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**[00:00:05] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

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**[00:00:43] The HighWire Control Room**

Yeah.

**[00:00:44] Jenn Sherry Parry, Executive Producer, The HighWire**

Let's do this.

**[00:00:46] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Action.

**[00:01:01] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Good morning, good afternoon, good evening. Wherever you are out there in the world, it's time for us all to step out onto The HighWire. Well, my entire team ICAN stepped onto The HighWire in Washington, DC just a few days ago. We finally got around and found the perfect timing and window to release the Peter Marks files, all the hidden secret recordings. We did a show about this. We released it at TheRealPeterMarks.com, it's live right now. And you've never really seen anything like this. Sure, we've covered the videos on this show we've gone through it. But at TheRealPeterMarks.com, what you see is what makes it so powerful. What was the timeline that was happening? What was happening with the vaccine? Where were we at in the world? What were the PSA that were being delivered? What was the CDC and FDA saying at the time that Peter Marks was taking these phone calls and video calls from people being injured by the vaccine? He knew how many there were, he knew what the real issue was, yet wouldn't describe it as a real injury. You see all of that unfolding and of course, we're in Washington, D.C. delivering this inside of the Press Club there, and, the National Press Club and had the press there. We were live to the world. Thousands have looked at, I think we have over 100,000 people were watching.

**[00:02:18] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

And the petition, which I want all of you to sign right now. We are demanding right now, on behalf of the Informed Consent Action Network, that everybody sign this petition. This is a demand for transparency from the government. All of the VAERS data, all the data that's ever looked at for any study, any trial, any vaccine must immediately be made public. We want it all public so that everyone can look at it every scientist can deal with it so we never find ourselves in this game of cat and mouse with someone that's acting like he works for regulatory agency, but is really just a shill for a rush product by the pharmaceutical industry. That's what you clearly see here, that's what we laid out. Here's just a taste of how amazing that press conference was. Take a look.

**[00:03:05] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

I want to thank everyone from the press. I want to thank everyone watching across America. We think this is a very important issue. Informed Consent Action Network has been dedicated to transparency when it comes to science, especially around the issues of vaccines. Today, we are launching a timeline over 25 pages, including multiple hours of secretly recorded videos, interactions between vaccine injured people and Peter Marks, along with all sorts of things in the timeline, what was actually being said in the news, what we were being told in public versus what was known behind the scenes.

**[00:03:40] Aaron Siri, Esq., Lead Counsel, ICAN Legal Team**

I don't think Doctor Marks ever expected that anybody would take all of these disparate communications and put them all together, because when you do, and you actually see what Doctor Marks was saying on the phone call with Ms. Dressen and all these doctors, and then what he's saying to the media, you can clearly see how discordant and often contradictory those are.

**[00:03:59] Brianne Dressen, Co-Chairman, React19**

Our group at React19.org, it's a registered nonprofit that advocates for people harmed by COVID vaccines, we've found over 36,000 people just in the US that are dealing with these complications. Only 4% of them have reported myocarditis or pericarditis. The vast majority are reporting some type of neurological event. React19, it did an audit on the VAERS system with people that have filed VAERS reports, and we found that an incredibly small number of people actually would receive follow-up. The vast majority would not.

**[00:04:27] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

This isn't like some other vaccine where we had a lot of information. We were told that Peter Marks and everyone at the FDA would be very thorough in looking at the post-marketing surveillance that was taking place, since they knew we were taking a risk. When you watch these videos, it's incredible the amount of gaslighting and really obfuscating answers and truth and seems to be no concern over the injuries that are being reported. This is the first Zoom call she has with Doctor Peter Marks.

**[00:04:55] Brianne Dessen, Co-Chairman, React19**

We've got thousands of people that are having issues with the neurological side effects to the COVID vaccines. Unfortunately, because we are not able to get any kind of acknowledgment or communication to the medical community that this is happening, we've got a lot of people across the country that are sick and showing up in ERS and medical clinics without any kind of proper acknowledgment or provisions of any sort to help them.

**[00:05:19] Peter Marks, MD, PhD, former Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, FDA**

I'm just surprised that the neurologists aren't treating what they're seeing in front of them.

**[00:05:24] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

You can start seeing how over time, there's things you can put together in this puzzle that is very disturbing.

**[00:05:30] Brianne Dessen, Co-Chairman, React19**

I can't tell you how many times like I've been called misinformation in the doctor's office.

