education code, which forbids the teaching of religion on any public school campus.

Something of a Martyr. A fortnight ago they ordered him to stop his campus preaching. Phelps moved across the road, off campus, and kept on preaching. Principal Turrell warned him again. "He accosted me in very stern language," says Phelps, "and told me that he would call the law. So I told him I had no fears. If the police arrested me I would preach to them in jail."

As Phelps's audience grew, police arrived, cleared the crowded sidewalk of both the earnest and the merely curious. Phelps was "invited" into a police car and driven away from the scene; John Muir suspended him for the rest of the week.

But Evangelist Fred Phelps, who had turned down an appointment to West Point to devote his life to preaching, was not to be discouraged by a little thing like suspension. Last week he was back, preaching from the lawn of a friendly Pasadena citizen across from the quadrangle. His audiences were bigger and more sympathetic; in fact, Fred Phelps now had something of the attraction of a martyr.

Off His Stick? Pro-Phelps students recalled that the California law against the teaching of religion has never been interpreted at John Muir as a ban on such voluntary groups as the Student Christian Association, the Roman Catholic Newman Club, the Christian Science Club, and the Mormon

Deseret Club. In any case, they thought Principal Turrell had no right to pursue Phelps across the street.

"I don't agree with what he says," said a history major. "But I agree that he has a right to say it—off campus." Said another: "I think some of us can stand a bit of revival. Maybe Phelps has got something."

Students were delighted with the story that Phelps had been ordered to consult the school psychologist, a middle-aged lady, and that he had turned the tables on her by "psychoanalyzing" her. Gloated an admiring coed: "I hope he did. They had no right to suggest that he's off his stick. Just because you're religious, it doesn't mean you have to be crazy."

*Named for California's famed, mountain-trudging naturalist (1838-1914).

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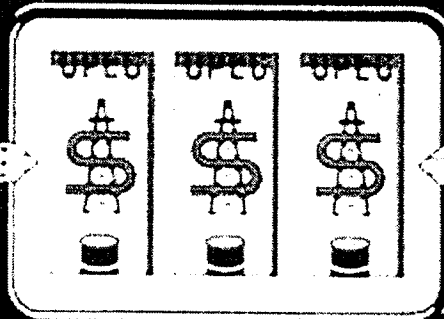
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Topeka's Secret

Another discrimination suit

Unwelcome fame came to the Topeka, Kans., school board 25 years ago as the defendant in *Brown vs. Board of Education*, the landmark Supreme Court case that outlawed segregated public schools. Now, less than a month before the silver anniversary of that decision, Topekans have learned that their school board has quietly paid \$19,500 to settle a discrimination suit brought by a ninth-grade student, Evelyn Johnson, 16.

Topeka's blacks, 16% of a 17,000 total student population, are concentrated in schools on the eastern side of the city. Topeka has no mandatory busing for school integration; students are allowed to attend any school they choose. But in 1973 Evelyn Johnson sued for \$20,000 in damages, claiming that the *Brown* decision had never been put into practice in Topeka and that she was receiving an inferior education. Blacks maintain that the Topeka system permits whites to flee second-rate schools in the inner city, leaving behind lower-income nonwhites who cannot afford to travel long distances to classes.

The board denied any wrongdoing. It insisted that a steady effort had been made since 1954 to change the school-district boundaries and close rundown, largely black schools. Moreover, the board maintained, Johnson was receiving a quality education. But after years of wrangling, the board's guarantors, Insurance Co. of North America, last December offered a settlement to Johnson. Explains I.N.A. Attorney Eugene Ralston: "The basic reason for settling was the enormous expense involved in the litigation. An inordinate amount of time would have been involved in trying the case, and an appeal would have been likely." To avoid encouraging other such suits, I.N.A. requested that records of the case be sealed in secrecy, and U.S. District Judge George Templar agreed. But after the *Kansas City Star* broke the news of the settlement, Templar admitted that he had "stubbed his toe" by approving the secrecy agreement and unsealed the records.

Although school-officials believe that the dispute is settled, Johnson's attorney, Fred Phelps, warns that he is "probably going to file a class action suit" seeking damages for all of Topeka's black students as victims of racial discrimination. Says Phelps: "There's not going to be any want of available clients." If such a suit is brought, one thing seems certain. No attempt will be made to keep the outcome secret.

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Revival And The Tithe



By Fred Phelps

"All the tithe . . . is the Lord's; it is holy unto the Lord." (Lev. 27:30.)

There is a direct connection between revival and paying the tithe. "Return unto me, and I will return unto you, saith the Lord of hosts. But ye said, Wherein shall we return?" Many people seem to sense and know vaguely that they are not right with the Lord; that they need "reviving", as we say. Therefore they ask, some honestly impudently, "Wherein shall we return?" (Mal. 3:7). How am I not right with the Lord?

Could this not be a simple recipe for revival, "Return unto me, and I will return unto you"? It corresponds to another statement given for revival by James: "Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded." (James 4:8). Three sad conditions of the
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Five Things God Cannot Do . . .

By DENNIS J. BROWN, D.D.

1. God Cannot Lie

Titus 1:2, "In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began; . . ."

We know that God's Word is true—He cannot lie.

We again read in Numbers 23:19, "God
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THINK IT OVER

Christ deserves your best, which is yourself.

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Reputation is desirable. Character is indispensable.

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I must stand with anybody that stands right; stand with him while he is right, and part with him when he goes wrong.—Abraham Lincoln.

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A hair in the head is worth two in the brush.—Oliver Herford.

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Sin—Hearing a lie—Believing a lie—obeying a lie.

Salvation—Hearing the Word—Believing the Word—Obeying the Word.

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A smile on the face is worth two in the heart.

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Nothing is opened more by mistake than the mouth.

Parents Are To Blame

Tomorrow's world is being moulded by today's training.

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old he will not depart from it. Pro. 22:6.

Some time ago I drove slowly down the street in a residential section of Phoenix near our church. A precious little child ran out from a yard directly in front of the car. It was very apparent that he could clearly see the car and wilfully ran in front of it. I quickly stepped on the brakes and stopped just before hitting him and no harm was done except I was frightened out of a years growth.

The mother of the child was walking carelessly in the yard. I had already blown the horn. She saw the child but did not seem greatly excited. I called to her and said, "Your child ran out right in front of the car". She said, "I'm sorry, we've been trying to keep him from running out in front of cars."

The child had been running out in front of cars before. I don't know whether he has been killed or not. This I do know that if he had been properly punished for running in front of cars he would not have continued to do it. The Bible says, "Withhold not correction from the child: for if thou beatest him with the rod, he shall not die". Pro.
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Billy Graham

EVANGELIST

A Christian America

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During my recent trips abroad, I have become extremely conscious of America's place of responsibility and leadership in the world in which we live. Our place of leadership in the world is far higher than the average American can possibly comprehend. We are living in a world which has thrust upon our shoulders responsibilities unparalleled and unprecedented in the history of the entire world. And at this moment we are in danger of fumbling the ball.

Our country was founded upon a supernaturalistic concept—a belief in God and a belief in the book we call the Bible. Our early settlers came to this country, landed on our shores, with a Bible in their hands and they worshipped God and made the belief in God the heart and the basis upon which government was to be built. The Mayflower landed in Plymouth in 1620 and the Mayflower Pact acknowledged God—but more than God—Christ as Master.

Nearly every state constitution of the 13 original colonies recognized God as supreme majesty. On September 11, 1777, the Continental Congress voted an expenditure of \$300,000 to buy copies of the Bible to be distributed. Yet the Supreme Court of this country in 1952 has said that this Bible cannot be taught in our public schools . . .

The ethical and moral concepts of Christianity are found completely through the Declaration of Independence. Our government officials in the early days when the Constitutional Congress met in Philadelphia were at loggersheads and were about to break up and form 13 separate nations when Benjamin Franklin stood up and said: "Gentlemen, let us pray. Perhaps in the midst of our prayers, God will speak to us." And out of that prayer meeting came the immortal document, the Constitution of the United States.

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It was God from the beginning. Take our
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Christian: (1) Hands are not clean. (2) Hearts are not pure. (3) Minds are not single—double minded.

What to do. "Draw nigh to God!" What to do. "Return unto Me—" Will you say with an eager heart, "WHEREIN SHALL WE RETURN?" If you will, then the subject at hand may help you. Here is the answer:

"Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that they may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that shall not be room enough to receive it." (Mal. 3:8-10).

