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The Company the Pauls Keep

2010 May 13



by Calvin Freiburger

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Ron & Rand Paul will be the first to tell you how much they revere George Washington, how they're the Last Politicians In America TM who are <u>faithfully carrying out his ideas</u>. But there's one lesson the Father of our Country <u>took to heart growing up</u> that the Pauls somehow missed:

Associate yourself with Men of good Quality if you Esteem your own Reputation; for 'tis better to be alone than in bad Company.

Sins of the Father

Ron Paul's associations with the bigoted, lunatic fringe of American politics—including white supremacists, <u>anti-Semites</u>, and <u>9/11 Truthers</u>—are by now the stuff of legend. On <u>November 14</u> and <u>November 25</u> of 2007, Andrew Walden wrote two stunning American Thinker posts detailing many such skeletons in the elder Paul's closet:

- Ron Paul is a regular guest on the radio show of 9/11 Truther Alex Jones, a strong Paul supporter. Walden writes that "Paul's committee <u>paid 9-11 conspiracy nut and talk-show host Alex Jones \$1300</u>. Jones claims the payment is a partial refund after he over paid August 27 when giving <u>Paul a \$2300</u> contribution. <u>Aaron Dykes of Alex Jones' company Magnolia Management and Alex Jones' Infowars</u> website gave Ron Paul \$1600" (Paul himself, while being careful not to explicitly call 9/11 an inside job, has <u>signaled</u> his sympathy for the Truther movement).
- Paul has been endorsed and aggressively supported by former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke, Holocaust denier Hutton Gibson (yep, Mel's dad), the white supremacist American Nationalist Union, the Communist newspaper *People's Weekly World*, scores of authors and commenters on various other racist websites, & the white supremacist Stormfront.org. In particular, Stormfront founder Don Black donated \$500 to Paul, and when pressed on whether or not the money would be returned, the Paul campaign was non-committal. Perhaps most disturbingly, Walden cites an October 2007 post by blogger Adam Holland, who highlights "White Will" Williams, a neo-Nazi leader who also served as web coordinator for Paul's Tennessee campaign.
- Paul has been promoted, and his writings featured, in the *American Free Press*, a newsletter run by Holocaust denier Willis Carto. Walden writes that Michael Medved, who asked the Paul campaign to confirm or deny whether Paul knew or approved of Carto's reprinting his work, did not receive a response...but in January 2008, *Reason* reported that "Cato Institute President Ed Crane told **reason** he recalls a conversation from some time in the late 1980s in which Paul claimed that his best source of congressional campaign donations was the mailing list for *The Spotlight*" (the former name of *American Free Press*).

One of the biggest scandals of Paul's 2008 presidential campaign erupted when *The New Republic's* James Kirchick <u>revealed that</u>, for years, Paul had been involved with a series of newsletters that often <u>ventured into bigotry and conspiracy-mongering</u>, including praise for David Duke and speculation that the 1993 World Trade Center bombing may have been "a setup by the Israeli Mossad." <u>In response</u>, Paul denied having written any of the racist articles and claimed to have "no idea" who did.

But the libertarian-leaning *Reason* Magazine's reporting on the controversy has found that, in past campaigns, Paul both *admitted* to and *defended* having written some of the articles (concerning 'black teenage male[s]' who are known for 'how unbelievably fleet of foot they can be' when committing robberies). *Reason*'s work also reveals that Paul likely knows more about the rest of the newsletters than he lets on, including many reasons to believe their author was crackpot Lew Rockwell (a longtime Paul ally), evidence that Paul profited substantially from the letters (a June '93 tax document reports "an annual income of \$940,000 for Ron Paul & Associates, listing four employees in Texas (Paul's family and Rockwell) and seven more employees around the country"), and revelations that that the newsletters' ugly tone and content was probably a deliberate attempt to exploit paranoia and bigotry for political gain.

The sum total of the evidence is wholly consistent with Ron Paul's infamous history of outlandish conspiracy theories regarding new "Gulf of Tonkin incidents" manufactured by the US government as a pretext to invade Iran, a coup by the CIA, which now "runs everything," the Trilateral Commission doing...well, something nefarious, the Federal Reserve's hand in everything from Watergate to CIA assassinations, his claims of a dark "neo-con" takeover of America, and his insistence that even appeasement-minded Barack Obama is a warmonger. It also accounts for the angry, unhinged, and sometimes anti-Semitic nature of his most loyal supporters.

