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GEORGE WASHINGTON

Hempstalk 2008: There Is A Truth That Must Be Heard!

Portland, OR

The reason marijuana is illegal has very little to do with drugs, and is really about money and the continued centralization of economic and political control. Hemp seed oil is bio-diesel and is three times more productive than any other seed oil crop, and hemp seed oil will run any diesel engine today with no modification.

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There is a truth that must be heard! That's what the Hempstalk Festival is all about.

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The Campaign for the Restoration and Regulation of Hemp (CRRH) goal is to educate people about the medicinal and industrial uses for cannabis in our global society in order to restore hemp cultivation and end adult cannabis prohibition.

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Special Point of Interest:

"Hemp is of first necessity to the wealth and protection of the country."

Thomas Jefferson

US News: Congress Moving on Reforming Pot Prohibition

Washington, DC

On July 30 something rather historic on a number of counts occurred in the nation's capital. Firstly, Congress is for the first time in a generation (1978) taking a serious look at reforming components of cannabis prohibition laws.

In today's Congress, the support of the Congressional Black Caucus is pivotal to passing any substantive cannabis law reform. So I was so very heartened that

Reps. Barbara Lee (D-CA) and William Lacy Clay (D-MO) joined us on this very hot and oppressively humid day in DC, along with the always jocose Barney Frank (D-MA), the bill's primary sponsor (along with Rep. Ron Paul, R-TX).

Second, the media attending the press conference on HR 5843, a bill that would decriminalize marijuana possession and use for responsible adults, fairly captured the event's narrative, i.e., 'it makes no sense to treat cannabis consumers like criminals' and 'why not start controlling cannabis in the

same way society (and government agencies) already control alcohol products?' with no double entendre or goofy 'stoner stupidisms'.

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OR: Legal Pot Backer Sees Pluses for State, Businesses

Portland, OR

Madeline Martinez will take a pass on the stoner humor, thank you very much. For her, marijuana is a serious issue.

Martinez is executive director of Oregon's chapter of the National

Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws. Last month, the group unveiled a petition drive to place on the 2010 ballot the Oregon Cannabis Tax Act, which would direct the state to legalize marijuana, regulate its cultivation, sell it in liquor stores and tax the sales.

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Madeline
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Farmers could also get permits to raise marijuana or hemp.

If voters approve the act -- at best, a long shot -- Martinez estimates that it would increase revenue and decrease state spending for such things as the prosecution for simple possession, ultimately generating \$300 million a year for the state.

"This is a law that would allow the state to end the black market of marijuana sales, and it gets marijuana sales under the control of the state and the money into state coffers where, I believe, it belongs," she said.

She has led marches in Portland calling for "normalizing" adults' use

of marijuana. She said she opposes any use of marijuana by minors.

Article Snipped From:

<http://www.oregonlive.com/oregonian>

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US News: Medicinal Marijuana Eases Neuropathic Pain in HIV

Medicinal marijuana helps relieve neuropathic pain in people with HIV, says a University of California, San Diego, School of Medicine study.

It included 28 HIV patients with neuropathic pain that wasn't ade-

quately controlled by opiates or other pain relievers. The researchers found that 46 percent of patients who smoked medicinal marijuana reported clinically meaningful pain relief, compared with 18 percent of those who smoked a placebo.

Article Snipped From:

<http://www.usnews.com>

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International News: Car Plant - The Engineer Online

London, U.K.

Instead of the usual leather-clad interior the seats, door panels and gear stick are swathed in tweedy-looking wool and the carpets are made from sisal, a variety of hemp long used to make durable matting.

Other materials are also derived from nature. The body panels, like those of Eco One, are a composite reinforced by hemp, rather than glass fiber.

'That was a great way of reducing the carbon footprint of the car, because the hemp is grown locally, which cuts down on transportation and, of course, hemp fixes CO₂ as it grows,' said Lee Preston, environmental manager at Group Lotus.

'And it's also lighter than glass fiber.'

That helped with the goal of creating a car lighter than a standard Elise, even though it incorporated more technology.

The Eco-Elise has solar panels on the roof to help power electrics and the composite in the body panels is reinforced by hemp.

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The Lotus Eco-Elise (pictured above) sports body panels manufactured entirely from hemp.

WA: Draft Medical Marijuana Rule Released

Olympia, WA

The department has filed a draft rule defining a 60-day supply of marijuana for medical use under the state's medical marijuana law. This is the total amount generally allowed for people who qualify under the law. The draft rule was developed following extensive research, four public work sessions, considering written comments, and other discussions with interested parties. The department has set August 25 for a public hearing in Tumwater, and is now taking written public comments on the proposed draft rule. A final rule will then be filed. A news release has been issued.

Washington voters passed an initiative in 1998 to allow the use of marijuana for medical purposes. Patients can have a 60-day supply if their doctor has recommended it for their condition.

The legislature changed this law in 2007.

If you would like to receive updates by email or if you have any questions or concerns please contact:

MedicalMarijuana@doh.wa.gov.

<http://www.doh.wa.gov/hsqa/medical-marijuana/>

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OR: Cannabis Act Initiative Signature-Gathering Begins



Portland, OR

Could hemp become Oregon's largest cash crop? Supporters of the Oregon Cannabis Act of 2010 (OCTA) hope so.

Monday kicked off the signature campaign to get the initiative on the ballot in November 2010. The initiative would allow growth of industrial hemp to be used for clothing, food, fuel and

even plastics.

It would also allow retail sale of marijuana to those 21 and older.

Supporters say hemp is in great demand but can't be grown under current law. They estimate revenue generated by state-controlled Cannabis sales could easily reach \$300 million annually.

Oregon Liquor Control Commission would monitor sales.

The group needs close to 83,000 signatures by July of 2010 to get the initiative on the ballot and let voters decide.

A similar initiative was introduced twice in the 1990's but

failed to get the signatures to make it on the ballot.

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