"Wherein shall we return?" Why, I have read to you the answer. Begin today, now, to set aside regularly, faithfully, ten per cent of your income, whatever it is, to the work of the Lord. Stop robbing God! "I will return unto you, saith the Lord of hosts."

You will do that in a solemn covenant to . . . you can "Return unto Me."; you can "Draw nigh to God." For you will.

CLEANSE YOUR HANDS.

Many Christians must one day take the injunction to heart: "Your hands are full of blood!" (Isa. 1:15b) For "When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning . . . the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand." (Eze. 3:18) There is a direct connection between tithing and warning the wicked.

In the days of Nehemiah the house of the Lord was forsaken because the people in their greed and stinginess would not tithe. So the fulltime workers, the Levites and the singers, could not be supported. Nehemiah says, "And I perceived that the portions of the Levites had not been given them: for the Levites and the singers, that did the work, were fled every one to his field. Then contended I with the rulers, and said, Why is the house of God forsaken? And I gathered them together, and set them in their place. Then brought all Judah the tithe . . ."

If the house of the Lord must be closed and the ministry curtailed for lack of funds, then the wicked who might have been warned are unreached, die in their sins, "but his blood will I require at thine hand!" Tithing opens the church doors, supports the ministry, warns the wicked. Tithing wins souls!

Princess Eugenia, of Sweden, saw this connection between giving and winning the lost.

Her funds gone, she stripped herself of every jewel, putting the price thereof into a hospital for the sick-poor in the island of Gottland. One day a poor woman, ignorant and suffering and sinful, came into the hospital. Eugenia prayed for her and sought to win her to Christ. When time came for the princess to leave for the city, she went to tell the woman good-bye, and found her much changed in character. She met the princess with these words, "I thank God that the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin," and the tears of gratitude glistened in her eyes. Said Eugenia, "In those tears of penitence I have seen my diamonds again!"

You, too, can begin to tithe, and thereby "cleanse your hands." And you will

PURIFY YOUR HEART

"Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven. . . . For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Mat. 6:20, 21)

This teaches clearly that if you will carefully lay up treasures in heaven, doubtless by supporting the Lord's work on earth with your tithe, then as a consequence your heart will be in heaven, too. And this makes the heart pure—centered on things above. Your treasure will be there. You will be anxious for Jesus to come back and take you to your reward. As we read: ". . . When he shall appear, we shall be like him; . . . And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure." (I Jn. 3:2,3). And so you see that faithful, regular giving to the Lord's work has a purifying effect on the heart of the giver.

I am sure that I agree with Dr. Wm. Riley: "The best test of one's profession of faith is the collection-plate. It has been said that 'the prayer-meeting is the thermometer, but the test of the church's life is the treasurer's report.' The man who communes much with God thereby comes into a sweet fellowship with Him, and will, in consequence, sacrifice for him. Contributing to Christ's cause he will count one of the privileges of his life."

Who can doubt that Mr. Moody's pure heart was, at least in part, due to "his methods of handling money." He was a master," one who knew him has written, "at taking collections. Thousands and hundreds of thousands of dollars the public put into his hands, and while he might have kept a considerable portion as a rightful exchange for his preaching, he retained of it all only a comfortable living, and would have left his wife and children in poverty but for the importunity of his friends, who succeeded, just a little while before his decease, in arguing him into a little life insurance. One of the tests of manhood is what one does with his money, and the touchstone of one's Christianity is his treatment of silver and gold." Therefore "purify your hearts!"

An faithful, regular tithing will help deliver you from the noxious state of being.

DOUBLEMINDED

"A double minded man is unstable in all his ways." (Ja. 1:8). He is like a "wave of the sea, driven of the wind and tossed." And to such comes the sharp injunction from heaven: "Let not that man think that he shall receive anything of the Lord!" (Ja. 1:7.)

There is doubtless a vital connection between the "single" "eye" of Matthew 6:22 and a single mind. And the context of Matthew 6:22 leaves nothing to guess as to the meaning of a single eye. "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also . . . If therefore thine eye be single thy whole body shall be full of light." (Mat. 6:21,22). And the verse immediately following this figure of the eye informs, "Ye cannot serve God and mammon!"

Is it too far amiss, therefore, to say that as when your eye is healthy, your whole body sees; even so when your attitude and practice toward giving is healthy your spiritual life takes on improved vision and order?

Allow me to take the negative approach to the discussion at hand and say that **not to tithe**, i. e., not to lay up treasure in heaven, is to serve mammon. Not to tithe is to make one unstable in all his ways. **Not to tithe** makes for spiritual confusion, spiritual anarchy. — "driven of the wind and tossed" **Not to tithe** is to keep ones prayers from being answered and to hold back other blessings from God. "Let not that man think that he shall receive anything from the Lord."

Laying aside one tenth of the income for the work of the Lord makes for spiritual order in the life. It involves a single eye, a single heart, and a single mind.

Who could doubt that Frances Ridley Havergal had the blessedness of spiritual order in her life when she wrote:

"Take my life and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee?"

And no verse of that classic hymn went further toward expressing the secret of that spiritual order than this:

"Take my silver and gold,
Not a mite would I withhold,"

And do her words mean more to you when you learn that Miss Havergal packed up every piece of her silver and gold including a jewel cabinet fit for a countess, and took it all to the church missionary society to be sold and invested in foreign missions? Concerning the deed she said: "I never packed a box with such pleasure."

WHAT SAITH THE SCRIPTURES?

That tithing was Levitical surely, is evident; for we read, "And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the tree is the Lord's: is holy unto the Lord . . . These are the commandments, which the Lord commanded Moses for the children of Israel in mount Sinai." (Lev. 27:30, 34).

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But that tithing was Levitical only, is not evident. For, years before Moses descended from Sinai with the inflexible law of giving, we understand that "Melchisedec . . . met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings, and blessed him: To whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all." (Heb. 7:1,2). And we could hear Jacob saying to God: If you "will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on, so that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall the Lord my God: and this stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee." (Gen. 28:20-22).

And since tithing did not begin with the Levitical system, there is no logical reason for believing that it ended with the Levitical system—unless so stated. The burden of proof must lie with the opponent of tithing, and would involve the producing of a single text of Scripture proving candidly that tithing did stop with the Levitical system. And until that text is produced, it must be taken for granted by all the laws of debate and logic that what Jesus and the apostles said on the subject of giving had direct reference to the law of the tithe. The early audiences understood it that way: familiar, as they were, with the Old Testament.

To hear Jesus say: "Ye pay tithe . . . these ought ye to have done," is convincing proof for most men that our Lord recognized the existing plan for giving and did not seek to abrogate it! (Mat. 23:23).

If Paul insists, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him," it is evident that the Old Testament scholar had some percentage in mind. And as the recognized percentage for giving was the tithe, one-tenth-part, — before Levi, during Levi, and into the days of Christ — the argument rests with the foes of the tithe to prove that a different percentage is meant here. (See on I Corinthians 16:2.) The fact that Paul did not here say "lay by him in store ten percent" is strong indication that he did not need to mention the percentage, it was so well established! Might it not have been another case of "ye have no need that I write unto you, for yourselves know perfectly?" And, "Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things." (Cr. I Thes. 5:1,2 and II Thes. 2:5).

When the case in point was of a Levitical ceremonial law that was done away in Christ, the New Testament writers were careful and copious in demonstrating that the Old Testament practice was extinct. In such a case, proof is at hand. In the case of the tithe, not one text of proof

is a hand; proving conversely, therefore—by the law consistent implication—that the practice of tithing was (and so is) still existing.

So that we can take it, when the New Testament mentions giving, the amount naturally involved is ten percent, the tithe—as a basis for minimum reckoning. Of course in both Testaments, to give more than the tithe, i.e., to give additional free-will offerings of love to the Lord, is commended. And the proffered blessings for so doing are great. But to speak of giving more until the principle and practice of the tithe is instituted in the life is to beg the issue! We speak now of duty: "All the tithe . . . is the Lord's!"

REVIVAL AND THE TITHE

Dr. Gordon, pastor of the Clarendon Street Church, Boston, tells how they had prayed for revival but revival had not come. Then Dr. Gordon preached on giving, for the annual foreign missions offering was coming due. There were only a few wealthy men in the church; and, as is usually the case, these men were not given to large sacrifices. So Gordon layed the need squarely before the people as a whole. To everyone's great surprise, the response was immediate and liberal, and the pastor wrote: "It was simply a great impulse of the Spirit, and the astonishment of all still continues. Now is coming a gracious ingathering of souls."

