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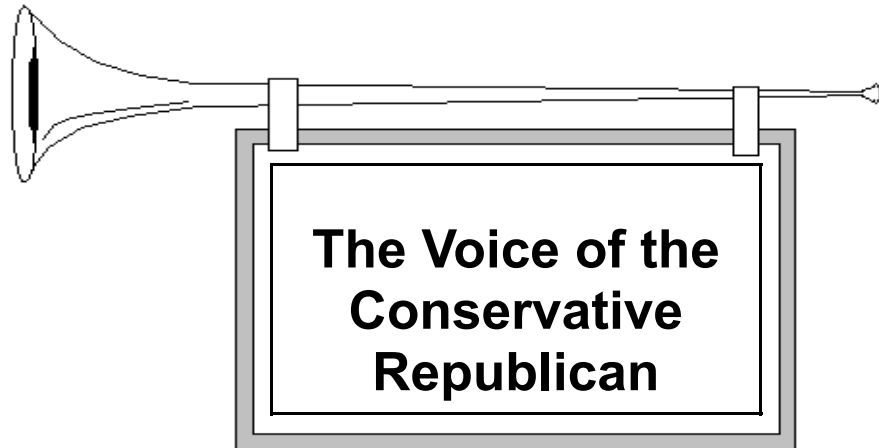
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**For if the  
TRUMPET  
give an  
uncertain  
sound, who  
shall prepare  
himself to the  
battle?**

**1 Cor. 14:8**



## General Lives Life of Service

by George Kocan

Gen. John L. Borling made his pitch for the U.S. Senate at TAPROOT's monthly breakfast meeting, Sept. 20.

The pitch included references to his varied life experiences as forming the "right stuff" for service in the Senate.

The ex-fighter pilot told the group how the Communists shot his plane down in Viet Nam, which resulted in a broken back. Somehow, he forced himself to walk and attempt to high-jack a truck by standing in the middle of a road brandishing a 6-shooter. Unfortunately, the truck he stopped was full of troops, who promptly put him in prison. He spent 6 ½ years as a POW in Hanoi.

The story reflects his dedication to the national welfare through many years of public service. For Borling, such service constitutes a vocation. "I don't need this (the Senate) for my manhood," he said.

An energetic senior citizen, running, push-ups every day, with two grown daughters, he seeks to help (See page 2)



Gen. John L. Borling, candidate for U.S. Senate, discussed universal military service, Roe v Wade and other topics at TAPROOT's monthly breakfast-meeting, September 20, in Lombard.

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“renew” the nation, government, the economy and the church. ‘Disenchantment is a terrible disease resulting from a massive fiscal burden,’ he explained.

Borling emphasized adherence to “basic values”, like justice, the common defence and the general welfare. He said foreign policy should flow from domestic policy which in turn should rest on such values.

He offered the opinion that in the first Gulf War American troops should have gone all the way into Baghdad.

He stressed the importance of balancing the federal budget and keeping the federal government out of education.

He also expressed support for the Second Amendment and the ‘right for an otherwise defenseless woman to shoot her rapist in any of the 24 hours during the day’.

Then, the candidate said that he would not use *Roe v Wade* as a litmus test for judges—either pro or con. When pressed on the issue by this reporter, he admitted that he viewed the U.S. Constitution as a “living document” and that women should have “sovereignty” over their bodies.

Later in his presentation, Borling offered a plan to beef up the understaffed military. He wants all men between the ages of 18 to 26 to serve one year in the military. Service would be compulsory for men but not for women.

The plan would provide a supplemental labor pool for emergency tasks that might confront local governments, like, for example, fighting forest fires. According to the retired Major General, legislation regarding this is already in the works.

No one from the audience stood

up to challenge Borling on his contradictory public policy: **men must surrender their “sovereignty” to military service, risking life and limb, so that women can have their “sovereignty” to do away with their unborn babies.**

The ensuing discussion revealed the candidate’s understanding of the U. S. Constitution. By adhering to the “living document” theory, Borling implicitly endorsed the assumption that the Constitution changes with time, automatically, without the necessity of any legislative act.

Thus, the role of the Supreme Court becomes one of re-interpreting the words of the Constitution by whatever social trends prevail at the moment and not by the stated intentions of the Framers of the law or the Constitution—a green light for an activist Supreme Court, rendering it a super-legislator, the very end from which the Framers sought to protect their new Republic.

The discussion then shifted over to the topic of morality. “Morality? Whose morality?” Borling asked. His question presupposes a theory of morality that was probably best expressed in the 60’s as the Playboy Philosophy: morality is a matter of personal opinion; no one has a right to impose his morality on anyone else.

In this view, the organizing principles behind the Constitution, its resulting freedoms, and the dignity of the human person which they seek to protect, mean nothing—its all a matter of opinion.

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# Feds Mess with Future Cars

by Don Smith

If you want to buy a new car in 2008 or later you will probably not get an internal combustion engine fueled by gasoline. Lets take a look at what you may get and why.