Like Father, Like Son

Rand Paul <u>has admitted</u> that his views are "very, very similar" to his father's, and that apparent differences between the two Pauls can be attributed to presentation differences for campaign purposes.

And it shows. Rand Paul <u>shares</u> his father's willingness to frequent Alex Jones' show, and Stormfront is <u>just as happy to support Rand</u> as they were his dad. On <u>April 23</u> and <u>April 26</u>, *NewsRealBlog's* Jeanette Pryor revealed Paul the Younger's cozy relationship with Adam Kokesh, a radical anti-war activist who attempted to shout down John McCain's acceptance speech at the 2008 Republican National Convention, has called for the impeachment of President George W. Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney, has called for American servicemen to abandon the armed forces (at a 9/11 Truther rally, no less), and advocates that Americans stop paying federal income taxes.

In December, Rand Paul's campaign spokesman, Chris Hightower, resigned amidst <u>revelations</u> that he once belonged to a Satanic death-metal band, wrote poetry ranting about "Christian lies," has jovially written on his MySpace page about black reaction to the "KKK" on one of his hoodies (to quote Hightower: "LOL!"), ranted against Southern Baptists and in defense of polygamist cults, and blamed America for 9/11. The campaign unequivocally distanced itself from most of Hightower's baggage—except for 9/11.

While most on the <u>Right</u> do not match the <u>slanderous caricature</u> of conservatism the <u>Left</u> has concocted, the Cult of Paul stands as the sole exception. The Pauls seem to hold themselves to no standards of moral decency or good taste in advancing their careers, welcoming and encouraging (sometimes subtly, sometimes not) hatred and paranoia in their own midst, standing up to it only when it becomes a matter of bad publicity—and even then, they can be counted on to go no further than absolutely necessary, for fear of alienating any one part of the coalition of bigots, demagogues, and conspiracy theorists they have assembled.

They are the False Prophets of the American Founding, styling themselves as heirs to the wisdom and heroism of Washington, Jefferson and their colleagues when, in fact, neither their character nor their ideas are worthy of our forefathers. The cause of *truly* restoring fidelity to our founding principles is too important for serious, conscientious conservatives to include these charlatans.

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JennQPublic 47p · 13 hours ago

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Calvin, fantastic work weaving together all the loose threads into one cohesive tapestry.

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Aaron · 13 hours ago

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Calvin, there is still time to escape from the Death Star before it is destroyed! Seriously though, it's great to be working down here in KY for Rand Paul with other conservative Hillsdale students.

Take care.

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1 reply · active 2 hours ago

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Calvin Freiburger 53p · 13 hours ago

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As a dedicated Paul activist, I'm genuinely curious how you justify your support for this man, given all of the facts presented above. Do you have any moral reservations about it? Any?

Reply Report



<u>Calvin Freiburger</u> 53p · 2 hours ago

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"There is still time to escape from the Death Star."

Funny, I could give the same warning to you.

Reply Report



William R · 11 hours ago

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Calvin, you're making a fool out of yourself. Take Alex Jones for example. Yes Ron Paul does go on his show. But so does Judge Andrew Napolitano of Fox News. NRA Board Member Ted Nugent, John Gibson of Fox News. Hell Rush LImbaugh linked to his website. As for Stormfront, back during the Florida recount fiasco Don Black organized demonstrations on behalf of George Bush. So I guess that means George Bush is a secret Nazi. And as far as his alleged racism Nelson Linder long time Chairman of the Central Texas NAACP is an old friend of the congressman and defended him against the slanderous charges

http://thestressblog.com/2008/01/14/austin-naacp-president-nelson-linder-defends-ron-paul/

It is long past time for conservatives to take back from the leftist NeoCons who all but destroyed the Bush Presidency.

Reply <u>5 replies</u> · active 37 minutes ago

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AntiFascist18 · 3 hours ago

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The only Leftists around are Paul, his son, and the rest of the Neo-Nazis and traitors like Kokesh who support this fraud.

He's about as Conservative as Leon Trotsky - or Obama. Care to vote for him too?