And Dr. W. B. Riley says regarding his own great work in Minneapolis: "We have long prayed for the opening of the windows of heaven, and for a blessing above room to receive it. Our prayers will be answered when we bring our tithes into God's storehouse."

Campbell Morgan, speaking of the coup-let,

"My all is on the altar,

I am waiting for the fire,"

says, "It is an absolute absurdity. Nobody ever waited for the fire when 'all' was on the altar. Let a man sing, if he like

"A part is on the altar,

I am waiting for the fire."

I do not know that he ought to waste the time in singing even that, but bestir himself to get the other portion on the altar. That is his business. When you and I put our all upon the altar the fire falls directly . . . God's conditions being fulfilled, God's promises never halt."

And in no case is this truer than in regard to the tithe. "Return unto me, and I will return unto you, saith the Lord . . . Bring ye all the tithes . . . and prove me now herewith . . . if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

Bring in the tithes, that is our part — and the windows will open, that is God's promise.

(Editor's Note: It has been my joy and

privilege to have known my dear friend and brother, a faithful servant of Christ, Fred Phelps, for several years. He has preached in our church a number of times and God has used him to the salvation of souls. Fred's message is true to the Bible, without compromise. He is young, has a burden for souls, is a very good speaker, and has a pleasing personality. Will you Christian friends pray for this young man that God has his hand upon him? If any of you pastors desire a good evangelist you may contact Fred at this address: 218 E. 32 St. Topeka, Kansas.

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is not a man that He should lie . . ." " . . . let God be true, but every man a liar . . ." Romans 3:4. Remember the words of the Lord Jesus who said in Matthew 24:35, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my word shall not pass away."

Many times people fail to regard the Lord as God, but since God does not and cannot lie, it is of vital importance to study His word with respect.

2. God Cannot Approve of Sin

Ezekiel 18:4, "The soul that sinneth, it shall die."

In Romans 3:23, "All have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Romans 6:23, "The wages of sin is death . . ." When God said, "the soul that sinneth, it shall die" he meant just that. Death is sin's penalty. Therefore, all are subject to die because all have sinned.

There is only one way to dispose of sin and that is to confess it that it might be covered by the blood of Jesus.

Prov. 28:13, "He that covereth his sins shall not prosper; but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy." We find in James 1:13, "For God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth He any man."

3. God Cannot Save Anyone Who Will Not Admit He is Lost!

Romans 5:12, "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned." If the sinner will not admit being a sinner they are not going to be lost for they are already lost. But when a person realizes that they are lost then the person realizes their need. A lost person needs a Saviour, and the Saviour is the Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said in Luke 13:3 and repeated in Luke 13:5, "But except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish." The 16th chapter of Luke beginning with verse 19 relates the story of a man who did not repent. He died in his sins and went to hell or the place of torment.

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4. God Cannot Take You to Heaven Without the New Birth.

John 3:7. "Ye must be born again."

Notice that the new birth is a necessity - "ye must." He again said, "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God." The first birth is of flesh and under condemnation. "All have sinned." This necessitates the new birth. You cannot be saved without it, for Jesus said, "the flesh profiteth nothing."

If you have not experienced this new birth, which is an acceptance of God's free gift you are utterly and hopelessly lost. Remember, we read, "the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Rom. 6:23. Therefore, you cannot go to heaven without the new birth.

5. God Cannot Refuse Salvation to Anyone Who Will Call Upon Him!

"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. Romans 10:13.

Then again we read of the publican in Luke 18:13 who said, "God be merciful to me a sinner." So, if you admit you are lost you call upon God to save you, He will not turn you away for He cannot lie, He cannot approve of your sin. He cannot save anyone who does not admit they are lost, He cannot take you to heaven without the new birth and He cannot refuse salvation to anyone who will call upon Him.

May I urge you now to receive His word and trust in Him and call upon Him at this very moment to save you.

Parents Are To Blame

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23:13 Foolishness is bound in the heart of child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him. Pro. 22:15: If a child is not taught to obey at home he will not want to obey the Laws of the Country. That is why we have so many juvenile criminals. Children begin to become criminals when they are very young.

It is because they have their own way. They are never brought into complete subjection unto their parents. Later they are headaches to the school teachers, and to the headaches to the school teachers, and to the police. Eventually many of them wind up in prison. The parents are to blame.

Children who are obedient in the home are soon obedient to God and do not reject Christ as Saviour and Lord. Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and shall deliver his soul from hell. Pro. 23:14. Many children are going to hell because parents have not corrected them, and taught them complete obedience. The Bible clearly states that if

you make your child obey, he will be delivered from hell.

Not only for the child's sake and for the sake of society but for your own sake as a parent you should surely teach your child to obey. The rod and reproof give wisdom, put a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame. Pro. 29:15. You will be brought to shame by your child if you do not train it up with complete obedience. You may laugh at this now. But remember it is God's word and some day you will remember that God's word was right. It will come back to you with sorrow and bitter tears. If you do not break your child's stubborn disobedient will, some day if that child lives and you live it will break your heart. Just remember that I have seen it happen according to God's word many times.

Thank God for parents that take God's way of training their children. You are promised rest and delight. Correct thy son, and he shall give thee rest; yea, he shall give delight to thy soul. Pro. 29:17. Children are a great blessing if trained up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. You will have great joy and satisfaction, yes, and a delight in your children as they mature in you are faithful to God's word in correcting and training them.

Chasten thy son while there is hope, and let not thy soul spare for his crying. Pro. 19:18. Someday it will be too late to chasten your child. Do it while there is hope saith the Bible. Do not put it off but start not while there is hope. Isn't it pathetic that we have so many soft, namby, pamby, spineless, jellyfish, weakling mothers and dads in our time, who do not have enough backbone to chasten their children. Do not let thy soul spare for his crying. You better chasten him while there is hope and let him cry, than see him grow up to be a no good, lazy loafer who will not obey law or God, and see him behind prison bars.

After a wedding at our church not long ago, a healthy nice looking boy of about three or four was into everything he shouldn't be. His nice looking intelligent looking father was following him around and trying to keep him out of trouble. I stepped out of the church, saw the boy climbing the stairway, throwing rocks, and really giving his dad a lot of trouble. His dad looked at me and said, I feel sorry for the girl that this boy gets. He said, I will be glad to give a girl a thousand dollars to marry him some day. Can you imagine a strong man or woman being ruled by a three year old child?

My friend I have given you the Bible, please heed it's precepts.

THINK IT OVER

By the way they talk, one would infer that some people really enjoy bad health.

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Even if you have money to burn, you can't take it with you.

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Compromise is but the sacrifice of one right or good in the hope of retaining another, too often ending in the loss of both.

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It takes less time to do a thing right than it does to explain why you did it wrong.—Henry W. Longfellow.

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Those who hope for no other life are dead even in this.—Johann von Goethe.

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The best time to hold on is when you reach the point where the average fellow would quit.

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God will not look you over for medals, degrees, and diplomas, but for scars in likeness to His Son.

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Let us fail in trying to do something rather than fail sitting still and doing nothing.

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Secrets are things we give to other people to keep for us.

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educational institutions, Harvard for example. In the bequest of Mr. Harvard, he gave several rules and precepts that were to be observed by Harvard College, and the second rule reads as follows:

"Let every student be plainly instructed and earnestly pressed to consider well the main ends of his life and studies; to know God and Jesus Christ which is eternal life and therefore to lay Christ in the bot' as the only foundation of all knowledge learning and see the Lord only giveth wisdom. Let everyone seriously set himself by prayer in secret to seek Christ as Lord and Master."

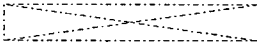
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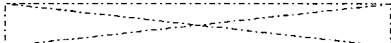
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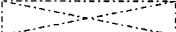
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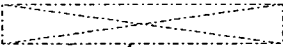
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He is one brave and special young man.
Sincerely:  Grove City Pa.





