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## Creation Viewpoint Heavily Censored

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Censorship is a word which evokes a strong response because it conflicts with our inherent sense of fairness. Each year the humanist organization, *Citizens for an American Way*, publish a report of supposed censorship" incidents in which "fundamentalists" attempt to keep books out of libraries. Yet a far more dangerous type of censorship is largely ignored.

Censorship is the banning of ideas so that people do not even have the opportunity to hear them. The reason this is so dangerous is that the human mind tends to work by paradigms. A paradigm is a framework which all people develop about what is right or wrong, true or false. The human mind often finds it very difficult to even consider ideas outside of an accepted paradigm. Increasing exposure to the truth improves the

## CSF Meetings

### CSF South

New Wine Harvest Church  
268 Old Clairton Road, Pleasant Hills

Sunday November 20, 2005, 7:00 PM

### *A World View Seminar*

by Leonard J. Ransil

Len will present a comparative analysis of the three primary world views (Christian Theism, Naturalism / Materialism, and New Age). Len uses the "big picture" approach to view the roots and impact of various belief systems.

Learn how to respond to and refute these competing philosophies and why young earth and intelligent design are foundational to our world view. Len is a speaker from Upon This Rock Foundation and is a former educator from Erie, PA.

For more information call: **412-653-9077** ( M-F, 9am-2pm)  
or **412-655-0543** (evenings).

### CSF North

Mars Alliance Church, Rt. 228

Tuesday November 15, 2005, 7:30 PM

### *Creation: A Foundational Doctrine*

by Jerry O'Neal

Jerry will be discussing the first chapters of Genesis, especially chapters 1 and 2 describing creation and the impact it has on everything else in theology: our Doctrine of God, Doctrine of Man (Human Nature), Doctrine of Revelation, etc. Jerry will then show how our interpretation of these impact our approach to hermeneutics, apologetics, evangelism, Biblical counseling, and generally speaking, living by faith, not sight.

Jerry is President of the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

probability that it will be embraced. Exclusive exposure to a false belief, no matter how outrageous, insures its eventual acceptance. This is the essence of brainwashing.

In an extensive search of 2.2 million mainstream magazine and journal articles (scanned by SCISEARCH), only 18 items were found which dealt with creation. When another computer search was done to find articles written by well-known creationist authors, not one creation-related article was found. Subsequent interviews revealed that whenever these authors had submitted articles showing specific scientific evidence supporting creation, their work was rejected.<sup>1</sup>

The situation is no better in school, university, or public libraries. Libraries typically purchase materials from a relatively small number of publishers. Creation publications are not selected, no matter how well their work is researched and presented, because these publishers use reviewers who won't accept any material critical of evolution. For example, ***Biology: A Search for Order in Complexity*** is a well documented high school biology book written by a dozen Ph.D. level creationists. Yet not one of 15 different textbook publishers WOULD EVEN LOOK AT THE MANUSCRIPT! The textbook finally had to be published by Zondervan (a Christian publishing house), effectively eliminating it from consideration in any public school. The authors of ***The Mystery of Life's Origin*** also had difficulty getting their book published, because it critically exposed the enormous problems with chemical evolution. This exclusively scientific treatment of the subject was rejected by 100 agencies before being published by Philosophic Press. Phillip Johnson, law professor at U.C. Berkeley, had similar problems publishing his book, ***Darwin on Trial***, which deals with the fallacies of evolution. He finally settled on a Christian publishing house. Most creationist writers and researchers realize that this creation censorship exists and do not waste their time trying to publish material with mainstream journals or publishers.

Another area of censorship is the scarcity of creation material in libraries. The late Dr. A.E. Wilde-Smith was an Oxford professor with 3 earned doctorates. Yet, an OCLC computer search of 1000 libraries showed that only 18 carried any of his classic works supporting creation while almost all of the libraries carried books critical of creation. Library journals publish book reviews and out of 100,000 book reviews, several hundred anti-creation books were favorably reviewed yet only one creation work was reviewed at all. That review was extremely negative.

There are actually hundreds of books on creationism in print, yet almost none can be found in any public, school, or university library. The ***Citizens for an American Way*** are correct - censorship is alive and well in America's libraries.

I. All of these examples of censorship (and many more) are documented in an article called the Censorship of Information on Origins, Jerry Bergman, ***Creation ex Nihilo Technical Journal***, Vol. 10, no. 3, (1996). However, it is extremely unlikely you will find this well-written and peer reviewed research journal in libraries.



## ***ICC 2008*** ***Developing the Creation Model of Origins***

Many have been asking and anxiously awaiting news about the next International Conference on Creationism. **YES**, we will be holding the next ICC in 2008 and it will be held on the West Coast. While many of the plans are still in the works, the leadership team is excited about holding the conference in a new venue and the growth opportunities it affords folks in the west to participate.

So far the leadership team consists of: Reid Moon, ICC Coordinator  
Robert Ivey, ICC Web Site Manager  
Stu Chandler, ICC Book Store Manager  
Robert Walsh, Consultant

Veteran volunteers of previous conferences know that more hands will be needed as plans develop. So stay tuned as we bring you more details in the months ahead.



### **Laptop Computer Needed**

Many of you have benefited from the presentations at our monthly meetings. These presentations are often enhanced through the use of Power-Point visual aids. Several years ago CSF purchased an LCD projector but we have been making use of borrowed computers. Your CSF board has determined that it is time for CSF to acquire their own laptop computer. As you probably know from visits to your local computer retailer or seeing ads in the paper, these computers are expensive. We are therefore asking that you consider making a donation to CSF for the purpose of obtaining a laptop computer. Any amount will greatly appreciated. Much thanks to

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