**[00:05:36] Peter Marks, MD, PhD, former Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, FDA**

We have continued to do our best here to try to understand things. We do continue to carefully monitor safety. And I will tell you that there is nothing that I care about more than making sure that we have safe vaccines.

**[00:05:47] Aaron Siri, Esq., Lead Counsel, ICAN Legal Team**

Doctor Lee, her patients were injured, and she was willing and brave enough to send a letter to the FDA.

**[00:05:52] Dr. Patricia Lee**

She developed hemorrhagic shock. She bled and bled and bled.

**[00:05:56] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Peter Marks is starting to get frustrated.

**[00:05:58] Brianne Dessen, Co-Chairman, React19**

And the strange thing is, is the information that Pfizer published, it really mirrors the demographics and the syndromes that we set to....

**[00:06:04] Peter Marks, MD, PhD, former Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, FDA**

I'm really sorry, but I'm going to have to, I'm going to have to. I think we have a path forward here. I'm sorry, I do have to go. But I don't, I'm not sure that I, I, you know, I think we're pretty confident, and I, you know it'll come out in the wash and you'll see, I don't think there's anything being hidden here.

**[00:06:22] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

I want you to think about the fact that they told us they knew, they were going to be very transparent with how they saw the VAERS system, that they were going to be using post-marketing data, they were going to be studying everything, and here you have an individual that's put together a nonprofit, start collecting, thousands of people are contacting them with the same injuries, and not one of them was ever investigated by our FDA, CDC, NIH. Nobody cared. We'll take a few questions if anyone has any questions, we have a few minutes for that. Yes.

**[00:06:49] Lauren Weber, The Washington Post**

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**[00:06:51] Sarah Owerhohle, Health & Politics Reporter, CNN**

Sarah Owerhohle from CNN.

**[00:06:53] David Hilzenrath, KFF Health News Reporter**

David Hilzenrath with KFF Health News.

**[00:06:56] Sarah Owerhohle, Health & Politics Reporter, CNN**

Do you believe that COVID-19 vaccines harmed more people than they helped?

**[00:07:00] Rachana Pradhan, Correspondent, KFF Health News**

What is the specific ask of the FDA right now?

**[00:07:03] David Hilzenrath, KFF Health News Reporter**

What do you hope to accomplish with this presentation? What do you hope results?

**[00:07:07] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Well, I think, first of all, all we've been fighting for with the Informed Consent Action Network is transparency from our regulatory agencies. And I think what you see here is an FDA, one of the heads of FDA that's certainly in charge of this vaccine program, was jumping up and down with pom poms, even in the phase two of this trial. He was the one that said Operation Warp Speed. I don't think we want the heads of our regulatory agencies jumping up and down and promising that a brand new technology will make it to the market. What they should be saying is we are going to be critical of it, we are going to use the scientific method, we're going to ask hard questions, we're not going to promise you anything. When you start having regulatory agencies promising a product that isn't even through its safety trials, that they're going to get it out as fast as possible, you now have a biased head of your regulatory agencies, and now America is in danger, and that's what we're showing here.

**[00:07:56] Sarah Owerhohle, Health & Politics Reporter, CNN**

What specifically do you want to see happen with COVID-19 vaccines in terms of recommendations and guidance?

**[00:08:03] Aaron Siri, Esq., Lead Counsel, ICAN Legal Team**

We've been told now for over four years this product is safe. So if it's safe, why do the manufacturers need immunity for liability? PREP Act immunity should be lifted immediately. That's the first thing that should happen. The only consumer product, the only one where you cannot sue for design defect claims in America are vaccines, the product they tell you is safe. So it's time to lift that immunity. After all, pharma has made billions of dollars on this product and if that's not sufficient to pay for the injuries that they say don't happen, that's a problem.

**[00:08:29] David Hilzenrath, KFF Health News Reporter**

Does Secretary Kennedy also believe that the Pfizer and Moderna Covid vaccines should be removed from the market?

**[00:08:36] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

I don't know, I can't speak for Secretary Kennedy. I do know what he has said publicly, which is he does believe that the science needs to be looked at very seriously. He says he's looking at it especially for children who have such a low rate of risk for death, 0.00027% as related to all the world data. That's zero. They have no risk from the disease. So I think right there, it's very easy to make an assessment that this product is not safe enough for children. I think we have to look at across the board though. Pregnant women, where are the studies on pregnant women, should they be getting it? You hear the horrific story by Doctor Lee, how many pregnant women. We're seeing rises in fertility issues. We're seeing, you know, miscarriage issues. These are things that should not be brushed aside. These are things that need to be investigated right away.