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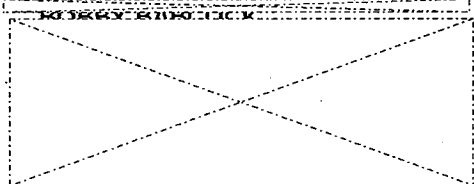
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 Thank you for your support

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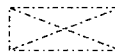
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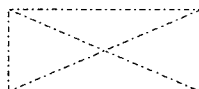


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11/17/2002	CBS News	Ft. Bragg Killings Blamed on Stress	Five killings this summer are probably due to existing marital problems and the stress of separation - unsure of whether it is stress or an anti-malaria drug, really - authorities say four Fort Bragg soldiers killed their wives in June and July. Two of the men committed suicide and the other two are charged with murder. Three of the cases involved Special Operations soldiers who had served in Afghanistan. One case was a woman who killed her special ops major husband.
10/17/2005	Press Release from Surovell markle isaacs & levy PLC	United States Military Settles Case for Medical Negligence and Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress	Bethesda Naval Medical Center and Walter Reed Hospital settle a case after causing the death of a military family's child and then causing the father of the child to be prosecuted wrongfully for that child's death.
9/25/2006	CNN.com	Marines face courts-martial in Iraqi man's death	Three Marine will face courts-martial in the death of the Iraqi man who they allegedly kidnapped, killed and planted an AK-47, shell casings and a shovel near his body to make it look like he was an insurgent who was planting a bomb.
12/1/2006	Zogby International	Opinions of military personnel on sexual minorities in the military	Overall, this survey paints a mixed picture for the future of gays and lesbians in the military. While overwhelming majorities of those responding display tolerance and understanding of the rights and issues involved in the argument, there are still large obstacles that must be overcome.
1/15/2007	CNN.com	Pentagon won't back official who blasted Gitmo lawyers	Deputy assistant secretary of defense suggested boycott of detainees' lawyers. Pentagon spokesman says official was not speaking for Bush Administration. Official said law firm should explain who was paying them to represent "terrorists". Critics call remarks intimidation, "shameful and irresponsible"
1/22/2007	CNN.com	U.S. sub commander relieved of duty after drownings	Navy reassigns submarine commander to Virginia post due to four sailors swept overboard 12/29/06; two died. Navy determine commander's mistake contributed to accident.
1/25/2007	Foxnews.com	National Guard involved in South Carolina High School Cheerleading controversy	The South Carolina National Guard has entered the case of a High School Principal charged with hindering the police investigation of a cheerleading coach accused of providing students with beer, according to local news reports. The National Guard released a statement to Fox Carolina, saying it is working with the Greenwood County Sheriff's Department on the case, which includes any related misconduct by any National Guard Soldier.
1/25/2007	CNN.com	Sex offender posed as 7th grader at two schools	Ex-Army guy, posing as 12-year-old having sexual relationship with two older men - using that as a front to get his hands on young children at Arizona Middle Schools.

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1/26/2007	Foxnews.com	National Guard recruiter, cheerleading coach accused of sex with students but no charges	A South Carolina National Guardsman who recruited at a High School and a former cheerleading coach each are accused of having sex with students, and the Principal is charged with hindering the investigation, authorities said.
1/30/2007	www.sldn.org	First Circuit to hear oral arguments on march 7 in "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" case	The lawsuit asserts that "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" punishes gay, lesbian and bi-sexual service members for their sexual orientation and for their private, constitutionally protected conduct.
2/1/2007	CNN.com	Former Joint Chiefs Chairman: Time to include Gay Troops	"I now believe that if gay men and lesbians served openly in the united states military, they would not undermine the efficacy of the armed forces," he wrote in the January 2 edition of the Times. "Our military has been stretched thin by our deployments in the Middle East, and we must welcome the service of any american who is willing and able to do the job." [Including convicted rapists, murderers and drug-dealers]
2/5/2007	Associated Press	Army Officer wouldn't ship out, faces court martial	Anti-war activists consider Ehren Watada a hero for his refusal to go to Iraq. The army accuses him of betraying his fellow soldiers.
2/15/2007	Inquirer	Series of articles on Mark David Norris - dead ex-Marine	These articles detail the life of this homosexual ex-marine who was murdered (along with his ex-cop brother) by an investor. This was just one of the many victims of this ex-marine's shady business deals.
2/18/2007	militarycorruption.com	Officer gets 12 years in Leavenworth on child porn rap	At least one officer and a high-ranking enlisted man at Warren AFB in Wyoming, plus others, we are told up to 30, involved in down-loading child pornography from their personal computers.
2/18/2007	CNN.com	Marine to serve 8 years in killing of Iraqi	This is the story about the person who actually murdered the Hashim Ibrahim Awad in Iraq. They gave him 8 whole years in prison. This after they bound the man hand and foot drug him from his home shot him several times then planted a rifle and shovel to make it appear he was planting a roadside bomb.
2/21/2007	Unknown	Soldier Pleads Guilty In Iraqi Rape, Murder Case	This is another article about the soldier who took the plea agreement. However, it adds that this is the soldier who acted as the "look out" while Steven Green actually raped the little 14-year-old girl.
2/23/2007	Maryland National Guard Press Release	Maryland National Guard takes strong action to correct alleged recruiter misconduct	The results of a self-initiated investigation related to alleged improprieties on the part of Maryland Army National Guard recruiters. While a number of the allegations were unsubstantiated, significant improprieties were uncovered.

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2/24/2007	CNN.com	U.S. soldier gets 100 years for Iraq rape, killings	This U.S. soldier was sentenced to 100 years in prison for his part in the murder of 4 people and the rape of a 14-year-old girl all of one family. The defendant took a plea agreement which will make him eligible for parole in four years. The reason for the murder/rape - hardships of war they experienced including sleep deprivation and the lack of running water.
2/28/2007	chippewa.com	Soldier to serve 20 years for killing fellow soldier in Iraq	During a drinking binge with the victim, Spc. Chris Rolan used his Army issued 9 mm berretta to shoot and kill fellow soldier Paytas. His reason? He was depressed and turned alcoholic from having to serve (voluntarily) in Iraq.
2/28/2007	militarycorruption.com	National Guard Colonel nabbed trying to have sex with "14-year-old girl".	Colonel Donald Woldsh was arrested after a late night encounter - he allegedly hoped to have sex with a 14-year-old girl he was charged with computer child pornography and spent several hours in a jail cell. The writer wonders if he will ever see jail time since he is so close to retirement (30 years of service), they pontificate he may get a deal and just be dropped one pay grade.
2/28/2007	militarycorruption.com	More than 4,000 cadets on lockdown at Air Force Academy	This is another article about the cheating scandal, with added info: that it is based in Colorado, and there were actually 30 involved in the cheating.
2/28/2007	edgeboston.com	Air Force Officer found guilty of rape	Captain Devery L. Taylor was found guilty of drugging and raping four men and attempting to rape 2 others. Taylor testified that five of the six had consensual sex with him, whereas the other who was openly gay raped him. The jury did not believe him, apparently.
2/28/2007	rockymountainnews.com	Army recruiter faces rape charges	Sgt. Louis Chapa was arrested on allegations of raping a woman in her home some weeks or months after she came to his recruiting office - such allegations have gained national attention and sparked a review of military practice and policy. After a six-month investigation, The Associated Press reported in 2006 that more than 100 young women . . . were raped on recruiting office couches, assaulted in government cars and groped en route to entrance exams.
2/28/2007	militarycorruption.com	Army Chief Warrant Officer Five indicted by feds	A CW5 took a bribe while stationed at Camp Arifjan, Kuwait. Then, the indictment alleged, Peleti got himself in more trouble by trying to sneak \$40,000 in undeclared cash into the united states on a 12/2005 flight from Kuwait City to Dover, Delaware.

