Beyond the Infinite

The New Children and the Coming of the FIFth World

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Pamela Hartigan, director of **Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship** in Geneva, Switzerland (found in the same issue of Ode as above): she discovered that the ten most highly effective habits of world entrepreneurs are (and you kids are going to love this) **impatience, awareness, persistence, passion, expertise, persuasiveness, flexibility, stubbornness, joy, and innovation** (people around you believe that the example you set is worth following). Doesn't this list sound like the typical characteristics of the new children? Yeah!

In praise of streets, parks, squares, coffee shops, and other beloved hang-outs, there is a new movement afoot to reinvigorate public life and public places where folks can sit, talk, walk around, play, and just enjoy each other's company (with an opportunity to meet new folks). Worldwide, it involves localities placing a premium on such places and providing protection from traffic and from crime and violence, and bad weather. Survey the area where you live. Where are your hang-outs? Do they have good aesthetics - trees, plants, fountains? Can carnivals and festivals be held there? How about food vendors, exercise and sports venues, performances of various types? Public places are the starting point for all commerce and community, hence democracy. Studies have shown that nothing grabs people's attention more than other people. We are social beings and we need each other. Get this: there is not a single example of a city that rebuilt its public places with quality that has not seen a resurgence. **"Our Place in the World"** is a brilliant article by Jay Walljasper in, you guessed it, the June 2005 issue of Ode Magazine. If you haven't discovered Ode yet, please do. It is a European magazine written for the young at heart.

I highly recommend signing up to receive the free e-zine entitled **"Reality Shifters"** from Cynthia Sue Larson. I mention Cynthia in my book "Beyond the Indigo Children." If ever there was an example of a more mature version of the new children it is her. She is the author of several books (you'll find out about them in her e-zine), as well as "Reality Shifters" – a well-crafted piece that explores how, what we think of as reality, can shift and sometimes in the most peculiar ways. Cynthia is both highly intelligent and intuitive, as most of the kids are, plus she has a joyful yet clear way of helping people develop their own intuition while finding a crystal clear well-unexplainable phenomenon. Her email is cynthia@realityshifters.com; her website address is **www.realityshifters.com**.

Two books that illuminate where we're headed as a people:

"A Whole New Mind: Moving from the Information Age to the Conceptual Age." **Daniel Pink. Riverhead Books, New York City, 2005.** The information age is ending. Success in school and business will now depend upon right-brain specialties such as artistry, imagination, "big picture" thinking, and the transcendent.

"The Translucent Revolution." **Arjuna Ardagh. New World Library, Novato, CA, 2005.** A worldwide advance in human consciousness is occurring by what Ardagh calls "translucents" - individuals who have undergone a spiritual awakening deeply enough that it has permanently transformed their relationship to themselves and to reality, while allowing them to remain involved in ordinary life.

HISTORY TURNED UPSIDE DOWN

With new scientists, new tools, new thinking, many of the previous theories established who, what, where, when, and why throughout our world and in every country, are not only being challenged but in many cases proven false. Here's one small piece: Not Christopher Columbus was not the first to discover America – **Zheng He** was – in 1421. With more than 300 ships and a crew of nearly 30,000 men, Zheng He transformed China into a superpower in the 15th century. One of his giant junks have been found; DNA evidence traces he and his crew throughout the Americas, including the Yucatan (Mayan), Peru (Incan), and in Mexico (with the Aztec). Refer to the book, **1421: The Year China Discovered America**, **by Gavin Menzies (Bonneville, New York City, 2003).**

NEW EDUCATION, HOW AND WHAT WE CAN LEARN

Too many of us were told when we were children that there was something wrong with us or that we were too sensitive. Today we know differently. And we know that because millions and millions of kids are entering the earthplane who are not only sensitive but profoundly so, with various systems "wired" in ways that make them doubly susceptible to overstimulation and violent or excessively rough behavior. Here's a book that might help:

- The Highly Sensitive Person's Survival Guide: Essential Skills for Living Well in an Overstimulating World, by Ted Zeff, Ph.D. (New Harbinger, Oakland, CA 2004).

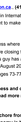
CAUTION: Headphone use damages young ears. Hearing loss in young people today is rampant. Experts say the popularity of portable music players is the main culprit. Walkmans and iPods are wonderful, but they're also harmful. Same goes for cell phones that operate from headphone/ear buds. Our new conveniences, as it is turning out, can be and very often are dangerous.

The introduction of HeartMath's **"Heart Brain Learning"** program in the classroom has produced spectacular results at every school where it has been used. It enables children to relax, release stress, and learn more easily. Not only do boisterous children calm down, the exercises have the quieter kids be bolder and, in fact, children feel better about themselves. Contact HeartMath for more information: **HeartMath Institute, P. O. Box 1463, Boulder Creek, CA 95006; (408) 338-8700 or 1-800-450-9111**, website is **www.heartmath.org**.

