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JUDGE PAGE FIREBOMBS OWN CAR!

Bungled attempt to discredit fathers' rights activists

by Jeff Golden

July 14, 1998. A warm summer evening in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. The second Tuesday of July. FACE conducts its regularly scheduled monthly general meeting at the Cherry Hill Free Public Library. The meeting ends, as usual, at 9:00 PM, and many who attend then go to the Diamond Diner for coffee and conversation.

Two of the new people attending that meeting had mentioned unfair treatment in Camden County Family Court by Judge Robert Page and in a custody evaluation by a psychologist whose performance we monitor. Andy Kozak, an unaffiliated

fathers' rights activist that we know, has had experience with both of them, but he wasn't at the meeting this evening. On my way to the diner, I phone Andy from my cellphone and ask him to come and meet these people. They might, I think, be able to exchange useful information with one another.

I arrive at the Diamond Diner at about 9:05 PM. Andy arrives at about 9:20. We all are observed by diner patrons and staff. Indeed, since Andy jokes around with the waitresses as usual, it's hard for them not

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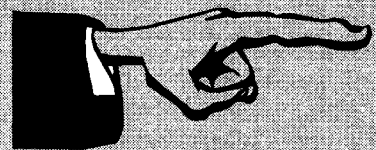


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THE NEW FACE, INC.

One evening in the summer of 1990, eight men and women met in a basement in Haddon Heights, New Jersey. This wasn't a clandestine meeting of a secret society. The result of this meeting was the formation of the New Jersey chapter of FACE. We became the sixth chapter of Fathers' and Childrens' Equality, one of the oldest "fathers' rights" groups in the country, founded in Pennsylvania in 1978.

As we began to attract members, the parent organization and the New Jersey

chapter quickly found that there were many differences between us. While our goals may have been similar, the laws, customs and family court bureaucracies of New Jersey and Pennsylvania were very different. We in New Jersey benefited from our association with an established organization, but Pennsylvania and New Jersey agreed that the New Jersey chapter should be allowed to operate autonomously. Here in New Jersey, we had our own officers, our own treasury, our own meetings, and organized our own activities.

While the New Jersey chapter continued to grow, the parent organization had several internal reorganizations. We found that we were better organized and more financially sound than the parent

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"If you will not fight for the right when you can easily win without bloodshed; if you will not fight when your victory will be sure and not too costly; you may come to the moment when you will have to fight with all the odds against you and only a small chance of survival. There may even be a worse case: you may have to fight when there is no hope of victory, because it is better to perish than to live as slaves."

-- Winston Churchill

"First they ignore you. Then they laugh at you. Then they fight you. Then they win."

-- Mahatma Gandhi

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to notice us. The last of us, including Andy and me, leave at about 11:30 PM. July 14, 1998. A warm summer evening in Pennsauken, New Jersey, about five miles from Cherry Hill. At 10:30 PM, according to the article in the next day's Courier Post newspaper, someone tries to firebomb Judge Page's car.

Trooper Peter VanInderstine of the New Jersey State Police unit responsible for judiciary security questioned Mr. Kozak on Wednesday, July 15th.

The next day, FACE president Mike Fox and I were also visited by Trooper VanInderstine. He tells us that he doesn't think that we had anything to do with it, but he thinks that someone at our meeting might have heard something there that incited him to go to Page's house and firebomb his vehicle. We tell him that's not our purpose. We encourage people to work effectively for change within the system, not to attack it. Indeed, we believe that we are responsible for calming people who are frustrated with an unfair, biased judicial system, not provoking them.

VanInderstine's conversations with Mike Fox and me and with Andy Kozak were very similar. He says that he doesn't think we did it, but he does think we'll find out who did commit this alleged "crime" before he does. He asks us to encourage the perpetrator to turn himself in. He says that the alleged "crime" took place at about 10:30 PM, that there was an eyewitness, a description of the perpetrator, and a



Judge Page's 1998 Toyota – not a mark on it!

partial license plate number. He suggests that it would be safer for the perpetrator to turn himself in, rather than being stopped by "some trigger-happy local cop."

I ask for the description of the perpetrator so we'll know who we are looking for. VanInderstine says it's a "white male between 25 and 35 years old with long dark hair parted in the middle," and he was driving a blue and white pickup truck. VanInderstine also tells us that whoever did it doesn't have a very good understanding of pyrotechnics. A flammable liquid, he tells us, probably gasoline, was poured on the vehicle, and a trail of the liquid was poured leading seventy-five yards away. The trail was lit like a fuse, but it burned out before reaching the car. "That only works in the movies," VanInderstine tells us.

At VanInderstine's request, and to demonstrate our cooperativeness, we give him a photocopy of the sign-in sheet from the FACE meeting.

Two days later, police arrest Antoinette Salladino for arson on Page's vehicle. No one could mistake Ms. Salladino for a "white male." Although she has dark hair, it is not long nor parted in the middle. And she doesn't have a blue and white pickup truck either, but she does sometimes drive her brother's green and gray pickup truck.

What's wrong with this picture? Why would anyone want to do any harm to Judge Page or his property? And who is Antoinette Salladino, and why would police target her?

Judge Page, some say, is an excellent Family Court judge. In a feature article on Page in it's May 1998 edition, New Jersey Monthly magazine said we would have a

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system that is caring and intellectual if he were cloned, and his replicas placed in other counties around the state.

FACE disagrees! Judge Page is biased, uncaring and vindictive, and has a problem differentiating between truth and his own fiction. He's a dinosaur who should be allowed to become extinct as quickly as possible.