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2/28/2007	militarycorruption.com	"Kidnapping" charges dropped in Eglin AFB "gay rape" case	This paper is talking about the same case about the officer who was convicted of rape. This article suggests that since all of the "victims" were homosexuals - - testifying to that fact would cost them their military careers. That is the same argument the defense attorney is making.
2/28/2007	militarycorruption.com	Edwin AFB Captain Could Get Life in Prison from multiple rapes and sodomy	At least six victims have come forward to make rape allegations against the Captain, with two more claiming Taylor attempted to assault them. If found guilty on all charges, the Air Force officer faces life in prison and a dishonorable discharge.
3/1/2007	CNN.com	Gay Veteran Calls for end of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell"	Repeat of the NPR article except this article includes why people with special skills are more likely to be gay, so this impacts national security to discharge these gay soldiers. However, a democratic representative from Massachusetts, named Meehan has introduced legislation to lift the ban, and is confident it will pass.
3/2/2007	CNN.com	Cadet caught up in Academy cheating scandal withdraws	Cadets cheating on a test that was part of a weekly series of exams - a team of them got answers and forwarded them to each other via computer. Their punishment? Stay on campus and you cannot go to the one bar in the town.
3/3/2007	latimes.com	A military wife's battle is lost here at home	Long story about a wife of a Marine Sgt. Travis Woody whose wife has been struggling with a major drug problem which resulted in . . .her being involved in a man being kidnapped and tortured as their children were at home alone.
3/6/2007	latimes.com	Army deserter gets 8 months in military prison	Conscientious objector refused to deploy to Iraq. He does not believe we should be there. Major Robert Whittle, one of Agustin Aguayo's commanding officers advised "In the global war on terrorism, we need everybody rowing the boat". Then goes on to day, "he volunteered" . . ."we expect him to fulfill his commitment".
3/6/2007	CNN.com	Drill Sgt. accused of forcing male trainees to dress up as Superman and submit to sex acts	Staff Sgt Estrada advised a trainee that he had strategy to help him feel more self-confident and relieve depression - so he had him dress up like Superman and Estrada performed sex acts upon him. . .Punishment - charged with indecent assault, having an inappropriate relationship with a trainee and cruelty and maltreatment of subordinates.
3/13/2007	Associated Press	Gay advocates demand apology from Pentagon's top general for calling homosexuality immoral	Another article about Gen. Pace's remarks, but this one states that 65,000 lesbian and gays are in the united states' troops, and demand an apology.

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3/13/2007	washingtonpost.com	Soldier Tied to Iraq Attack Faces Trial	Another story about the Staff Sgt. Ray Girouard who allegedly ordered his troops to kill detainees by ordering that they be "cut free" and then to kill them and then cover up the crime by faking an insurgent attack. He denies the charges and has plead not guilty. The same officer who is accusing him, also has stated that he was given rules of engagement by 3rd Brigade commander Col. Michael Steele to "kill all military-age men." Steel denies this allegation, and will NOT be required to testify.
3/13/2007	CNN.com	Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Calls Homosexuality 'Immoral'	Another article about Gen. Pace's remarks, but this one states that a 2005 government audit showed some 10,000 troops, including more than 50 specialists in Arabic, have been discharged because of the military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy.
3/14/2007	bbc.co.uk	US soldier in Iraq murder trial - The last of four US soldiers has gone to trial for his part in the murder of three Iraqi detainees on 9 May 2006	Sgt. Raymond Girouard, 24, denies ordering his soldier to shoot the Iraqi prisoners, but admits his role in covering up the deaths. Three men died in the incident, and one witness testified that the Sergeant ordered him to release the detainees and then shoot them as the fled.
3/14/2007	courier-journal.com	101st soldier says sergeant ordered Iraq killings	Same story, but gives details that these soldiers were from 101st Airborne, based at Fort Campbell, KY. The witness, named Hunsaker, also advised that he knew it was an unlawful order, but believed these men were 'terrorists' and would have done the same or worse to them, if they could.
3/14/2007	NPR.org	Don't Ask, Don't Tell' Policy: Bad for Security	Retired marine Staff Sgt. Eric Alva, the first Marine to be wounded in the Iraq War, is also the national spokesman on the effort to repeal the "don't ask, don't tell" policy of the U.S. Military for the Human Rights Campaign.
3/14/2007	NPR.org	Outrage Grows Over Pace's Anti-Gay Remark	General Peter Pace said homosexuality is 'immoral' and this has Congressional Democrats and gay advocacy groups calling for an apology - all stemming from the debate over whether the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy is out of step with the times. Defense Secretary Robert Gates distanced himself from Pace's comments.
3/14/2007	Associated Press	Navy loses contact temporarily with sub off Florida	There was a submarine in the waters off of Florida's coast. Someone thought they saw a flare go off and tried to contact the sub. Nobody answered or was apparently paying any attention because they have set times when they have communications - family members of the officers on board were notified that something may be wrong. . . they called in at the designated time and had no clue someone was concerned.

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3/31/2007	CNN.com	Academy finds no crime in midshipmen's 'lewd' acts	10 midshipmen acted 'immature' but committed no crimes, according to the Annapolis Naval Academy probe. The accusations come from a woman's complaint sent via email to the Academy when she and other women were groped by the drunken sailors and observed them offering alcohol to under-age girls. This on the heels of the Lamar Owens Jr. trial where the midshipman was charged with raping another midshipman but was acquitted of that but found guilty of conduct unbecoming an officer and disobeying a lawful order.
4/10/2007	washingtonpost.com	Jury: 2-Year Sentence in Academy Assault	A military jury has sentenced A Naval Academy midshipman of sexually assaulting a fellow student and advised that he should spend two years in prison and be dismissed from the Navy. The decision will be reviewed by academy superintendent Vice Admiral Rodney Rempt.
4/13/2007	yorkdispatch.com	Military jury convicts Naval Academy midshipman in sex-abuse case	Annapolis student midshipman convicted of forcing fellow midshipman (female) to have sex after a night of drinking at a local nightclub. Defendant is a former backup linebacker on the Navy football team. He was actually accused of doing this to two separate women, but they only convicted him of the one.
4/14/2007	foxnews.com	Group: U.S. Marines Broke International Law in Shooting Spree on Civilians	An Afghan human rights group said that a U.S. Marine unit broke international humanitarian law by using excessive force during a shooting spree last month that left 12w people dead. The troops fired indiscriminately at pedestrians, people in cars, public buses and taxis in six different locations along a 10-mile stretch of road in Nangahar province after an explosives-rigged minivan crashed into their convoy on March 4, 2007.
4/17/2007	cjonline.com	Veteran held family hostage before surrender	A Fort Riley soldier locked himself and his family inside his Herington home Sunday night. Then he released the family, and showing that he had his military armour on he advised he was going to go down in a blaze of glory unless they promised to get him help for his post-traumatic stress disorder.
4/26/2007	foxnews.com	U.S. Lieutenant Colonel Who Commanded Baghdad Detention Center Charged With 'Aiding the Enemy'	Army Lt. Col. William H. Steele was accused of giving "aid to the enemy" by providing an unmonitored cell phone to detainees. He was also charged with improperly marking classified information, failing to obey an order and failing to fulfill his obligations in the expenditure of funds during his job at Camp Cropper a U.S. detention center on the western outskirts of Baghdad.

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4/27/2007	msnbc.com	Prosecutor: Cop forced couples to have sex	Detroit police officer accused of pulling couples over and forcing them to engage in sex acts while he watched or else they would get hefty tickets for made-up crimes.
5/22/2007	365gay.com	Falwell Follower Arrested on bomb Charges	Exact same article from the Associated Press as in the Sky Valley Journal.
5/23/2007	Sky Valley Journal	Liberty student arrested on bomb charges	A Liberty University, who was a member of the campus ROTC group was arrested after making bombs that he planned to use at Jerry Falwell's funeral because he was "upset about an anti-gay fringe group that protested at the funeral, authorities said." The funeral proceeded at Thomas Road Baptist Church without incident.
5/23/2007	5/23/2007	Amissville man arrested on bomb charges	A 19-year-old Liberty University student found with five homemade bombs was arrested late Monday night after his family told on him - believed to be for use on members of Westboro Baptist Church who protested Jerry Falwell's funeral services.
5/28/2007	cnn.com	Anti-war mom Cindy Sheehan gives up her protest	Self-titled disillusioned mother ends her attempts to stop the war in Iraq stating that her son did in fact die for nothing and that this 'cause' has cost her marriage and taken all of the survivor's benefits from her dead son - now she just has bills, bills and more bills.
5/31/2007	msnbc.msn.com	Border agent ignored warning for TB traveler Patient's father-in-law works at CDC lab; officials seeking 80 on 2 flights	An Atlanta lawyer with a dangerous strain of tuberculosis was allowed back into the U.S. by a border inspector who disregarded a computer warning to stop him and don protective gear - that inspector is now doing administration duties until they complete their investigation.
5/31/2007	www.roanoke.com	Prosecutor: Nazi, gang ties to Falwell funeral bomb case	When they searched defendant Mark David Uhl's possessions they discovered his affinity for Nazis and gangs - and he had previously bombed his high school with homemade tear gas. The court will not release the defendant until his trial.