Everybody, government, environmental groups and consumerists are looking for “clean air” and to eliminate that horrible carbon dioxide. It’s a greenhouse gas, you know. We have automobile legislation now on emissions and other items like seat belts and air bags. Now our President says we are going to have a hydrogen economy. We probably will. J F K said we should go to the moon and we did.

One interesting note on carbon dioxide, all green plants have chlorophyll and use that to convert the carbon dioxide and water in the air into starch and oxygen. Satellite measurements show an 8% increase in chlorophyll in the last 13 years.

Lets look at what kind of a car you might get. First off, General Motors produced the El, an all electric car. Even though California mandated that 2% of all cars sold in the state must be electric, it did not go that way, with practically zero sales. The price was about \$35,000. The performance was only little bit better than that of the 1897 Baker. That’s right, 1897! And the battery pack was good for only about three years and replacement cost would be in the thousands. It had to be plugged in at night, not popular in California.

A second type would be the hybrid. This is an electric car with an onboard charging unit. This is a small engine, gas or diesel, that runs at a constant speed driving a generator while the car is in use charging the batteries as you drive. The fact that it runs at a constant speed cuts way back on emissions. I hear third hand that these work very well.

We have some alternate fuel vehicles that have a regular internal combustion engine and use fuels such as natural gas or ethanol fuel that give low emissions. Angi International, in its plant at Milton Wisconsin, produces dispensers that compress natural gas and loads pressure tanks on the vehicle. We have lower emissions due to the fact that they run on the lighter end of the carbon chain molecules in petroleum.

We also have the FFV, the flexible fuel vehicle, that uses E-85 fuel. (85% ethanol and 15% gasoline). This car can also use regular unleaded gas. Ethanol has somewhat

less energy per gallon than gas, and is heavily subsidized by the government. This could lead to lower prices at the pump.

Now, for the hydrogen fueled car that is equipped with a fuel cell. The hydrogen is converted into power and water. Fast Focus, the three minute propaganda films on TV channel 20, recently showed a fuel cell equipped car built by Toyota and now in production. They also showed a gas pump size dispenser that electrolyzes water into hydrogen and loads it into the car’s fuel system.

Back in the late 70s I found a magazine article about three fellows in Kansas City that converted a car to run on hydrogen and drove it to Washington DC to try to get a grant for development from the Department of Energy. They were turned down because the Department of Energy said hydrogen cars were not scheduled to be developed until 2000!!! A letter to my congressman confirmed this. The big problem is government.

But we still need hydrogen in large quantities to run our future cars and we have to figure out how to get it. Back in 1863 Professor Lowel had a hydrogen filled military observation balloon near Washington DC watching General Lee’s boys. He used acid on zinc to generate hydrogen. Slow, expensive and small volume. In 1916 the Germans were flying a large fleet of Zeplins. They needed a lot of hydrogen. They used steam on hot iron. Also expensive but kept the balloons flying.

There is a process that will strip the hydrogen from hydrocarbon molecules. This leaves a lot of carbon dioxide to dispose of. And this is just what the environmentalists don’t want in our air, even though it make the trees grow!

That leaves electrolysis of water and that requires a lot of power. A fuel cell is about 60% efficient and electrolysis about 30% **This means that it takes about twice as much electricity to make the hydrogen than you get out of the hydrogen at the fuel cell.** Some body is going to burn a lot of coal to make these new cars go. And we are back to carbon dioxide in the air again from burning all that coal.

Now if that electricity that makes the hydrogen came from a nuclear plant we would have no carbon dioxide to worry about. This little fact should upset a few people but would put our hydrogen fueled cars on the road.

Last thought:

What is going to happen to all these guys that have invested heavily in oil? Not happy for sure. Ω

# SS Plan Will Reward Illegal Immigrants

As Rep. Ron Paul (R-TX) puts it,

"Dark clouds are gathering over our already dangerously fragile Social Security system." In December, the press reported on a looming deal between the United States and the government of Mexico which would make hundreds of thousands of Mexican citizens eligible for U. S. Social Security benefits.

The centerpiece of the agreement would be a so-called "totalization," which would mean that even if a Mexican citizen did not work in the United States long enough to qualify for Social Security, the number of years worked in Mexico would be added to bring up the total and thus make the Mexican worker eligible for cash transfers from the United States.

Worse still, thousands of foreigners who would qualify for U.S. Social Security benefits actually came to the United States and worked here illegally. Under "totalization," a foreigner who came to the United States illegally could work fewer than the required number of years, return to Mexico for the rest of his working years, and collect full U.S. Social Security benefits while living in Mexico. That is an insult to the millions of Americans who pay their entire working lives into the system and now face the possibility that there may be nothing left when it is their turn to retire.

"The proposed agreement is nothing more than a financial reward to those who have willingly and knowingly violated our own immigration laws," says Rep. Paul. "Talk about an incentive for illegal immigration! How many more would break the law to come to this country if promised U.S. government paychecks for life? Is creating a global welfare state on the back of the American taxpayer a good idea? The program also establishes a very disturbing precedent of U.S. foreign aid to individual citizens rather than to states."