In the New Jersey Monthly article, Page says that, even though his own parents separated when he was eleven years old, he was not affected by their divorce. That is impossible. During his formative years, Page was raised in a matriarchy where his own father was only a "visitor." He learned that children are to be the property of and under the control of women. I, like Page, grew up in the 1950s, and I can remember mothers telling their children not to play with a certain kid "because his mother is divorced." Page, too, could not have avoided being **stigmatized by the anti-divorce prejudice of that time.**

Page also says in New Jersey Monthly that he stepped down as the Presiding

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Judge of Camden County Family Court "due to party politics." That, too, is impossible. Judges are appointed in New Jersey, not elected. This is to ensure that we have a judiciary independent of party politics. Political affiliation is not supposed to be a factor in the selection or assignment of judges in New Jersey.

What was the real reason for his demotion? Maybe it was because, after years of complaints, his superiors took notice of his blatant anti-male bias. Here are just a few examples:

In *Panto v. Panto* (docket number FM-04-001473-94-E), Page ignored the precedent of *Newburgh v. Ariggo*, and ordered Mr. Panto, a house painter, to pay more than he earns for child support and college tuition for an adult child who has no aptitude for higher education, is employed, and has the financial resources to support himself and pay his own tuition. This son's only recent relationship with his father had been when he shouted obscenities at him and threatened to throw a brick through his windshield while he was picking up a younger son.

In *Kozak v. Kozak* (docket number FM-04-05459-92), Page denied Andy Kozak any contact with his three daughters, and ordered him to pay hundreds of dollars more than he earns each month to his ex-wife and her lawyer. Since this is an obvious impossibility, Mr. Kozak is under a constant threat of arrest, imprisonment, or commitment to a psychiatric facility (which Page has done twice). To an impartial observer, it seems that Page has a personal vendetta against Mr. Kozak, but Page refuses to recuse himself in this case. Mr. Kozak, a college administrator who is left with no money for himself and resides in his aged mother's modest house, recently applied to Judge Page for "indigent sta-

Page doesn't even pretend to be an unbiased, reasonable jurist.

tus" so he could reply to his ex-wife's court action without paying a filing fee. Page denied this too. Instead, he recently gave the ex-wife's lawyer power of attorney to tap into Mr. Kozak's state pension to pay the ex-wife's lawyer's bills.

In *Liberto v. Daniels* (docket number FD-04-2536-96), even though John Liberto had been the victim of repeated

acts of domestic violence by Ms. Daniels (who also set his house afire) and had been awarded custody of the children by another Family Court judge years earlier, Judge

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*I sat in the courtroom in front of Judge Page.
My child's fate was decided in days.
He took him from his home of three years
After I expressed my justifiable fears.
He gave them to their mother three states away.
With no home and no car, insisting I pay.
No home inspections, no psychological,
How could this be? It just doesn't seem possible.
The mother had an open court case of abuse.
And also admitted to frequent drug use.
He took into evidence my corporate returns.
And gave a drug addict money I earned.
Until nine months my daughter Leah stays with her mother
Judge Page said it don't matter one way or the other.
We sat in the courtroom for almost a week
While he ignored all her lies and all her deceit
Page questioned my mother, pap and myself.
And treated her family like fine china on a shelf
Judge Page's daughter was on drugs and now she's dead.
I think that made him f'ed up in the head.
On antidepressants and under a doctor's care.
Can he really make a decision that's fair?*

- Anonymous

Page allowed the mother to remove their two children from New Jersey. To maintain their father-child relationship, Mr. Liberto now must drive seven hours every other weekend to see them and be subjected to more abuse from her and her family when he gets there. (John Liberto is a FACE member, and Antoinette Salladino is his sister. Could Page be abusing his judicial power to silence an unfairly-treated father?)

Page doesn't even pretend to be an unbiased, reasonable jurist. At several Institute for Continuing Legal Education (ICLE) conferences, he has stated outright his opinion that "joint custody is a sham and a fraud" that "never works." Page is required under New Jersey Court Rules, Statutes and Supreme Court rulings to consider joint custody. How does he square his outspoken personal views with his duty to rule according to the law and constitution? He doesn't. Why? He doesn't have to. He has armed sheriff's officers in the courtroom who obey his every command.

Why should he be bothered with subtleties like "duty" and "constitutional rights?" Indeed, in the New Jersey Monthly article, Page is quoted telling parents at a custody/visitation seminar "... I don't love your children. It's a legal fiction that the law's best interest is your children."

Fatherlessness is one of the most serious problems affecting our society today. There is a correlation between the percentage of fatherless homes in a community and the rates of violent crime and burglary. More than 80% of adolescents in psychiatric hospitals are from fatherless homes, as are 75% of chemical addicted children, 90% of teenage runaways, 75% of teenage suicides and 71% of teenage girls who give birth. Yet, despite these statistics, Judge Page, who was raised in a matriarchy, continues to make more children fatherless.

But Judge Page's performance in divorce and custody cases is not his only shortcoming. Family Court is also responsible for juvenile cases, and in one week in May, 1998 alone, Camden County Prosecutor Lee Solomon questioned in the news media Page's decisions in two juvenile cases.

On May 19, 1998, Page acquitted Helen Sim, a seventeen-year-old Voorhees girl who smothered her newborn baby. At her trial, Ms. Sim said the child was still-born, but shortly after the birth she told police that the baby had whimpered and waved its arms, and the Camden County Medical Examiner testified that the child had breathed. In his decision Page said that Ms. Sim was "a daughter to be proud of." Page had refused to transfer this homicide to adult court, so now the prosecutor can't appeal the decision.

