CHAPTER TEN: LET'S ALL DANCE NAKED ROUND THE BONFIRE – Part Two

GAIA EARTH WORSHIP or PANTHEISM: Neopaganistic veneration of natural phenomenon utilizing faith based junk science to the point of delusional superstitions. Gaians claim that the earth is a sentient super-being, an ancient goddess spirit, deserving of worship and reverence. It is the foundation of environmental activism with modern origins in 1930s Nazi Germany. Gaia worship is at the very heart of today's environmental policy.

CONSERVATIONIST: A person who wants to protect natural resources without trampling on everyone else's property rights. Typical conservationists are hunters, fishermen, campers, and hikers.

CLIMATE CHANGE INDUSTRY: Climate Change Business Journal estimates the climate change industry is a \$1.5 trillion dollar escapade, which means four billion dollars a day is spent on our quest to change the climate. That includes everything from carbon markets to carbon consulting, carbon sequestration, renewables, biofuels, green buildings and insipid cars. For comparison global retail sales online are worth around \$1.5 trillion, so all the money wasted on the climate is equivalent to all the goods bought online.

GREEN ACTIVISM: Advocacy for the protection of the 'natural environment' which became a politically correct mechanism utilizing 'useful idiots' to advance an anti-industry anti-capitalist crony-corporatist socialist agenda expanding statist power and control by force and coercion. Alarmism, junk science, groupthink, propaganda and indoctrination are featured. Traditional activism in America involved citizen watchdogs and whistle blowers holding government accountable to oversight and transparency.

USEFUL IDIOTS: Coined by Vladimir Lenin. Those people perceived as propagandists for a cause whose goals they are not fully aware of, and who are used cynically by the leaders of the cause.

WATERMELONS: Green on the outside, red on the inside. Former socialists who diverted their political efforts away from economic central planning and channeled them into the

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environmental movement.

PLACEBO EFFECT: A fake treatment can sometimes improve a patient's condition simply because the person has the expectation it will be helpful. The environmentalist cult is abundant with placebos such as mandatory recycling, organic foods and renewable energy. Wishful thinking can be a blinding elixir, even an addiction.

DHMO HOAX: Did you know Gallup's reservoirs have extremely high levels of dihydrogen monoxide? The DHMO hoax has been used as an educational tool to illustrate the scientific illiteracy, gullibility and hysteria of green activists thus encouraging critical thinking and avoidance of the 'appeal to nature'. Dihydrogen monoxide (DHMO or H2O) is water.

LANDFILL MYTHS: The Environmental Protection Agency has declared landfills create absolutely no environmental harm and that landfill space is abundant nationally, requiring far less space than green activists would have us believe. Landfills become recreational parks, gardens, industrial parks and golf courses when covered. In a place like Gallup with so much open land, clay soil, dry climate, minimal leaching and the relative space required for landfills so small it's absolutely mindboggling that we waste so much energy and expense sending our trash all the way to Thoreau or that we would even pay someone a landfill cost.

POLAR BEAR, SEA LEVEL and ICE CAP MYTHS: The USFWS estimates the global polar bear population at 20,000, up from 5,000 in the 1960s. International sea level experts report no sea level rise in 50 years. NASA satellite instruments reveal the polar ice caps have not receded at all since 1979. Antarctic sea ice reached record high levels in 2014.

RADIATION HYSTERIA: Thanks to advances in technology modern uranium mining, processing and reclamation has achieved high safety levels protecting workers and public. Considering the tremendous economic gain the Navajo Nation could reap from uranium mining as well as nuclear energy it is sad to see the perpetuation of poverty and social disorders enabled by media, academia, bureaucrats and 'big green' activists.

HORMESIS: A biological phenomenon whereby a beneficial effect such as improved health results from exposure to low doses of an agent that is otherwise toxic or lethal when given at higher doses. Low cancer rates in regions of high background radiation is a prime example of

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hormetic effect. This may account for the exceptionally low cancer rates in McKinley County and Navajo Nation (National Cancer Institute & Navajo Epidemiology Center).

CLIMATE CONFUSION: Middle Ages 'weather witchcraft', 1975 'global cooling', 1985 'global warming', 2010 'climate change', 2015 'climate chaos/disruption'.... 2020 either 'oops, never mind' or 'weather witchcraft'.

ALARMIST INTEGRITY QUANDARY: Violation of the public trust is a serious offense. Once scientific, academic, media, bureaucratic and political alarmists are 'all in' by investing their credibility in something purely theoretical which turns out to be a hoax, an act of courage by admission of guilt is required to restore the public trust. The other recourse is an attempt to save face by continuing the charade for fear of fraud exposure, loss of credibility, and/or monetary loss – until the inevitable collapse of their house of cards. Thus, the climate confusion.

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