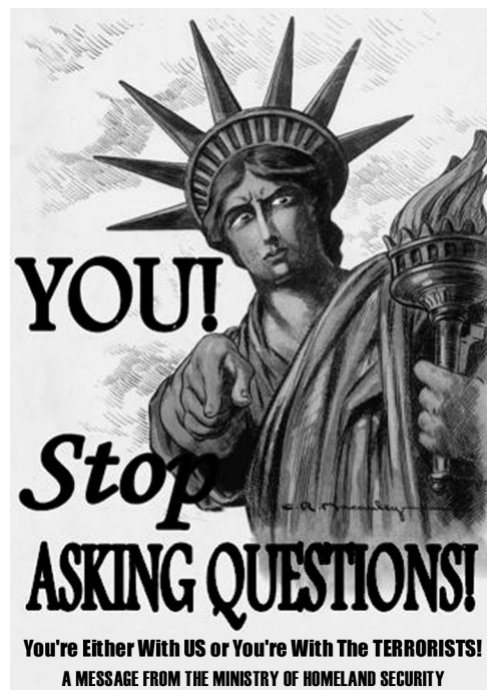


RETHINKING 9/11

A CITIZENS' INQUIRY INTO SEPTEMBER 11TH,
THE CORPORATE COUP, AND WHAT HAS
BEFALLEN OUR LIBERTY & DEMOCRACY



*A Rousing Day of Populist Education,
Irreverent Edification & Unruly Song*

FEATURING: Doris "Granny D" Haddock, Catherine Austin Fitts, Kyle Hence, Lawrence Britt, Ethan Miller and the Maine Grand Premiere of AFTERMATH: The Unanswered Questions of 9/11

PLACE: Atlantic Hall, Cape Porpoise,
Kennebunkport, ME **INFO:** 207-967-2390
TIME: 1:00-7:30 PM, Sunday, May 18th
Donation: \$10 (Cheap!)

WHAT DID YOU DO DURING THE COUP, DADDY?

The world has changed so much since 9/11, it is such a darker, colder place. Freedoms and privacy have vanished. We are at war in many lands. Our media is cowed or fouled with propaganda. Poverty is rising, the wealth gap yawns, and deficits suck hope from our grandchildren's hands. Nature, democracy and our national standing are all under steady attack. We had big troubles with corporate assaults on our nation before, but how did things get so much worse so fast? 9/11, we are told, accounts for it all, but what accounts for all the suspect mysteries of 9/11? Why couldn't a \$10 trillion defense system with over an hour's notice even protect its own headquarters? How could so many people be warned about – and profit from – a truly "surprise attack"? Why have responsible officials not been held to task, and in most cases actually rewarded? Why has the ensuing "state of war" concentrated so much power and gain in the hands of so few? Why are Constitutional rights being voided? Whose interests are really served and whose betrayed in a reign of perpetual war?

If this were happening in some 3rd World land, we might grasp the logic pretty fast. A "crisis" conveniently bolsters those in power, justifies crackdowns and smoothes the path to tyranny. But this is America, we think, and such things can't happen here. Well, at this event we mean to ask where we really are, how we got here, and what roads lead us back to safety, peace and democracy. Your participation is warmly invited, but whether or not you attend this time, your personal involvement in this as a citizen and/or parent will ultimately be nearly impossible to escape.

"RETHINKING 9/11" K'PORT CHAUTAUQUA SCHEDULE

1:00 Welcome, Introduction & Mission Statement

1:15 Maine Premier: "AFTERMATH: Unanswered Questions from 9/11" plus epilogue and Q&A with Kyle Hence, Aftermath's Executive Producer and co-founder of unansweredquestions.org.

2:30 VICTIM VOICES: "THE THEORY OF LUCK" - Electrifying Mindy Kleinberg footage from the opening National 9/11 Commission hearings 3/31/03.

3:00 "AMERICA'S DEMOCRATIC EMERGENCY" Doris "Granny D" Haddock, legendary orator/campaign finance reform roadie on recognizing and reversing the corporate coup.

3:45 "LATE GREAT FASCIST TAKEOVERS AND ALL THAT WE MIGHT LEARN" Lawrence Britt, poli-sci novelist/ historian on the 14 common symptoms of fascism (under Franco, Hitler, Mussolini, Suharto & Pinochet) and diagnosing the body politic at home.

4:30 Break

5:00 "IN TIME OF WAR" Ethan Miller
- Fierce Songs of Joy and Resistance

5:30 "FORSAKING CRIMINAL GOVERNANCE: Some Shortcuts Home" Catherine Austin Fitts : Asst Sec of HUD under Bush #1 and Clinton (who blew the whistle on the missing \$57 billion in their Lockheed-Martin-managed accounting system).

6:15 CHAUTAUQUA BRAINSTORM : Curbing abuse of 9/11 and bringing truth to bear; tactics to reverse militarism & repression; strategies for a countercoup

7:15 Open "End"

7:30 Optional Feature: "SACRIFICE AT PEARL HARBOR" - Dramatic BBC documentary on FDR's foreknowledge, sufferance, & investigatory charade.

9:00 Homefront Freebie Synchronicity: CBS debut's **"HITLER: THE RISE OF EVIL"** miniseries on the making of a fascist state (producer Ed Gernon was instantly fired for daring to point out its urgent relevance today).