And on May 21st, Page gave a suspended sentence to a twelve-year-old boy who had taken a gun to school in Cherry Hill. He will face no punishment for an act that has proven to be deadly in other recent similar incidents around the country.

The kids waiting in the hall outside Page's courtroom know that justice in his courtroom is inconsistent. We have overheard kids accused of crimes, talking amongst themselves, saying 'He did a really bad thing and he got nothing, I did nothing and Page threw the book at me.'

Page is sending a clear message: It's all right for kids to kill babies and take guns to school, and, if they do anything else bad, they will probably get away with

Child Support Withholding: a novel approach *by Jeff Golden*

Haven't we all seen this: A parent is ordered to pay an exorbitant amount of financial child support that leaves him destitute. The amount was determined arbitrarily from a table of "Child Support Guidelines." It doesn't take into consideration this family's actual cost of raising the children. It may have been based upon "imputed" income the parent no longer has.

This is a privately funded welfare system. The non-custodial parent funds it, and the custodial parent is the beneficiary. It's free money for her. She is under no obligation to show how these payments were used for the children. In fact, she doesn't have to use the money for the children at all. She can use it for beer, or crack cocaine, or to buy a new car, or to buy gold chains for her new boy-friend, and no one will say anything about it.

The end result is the impoverishment of the non-custodial father. He doesn't have enough money for a decent place to live, or for a suitable home for himself and the children during his parenting time. Since he doesn't have appropriate accommodations for the children, his overnight parenting time is curtailed or eliminated, and eventually he is driven away from his children by the action of the court.

These payments are taxable to the non-custodial parent, but tax-free to the recipient. Worst of all, he can't even withhold payment if he wants to. The money is taken from him by wage garnishment.

But some non-custodial parents try to fight the system. To keep their home, they work as much overtime as they can, or they even take a second or a third job. The next time they go to court for a child support review, their support is increased because of their increased earnings. It's a vicious circle, and eventually they give up.

What can you do to break the cycle? Or to reverse it? When employers are notified of a

child support garnishment they are told, among other things, that if they don't withhold it from the employee's pay they will have to pay it themselves. Can't we use this to our advantage?

Of course we can! Ask your employer, instead of deducting your child support from your pay, to reduce your pay by the amount of the child support and pay it himself.

How does this benefit anyone? For the parent/obligor, this reduces his earnings. In effect, he gets a tax deduction for child support payments. And, the next time he goes to court for a child support review, his support should be lowered because he is earning less. When that happens, he can ask the employer to restore the difference to his wages.

Doesn't this cost the employer something when he pays the support? No! The employer is a business. He only pays taxes on profits. Making these court-ordered payments reduces his profit. Although the parent can't get a tax deduction for child support, the employer does. This will also reduce the employer's contribution to the parent's Social Security, Unemployment and other taxes which are based on a percentage of earnings.

The custodial parent still receives everything she is entitled to according to the court's child support guidelines and based upon the non-custodial parent's wages.

Here's an example using the new New Jersey child support guidelines: Non-custodial Dad earns \$500 per week. He is ordered to pay \$120 per week (24 percent of earnings) support for one child, and he pays taxes based upon his \$500 earnings. Instead of withholding it, his employer reduces his earnings to \$380 per week, pays the \$120 child support himself, and Dad pays taxes based upon his new earnings of \$380.

At the next child support review, Dad is ordered to pay \$93 per week (24.4 percent of \$380). Employer then increases Dad's earnings by \$27 (the difference between the old support of \$120 and the

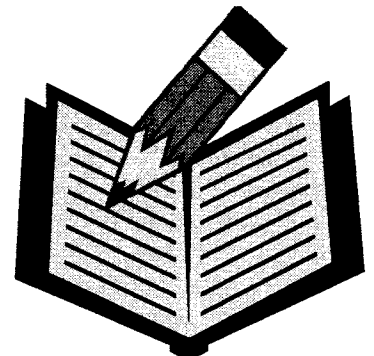
new support of \$93) to \$407.

Although, at the next support review, Dad's support may again be slightly increased (to \$99; 24.3 percent of \$407), he will never again be ordered to pay \$120, and he will only be taxed based upon his earnings, excluding child support. (In this example, assuming no pay increases, support will eventually stabilize at about \$97 per week.)

How can this benefit everyone? Well, not exactly. The government is the loser. They collect less taxes both from the non-custodial parent and from his employer. That means they have less money to fund the child support enforcement agencies, less money to pay the "expert" consultants who dream up these ridiculous child support guidelines, less money to support the courts, and less money for midnight raids on people who are ordered to pay more than they can. But do we really want to finance these activities?

Will this really work? Yes. No one cares who pays the child support. All that the child support enforcement agencies care about is that it gets paid. When non-custodial parents are arrested for non-payment of support, they don't care who comes in with the payment to get him released. In this case, the check they receive will look exactly the same as it would have if the employer were taking it by wage execution.

Give it a try. Present this approach to your employer. Explain the benefits to him. If you need help, contact FACE. ●



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Book Review:

"Divorced Dads - Shattering the Myths"

Sanford L. Braver, Ph.D. with Diane O'Connell

by Jeff Golden

As an admitted fathers' rights advocate, it always amazes me that legislators and family court judges can't see the same obvious anti-male bias in the courts that I see. Over and over I hear them referencing the same anti-father rhetoric. I wonder 'don't they hear the same complaints that I hear every day? Can't they see how they are hurting our next generation by making them fatherless?' Now, at last, all in one book, someone has blown holes in every one of the self-perpetuating assumptions that we see over and over in the news media and feminist-inspired writings about non-custodial fathers:

- Divorced dads are deadbeat dads -- Dr. Braver shows that divorced fathers (but not necessarily never-married fathers) pay far more child support than they have been given credit for. The reasons for the mythological mis-information include

defective Census Bureau surveys, flawed official records, and gender bias.