**[00:09:20] Rachana Pradhan, Correspondent, KFF Health News**

Are you suggesting that the FDA needs to reevaluate its licensure of those vaccines for teens, adults, and children?

**[00:09:28] Aaron Siri, Esq., Lead Counsel, ICAN Legal Team**

I think the FDA is under an obligation to evaluate the licensure of any and all of its products continuously, right? And so if at any point the FDA reaches the conclusion that, in fact, they've made a wrong decision, then yes, they're supposed to reevaluate that. That's true of any product that it licenses.

**[00:09:44] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

I would like to see the FDA actually remove this from recommendation. I think there's enough science around the world. And say it's available to the public, doctors can give it, but the FDA is no longer standing behind the recommendation because there's just too much science around the world showing too many issues. I want to thank everyone for coming today. Obviously, this was about Doctor Peter Marks and the COVID vaccine, and I want to thank Brianne Dressen, all the work you're doing with React19. We need a lot of help on this issue.

**[00:10:11] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

That was amazing. Man, if you want to watch that, I think it was about an hour and 20 minutes long. That's obviously available at thehighwire.com. It's at the top of the trending page, you can see it there. Share it with your friends. It was a dynamic event, and very unique how we put it together. But even more importantly, we're live right now. Anyone, you can tell all your friends, everyone you know, every doctor you know, go to TheRealPeterMarks.com and there you can see the entire timeline. Click on any video, you can watch the full length, the short versions, all of it's there for you to peruse and share it with everyone you know. And please, especially right now. We have such an active audience. You know, just the other day someone had been on the show, said, you know, I had tried to get my documentary seen and so many, it was on CNN, all these major news agencies. When I was on The HighWire. Your people are active. They watched my film, they shared my film. So right now these petitions matter, so please, sign this petition, get everyone you know to sign this petition, and we're going to deliver it straight to, I'm going to certainly make sure that Robert Kennedy Junior, HHS Secretary, sees it.

**[00:11:12] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

But we really want transparency now. We want to show how much the public cares about transparency in science. This is a new paradigm we're setting here in America. Health is changing as we speak, and we're at the forefront of making that happen. I have an awesome show coming up. I'm really excited for a topic, there's a homesteading revolution going on across this country. I think the fact that eggs got really expensive, everyone said, maybe I should just build a chicken coop. I have one, and it's one of the easiest things I've ever done. It's like, you know, all of a sudden you have chickens. You're like, I have made protein right in my own backyard. But I'm going to be speaking with John Miller, who grew up Amish, then went out, struck out on his own, was a very successful businessman, but has come all the way back around to the Amish, to canning and all these different ideas. And he runs one of the biggest conferences in the world on this issue, Seed to Spoon, which is coming up June 18th and 19th. We're going to talk about that conference. I want to talk to him a little bit about what does it mean to be Amish? Why are they so good at these things and are we losing these traditions, can we bring them back? So super interesting conversation coming up in just a minute. But first it's time for The Jaxen Report. Do you garden or anything like that, Jefferey? You got you got any homesteading going on around your house?

**[00:12:32] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

I absolutely do. In fact, my hands are probably a little bit dirty right now because I was doing it this morning. A lot of rain here, so I'm working on it.

**[00:12:39] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Very good, very good. I have two, I have like eight box, I built them all these beautiful cedar boxes ready to go, and they've been empty for about six months because I realized, Del, you are so busy. But hopefully I'm going to get around to it. I'm going to get some help, get some friends, make it happen. But the idea is there. I got the boxes. I know a lot of people know what I'm talking about. The idea is there. Just got to find the time in my schedule.

**[00:13:02] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

This is the time, and like the rest of the country, there's massive opportunity right now but there's also some dire need for change in a lot of areas. One of them is gain of function research that's still ongoing, that we're still funding here in the United States. The coronavirus, bird flu, monkeypox, these all have signs of lab origins that we've covered here on the show, and what does that mean? Gain of function. Obviously altering these genetically by the human hand to make these extremely dangerous viruses even more virulent, even more deadly. And that is what Trump and HHS Secretary Kennedy have now looked to put an end to. This is the New York Post headline, "Trump bans risky - and controversial - virus research that likely led to COVID pandemic." And this is Secretary Kennedy on a recent interview, really going over the origins of the US gain of function. And this is so refreshing because we've been hearing a lot, obviously, from Fauci and Gates over the last five years about how great this gain of function work is and how dire it is, but this is a different view. Take a listen.

**[00:14:03] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

All right.