Reply Report



<u>Calvin Freiburger</u> 53p · 2 hours ago

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"Other people do it too, so it must be okay" is both a logical fallacy and a transparent attempt to dodge the issue. Napolitano, Nugent, and Gibson SHOULD be condemend for frequenting Jones, too. I don't know specifically when & how often Rush linked - details, please? Same with Don Black and Bush - link, or it's garbage.

So now you're quoting an NAACP chair on an antiwar radio show. But I'M the "leftist."

Whatever.

Reply Report



<u>@LisaGraas</u> · 1 hour ago

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"So now you're quoting an NAACP chair on an antiwar radio show. But I'M the "'leftist."

LOL! Excellent.

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William R · 1 hour ago

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Why??? The same radio station that carries Rush Limbaugh's show also runs Alex Jones. 9/11 conspiracies isn't the only thing he talks about. When Andrew Napolitano is on they discuss the Patriot Act, 2nd Amendment, National ID. When Ron Paul is on the subject is always Monetary Policy. Rush Limbaugh actually read on the air an article from Paul Joseph Watson a frequent Jones guest. As for 9/11, back in Dec 2001 Brit Hume and Carl Cameron had a 4 night report on 9/11 that sounds like it came straight from Alex Jones. You Tube has a video of it.

I'm quoting Nelson Linder because after NeoCons tried to smear Ron Paul his old friend came to his defense. And Calvin, real conservatives are anti-war. War is the ultimate health of the state. It grows government.

Reply Report



guest · 37 minutes ago

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Anyone with a brain is "anti war". Conservatives recognize the reality that sometimes war is necessary because there are certain things woth fighting and dieing for.

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Steve · 9 hours ago

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With stupid sh** like this, is it any wonder Trey Grayson is going down in flames right now?

Reply Report



 $B_0 \cdot 8 \text{ hours ago}$

I heard a lot of these arguments on Medved's show when he interviewed Frum recently. Without addressing the allegations (which appear to be a mixture of truths, half-truths, conjectures, and guilt by association), I will say that I don't think this is the most effective means of attacking Rand Pauls's candidacy. I am also disheartened that there have been various smears leveled at good conservatives (Jim Demint, etc.) for endorsing him.

It's a lot easier to compromise with people you admire, and unlike what William R (above comments) said, there are many so-called "Neocons" who are still greatly respected by non-intervenionists, despite their differences. The same can't be said for a slippery guy like Frum who wants his big(ger) gov and his foreign policy views, and appears to be pretty vocal in trashing everybody who doesn't agree with him on everything. That's where a lot of the backlash comes from, and the momentum for Paul. Why throw it all away for somebody like him?

Why not focus upon the real issues (Paul's weakening of our defenses)?

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<u>Report</u>



Calvin Freiburger 53p · 1 hour ago

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First, I'm no Frum fan. He's part of the problem in conservatism, not part of the solution.

Second, we have been talking about defense as well, a lot. Earlier this week I blogged about his position on Iran, Jeanette discussed his support for completely withdrawing from the Middle East, and we've talked about his views on Israel, as well.

But this is an important issue, too. It speaks directly to the Pauls' character and their ability to rationally & honestly digest information.

Reply Report



Peter Mansfield · 5 hours ago

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Hypocrisy thy name is JEW! So Paul is disqualified from being taken seriously in American politics for some 'unacceptable' connections with white ethnocentrists. Meanwhile having deep connections with Jewish activist organisations the ADL, AIPAC, AJC etc etc is just fine. Why on earth shouldn't Paul be ethnocentric enough to stand up for the interests of the traditional population of the United States? You know - the ones who've died in their thousands in Iraq for Israel? I'm sick of hyper-ethnocentric Jews telling us who and who is not a legitimate participant in the American political process.

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AntiFascist18 · 3 hours ago

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Typical Paul supporter - a bleeding Nazi.

Enuff said.

Israel, not Hamas or Iran is an ally of the U.S.A. - if Paul was any kind of Conservative he'd support them to the hilt. He's a fraud and a coward, like you Petey.

p.s. if you and Paul love those who perpetrated 9/11 so much, do us a favor and move to Gaza. That's a lot of fellow roaches there, to be sure.