- Divorced dads disengage from their children -- Dr. Braver shows that fathers want to be a part of their children's lives, but are driven away by custodial mothers who impede their efforts and a biased, uncaring family court system.

- Men's standard of living increases by 42% following divorce, while women's falls by 73% -- This fallacy, originally reported in 1985 by Harvard sociologist Lenore Weitzman, Ph.D., has been quoted over and over again, yet it is in direct conflict with the real-life experience we deal with every day. Dr. Braver finds the mathematical error in Weitzman's work, and even confronts her on it. The truth he finds is that standard of living changes less than 2% for both men and women following divorce.

- Divorced mothers do poorly in divorce settlements because men are more experienced and aggressive bargainers, and men's better financial status permits them to hire more aggressive and shrewder lawyers -- Dr. Braver's survey shows that divorced women are far more satisfied with the terms of their divorce settlements than are men.

- Men are better able to handle the emotional issues of divorce -- Dr. Braver shows

why men have much more trouble recovering emotionally following divorce. He points out that women have far better support networks than men, and don't face the prospect of losing their homes and being separated from their children, yet it is women who get all the sympathy following divorce.

- Men initiate divorce to leave their fat, old wives and begin new relationships with younger, more attractive ones -- Dr. Braver points out that women initiate twice as many divorces as men.

Sanford Braver is a professor of psychology at Arizona State University. This book is based upon his findings in a recently completed eight-year study on divorced fathers. One by one, Dr. Braver shatters the myths, backed up by 365 footnotes referencing other scholarly works supporting his conclusions. After that, he proposes the one thing that would eliminate most divorce conflict -- joint custody of children -- and shows that there is no research indicating that mother-custody is better for children.

Even if you don't read this book yourself, everyone should buy a copy and send it to a family court judge or a legislator. ●

DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT

by Jeff Golden

Dave Wilson is a landscaper in Cocoa Beach, Florida. He is also a divorced Dad with custody of his teenage daughter. You might think that, since his own personal family court case has been favorably resolved, he would devote his attention to his business and his family, and generally just get on with his life.

by feminazis in the Capitol security office. Capitol regulations only permit him to be there for about eighteen hours a day, so every night he has to break down his banner, find lodgings for the night, then set up again the next morning.

This year his U.S. Capitol vigil happened to coincide with

waterproof. He has also been stripped of his right to be a father because of false allegations of child abuse by his son's mother. He wanted to do something about it, so he too took a month off of work this summer, and **walked from Boston to Washington to call attention to the abuse of children being done by state child protective services agencies.**

Mike, also known as "Mr. Dad," covered about 28 miles a day, and he spends evenings at the homes of fathers' rights activists along the way. His route took him down Route 1 while passing through New Jersey. I met up with him in front of the state Capitol in Trenton on September 14th. He would have liked to meet with Governor Whitman, but she was not available for him. I was, however, able to arrange interviews by several local newspapers and TV stations.

Mike's journey ended on September 23rd at a press conference attended by several hundred people at the National Press Club. I was there for him, too. Mike rented the room at the Press Club himself, although he did solicit donations from others to help offset the cost. Following the press conference the group gathered on the west side of the U.S. Capitol building.

FACE members, too, have at least three opportunities each year

to locally demonstrate their commitment to the cause of fathers' rights. We sponsor or participate in at least three public demonstrations every year.

Since Judge Vincent D. Segal told a father several years ago that "Halloween is not a holiday," and wouldn't let him have his children on that day even though he was the only parent who had ever gone Trick-or-Treating with them, we have our **annual Halloween demonstration in front of a judge's house.** This is a fun day for us, and we bring

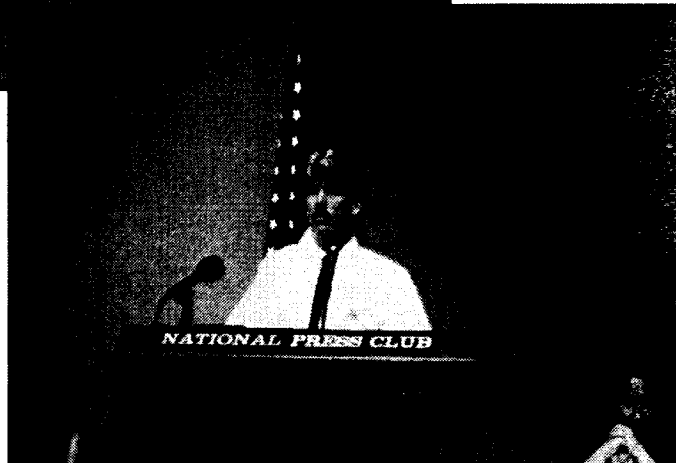


FACE Demonstration on Halloween at home of Judge Donaldson in Haddonfield, NJ.

Well, he does do that, but he also founded Fathers Awareness of Rights and Custody Equality (F.A.R.C.E.), a loose-knit grass-roots fathers' rights organization. Through personal contacts in Florida, and nationally through the internet, he educates fathers as to their parental rights and their rights in family court, and refers them to local fathers' rights organizations.