**[00:14:05] Robert F. Kennedy Jr., HHS Secretary**

Gain of function study is the kind of science that is designed to make microbes and pathogens more virulent, more transmissible, and more deadly. It was in this country they started doing it in 1947, the military and the intelligence agencies, in order to develop bioweapons. In 1969, President Nixon banned it all and shut down Fort Detrick, shut down all the labs that ban, and then signed the bioweapons convention. That ban lasted until 2001, and after the anthrax attacks, Anthony Fauci began, essentially restarted the arms race, and the bioweapons arms race, and did it under the pretension of developing vaccines, because of the same science that you develop bioweapons and vaccines. In 2014, three of his bugs escaped, and 300 scientists wrote letters to President Obama asking him to shut down Anthony Fauci. President Obama declared a moratorium, but instead of shutting down his experiments, he moved them offshore, mainly to the Wuhan lab. And now, you know, the principal institutions of our government, the CIA, the FBI, the State Department, Department of Energy all say that it is most likely that those experiments resulted in the COVID-19 pandemic in, beginning in 2019. So President Trump today moved to shut down this kind of research in this country and to stop funding it abroad.

**[00:15:37] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

I don't know if it sinks in on people how big a deal this is. When you think about John F. Kennedy really working with Khrushchev to end the nuclear arms race, this is the nuclear arms race of our times. This gain of function thing is absolutely terrifying, it's horrifying. You know, I've had Doctor Peter McCullough that is talking about the bird flu and some of the things, those are all being built in labs and maybe a part of, you know, the epidemics that we're seeing start. I mean, just time and time again, stories of these labs, they cannot make them, you know, tight enough. And you're talking about, they're building weapons, weapons of mass destruction that can just leak out on the sleeve or in the nasal passages of someone working on it and then, you know, and then what happens. So, for what it's worth, and it's also the developing vaccines right next to it, this is such a moment. And it also shows, I think, when there's questions, you know, are Robert Kennedy Jr, Donald Trump really aligned? These are huge things these two guys are doing together. And boy what a difference from just, you know, a year ago in the last administration where we're at, and the types of things we're seeing now in this space. It's very exciting.

**[00:16:43] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

And words like arms race, bio weapons, this is the proper context we should have been looking at this type of experimentation. And so let's go behind the headlines with this executive order from President Trump. So it technically ends federal funding of gain of function research by foreign entities in countries of concern like China. It's also ending, or stopping, halting would be a better word, the research here in the United States, for four months, and in that four months, they're completely revamping the framework. What they're trying to do is add more independent oversight, more public transparency, more, basically enforcement mechanisms and audits so this stuff will never happen again. So this is this framework that's working. This is, again, a big ship that's turning in the middle of the sea right now. We've never really seen anything like this in the United States since its inception of the gain of function research, so a gigantic move. And then let's, moving on, let's stick at that federal level. So we have the Trump's prior pick as Surgeon General, Janette Nesheiwat. She has stepped down, or there's word that Trump has pulled that pick, replacing that with Doctor Casey Means, Doctor Casey Means, Secretary Kennedy credited her in the, you know, the run-up to the election and her appearances on Joe Rogan and Tucker Carlson is helping to really draw attention to this chronic health situation, the issues in America here.

**[00:18:05] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

So now she, she basically is going to be confirmed by the Senate, or at least she faces the Senate for confirmation at some point. Again, we still don't even have a CDC director yet, so there's there's still things moving in the background. But we also have, speaking of Peter Marks, his job opening that he's been unemployed from, it's been sitting open, that has been now filled by Doctor Vinay Prasad. He is now taking over that FDA lead biologics vaccine division, so that is another confirmation that will be happening or at least the the hearings will be happening. So that's at the federal level, those are the picks, a lot of things moving there, but there's not many headlines on the state actions happening. And there's many people that probably don't want those headlines, don't want the public in their states to be focused and activated, but we're going to do that here. So in Iowa, if you're in Iowa, you may be in a little luck if you like vaccine exemptions, because there's a bill requiring Iowa schools to disclose vaccine exemption info. That's now headed to the governor's desk. So a lot of parents never even understand they have a choice to not consent to vaccinations for their children to go to school. They, a lot of times it's not in the forms, the school doesn't tell you you have a choice. In Iowa now, you do have a choice. And then furthermore...