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7/1/2007	washingtonpost.com	Soldiers Charged in Iraqi Deaths	Two American soldiers were charged with the premeditated murders of three Iraqis in separate incidents which took place over the past three months. Both from Fort Richardson, Alaska. This is just two more examples in a list of such incidents including the now notorious case of the 14-year-old and her family; seven US Marines and one Navy medic accused of taking part in the killing of 52-year-old Iraqi man in Anbar province that involved putting him in a bomb crater along with a rifle and a shovel. The article goes on to tell how the two governments are not at odds, it is these rogue factions from the two militaries who are to blame, but the American soldiers are innocent until proven guilty.
7/3/2007	foxnews.com	Prosecutors to Seek Death penalty for U.S. Soldier in Iraq Rape-Slay Case	If Steven D. Green is convicted of killing an Iraqi family and raping a 14-year-old girl, he may be put to death if prosecutors' have their way about it. Green shall be tried in civil court due to being discharged from service before charges were filed.
7/14/2007		Soldier Gets Self Shot in leg to Avoid Returning to Iraq	Jonathan Aponte, 20, allegedly paid a man \$500.00 to shoot him in his leg in order to avoid having to return to Iraq; he reported it as a robbery/shooting to the police.
7/15/2007	foxnews.com	Marine: Unit Was Ordered to 'Crank Up Violence Level' in Iraq	Saturday at the murder trial of Cpl. Trent D. Thomas - a fellow marine testified their unit routinely beat Iraqis after officers ordered them. . . "We were told to crank up the violence level," when asked for clarification by a juror, the answer came "We beat people, sir." The end result was the squad went looking for one man who they believed was 'prince of jihad', but when they could not find him they chose a different man pulled him from his house fatally shot him, then planted an A-47 assault rifle near the body.
7/16/2007	cnn.com	Singer shot dead on stage	Witnesses saw dead singer Robin Munis' husband in the area of her death by shooting, so police are looking for this second lieutenant from the Wyoming Army National Guard as he had sniper training.

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7/17/2007	foxnews.com	Fort Bragg Soldier Charged With Spreading HIV	Fort Bragg military police and the Cumberland County Sheriff's Office conducted a five-month-long investigation , where they found that 25-year-old Private First Class Johnny Lamar Dalton was engaged in a sexual relationship with a 17-year-old boy he found in a gay online chat room. In February, doctors conducting routine blood tests reportedly found that the otherwise healthy teen was HIV positive - Dalton had recently signed a slip of paper advising he agreed to notify "partners" of his HIV status before engaging in relations. Dalton did not do that.
7/17/2007	foxnews.com	Cops Say They Have 'Near Confession' From Alleged Wyoming Wife Killer	National Guard sharpshooter who is accused of killing his singer wife - who coincidentally died from a single gun-shot wound while performing on a stage at Old Chicago restaurant. They have located a note that is c. 5-6 pages detailing reasons for wanting to kill his estranged wife. The suspect is still at large in the canyons of Wyoming.
7/18/2007	CNN.com	Marine convicted of conspiring to murder, kidnapping in Iraq death	Prosecutors said that during a nighttime patrol on April 26, 2006, Cpl Trent Thomas and others in his squad hatched a plan to kidnap and kill a suspected insurgent from his house. When they couldn't find him, they instead kidnapped a man identified by prosecutors as Hashim Ibrahim Awad, a retired policeman and father of 11 who lived nearby. The military jury convicted him for conspiracy to murder and kidnapping.
7/20/2007	CNN.com	Marine loses rank for role in killing Iraqi civilian	Cpl. Trent D. Thomas was found guilty Wednesday of kidnapping and conspiracy to commit several offenses - including murder, larceny, housebreaking, kidnapping, and making false official statements - punishment? He was demoted and then dishonorably discharged.
7/22/2007	abcnews.com	Miss. Baby Found; Biological mom in Jail	Fort Bragg is the location where a missing child was located in the apartment of a friend of the biological mother. The apartment is on the military-base. This is how it went: On Saturday, two women and an armed man wearing masks stormed into Jennifer and Matt Erickson's home in Itawamba County, near the Tennessee and Alabama lines, they tied up Jennifer Erickson with an electrical cord and fled with the baby (the biological mom's child) - but left the other child that belongs to Erickson behind.

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7/23/2007	MSNBC.com	Injured Iraq vets sue VA over health care delays	A coalition of injured Iraq war veterans is accusing VA Secretary Jim Nicholson of breaking the law by denying them disability pay and mental health treatment. The lawsuit also alleges that the Pentagon has set about to create a new list of symptoms for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder in order to keep from treating legitimate Iraqi/Afghanistan Veterans claims
7/24/2007	cjonline.com	Marine recruiter faces child porn charge	Marine recruiter from Omaha, Nebraska after chatting online with a police officer posing as a 15-year-old girl - during which chats he committed some pornography offenses.
7/27/2007	MSNBC.com	Agent Orange tied to blood pressure risk	Findings get vets closer to having government-paid services for ailment. This study which is "limited but important evidence" links Agent orange used during the Vietnam War increases the veterans likelihood of getting Type-two diabetes, high blood pressure which can lead to heart disease and strokes. If this is accepted as true this could "help hundred of thousands of veterans get treatment in VA medical centers for hypertension and associated heart disease and strokes. . . This relieves a huge burden from veterans," says Jerry Maner and official with the group Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.
7/30/2007	The Capital-Journal	Fort Riley soldier held in shooting death of fellow soldier	Fort Riley - one soldier shot another soldier, autopsy pending.
7/30/2007	KCTV5.com	Soldier Held In Shooting Death of Fellow Soldier	Basically a repeat of the Capital-Journal article noting both of these men are from San Diego originally, but then they refer back to 2005 when Sgt. Aaron Stanley was convicted of two counts of premeditated murder for the shooting deaths of two of his fellow soldiers - at Stanley's farm house in Clay Center, Kansas. Those deaths were associated with the fact that this farm was a drug house.
7/30/2007	The Capital-Journal	Fort Riley soldier held in shooting death of fellow soldier	Sgt. Salas, arrested on a charge of involuntary manslaughter early Sunday in the death of a fellow Fort Riley soldier - an autopsy is scheduled.
7/31/2007	MSNBC.com	General blamed for Tillman errors	"Failure of leadership", so says the Pentagon in their statement about their punishment of Army Lt. Gen. Philip Kensingler about the way he handled the death (by his own squad members) saying he was "guilty of deception" and "it's a perfect storm of mistakes, misjudgments and a failure of leadership". Nine other officers were criticized but not punished. He could loose a rank star.

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7/31/2007	MSNBC.com	Child abuse rises when dad is at war	Mothers are twice as likely to physically hurt kids, government study finds. Overall, the study of almost 1,800 Army families worldwide found that reports of child abuse and neglect were 42 percent higher during times when the soldier-parent, regardless of gender, was deployed.
8/3/2007	CNN.com	U.S. Marine found guilty of conspiring to murder Iraqi	Cpl. Marshall Magincaida also guilty of larceny and housebreaking; Magincaida acquitted of premeditated murder and kidnapping; Alleged leader of plot still on trial; he's the last of 8 men charged in case.
8/3/2007	Foxnews.com	Marine Squad Leader convicted of Murdering Iraqi Man	Fox's version of the same story in CNN.com this same date; Prosecutors said that during a nighttime patrol, the squad hatched a plan to kidnap a suspected insurgent from his house and kill him. When they couldn't find him, they chose the man who lived next door.
8/4/2007	Foxnews.com	Jury Finds GI Guilty of Rape and Murder of Iraqi Girl and Her Family	Jurors convicted Army Pfc. Jesse Spielman of conspiracy to commit rape, rape, housebreaking with intent to commit rape and four counts of felony murder.
8/9/2007	MSNBC.com	Did Soldier Fake Iraq Story for Magazine?	Story reports that two newspapers are debating the authentication of war diaries sent to one paper from a "GI" which the army avows are not factually correct.
8/16/2007	YAHOO! News	Army suicides highest in 26 years	A new military report says that Army soldiers committed suicide last year at the highest rate in 26 years, and more than a quarter did so while serving in Iraq and Afghanistan.
8/19/2007	Foxnews.com	Navy Pulls You Tube Video of Sailors Horsing Around in Nuclear Radiation Gear	Navy members of the crew of the aircraft carrier Ronald Reagan - used the taxpayers' equipment taking footage of high-security areas of the vessel and then posted it on YouTube for the whole world to see them playing the fool. Navy commanders have counseled the airman who produced the film - even though the theme of the video was that women serving on the ship can do the same job as the "men".
8/24/2007	Foxnews.com	California National Guardsman Suspended Over Web Site Advocating Violence	An Aide to the California National Guard's top general has been suspended because he had a website entitled 'Howtokillpeople.com'. The website reportedly contained social commentary, vulgar humor, sex jokes and photos of Gruber, including one of him pointing a gun at black people in tribal garb, according to the times.
8/28/2007	clarksvilleonline.com	Battlefield Iraq: Replacements needed	This article highlights the fact that due to the high casualty rate and political backlash the U.S. military is offering huge sign-up bonuses for military as well as taking a "don't ask, don't tell" approach to academic, mental and physical issues which would previously barred applicants to the military.

