

TOPIC -

“ THE FUTURE OF

SCIENCE,

TECHNOLOGY &

SOCIETY “

{ “STS” }

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THE FOLLOWING IS JUST -

“ MY PRESENT TAKE “

**BASED ON MY DECADES OF STS RESEARCH
+ MY CAREERS, EDUCATION, TRAINING,
EXPERIENCE, ETC.**

BUT IT IS ONLY MINE !

**YOU CERTAINLY CAN DISAGREE WITH IT IN
MANY VALID WAYS & YOU SHOULD !**

**THE PURPOSE IS TO ONLY TRY TO HELP THE
GENERAL PUBLIC BETTER UNDERSTAND &
MANAGE STS ISSUES IN THEIR EVERYDAY
LIVES**

“ OVERALL I AM CAUTIOUSLY OPTIMISTIC “

WE HAVE LEARNED A LOT & ADAPTED ACCORDINGLY

**SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY HAS GREATLY IMPROVED MUCH IN
OUR DAILY LIVES COMPARED TO THE PAST**

**BUT WE HAVE NOT MOVED EFFICIENTLY & FAST ENOUGH
AS DESIRED**

**MANY “ INNOCENTS “ SUFFER OF COURSE AS THEY USUALLY
DO BUT & IT CAN BE MINIMIZED AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE**

**STILL IT IS A GREAT TIME OF “ FERMENT “
IN MANY WAYS BOTH + AND - !!!**

NATURALLY THE CHALLENGE FOR ALL IS TO –

MAXIMIZE THE POSITIVES

MINIMIZE THE NEGATIVES

**WHILE REMAINING SUSTAINABLE FOR
THE LONG TERM**

**SPECIFICALLY “HOW” CAN BE VERY
INDIVIDUAL & MUST BE DETERMINED WITH
MUCH RESEARCH & CARE BY ALL!**

TODAY AS COMPARED TO THE PAST THERE IS
“ VOLUMINOUS “ IMPORTANT INFORMATION
VERY READILY AVAILABLE FROM MANY SOURCES

THE CHALLENGE IS TO OBTAIN, UNDERSTAND &
PROPERLY USE WHAT IS MOST PERTINENT TO
YOU PERSONALLY

SIMPLY –

THERE ARE NO SIMPLE ANSWERS
ONLY
INTELLIGENT CHOICES

{CATERPILLAR HEAVY MACHINERY
SLOGAN FROM DECADES AGO !}

BUT CHOICES CAN HAVE MANY SERIOUS
“ TRADE-OFFS “ – SOME NOT REVERSIBLE
ONCE PICKED

“ NO CHOICE “ IS A CHOICE ALSO !

OVER TWENTY [20] YEARS AGO THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION [NSF] ANTICIPATED WHAT WE WOULD BE GOING THRU TODAY ON A GLOBAL SCALE

SO A GROUP OF WELL ESTABLISHED, TENURED, PUBLISHED, ETC. ACADEMICS WERE SELECTED FOR SEVERAL PROGRAMS TO ASSIST US IN HELPING THE GENERAL PUBLIC BETTER UNDERSTAND & MANAGE STS ISSUES IN THEIR EVERYDAY LIVES

IT WAS A FANTASTIC EXPERIENCE THAT CHANGED BOTH MY LIFE & CAREERS IN SO MANY WAYS !

MY MANY STS & OTHER PUBLICATIONS FOR DECADES HAVE BEEN TO CONTINUE & PUBLISH THIS RESEARCH

HUNDREDS OF DETAILED POWERPOINT PRESENTATIONS PRESENT STS FROM A GREAT VARIETY OF DIVERSE ASPECTS IN ORDER TO BETTER REACH MORE DIVERS AUDIENCES IN SOCIETY

THEY CAN PROVIDE THE BACKGROUND [“ HOMEWORK”] FOR THE REST OF MY STS OUTREACH EFFORTS.

IN ADDITION, MORE TRADITIONAL FORMS OF PUBLICATION ARE ALSO BEING USED [E.G., BOOKS, ARTICLES, DVD’S, MY NEW WEB SITE, BLOGGING, FACEBOOK, ETC.

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KAYPRO = A 1980 VINTAGE PORTABLE, PERSONAL COMPUTER [PPC] ANOTHER AREA OF MY EXPERTISE

I WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE FOR “ LIVE “ PRESENTATIONS WITH TIME FOR Q / A MOSTLY BY WEBINARS IN ORDER TO KEEP TRAVEL & COSTS DOWN.

**I DO NOT CHARGE FOR MY OUTREACH ACTIVITIES
SINCE NSF & OTHERS INVESTED SO MUCH IN MY LIFE &
CAREERS, SO I HAVE MANY & MUCH TO BE THANKFUL
FOR.**

**I CONSIDER WHAT I DO IN STS TO BE SOME SMALL
“ PAYBACK “ FOR ALL THAT WAS GIVEN TO ME**

**MY LIFE CAREERS HAVE BEEN WELL BEYOND MY
WILDEST DREAMS !**

**I JUST “ WENT WITH THE FLOW “ & WHAT A FLOW IT
HAS & CONTINUES TO BE !**

**BUT I AM SETTING UP A 501C3 IN CASE ANYONE WOULD
LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THIS RESEARCH FOR A TAX
DEDUCTION.**

**NATURALLY, I DO NOT TAKE SIDES BUT ONLY PRESENT
VERIFIABLE FACTS FOR SERIOUS CONSIDERATION &
EXPECT TO BE CHALLENGED !**

AS A SCIENTIST I DEAL WITH VERIFIABLE FACTS

THE ISSUE HOWEVER CAN BE THE **“ INTERPRETATION “** OF THE FACTS, NOT THE FACTS THEMSELVES SINCE THEY HAVE BEEN VERIFIED EXPERIMENTALLY [E.G. IS THERE GLOBAL WARMING ? ETC.]

BEFORE WE CAN PUBLISH OUR RESEARCH WE MUST HAVE IT **“ PEER REVIEWED “** BY EXPERTS IN THAT PARTICULAR AREA WHO MAY REQUIRE US TO **“ REVISE “** OUR RESULTS BEFORE THEY CAN BE PUBLISHED

THIS IS IN **GREAT CONTRAST** TODAY WITH SOME OF THE MEDIA WHO JUST REPORT INFORMATION THAT IS NOT VERIFIED & MAY NOT EVEN BE FROM RELIABLE SOURCES SO THAT THEY CAN KEEP THEIR RATINGS & PROFITS UP

SO TODAY WE NOW HAVE FACT CHECKERS & EVEN FACT CHECKERS FOR THE FACT CHECKERS !

IN SUMMARY -

" ONLY TIME WILL TELL OF COURSE AS IT ALWAYS DOES ! "

**BUT WE CAN EXPECT A LOT MORE OF THE SAME FROM
THE PAST FEW DECADES**

SO WE ALL MUST DEAL WITH IT AS BEST WE CAN

**WE HAVE MADE IT THIS FAR, SO THERE IS OPTIMISIM
FOR THE FUTURE { WILLIAM FAULKNER – GREAT AUTHOR ! }**

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