But that's not all he does. For two weeks every year, beginning a week before Fathers Day and ending a week after, **Dave camps out on the east steps of the Capitol Building in Washington, DC.** He finds other people to take care of his business and, at his own personal expense, drives to Washington, sets up his F.A.R.C.E. banner, and talks about fathers' rights to anyone willing to talk with him. Everyone going on the tour of the U.S. Capitol walks up the steps about six feet from him, so he has a large audience.

Besides the obvious inconveniences (sitting for hours in the hot sun, limited access to sanitary facilities, etc.), Dave also has to interact with the Washington bureaucracy. He gets a permit for his vigil even though his efforts have been thwarted



Mike Harris at National Press Club, September 23, 1998.

Governors Ridge (Pennsylvania) and Carper's (Delaware) Second National Summit on Fatherhood, which I attended on June 15th. I spread the word about Dave's vigil to fathers' rights activists there. Many of them, including Jimmy Boyd of the Men's Health Network and Stuart Miller of American Fathers Coalition, visited him on the Capitol steps to lend their support, and over the next two weeks, dozens of other fathers joined him to show their support.

Mike Harris of Haverhill, Massachusetts is a basement

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organization, and there was little benefit to continuing our affiliation with them. FACE in Pennsylvania considered themselves to be a "fathers' rights" organization, while we felt that we serve the interests of all non-custodial parents and their families, regardless of gender. After much sole-searching, the New Jersey board of directors decided to incorporate independently of Pennsylvania FACE.

In 1995, we contacted Jennifer Chandler Hauge, Esq., of Convent Station, New Jersey. Ms. Hauge's law practice specializes in small, grass-roots nonprofit organizations, and we engaged her services for the purpose of incorporation in New Jersey

as an independent nonprofit organization.

People who have been involved in family court litigation, including the organizers of FACE, become very "legally aware." We probably became one of Ms. Hauge's most difficult clients. Just writing bylaws that everyone could agree on took dozens of re-drafts, sent back and forth by e-mail. Finally, in November, 1996 Fathers' and Children's Equality, Inc. became a New Jersey nonprofit corporation, and over the next few months we received our own IRS nonprofit designation and New Jersey tax exemption.

Ms. Hauge helped us keep focused on our objective, and was always available to answer our questions and address our concerns. We probably could have done it all ourselves, but it would have taken twenty years instead of two. On behalf of FACE, the board of directors extends our collective, but belated, thanks to Ms. Hauge for all of her patience and assistance. ●

Halloween treats for the local Trick-or-Treaters, who sometimes join in our demonstration.

Halloween this year was at the home of Judge Louise DiRenzo Donaldson in Haddonfield. A few days earlier, Judge Donaldson had ordered a father to pay financial support for a child that he does not believe is his. This father, who is already in bankruptcy, has custody of his own three children. He sporadically receives only \$72.50 per week from their mother. He asked only, if he is to support this new child, that his support for this child be at the same level as his financial contribution to his own children. Donaldson agreed, then she did some quick math in which she determined that his support obligation to his own children is \$221.00 per week, and he should pay \$129.00 for the new child. FACE members were there to tell Donaldson's neighbors that her calculator needs to be repaired.

Our next demonstration will be on **Super Bowl Sunday**, January 31, 1999, at the home of Judge Segal in Cherry Hill. Segal has an annual Super Bowl Party to celebrate his birthday. If he interferes in fathers' rights to enjoy the game with their children, why should he be able to watch the game with his daughter, Allison? That is what we will be asking his guests and neighbors.

FACE also celebrates "**Fatherless Day**" every **June on the Friday before Fathers Day**. On this day, we point out how family courts make a mockery of Fathers Day by creating more and more fatherless children. In the past, we have had Fatherless Day demonstrations at county courthouses and in front of the Hughes Justice Center in Trenton, the home of the New Jersey Supreme Court and the Superior Court's Appellate Division. The next **Fatherless Day will be Friday June 18, 1999.**

Only ten FACE members showed up on Halloween, and this was on a Saturday! If we don't have enough people at our demonstrations to attract the attention of the news media, we are not being effective.

Dave Wilson and Mike Harris are two extreme examples of personal sacrifice for the cause of fathers' rights. Not everyone, especially if they are forced into child support slavery, can afford to take weeks off of work to personally demonstrate their dedication and commitment to changing the system. **But everyone should be able to do something.** What are you willing to do? Where will you be on Super Bowl Sunday? On Fatherless Day?

Check out F.A.R.C.E.'s website at www.force.org. You can e-mail Dave Wilson at force@force.org. Mike Harris's email address is MrDad4U@aol.com. ●

"Always remember that you don't have to be what they want you to be."

-- Mohammed Ali

"Nothing in the world can take the place of persistence. Talent will not; nothing is more common than unsuccessful men with talent. Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb.

Education will not; the world is full of educated derelicts. Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent."

-- Calvin Coolidge

**Q: What's the perfect weight for a lawyer?
A: About three pounds, including the urn.**

Family Law Reform Political Action Committee

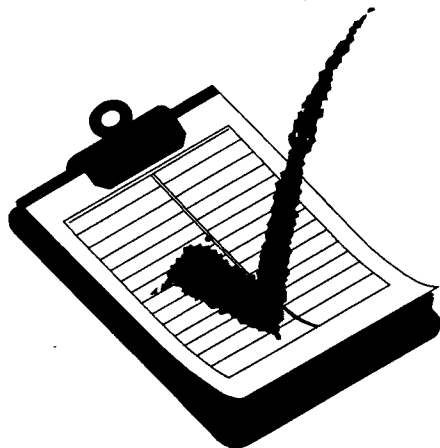
FACE, like other nonprofit organizations, is limited in what it can do in the political arena to change the way child custody and related decisions are made. IRS rule 501(c)(3) places limitations on the percentage of our budget that we can spend on activities that will "influence legislation" or "influence the outcome of an election." The consequence of exceeding these limitations will be loss of our nonprofit status. Since we are a grass-roots organization with a very limited budget, it would be very easy to exceed limitations.