Date	Publication	Title	Summary - Military
9/3/2007	WLEX-TV	Ft. Campbell Soldier Arrested	An 18-year-old soldier has been arrested with kidnapping and raping a juvenile. Charges are that (while supposed to be on-duty with the military) he went to the Decatur High School on Friday, kidnapped a juvenile raped them and then took them to a local motel where he raped them again before the juvenile escaped and went straight to police who went and arrested the suspect.
9/14/2007	NewsChannel5.com	9-Year-old Said Intruder Fatally Shot Moth, Grandmother	The former wife of a Fort Lewis soldier, and the estranged wife of a Military Policeman at Fort Campbell was murdered along with her former mother-in-law. Her child saw the murder, but is not saying who did it. However, woman did take out a restraining order against her second husband the day after Clarksville police came to their home in response to a domestic violence call.
9/22/2007	MSNBC.com	Military probes atheist GI's allegations	An officer who has identified himself as an atheist is being harassed by fellow soldiers. He filed a federal lawsuit, and since then the mistreatment has increased to physical assaults and threats of "fragging" or killing him by friendly fire.
9/29/2007	CNN.com	U.S. soldier planted wire to fake victim was insurgent	Sniper acquitted of murder in two deaths; gets 5 months for evidence tampering; Suicide truck bomb kills 6 in Mosul; Sheik, journalist killed in separate Mosul attacks; Fewer foreign fighters entering Iraq, U.S. general says.
10/1/2007	CNN.com	Ex-girlfriend tells how child rape suspect met girl	A former Navy officer is a prime suspect in the rape of a 3-year-old girl.
10/2/2007	CNN.com	U.S. soldier gets 2 years on child porn charges	Soldier stationed in Iraq convicted in court-martial; Private solicited sexual contact with girl, 12, military says; Soldier gets two years in military prison, bad-conduct discharge.
10/4/2007	Reuters	Iraq MP found at al Qaeda meeting - U.S. military	A member of Iraq's parliament is being questioned after an Iraq special forces raid on a suspected al Qaeda meeting - an Iraqi parliament spokesman said Accordance Front member Naif Mohammed Jasim had been taken into custody while he was attending a funeral in Sharqat on Wednesday.
10/4/2007	WGAL.com	Army Colonels Team Up To Trick Paternity Test, DA says	Two high-ranking U.S. Army officers are accused of teaming up to deceive a paternity test so one of them could avoid making child-support payments.
10/5/2007	Foxnews.com	Tennessee Barber Kills Self in Front of City Council After Vote	A barber with strong ties to the military community pulled out a gun and shot himself in the head at a City Council meeting after his request for a rezoning measure was rejected.

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Subject: Special Mission in Finksburg, Md, Saturday, 14 Oct. Lcpl Snyder Memorial.

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Susan Sturgis ●
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Forum Moderator

07 Oct 2006 6:21 AM

Messages

-Memorial is at Sandymount School at 930am. Rally point, RC, and itinerary will be posted this week.

-Lcpl Snyder's funeral was defiled by the protesters, which is what got me involved with the PGR, so come out and join us.

-The website for this is mathewsnnyder.org

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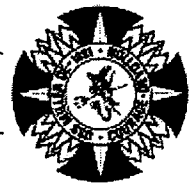
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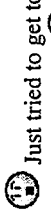
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07 Oct 2006 12:10 PM



Just tried to get to the site, it is actually: www.matthewsnyder.org



2 't's in Matthew There is no information on that site about a memorial event, though.

This is the first I heard of this, is it posted somewhere else on our website?

Just want people to have plenty of notice...

Tess

Live well, laugh often, love much!

07 Oct 2006 4:50 PM

There is some information on the MD/DC/VA calendar.

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Words once spoken can never be recalled. - Wentworth Dillon (c.1633-1685)

10 Oct 2006 8:08 PM

Standing by in Hampstead

Mark R. Johnson, EN2
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Beach Master Unit

I Corinthians 15:51-52, "...we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet: for the trumpet shall sound, and the

BIKERJOHN ●
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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND



11 Oct 2006 6:06 AM

COULD SOMEONE GIVE ME DIRECTIONS TO THE SCHOOL.I AM COMING FROM BALTIMORE

Andy36 ●
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Catonsville, MD



12 Oct 2006 9:11 PM

Everyone,

I'll have the rally point posted tomorrow morning. For the purpose of ride time, it will be roughly at the intersection of MD RT's 140 and 27. Rally Flags if you have them, We have been invited to stand with the family. Hope to see you Saturday.

Andy Francis
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13 Oct 2006 12:23 PM

Hey all. Thanks to lots of help from George this is finally in place. I'll post it on the special mission thread as well.

Rally Point : Corner of Railroad Avenue and Emerald Hill - 08:15

Citgo / Highs Dairy Store

27 Railroad Avenue

Westminster, MD 21157



<http://www.mapquest.com/maps/map.adp?formtype=address&country=US&popflag=0&latitude=&longitude=&name=&phone=&level=&addtohi>

Kickstands up - 08:45

Proceed to: Sandymount Elementary School

2222 Old Westminster Pike
Finksburg, MD 21048

where we will gather with the family for the memorial dedication that begins at 9:30.

Any questions please feel free to contact me at the following:

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MICHELE CANTY Daily Record/Sunday News

Even after losing her son in Iraq, Julie Snyder doesn't regret giving him permission to join the Marines.

When Matthew Snyder was a senior at Westminster High School in Maryland, he called his mother at work, said hi, and added, "I just enlisted in the Marines!"

"What?" she said.

He answered, "I just enlisted in the Marines, and I need you to sign for me."

She told him they'd talk about it when she got home.

Later, she and Matthew's father, Albert Snyder, gave their blessings for him to go into the Marines at 17. After graduation, he went to boot camp in 2003.

"He was a determined kid," said his mother, who lives in Westminster, Md. He always knew what he wanted to do."

Earlier this month, U.S. Marines Lance Cpl. Matthew Snyder volunteered for a gunner assignment. He was killed March 3 in Al Anbar province in Iraq after the Humvee he was riding in rolled over in a crash. He was 20.

His family buried him a week ago. This week, his mother said, "I'll never look at the word 'devastated' in the same light because now I know what devastated is."

Albert Snyder looked that way as he walked through the living room of his Spring Garden Township home Thursday evening. He ran a hand over a collage of pictures used at Matthew's funeral last week, staring down at them with sad eyes.

Next to the photos was an American flag that accompanied Matthew's body, neatly folded in a triangle box his father picked out this week. Around Albert Snyder, baskets of flowers and fruit were marked with notes of condolences.

The family has received more than 200 sympathy cards, he said.

"In one, someone said they showed Matthew's picture to their sons and told them, 'This is what a real hero looks like,'" Albert Snyder said.

Matthew's family has been comforted by the outpouring from their communities.

"They've made the most horrible time of our lives at least a little more bearable," Julie Snyder said.

At Matthew's funeral in Westminster, Md., about 50 bikers from the Patriot Guard Riders, a veterans' group, shielded the family and church from a group of Kansas protesters spewing anti-gay and anti-soldier messages.

Albert Snyder said the human shield worked. His family didn't know protesters attended until they saw and read news reports.

"(The Guard Riders) are wonderful," he said. "To me, they're angels who were sent there to help us through this."

As the funeral procession left St. John Catholic Church, students from its school lined the driveway, each waving an American flag. On street corners along the 15-mile drive to the veteran's cemetery where Matthew was buried, police officers stood and saluted the procession.

At the local fire station, the fire trucks had their flashing lights on, and the firefighters honored Matthew by putting their hands on their hearts.

