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**The Circus is Still in Town**

No sooner had Jean Robertson applied for the Pity Permit in FB wherein she wanted all her 'good work' and her 'good heart' to counterbalance that eensy-weensy drug charge, than she realized, possibly after it was posted in this blog, that she was still on the Stupid Track, and the train was coming... because her FB page was suddenly disappeared. She either locked it down completely, or locked it down so tight her tears could not get out.

Seems that Ms. Robertson has a history of small, irresponsible behaviors if you look at her record. Her 'kind heart', also part of the mythology required to run with the corrupt in Spirit Lake Nation. She has consistently breached confidentiality, attacked and smeared those who have put their effort into ending the endangering of children, and to have children removed from some of the most sexually deviant homes, good-hearted people such as Jean Robertson, shove them into.

Given that she posts both her smear campaign against good and decent people onto the same FB page where she wails over being busted for drug possession, for the entire world to see--- she clearly has no concept of who she is and the damage she is doing. Her only concern is for herself.

I am told that she is a cousin or sister (and it could be both, if you get my drift) to Kevin Brownshield Dauphinais, whose corruption and incompetence in the way he ran the Tribal Social Services, is the stuff of legend. Long after he is gone, the damage continues to grow, children continue to be raped and murdered, and the unqualified, incompetent and chronic offenders he hired, carry on as if he never left.

This latest episode with Jean Robertson? Proof that nothing has changed in Tribal Social Services and the Federal Government continues to be a horror joke with the children paying the price, hourly.

To 'solve' this problem, the Federal Government is moving at all possible speed to divest itself of all responsibility for the safety of these children, and the accounting of missing funds, now up into the billions, in the places we call "Indian Country". They are moving to give more autonomy and control directly to the very tribal councils that have proven to be nothing more than mini-mafias, tied into a larger systematic, government funded scheme that both disempowers all but the most corrupt in each tribe, and is soon to be even more unaccountable for the child trafficking, child rapes and murders--- while increasing how much government funding is dumped into the entire criminal enterprise.

That is how the government 'handles' problems that they have, for decades, created and can no longer even pretend to control.

If something as heinous as child rape can be waived off as 'that's just the way they are', our government playing both deaf and blind while those who profit from the corruption are free to buy, sell, rape and murder children with no consequences and

no fear of anyone even looking, what do you think is going to happen? One reader told me that they '*hope that Indians take this opportunity to change the way they do things.*'

Sure, make millions and billions from corruption, child trafficking, embezzling, rape, and murder, and have the Federal Government come in to back you up when the Good People rise up to rid themselves of this stink, essentially allowing the crimes against children to continue without consequence—ever... and the incentive to 'change' is where?

Clearly, the only incentive is for the abusers and the corrupt to have more power, more protection from a government we pay with our tax dollars, to encourage the corruption and to flourish within it.

It is only a handful of corrupt and abusive people running the rez. But they have backup and support from every Federal and State Agency on the map.

A clear example is Timothy Purdon, USAG, ND who, despite there being 50+ cases of child rape reported every month on Spirit Lake alone, has in the past 3+ years he has been in charge, brought only two cases to court. That's two cases out of more than 1800. For this, he was praised to the skies by his boss, Eric Holder.

For refusing to charge a 38-yr old man who admitted raping a 13-year old girl, because 'there are always two sides to these rape stories'... he was praised by Eric Holder?

Kevin Brownshield Dauphinais ripped off millions from the agency he ran on the tribe. He also started several 'family' businesses and accessed even more in government funding, none of which he was qualified for in the first place.

It appears that the government is clearly bent on protecting and enabling the most corrupt, and praising a USAG who refuses to arrest or prosecute an admitted child rapist, clearly, CLEARLY, this year will be even more heartbreaking, more horrific than last year.

Those who dare to stand up to the rapists and the abusers are 'taught a lesson' by both the Tribal Chairman and the BIA Liaison Agent, by them fabricating outrageous false claims against her in order to remove the children from her care that she dared to stand up for and to protect.

That the children are suffering and in sub standard care is part of the lesson she is being taught. The more they suffer, the more she suffers. It's a message to the children as well, to make an example of them for testifying against their rapist father... they will be 'taught a lesson'.

There is no political will in the Tribal Council to change any of this. Most of them are involved in protecting the abusers in their families or they themselves are abusers.

Last year, when the Tribal Council voted to give back pay in the hundreds of thousands to tribal councilors who had gotten caught ripping off the LIHEP low income heating/fuel program and were fired over it... back pay. Or for James Yankton who had been fired for failing all of his drug tests as he was running surveillance at the casino... back pay. Years of it.