New Jersey Council for Children's Rights (NJCCR), another New Jersey non-custodial parents' rights organization, recognized this problem and, a few years ago, created a separate organization, New Jersey Council for Children's Rights Political Action Committee (NJCCR/PAC). The PAC was not a nonprofit organization and, in fact, was created solely and specifically for the purpose of influencing legislation and the outcome of elections.

Over the years, the NJCCR/PAC has worked closely with legislators sympathetic to the rights of noncustodial parents and their families, and educated others to the problems and concerns of broken families. One of their major successes was legislation sponsored by Assemblyman (now Senator) Walter Kavanaugh of Somerset County that in 1994 created the Committee to Study the Laws of Divorce. The Committee held public hearings over an eighteen month period, and made recommendations to reform the law. Many of those recommendations have since been introduced as legislation, and some have been passed into law, but far more work is needed to complete the job.

The NJCCR/PAC welcomed anyone, not just NJCCR members, but many members of other organizations and independent activists incorrectly felt that their efforts in the PAC weren't really welcomed. As a result of this, PAC membership shrank, and the PAC became inactive.

Recognizing this problem, the PAC has reorganized itself. To demonstrate that it



is an independent organization, open to all, at its December 2, 1998 meeting the active members voted to change the name to "Family Law Reform Political Action Committee" (FLR-PAC). A new, broad-based board or directors has been elected:

Dominick Romano, president of NJCCR

David P. Davis, attorney

Jeff Golden, vice president of FACE

Harry Mogensen, independent activist

Sondra Lippi, member of FACE

In compliance with PAC bylaws, as its first order of business, the new board of directors elected officers:

Dominick Romano, president

Jeff Golden, vice president

Harry Mogensen, secretary

The position of treasurer is still open. Officers are not required to be directors, and anyone is eligible.

The PAC selected the following issues on which to concentrate:

- Prohibition of child/spousal support orders in excess of the means of the obligor.
 - Thirty day public notice of judicial reappointment hearings.
 - Prohibition against judicial decisions without Finding of Fact and Conclusion of Law.
 - Repeal of driver/occupational license suspension for child/spousal support debt.
 - Prohibition of orders to pay children's college expenses.
 - Access to the names and addresses of child/spousal support obligors in New Jersey databases.
 - Legislative committees to promote the interests of noncustodial parents.
 - Mandatory mediation of divorce/custody issues.
 - Sanctions for interference with parenting time (visitation).
- An FLR-PAC sub-committee will be formed for each of these issues, and people with an interest or expertise in these are invited and encouraged to participate. Additional sub-committees can be formed, so if your interest is in other issues, come and participate anyway.
- FLR-PAC will meet eleven times a year -- on the fourth Wednesday of each month January through October, and on the first Wednesday in December. Meetings will be at a location central for all New Jerseyans -- The Prestige Diner on Route 33, about a half mile east of New Jersey Turnpike exit 8 (Hightstown). There are no dues or other costs to participate, although "active membership" is defined as anyone who makes a financial contribution to the PAC.
- The next FLR-PAC meeting will be on Wednesday January 27, 1999. If you ever wanted to do anything to change the laws affecting families in New Jersey, come to this meeting and get involved. Contact FACE or any FLR-PAC director for exact meeting location. ●
- Presumption of equal shared custody.
 - Children's emancipation at age 18.
 - Sanctions for false allegations of child abuse or domestic violence.

On the International Front: MFCI

by Dave Cantera

Leaders of over 16 national organizations from more than seven countries are now banding together to provide global international unity to the men's movement. For so long, the women's movement has dominated all aspects of our lives. It is time for the many individual men's groups to unite behind a single organization. There has been a variety of differences between men's groups from specific issues on custody and divorce to the basic issue of men's rights. With the formation of an international organization, "Men's, Fathers', Children's International" there is renewed hope for all men's groups to rally behind a unified organization while still retaining their individual identity.

Rich Doyle, after many years of service to men, has spearheaded this organization. Rich has been at this for more than a few decades and has the breadth of knowledge required to pull this together. Not only is it high time that men figure out that divided they fall, but the National Organization of Women (NOW), has almost completed their destruction of the family in the US and is now attacking outer space. In a recent press release, NOW is targeting John Glenn, complaining that if any elderly person should be sent into space to perform testing, it should be a woman since there are more elderly women than men.

Countries currently represented in MFCI include France, United Kingdom, Spain, United States, Canada, Argentina, New Zealand, and Czechoslovakia to name a few. Apparently, the gender inequalities are not limited to the US and appear in ALL developed and developing nations.

There are several reasons why it is the time for men's groups to unite. First, the breakdown of the family structure is increasing at an alarming rate due to the 50% divorce rate and 64% increase in unwed births.

Second, the women's groups are so firmly entrenched in politics, they will allow a known liar to remain in the highest office of



media and locally will quickly make those individuals aware that THE WORLD IS WATCHING THEM! They can no longer arbitrarily be abusive or rip children from their fathers.

Inequality will never leave this earth. Men and the extremist women will continue to battle the gender issue until the end of time. Our only hope is to contain this cancer so our sons and daughters will have the input of both a father and a mother to balance their lives and childhood experiences.

this country just because he has given them what they want in so many other instances. It should be evident that they are not fighting for justice or equality, they are fighting to take over.