On the marquee of his former elementary school, it read, "We'll Miss You Matt."

"I was just shocked," Albert Snyder said. "It was so amazing to see all these people paying tribute to Matthew."

With all the love shown to them that day, it was no place for the Kansas protesters, Matthew's parents said.

"I won't even comment on them. They don't deserve comment," Julie Snyder said.

This week, Matthew's family remembered his great sense of humor, his smile and the way his ears stuck out from under his U.S. Marines hat.

They recalled how he enjoyed spending time with his family, playing soccer and watching the "Blue Collar Comedy Tour" comedians. He liked to laugh, tell jokes and plant whoopee cushions in people's seats.

For a small guy, he was tough and athletic. Matthew reveled in his weeks of basic training, his family said.

"This child loved boot camp," his mother said. "He said there were tough times but told me, 'I would do it again.'"

Matthew's aunt, Bonnie Snyder, said his death broke her heart. The 48-year-old doesn't have any children of her own, and Matthew was her only and favorite nephew, she said.

"He gave me the happiest 20 years of my life, and I'm going to miss him," the Halethorpe, Md., resident said. "He was just an all-around good kid."

At 20, Matthew had accomplished his dream of being a Marine and serving his country in war, said his sister, Sarah Snyder, who lives in Hanover. He made his family proud.

"Not many people have the guts to stand up for something they really believe in, and he certainly did," she said. PIC: DAILY RECORD / SUNDAY NEWS - KRISTIN MURPHY Albert Snyder sits with a collage of photographs of his son, Lance Cpl. **Matthew A. Snyder**, and the flag that accompanied his son's body home. PIC: SUBMITTED Lance Cpl. Matthew Snyder pictured at home for the holidays in December 2005. His unit had been in Iraq less than a month when he was killed in a Humvee crash earlier this month.

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March 8, 2006

Chief Jeffrey Spaulding
Westminster Police Department
Via Fax # 410.848.6514

Subject: *Westboro Baptist Church Religious Ministry to Westminster, MD*

Dear Chief Spaulding:

This office represents Westboro Baptist Church (WBC), who intends to have some of her number in your city **Friday, March 10, 2006** for a public demonstration/outdoor religious service regarding the judgment of God with respect to the dangers of promoting homosexuality. WBC members currently intend to protest at **St. John's Catholic Church, 43 Monroe St., from 9:45 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. for the funeral of Lance Cpl. Matthew A. Snyder.**

WBC has conducted such demonstrations, on a daily basis, at locations all across the United States, and into some foreign countries, for going on fifteen years. Therefore, we recognize that our message, though once quite traditional, will not be well received by some factions of our society, and our experience over the years indicates that sometimes people who oppose our message are tempted to try violence to silence it. We have found it is helpful in keeping the peace and ensuring our members are safe from attack, for us to have skilled photographers and video recorders at each of our pickets. Also it is sound and very simple practice for law enforcement to establish a place for each group demonstrating and place a reasonable "dead zone" between the groups to deter attacks against our members. It is well established nationwide that our members are at all times and in all ways law abiding and non-violent. Also, it is important that we document these events for our use in our ministry so we always have at least one camcorder with our group. Finally, we request that law enforcement fulfill their duty to take responsible steps to keep the peace. We also recognize that having a police presence will in most cases deter persons who wish to silence our message by violence. I write to make sure that the lines of communication are open and that you are clear about the intentions of WBC members. We will at all times conduct ourselves in a peaceful and law-abiding manner, and will fulfill any lawful request or order of your officers. We would of course welcome any suggestions or requests that you have before hand, so that we may safely come and go from your city. We only desire to express our religious convictions on these vital, national issues, and go our way; however, we wish to do so in a cooperative way so that your interests in keeping the peace are also met. If there is any requirement for a permit to conduct this religious demonstration please fax the application to me at 785.273.1080.

We would appreciate any assistance your department can provide in keeping the peace. Please contact me at my office phone or fax above or my home phone 785.273.0277 or by e-mail at slpr@cox.net, regarding any concerns or suggestions you may have. I look forward to hearing from you or your representative.

Sincerely,


Shirley E. Phelps-Roper
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March 30, 2006

Chief Jeffrey Spaulding
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Via Fax # 410.848.6514

Sheriff Kenneth Tregoning
Carroll County Sheriff's Department
Via Fax # 410.876.1152

Subject: *Westboro Baptist Church (WBC) Religious Ministry to Westminster, MD*

Gentlemen:

On behalf of myself and members of WBC, please accept our thanks for the effective and professional services your departments provided while members of WBC were in your jurisdictions earlier this month to engage in public demonstrations/street preaching focusing on issues of righteousness, heaven, hell and eternity, and specifically moral decay and homosexuality and what the Bible says about these matters. Members of WBC engage in this activity because of our love of God and for our fellow man, and out of a sincere concern for the collective soul of our nation. We are convinced that the preaching of a pure uncompromising gospel is the only hope for our country. We greatly appreciate the fact that we returned from your jurisdictions safely.

Without people such as yourselves, and members of your departments (specifically Deputy Chief Dean Brewer [Westminster Police Department] & Captain Vincent Maas and Major Tom Long [Carroll County Sheriff's Department]), that appear dedicated to the proposition that 1st Amendment rights are precious, and those rights are what set us apart from the rest of the world, our Constitution would not be worth the paper it is written on.

I do not know the names of all the officers and others involved in this effort, but please pass our thanks along.

Sincerely,



Shirley L. Phelps-Roper
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MARY ALICE WILLIAMS, guest anchor: Here at home, in Montgomery Alabama, an end to the monumental standoff over the Ten Commandments.



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In compliance with a federal court order, the controversial two and a half ton Ten Commandments monument was removed from public display at the state Supreme Court building. But protests and prayers in support of the monument continued. Alabama Chief Justice Roy Moore was suspended for refusing to remove the monument. He says he'll keep appealing to the U.S. Supreme Court, even though the High Court has already refused to intervene.



Why has this issue provoked such deep feelings for so many Americans? Joining us now is Randall Balmer, professor of religion at Columbia University's Barnard College. He's studied and written

extensively about evangelical Christians. Thanks for being with us, Randall.

With whom does this issue so resonate and why?

Dr. **RANDALL BALMER** (Professor of Religion, Columbia University): I think it resonates with the broad, middle-stream of American religion, which is America's Evangelicals. I think they see this as a kind of symbolic issue. Their sense about American culture over the last several decades is that American culture has strayed from their values, from the kind of hegemonic hold that they once had on America, due in part to immigration after 1965 and so forth. And so, they see this as a symbolic issue, wanting to bring



Dr. **BALMER**: Yes, I think so. And, again, it's a symbolic issue of who can bring God back into the classroom, back into the courtroom, back into our halls where we decide public policy that this nation will suddenly be alright again. I think it depends on a kind of halcyon view of what America once was, perhaps in the 50s or 40s or sometime before that. But, it's, again, a very persuasive argument to a lot of people.

WILLIAMS: Judge Roy Moore is a Baptist. Is what happened there in keeping with Baptist tradition?

Dr. **BALMER**: This is what I find peculiar about this whole incident -- that the Baptist tradition was begun in this country by Roger Williams, who was a dissident in Massachusetts, he was expelled from the colony, went to Rhode Island, and formed the Baptist tradition, which has really two bases. The first is, of course, adult baptism, as opposed to infant baptism. But the second is the whole notion of soul liberty, freedom of conscience -- and Baptists were very much a minority group at that time. And Roger Williams sought to protect the rights of minority religions or religious expression of faith against the majority. And that has been one of the hallmarks of the Baptist tradition throughout American history. And for the Baptists: to be rallying behind now the expression of one particular faith in a pluralistic culture, I think represents an utter betrayal of the Baptist tradition.



WILLIAMS: So those who supported Judge Roy Moore, were they representative of Baptists or Evangelicals at large, or was this a minority?

Dr. **BALMER**: Well, I think it's probably -- people that have come to demonstrate like that are probably somewhat on the fringes of this group. But I think they probably represented the sentiments of many, many Evangelicals throughout America, perhaps especially in the South.


America back to God. This is the same energy I think that fuels the religious right and Judge Moore was able to quite adroitly -- to capitalize on these sentiments.

WILLIAMS: Is it also a continuation of the culture war that was triggered in 1962-63 when the Supreme Court threw out school prayer?

WILLIAMS: Randall Balmer, thank you very much for being with us.

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