P.S. HeartMath has also done some leading-edge research with heart rhythms - and what they found is that people are intuitively aware of future negative events. The human heart appears to have access to an information field. Rollin McCraty, who heads the research team at HeartMath said: "We have been conditioned to dismiss our intuitive insights, but the body is designed to provide the 'hardware' for just such a process." This recent study at HeartMath is one of the many pieces of evidence for the existence of a **"zero-point"** field that connects humans and matter.

70% of all school-age children who are diagnosed with learning disabilities are boys. Boy brains and girl brains are so different that gender-based classes and teaching styles are now in use. Critics of this type of schooling claim that the curricula exploits narrow cultural stereotypes. But proponents say that unless we incorporate neurological, hormonal, and cognitive differences in classrooms, girls will always be at a disadvantage. During the earliest years in which this type of schooling is the most successful. Equal opportunities and individual attention need not suffer.

As concerns ADHD, there's another way to look at the "disorder." Lane Arnold Weiss is advancing the notion that distractibility, poor impulse control, and emotional sensitivity have a flip side – namely creativity, energy, and intuition. Although ADHD shows up in a large segment of the school population, it is also rampant amongst artists, CEOs, inventors, and highly curious folk of every stripe. How it's managed seems to determine gift or curse. In my book Beyond the Indigo Children, I talk a lot about ADHD and pass along some surprising DNA evidence about its presence and possible purpose in the human family. For a more practical, "in-your-kiss" version of ADHDs unusual characteristics, read **The Gift of ADHD**, **by Lara Honos-Webb (New Harbinger, Oakland, CA 2006).**



Utne Reader Magazine, page 88, **November/December 2004 issue**, gives some excellent ideas for educational options (authored by Chris Dodge):

Human Scale Education, www.hse.org.uk, is a grassroots English organization devoted to restructuring large schools into smaller ones, gaining funds for small alternative schools, and encouraging parental participation. Inquire about their newsletter, **"Human Scale Education News."**

Alternative Education Resource Organization (AERO), **www.aero.org**, is U.S. based and offers resources to support self-determination in learning and the natural genius in everyone. Inquire about their magazine, **"Education Revolution."**

Unschooling.com, **www.unschooling.com**, through their magazine, **"Home Education,"** promotes networking tools for those interested in self-determined education, encouraging children's independent and critical thinking, but not at the expense of following others' agendas.

Some additional sources to consider:

Presidio World College, **www.presidioworldcollege.org**, **(415) 561-6590**. Their goal is to reinvent business. To that end, they offer an MBA in Sustainable Management (they are an affiliate of **Atlantic International University**).

Goddard College at 1-800-906-8312 offers self-designed B.A., M.A., and M.F.A. degree programs. Website is **www.goddard.edu**.

RSF Community Investment Fund (a program of the **Rudolf Steiner Foundation**) is a values-based investment vehicle – that an intention into action by making loans to socially constructive projects. Contact: **Mark Herrera, Client Relations, (415) 561-2900 or mark.herrera@rsfoundation.org**. Web address is **www.rsfoundation.org**.

Kas&Pilots, founded by Ulfe Elbaek in Denmark's second-largest city of Aarhus, is considered to be the most unusual college in the world. It is a business school for young people (starting at age 21) who are willing to learn how to set up and carry out projects, sell their ideas, put together a business plan, stimulate creativity, work cooperatively, inquire others and themselves, take advantage of unexpected events, remain open to new ideas, bring mind and body into balance, and keep their heads cool and their hearts warm. Literally, the students learn how to realize their dreams – with hands-on training. Contact: **Kas&Pilots, Mejlgade 35, 8000 Aarhus C., Denmark; phone +45 86 12 9022; kas@kaspilot.dk ; www.kaspilot.dk**. Kas&Pilot A.Z. an English-language collection of thoughts, anecdotes, and essays about the school edited by Ulfe Elbaek, is available for purchase on the website.

Humber College, Toronto, Canada, **www.business.humber.on.ca** , **(416) 675-6622, ext. 3032.** Offers a one-year post-graduate certificate in International Development (International Project Management) for those who want to make a positive difference in the world.

Libraries are the "people's university." They are a haven from stress where anyone can enjoy the gift of learning, research, and the arts and they are being threatened in recent numbers because of lack of funding. Chris Dodge (this guy has a great eye for truth) wrote a exceptional article about this in the July/August 2005 issue of **Utne Reader Magazine**, entitled **"Knowledge for Sale"** (page 73-77). The upshot is:

- **Libraries are increasingly modeled on big business and directed not by librarians but by executives who are apt to have read more management books than literature."**
- **Administrators have begun to outsource every chore from cataloging to book selection. As in the private sector, local autonomy is becoming a thing of the past. With tax revenues dwindling, the economic pressure is real, but eventually a library run like a big-box store will carry big-box inventory on 8 shelves."**
- **Too frequently, the trend toward standardization leads to similarity bland collections across the continent."**

Some libraries are considering "pay-per-view" models; others are only carrying mainstream fare, locals and alternative sources are left out. Library schools are now producing new librarians who are technically savvy but have no cultural memory or institutional drive. Please contact your elected officials about library funding and policies. For ideas visit the American Library Association's **"Issues & Advocacy"** site at **www.ala.org**.