Third, men are realizing that they do not have to be the macho warmongers that society forced them into during WWI, WWII, the Korean, and Vietnam eras. Men are quickly finding out they can be nurturing, loving, interested and involved fathers if given even half a chance.

All men's groups are urged to visit MFCI's website, www.mfci.org, and make application to join this international men's movement. Individuals wishing to find more information about MFCI are urged to join a local or national group and have that group contact MFCI to join in the international organization. The goal is to allow each men's group to maintain complete autonomy while offering them a unified mechanism to increase awareness of men's most important issues. Targeted issues for MFCI include funding for medical research in a variety of areas and judicial equality.

MFCI will bring international attention to bear on specific instances of abusive conduct to men, fathers, and/or children. Any member organization can submit their local issues to MFCI's Mr. Ian Kelly who will then schedule a campaign targeting the individual or group who abuses men's, father's, or children's rights. International attention in the

Any society will have the extremists. Currently, in the US, women's groups are lead by a small group of extremists who use the banner of equality to further their goal of getting men out of their lives and returning to a matriarchal society. They have even convinced some of the weaker men to join their ranks. It is not equality they seek, it is the destruction of the family and the sad part is they have achieved it!

For statistics on judicial tort cases concerning the increase in crime rates and divorce cases over the last few decades, visit www.ncsc.org. ●

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JUDGE PAGE FIREBOMBS OWN CAR!

Bungled attempt to discredit fathers' rights activists

nothing more than a lecture.

By the way, it's interesting to note that the May 1998 New Jersey Monthly -- the one with the article about Judge Page -- was not available on newsstands in Camden County. Did Page abuse his judicial power by suppressing its distribution in his own county? Was he concerned about the barrage of negative letters to the editor this article would have generated in the county where he sits on the bench?

What happened since the alleged "firebombing?" Andy Kozak was summoned to appear before a grand jury, where he was asked to produce a FACE membership list. He testified that he is not and never has been a member of FACE, and does not have a membership list.

Antoinette Salladino's family has gone to great expense to bail her out. She has been jailed and forced to undergo a psychiatric evaluation. The Camden County Prosecutor is still harassing her, attempting to coerce her into a plea bargain for this "non-crime" that she didn't commit, while still pressuring her to rat out the "real" perpetrator.

I also received a summons, but not until after the time I was supposed to appear. The FACE board of directors had ordered me to return FACE proprietary data (the membership list) to them. Since I no longer have a membership list, I won't be able to produce it either. If subpoenaed, FACE will move to quash under the 1958 NAACP v. Alabama precedent, in which the U.S. Supreme Court said that controversial organizations (like the NAACP was in Alabama in 1950s) can not be forced to reveal their membership, which might result in members being subjected to harassment or worse by the authorities.

And what about the alleged "firebombing?" Page drove his allegedly "firebombed" blue 1988 Toyota Camry sedan to work the next morning, and has driven it daily since then. We have observed him driving it on several occasions, and have photographed it. There is no damage on the car.

Was there any "firebombing" at all? I believe that Judge Page staged this incident himself. He either did it himself, or he hired the "white male between 25 and 35 years old with long dark hair parted in the middle" to do it for him. He chose the

second Tuesday of the month to do it because this is the well publicized night of FACE's monthly 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM general meeting. He planned it for 10:30 PM to implicate us. This was a diabolical, but bungled, plan to gain sympathy for himself, discredit fathers' rights activists, and get back his old job as Presiding Judge, all at the same time.

Apparently Page has received some threats since July. Twice, the New Jersey State Police and the Camden County Prosecutor "rounded up the usual suspects"

and harassed and questioned Mr. Kozak and Ms. Salladino. They have found no connection between them and these other alleged incidents.

It's time to get rid of Judge Page along with the other longtime Family Court dinosaur-judges who have refused to serve in other courts. While he might have developed a reputation for being creative and innovative when appointed to Family Court some twenty-five years ago, he is obsolete now, and should be allowed to become extinct. ●

Judicial Reappointments

New Jersey Superior Court judges are appointed for an initial seven year term. At the end of this term, they must be reappointed if they are to continue on the bench. If they are reappointed, they are "tenured," and will serve as judges at least until the mandatory retirement age of 70.

The initial terms of the following current or former family court judges expire in 1999:

Expiration	Name	County
January 8	Eugene H. Austin	Bergen
January 10	F. Patrick McManimon	Mercer
January 15	Travis L. Francis	Middlesex
January 17	Lorraine C. Parker	Sussex
January 23	Joseph C. Cassini, III	Essex
January 24	Linda R. Feinberg	Mercer
February 4	John A. Sweeney	Burlington
February 7	Patricia DeLleone Cleary	Monmouth
February 21	John D'Amico, Jr.	Monmouth
February 27	Jan M. Schlessinger	Burlington
April 16	G. Thomas Bowen	Salem
June 9	Margaret Mary McVeigh	Passaic
July 10	John F. Malone	Union
August 5	Richard C. Camp	Essex
August 28	Charles M. Rand	Camden
October 2	Milton H. Gelzer	Monmouth
October 5	Raymond A. Button	Cape May
October 16	Marlene Lynch Ford	Ocean
October 30	E. Benn Micholetti	Monmouth
November 20	F. Lee Forrester	Mercer
December 3	Robert L. Penza	Morris

The New Jersey Senate Judiciary Committee will hold reappointment hearings for each of these judges shortly before their terms expire. If you have any information that may help the Judiciary Committee decide whether or not one of these judges should be allowed to continue on the bench until age 70, contact committee aid John Tumulty at 609-292-5526. Tell him at which judge's reappointment hearing you would like to testify, and ask to be notified of the date of the hearing.