9/11: UNANSWERED QUESTIONS "OUR"

MEDIA STILL WON'T TOUCH

1. In the warning-riddled months before 9/11 why did certain FBI officials consistently obstruct field agent investigations of potential terrorists or terrorist financiers?
2. Why were the many detailed warnings from the intelligence services of Britain, Germany, Israel, Egypt, Russia, Italy, and other foreign governments ignored?
3. Why were certain prominent people clearly warned not to fly on 9/11 or the days before?
4. Why did Gen. Mahmoud Ahmed, Pak chief of military Intelligence, approve over \$100,000 in wire transfers to 9/11 "ringleader" Mohammed Atta prior to the attacks?
5. In the 80 minutes after alerts of a multiple hijacking, while thousands were dying in the Twin Towers and a third jet hurtled toward the Pentagon, why were no USAF, Navy or Air National Guard fighters launched and ready to defend our capitol?
6. From ex- NBC producer Dan Hopsicker's investigation:
 - a) Were Venice, Florida-trained hijackers double-agents?
 - b) Why were they trained at CIA-connected flight schools?
7. In the wake of the most devastating air defense and intelligence failure in US history, why were no responsible government or Pentagon officials ever held accountable (and why were so many actually promoted)?
8. Why have many civil and military officials most responsible for this disaster been rewarded or promoted?
9. Why did the Bush/Cheney Administration stonewall victim family pleas for a full investigation for over a year?
10. Why has no one investigated the millions that went to prophetic traders who bet in the days before 9/11 that American & United Airline stocks would suddenly tank?



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History Repeating:

What Many See and Fear Today

(from "Fascism Anyone?" by Lawrence Britt)

The 14 characteristics of fascism (under Hitler, Mussolini, Franco, Suharto and Pinochet):

- 1. Powerful and Continuing Nationalism** - Fascist regimes tend to make constant use of patriotic mottos, slogans, symbols, songs, etc. Flags are seen everywhere, as are flag symbols on clothing and in public displays.
- 2. Disdain for the Recognition of Human Rights** - Because of fear of enemies and the need for security, the people in fascist regimes are persuaded that human rights can be ignored in certain cases because of "need." The people tend to ignore or even approve of torture, summary executions, assassinations, long incarcerations, etc.
- 3. Identifying Enemies/Scapegoats as a Unifying Cause** - The people are rallied into a unifying patriotic frenzy over the need to eliminate a perceived common threat or foe: racial, ethnic or religious minorities; liberals; communists; socialists, terrorists, etc.
- 4. Supremacy of the Military** - Even when there are wide-spread domestic problems, the military is given a disproportionate amount of government funding, and the domestic agenda is neglected. Military service is glamorized.
- 5. Rampant Sexism** - The governments of fascist nations tend to be almost exclusively male-dominated. Under fascist regimes, traditional gender roles are made more rigid. Opposition to abortion is high, as is homophobia and anti-gay legislation and national policy.
- 6. Controlled Mass Media** - Sometimes to media is directly controlled by the government, but in other cases, the media is indirectly controlled by government regulation, or sympathetic media spokespeople and executives. Censorship, especially in war time, is very common.
- 7. Obsession with National Security** - Fear is used as a motivational tool by the government over the masses.
- 8. Religion and Government are Intertwined** - Governments in fascist nations tend to use the most common religion in the nation as a tool to manipulate public opinion. Religious rhetoric and terminology is common from government leaders, even when the major tenets of the religion are diametrically opposed to the government's policies or actions.
- 9. Corporate Power is Protected** - The industrial/business aristocracy of a fascist nation often are the ones who put the government leaders into power, creating a mutually beneficial business/government relationship & power elite.
- 10. Labor Power is Suppressed** - Because the organizing power of labor is the only threat to a fascist government, unions are either eliminated entirely or severely suppressed.
- 11. Disdain for Intellectuals and the Arts** - Fascist nations tend to promote open hostility to higher education and academia. It is not uncommon for professors and other academics to be censored or even arrested. Free expression in the arts is openly attacked, and funding is often refused.

12. Obsession with Crime and Punishment - Under fascist regimes, the police are given almost limitless power to enforce laws. The people are often willing to overlook police abuses and even forego civil liberties in the name of patriotism. There is often a national police force with virtually unlimited power in fascist nations.

13. Rampant Cronyism and Corruption - Fascist regimes almost always are governed by groups of friends and associates who appoint each other to government positions and use governmental power and authority to protect their friends from accountability. It is not uncommon in fascist regimes for national resources and even treasures to be appropriated or even outright stolen by government leaders.

14. Fraudulent Elections - Sometimes elections in fascist nations are a complete sham. Other times elections are manipulated by smear campaigns against or even assassination of opposition candidates, use of legislation to control voting numbers or political district boundaries, and manipulation of the media. Fascist nations also typically use their judiciaries to manipulate or control elections.



*If Germans knew Hitler lied about the Reichstag fire, could they have averted his tyranny and war?
If Americans knew LBJ lied about the Tonkin Gulf, could we have halted the carnage in Vietnam?*

Question #1 in the post-9/11 Court of World Opinion

**"What did the American people
know & when did they know it?"**

The freedoms we meekly surrender were paid for with the blood of our forebears. The havoc abroad is wreaked in our name.

We are by law and history the sovereign power in this perilous land. Isn't it time to take that charge to heart and make the hidden truths of 9/11 our first demand?