Report



Calvin Freiburger 53p · 2 hours ago

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Any of our other reasonable, ultra-principled Ron Paul supporters wanna condemn naked bigotry in your ranks? Any takers?

Reply Report



DavidSwindle 79p · 40 minutes ago

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I'm only permitting this anti-Semitic comment to stand as a reminder of what we're fighting against. However, the commenter himself has been banned.

Report



freedom lover in KY · 3 hours ago

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Totally twisting of facts! Ron and Rand Paul are my heros and are two of few statesmen this country has!!!

Report Report



Jerry Glenn · 3 hours ago

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I was at first suspicious of Rand Paul's candidacy, primarily because of his father's (and in general libertarians') attitude toward terrorism. I attended Rand's town hall meeting in Northern KY at the start of his campaign and was very impressed. I am confident that he is sincere, and that he is strong on defense and anti-terrorism. And I am infinitely less concerned about the associations mentioned here than I am by Obama's deadly associations

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Colin · 1 hour ago

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Jerry,

Alex Jones is as deadly an association as Bill Ayers, ditto for Don Black or any of the other nut-cases Calvin mentioned. And regarding his "reassuring" statements at a town-hall meeting, I think he is simply lying. The Pauls and their ilk are a cancer on our political culture, and are a disgusting parasite on the Republican party. Ron and Rand need to be sent into retirement. I don't know why they haven't been. Hopefully, they some day will be.

Reply Report



Denver · 2 hours ago

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It seems to me that the healthiest thing we can do as voters is Re-elect Noone for three election cycles.

Anyone who complains is part of the problem.

Report



freeme · 2 hours ago

The author of this propaganda is a BLATANT IGNORANT IDIOT. A celebrity nor a politician always 'selects' WHO endorces, condones or follows their platforms or agendas. OBAMA has always been fully supported with KUDOS from the Castro brothers, CPUSA, and other Marxist groups, but in this case the 'favors' are returned and in so lies the real intentions.

Perhaps you should examine your own circle of friends and the company you keep? Somewhere in that mix, is a commie waiting to come out of the closet...

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Reveal · 2 hours ago

Son

You are just hitting the tip of the iceberg on these two. Regarding 9/11 trutherism, Paul Sr. not only was on Jones' radio program over a dozen times, he actually took part in two of his videos. There also is a video floating around the internet (that the Paultards always attempt to bury by reporting abuse on YouTube or other ways to have it removed) of Paul Sr. at a College Students for Truth dinner where he not only questions the government's involvement in 9/11 but even the Kennedy assassination.

Regarding the associations with white nationalists, look into Paul Sr's association with Jamie Kelso and Don Black. The former was one of his meetup leaders. Supposedly, Paul Jr has some associations (direct) with a group called W.A.R. and Stormfront.

There are some damning pics floating around if someone can dig them up before the tards can bury them to protect their messiah.

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2 replies · active 43 minutes ago

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Cromwell · 47 minutes ago

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he's also claimed the Afghan War, which he voted for, is really about "Building Oil Pipelines" and so we should withdrawal ASAP.

before 2012 gets rolling, their needs to be a dedicated website to doing 2 things:

- 1) exposing all these things and dirt on Paul
- 2) showing were and how he is either lying or telling half-truths when he goes on his tales about the Constitution, Founders, history of Conservatism, etc. He has got away with murder in this area, and young would be republicans in college have ate it up.

Reply Report



Cromwell · 50 minutes ago

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Paul's daughter and Wife were on the Ron Paul Newsletter Payroll, why hasn't someone asked Rand if he was also?

and if so, did he, his mother and his sister not all know the contents of said newsletters? If not, was this all about Tax Evasion presumably? Payout the profits to several people and be in lower tax brackets?

Suppose if nominated the Dems and MSM may decide to find out if they calculate they can win the seat and its worth playing this hand for it rather than hoping Ron Paul really makes a splash in 2012.

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How many GOP Pols can get away with this? Only the Paul's because they are traitors to true Constitutional Conservatism and do nothing but aide the Left/MSM politically.

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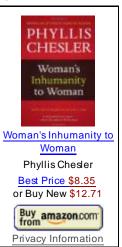


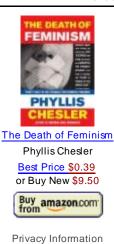


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