If you wish to testify, have your testimony prepared in advance in writing, and rehearse it prior to the hearing. FACE will assist members in preparing their testimony, if requested. Give copies of your testimony to the press. Avoid doing or saying anything that will allow the committee or the press to dismiss you by labeling you a "disgruntled ex-litigant."

Stick to the facts. Show how the judge violated your rights and/or the rights of others. Do not talk only about your own case. Give examples from other cases as well. Tell about complaints to the Advisory Committee on Judicial Conduct of which you may be aware. Be sure to speak of the judge's demeanor.

And -- very important -- don't forget to complain to the Judiciary Committee and the press about the short notice you received of this hearing. Suggest that future reappointment hearings should be held in the county where the judge sits, with at least 30 days of well publicized public notice. ●



Fathers' and Children's Equality, Inc.

Mission Statement

Father's and Children's Equality is a non-profit 501(c)(3) children's advocacy organization, and a self-help group for nonresidential and/or non-custodial parents.

Our Mission is to:

- minimize the emotional upheaval experienced by children during and after parental separation,
- promote every child's Civil Right to equal access to both parents and extended families regardless of the parent's marital status, and
- end the adversarial process in divorce and custody matters.

Our Goals are to:

- promote equal parental responsibility for children's nurturing,
- Promote equal parental responsibility for children's financial needs,
- encourage alternatives to divorce,
- promote the position that children are not property, and parental alienation,
- eliminate profit motivation in custody disputes,
- provide positive parenting role models for separating families,
- prevent the use of false child abuse and/or spousal abuse allegations as leverage in custody disputes,
- establish mandatory penalties for false allegations of child abuse and/or spousal abuse,
- promote equal treatment of Family Court litigants,
- enforce existing laws providing for gender equality in Family Court, and
- establish a shelter for displaced fathers and children.

Adopted September 27, 1993 by the Board of Directors
Revised January 18, 1996

Join FACE!

Take a moment. Look at the mailing label on this issue of About FACE. The line above your name shows when your FACE membership will expire, or if it has already expired. If there is no date shown, you never joined FACE.

Where else, besides this newsletter, can you get this much information useful to non-custodial parents and their families? Well, there is one other place - at FACE workgroup meetings.

Have you used a lawyer to represent you in family court? How much did he charge you? \$150 per hour? \$200? \$250? You can join FACE for a whole year for what it would cost you to talk to your lawyer for only about twenty minutes!

And what immediate benefit will you get out of that twenty minute conversation with your lawyer? Will custody change? Will your children be better off? Will your financial status change? (Well, yes - you will be \$75.00 poorer.)

FACE membership will benefit you. You will learn about your rights as a parent and your rights in court. If you choose to use a lawyer, you will learn how to manage your own case. You will know what to tell your employee-lawyer to do for you, how to tell if he is doing it, and what to do about it if he is not.

Even though FACE is an all-volunteer organization, it still takes money to keep it going. We have to pay the phone bill for our hotline every month. We pay the long distance bills for FACE members who respond to those hotline calls. We pay to have this newsletter printed and mailed. (About FACE goes to FACE members, hundreds of

prospective members, Governor Whitman, all 40 New Jersey state senators and all 80 assembly persons, all thirteen of New Jersey's U.S. congresspersons and both U.S. senators, President Clinton, nearly 250 New Jersey Superior Court judges, 35 Appellate judges and eight Supreme Court Justices, and other influential policy-makers.) We use computer supplies and office supplies. We reimburse those who have expenses on our behalf.

Take a moment now to fill out the membership application below to join FACE, renew your FACE membership, or make a tax-deductible contribution to FACE. Mail it today, along with your check, to FACE, P.O. Box 2471, Cinnaminson, NJ 08077. ●

Help us help you! Join today and together we can make a difference!



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Date _____ New Membership Renewal

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Please make check payable to FACE

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All meetings begin at 7:00PM. Phone for information and directions.

Second Tuesday of each month:

FACE GENERAL MEETING

(OPEN TO THE PUBLIC)

Cherry Hill Free Public Library

1100 Kings Highway North

Cherry Hill, NJ

Directions: (609) 667-0300

Join us at 9:00PM at a local restaurant
for refreshments following the meeting.

Third Thursday of each month:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

(Face members and invited guests, only.)

Call (609) 786-FACE for location.



WORK GROUP MEETINGS

First Monday of each month:

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Hamilton Township, NJ

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forbergc@aol.com

(609) 584-1887

Third Monday of each month:

Camden County

Cherry Hill, NJ

Contact: John Liberto

(609) 317-9188

First Thursday of each month:

Burlington County

Wrightstown, NJ(Near McGuire A.F.B.)

Contact: Jane Hubert

(609) 723-5996

Fourth Tuesday of each month:

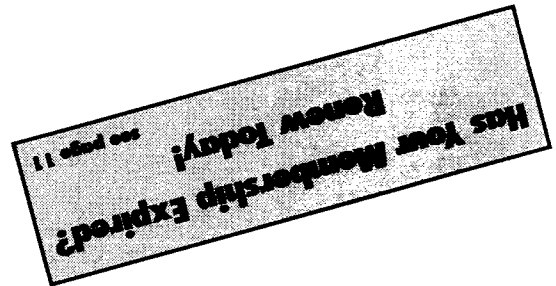
Gloucester/Salem County

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Contact: Cliff Wenrick

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*Please be courteous to work group meeting hosts by phoning in advance.
Non-members are usually welcome, but it may be necessary to limit attendance.*



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