BIONEERS, NEW ARCHITECTURE, SUSTAINABILITY

Okay, folks, here it is – everything the new children are about – radical change in positive, creative ways. Let's face it, people everywhere across our planet are being forced to choose, prefer a free market. Ditto for the new kids. Read the paper, **"Virtual Worlds: A First-Hand Account of Market and Society on the Cyberian Frontier"** by Edward Castronova and published by Social Science Research Network, **www.ssrn.com**. He makes a point for free markets like no one else.

"The Rise of the Creative Class, and How It's Transforming Work, Leisure, Community, and Everyday Life" **by Richard Florida (basic Books, New York City 2004)** takes the free market into the realm of the new children – they are the new class, they are the creative wonders of the world, and they are engaged in transforming every aspect of society…already!

"The Flight of the Creative Class" **by Richard Florida (Harper-Business, New York City, 2005)** goes one more step in showing how the United States no longer has an advantage in the production of creative people, new ideas, or start-up companies. The mobility of people is perhaps the single greatest fact of the modern global economy – more important than the rise of new technology or the mobility of capital," he explains.

THE NEW CHILDREN ARE NATURAL ENTREPRENEURS

Go to: www.bkfk.com

"By Kids, For Kids"
where kids help other kids
turn their ideas into reality
it is invention heaven

An imperative of the new children is a return to the natural order. They are technologically savvy and brilliant innovators, still, their preference is for balanced outcomes. With this in mind, here are a few resources that may prove beneficial:

- Solar-powered community, **www.earthloving.com**, **(845) 744-8027.**
- Intentional communities worldwide, **www.ic.org**.
- Alternative farming systems, **www.nal.usda.gov/afsic**.
- Food co-ops, farmers' markets, community-supported agricultural arrangements, **www.greenpeople.org**.
- Vedic architecture, **www.maharishivediccity.net** and/or **www.sthapatyaveda.com**
- New Society Publishers, **www.newsociety.com**, **1-800-567-6772**, publishes some of the best books available on construction, renewable energy, and sustainable living. Check these out if interested:

Green Building Products: The GreenSpec Guide to Residential Building Materials, Mark Piepkorn, Editor.

Real Goods Solar Living Source Book: The Complete Guide to Renewable Energy Technologies and Sustainable Living (12th Edition) John Schaeffer, Editor.

Green Remodeling: Changing the World One Room at a Time, David Johnston and Kim Master.

Now, let's talk about **"Bioneers."** This is a new term to describe those "who seek visionary and practical solutions for treating the earth and people." Still a rather loose consortium of professionals and leading-edge thinkers, the idea of bioneers (biological engineers) has morphed into an organization that sponsors national conferences and has become an important source of the latest in creation innovation. Contact for more information: **1-877-BIONEER**, **info@bioneers.org**; their website **www.bioneers.org**.

The idea of **biomimicry**, that humans can gain a lot from nature's 4.5 billion years of design experience, is explored in Janine Benyus' book, **Biomimicry: Innovation Inspired by Nature (William Morrow, New York City 1997)**. The path of the bioneer utilizing biomimicry is not every turn is the path of the new children. It is their passion, their destiny, their inspiration. If you are a parent of one of these kids, or a young adult assessing your future, please explore this alternative path to a brighter tomorrow – for all of us.

RESPONSIBILITY: WHEN GOVERNMENTS FAIL

Make no mistake about it, the people of any given country are just as guilty for the failure of their government, as are the power-driven or despotic leaders they tolerate.

The **disasters throughout Africa** demand self-criticism and reconciliation. Global aid, even on a massive scale, will not solve Africa's problems, nor will canceling their debts. As we move further into ascension (accelerating energy), revolutionary will become a necessity everywhere. You can not divorce victims from their oppressors until they themselves strike back in numbers large enough and with the support of free societies, to force change. What happened in South Africa can happen throughout the continent. A book that revealed the "economy of despair" that is being used to destroy Africa, is **The Shackled Continent: Power, Corruption, and African Lives**, **Robert Guest (Smithsonian Books, Washington, D.C. 2004).**

For an eye-opening look at **how radical Islam became entrenched in Europe** and is now actively involved in supporting and promoting terrorism, read the article, **"How a Mosque for Ex-Nazis Became Center of Radical Islam."** Written by Ian Johnson (and with extensive back-ground reporting), this lengthy shocker was published by **The Wall Street Journal**, 7-12-05, and begins as a front-page feature.

There is no cause that can justify terrorism.

There is no scandal that cannot be broken by an electorate that refuses to be silent.

The new children say the responsibility is ours. The wisdom we need … lies within.

"The Power of Now: A Guide to Spiritual Enlightment." **Eckhart Tolle (New World Library, Novato, CA 2004).** If you don't understand what it means to be "wisdom within," try this book. It may help to inform you.

A healing mantra to say several times each day:

Peace to my thoughts

Peace to my feelings

Peace to my emotions

Peace to my body

Peace in my soul.

This e-book is a presentation by P. M. H. Atwater and is meant as an extension of the material in **Beyond the Indigo Children**, published by Inner Traditions, 2005.