Back pay was easily found for those specially connected but for some reason, as record breaking cold was snapping the bones of poorly built and maintained homes on the rez, where elders were shivering and getting sick, where children had no warmth.... Those who asked for fuel assistance were dismissed with "There is no money in the program for the Elders or Fuel Assistance."

They find money if it is going to those who are corrupt... but they dismiss those in real need saying that the program was on empty.

So, don't tell me that anyone on Tribal Council gives a hoot for anyone in their community. They think of themselves first, the corrupt second and the rest of you can just go mutter off.

Our government has failed not only the Good People of Spirit Lake, but the entirety of Indian Country, and it has been very profitable and protective of the worst abusers.

If anything is going to change, ever, we have to change this first. The corruption goes throughout our government in the guise of appointments and hirings wherein the only qualifications are your willingness to go along, your ability to raise campaign funds for those elected to those offices, and your personal, social, family connections to those in power.

Agencies, overall, have become so corrupt and inept that they no longer serve the people as intended, but rather, only serve the political machines that birthed them, and rewarded them for their political loyalty.

That has to change. We have to change it.

We have to be aware of what we are seeing and to divine the truth out of the lies we are told by all concerned.

We have to look at where the funding comes from for these organizations and foundations that also say they 'serve'. We must see which master they serve. How much money is government sourced? How much is corporate and what have they actually accomplished besides creating more political connections that benefit a handful, personally, to the detriment of the rest of us, collectively, starting with the children.

Given that there is no proof that even one Mandated Report has been investigated out of the 13 filed by Thomas Sullivan, and since those reports have been denied, ridiculed and ignored, more children have died, it is clear to all of us that what is

being uncovered by those seeking to remove the children from danger, is a system wide corruption on par with the cartels and other criminal organizations.

When government acts or reacts in the same ways and to the same ends as does a crime syndicate, we must recognize that this monster is huge, and it has grown in the shadows, protected by distractions, ignored by media that has been, for the most part, trained like seals to bark at shiny fish and provide entertainment with an aversion to information that we would all need and should have, if we are to clean up the corruption, rid ourselves of the inept, or make our lives more secure, less fearful in the future.

This is not a Republican vs Democrat political issue. This is our government twisted and perverted to where it protects the criminals while allowing more and more horrendous acts of violence and depravity upon the children in Indian Country, and throughout the nation, where there are people deemed as disposable to our society.

We must stop throwing away Human Beings and condemning children to becoming the fuel of our fears or angers. If we can't, all of us, come together in and around Indian Country and see the harm that is being done and the laws being made to ensure that those doing the harm suffer no consequences, and those who speak out are retaliated upon with the full support of every level of government--- if we can't come together to change that, starting in this one place where we know it is so rampant... if we can't or if we lack the political will to unite to protect these children, our nation is doomed.

If we can't save the children from the clutches of known predators, we cannot help anyone and our government, our laws, are just a joke, meaningless and ironic.

We have to look at the laws imposed and the damage done. We have to look at the Indian Child Welfare Act, which disempowers anyone that tries to rescue a child from abusers, and gives tribes the right to 'do with children as they please', as if they were property.

We have to look at the lack of accountability on the part of both government and the agencies that hand out billions of our tax dollars based on how many children are listed, and not on the programs actually provided, and there is no accounting to be sure that money is not being thieved from all of us.

Until we have actual accountability, and laws are enforced to protect the children, and abusers are removed from authority, these children will continue to be so many pounds of meat, bought and sold, traded and abused, with no rights, no protections while politicians continue to pay off their fundraisers with appointments that put them in control of the lives and well being of children, who are then treated like chattel, with no rights, no voice, no recourse against those who harm them.

We must do better than we have done. We must investigate, ask questions, and demand answers. So far, Purdon has not had to answer to anyone. The softballs

gently tossed to him by media have had no follow up questions and no request for proof of anything he claims.

He still claims that Thomas Sullivan's reports are 'lies', but has refused to say which reports are false. In fact, he has refused to respond to Thomas Sullivan.

Sullivan remains isolated in his job, forbidden from making reports. The problem doesn't go away by refusing to allow a man to do his job. It gets worse.

There are too many in high positions, including George Sheldon, Marianne McMullen, Tim Purdon, and a list of 30 others... making it worse. These raped, abused and murdered children are on their watch, blood on their hands and they should be held accountable.

WE must hold them accountable. WE must demand from every elected official that they be held accountable. We must demand from media that they take this seriously, and they do their job which is to seek real answers to real questions, not just provide a forum for PR paddy cakes.

These children cannot do this. Only we can. If we can stop it in this one place, we can begin to stop it throughout the system and the nation. We can make our own lives better by working together and looking far enough ahead to see both the improved outcome of our collaboration and collective scrutiny, as well as the likely worsening consequences, if we fail to act and to persist.

You know where to find me.

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