Estimates of what this deal with the Mexican government would cost top one billion dollars per year. As the system braces for a steep increase in those who will be drawing from the Social Security trust fund, it makes no sense to expand it into a global welfare system. Social Security was designed to provide support for retired American citizens who worked in the United States. We should be shoring up the system for those Americans who have paid in for decades, not expanding it to cover foreigners who have not.

Supporters of the Social Security to Mexico deal may attempt to downplay the effect the agreement would have on the system, but actions speak louder than words: According to several press reports, the State Department and the Social Security Administration are already negotiating

to build a new building in Mexico City to handle the expected rush of applicants for this new program!

**ACTION ITEM: Social Security should be limited to United States citizens and nationals who have paid into the system. It should not be a global giveaway. In the 107th Congress, Rep. Paul introduced the "Social Security Preservation Act" (H.R. 219), which would ensure that all money in the Social Security trust fund is spent solely on Social Security.**

As Congress continues to demonstrate an inability to control spending that threatens the Social Security trust fund, the need for this legislation has never been greater. So, Rep. Paul intends to re-introduce this legislation in the new 108th Congress.

Go to our site below now to send a FREE editable pre-written message to your Representative, asking that he or she support the "Social Security Preservation Act" this session: <http://www.conservativealerts.com/011603.htm>

NOTE: Be sure to forward this e-mail to everyone you know that wants to help STOP this "great global social security giveaway." Ω

## COD Conservatives Need Help

by George Kocan

Wayne Lela and I went to the College of DuPage to man an information table on the dangers of the homosexual lifestyle. We did this as a project independent of TAPROOT.

We learned that COD does not present an environment friendly to conservative ideas, analysis and information. College students do not have strong pro-life, pro-family organization to represent their views on heated issues like homosexual "rights".

We are therefore asking parents and college students to contact TAPROOT so that we can facilitate a network of students at COD who can get recognition as an official student organization and invite speakers onto the campus.

Contact: George Kocan, 630-393-6401; e-mail: [voteKocan@juno.com](mailto:voteKocan@juno.com). Ω

### **Biggert Votes Anti School Choice**

Representative Judy Biggert (R-13CD) voted against the school voucher law for Washington, DC.

She has yet to give an explanation for her vote. Ω

# TAPROOT's Next Breakfast Meeting

Our Special Guest Speaker  
Illinois State Senator

***STEVE RAUCHENBERGER***

***Candidate for US Senate***

**Saturday, October 18, 2003**

8:00 am, the talk starts at 8:30 am

Old Country Buffet, 551 East Roosevelt Rd., Lombard (630-916-8808),  
in the High Point Shopping Center, south side of Roosevelt Rd.,  
about 5 stop-lights west of Route 83.

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## John Cox withdraws from race

# Steve Rauschenberger Will Speak Oct 18

John Cox, Republican conservative candidate for the U.S. Senate and good friend of TAPROOT, announced that he has withdrawn from the race.

The announcement appeared in a report by Sun-Times writer Scott Fornek, Oct. 9.

According to Fornek, Cox endorsed State Sen. **Steve Rauschenberger** for the U.S. Senate seat.

Cox withdrew in part to prevent a bloody contest among conservatives that could very well result in a so-called "moderate" Republican winning in the March 2004 primary election.

**Rauschenberger** is also a good friend of TAPROOT and will speak at the organization's monthly breakfast meeting, Oct. 18. See page 5 for more information on the meeting.

**TAPROOT urges the membership to make a big, big turnout for this special event.**

**Andy McKenna** and **Jack Ryan** spoke at its July 19 meeting, **Chirinjeev Kathuria** spoke at its June 21 meeting, and **John Cox** spoke at prior meetings. TAPROOT has invited **Jim Oberweis** to speak at its November 15 breakfast meeting.

For an IllinoisLeader.com article on TAPROOT's July 19 meeting, visit: [www.illinoisleader.com/news/newsview.asp?c=7128](http://www.illinoisleader.com/news/newsview.asp?c=7128).

All Republicans are invited to attend TAPROOT's breakfast meetings. TAPROOT's meetings provide a great opportunity to meet the U.S. Senate candidates, to learn more about their positions on the issues, and to ask them questions. Breakfast is available at 8:00 AM and the meeting starts at 8:30 AM. RSVPs are not required.

October 3, State Senator **Peter Roskam** sent a letter to about 350 DuPage County precinct committeemen, elected officials, and candidates urging them to attend Oktoberfest and to vote for fellow State Senator **Steve Rauschenberger** in the straw poll.

**Steve Rauschenberger** link: [www.steve2004.com](http://www.steve2004.com)

**TAPROOT** link: [www.taprootgop.org](http://www.taprootgop.org)

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Dave Diersen contributed to this article.

## Phyllis Schlafly Will Speak at ICL

Conservative icon and bane of feminists Phyllis Schlafly will speak at the Illinois Citizens for Life annual benefit dinner, Nov. 14.

The dinner is held at The Carlisle, Butterfield Rd., Lombard, IL. For more info: [www.pair.com/icl](http://www.pair.com/icl); e-mail: [icl@innocent.com](mailto:icl@innocent.com); 5021 Fairview Ave., Suite B, Downers Grove, IL 60515; 630-852-5448; fax: 630-852-5478. Ω

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