**[00:19:18] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

That's amazing. I love that. I love that so much because so many people say to me, you know, how do I opt, you know, I'm being forced to vaccinate. Like, what state do you live in? There's only five states right now that you're actually forced to vaccinate, and most times they're not, but they just don't know it. Iowa taking this step to inform you, to actually let you know, by the way, just so you know, you can opt out of this program. I think that's a huge, awesome step. I'd love to see more states doing exactly that.

**[00:19:45] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

Yeah, the epitome of informed consent at that point. Nine other states, here's another headline, "9 other states weigh bills to establish or expand exemptions to school vaccine mandates." We have here in Massachusetts, that is not one of the states. In fact, they're going in the opposite direction. They have a bill here, it's a double bill, a companion bill. H2554 and S1557, these bills are both working to eliminate the religious exemptions for school-required vaccinations. So, you know, they're effectively barring children from attending school, they don't give them that option. Then there's another bill that's actually moving through as well. This is S1618, and this is minors, minor consent bill again. Minors consent to preventative care, including vaccinations, without parental consent or knowledge. I mean, with the potential dangers associated with our health system that we know of, it's hard to imagine as a country, that we're still entertaining this conversation of just letting children of any age free fall with their eyes closed into consent without parental knowledge of that happening, but here we are. Let's move to Florida. This is a headline up at thehighwire.com. Florida has become the second state, following Utah, to ban water fluoridation. That's moving across the country now, that ripple effect is moving very fast.

**[00:21:01] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Well that moved very fast. I mean, it was just like a week or two ago you were talking about how some of the counties were pushing back, even though the people wanted it, so DeSantis has just come in and just said no, statewide?

**[00:21:12] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

Yeah, absolutely....

**[00:21:12] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Amazing. Amazing.

**[00:21:16] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

It was a bill not to put any, basically medication in the water. So it's true. Medicate, hydrate not medicate was kind of the rally cry in Florida before this bill. But then let's go to the corporate level. Now, we've covered, for so many years here, activist mothers making petitions to bring to companies, like Vani Hari, to get them to take ingredients that are banned in other countries out of our food here in the United States. Now the companies are starting to do it for us. One of the biggest companies, PepsiCo, is, this is, and this was not really a public conversation, a public headline. This was their quarter one 2025 earnings call with their investors and their shareholders. And they were asked on this call, hey, the SNAP program, you really need to get that, the artificial colors out of the SNAP program. We noticed a lot of your, a lot of your food has that, what are you going to do about that. So this is what the head, one of the heads of the PepsiCo company said. He said, "...we already have a portfolio when we talk about the US and the food business, a 60-plus percent of our business today doesn't have any artificial colors. So we're well undergoing that transition. And for example, brands like Lay's will be out of artificial colors by the end of this year, the same with Tostitos, so some of our big brands."

**[00:22:27] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

Goes on to say, "Ideally, we can do this in a very pragmatic orchestrated way as an industry and not create unnecessary panic or chaos." And they're talking to shareholders, because that's bad for shareholders. He says, "But we'll lead that transition. And in the next couple of years, we'll have migrated all the portfolio into natural colors or at least provide the consumer with natural color options." Del, remember, I mean, this is where the rubber meets the road. Bayer did not inform their shareholders of the risk of taking glyphosate, the cancer-causing weedkiller over. Their shareholders sued Bayer. So these corporations, they're seeing which way the wind goes and they're going, look, we're doing this. No need for chaos, we're going to take care of it. Now, can we trust them? We're always going to hold their feet to the fire. But this is a big move. They're actually self-correcting on their own because of federal pressure.

**[00:23:16] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

I'd like to recommend to them, while you're at it, since you're going to go ahead and change the ingredients, why don't you go ahead and reduce the sugar so that one can of soda isn't already breaking beyond your daily allowance of sugar? These are things that need to change immediately. So hey, PepsiCo, great. While you're at it, why don't we go ahead and bring that sugar down to a realistic margin where it can actually be a treat and not my entire daily allowance so that I'm just driving everybody into diabetes. So that'd be a great next step, while you get ahead of the thing there. But look, hats off to PepsiCo for announcing this, to working on this. You know, these are the types of changes we like to see. It's very exciting. I think, you know, for those of us though, there's always more to do and it should be happening faster.

**[00:23:55] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

Absolutely. Del, a major event happened in Europe last week and if you're not in Europe, you probably had no idea what was going on. Probably woke up that morning, this was April 28th, turned your lights on here in the United States and went, wow, those lights are nice and they turned on great. Well, in Europe, if you're in Spain or Portugal, this is what your reality look like.

**[00:24:15] CBS News reporter**

Large parts of the Iberian Peninsula have been hit by a major power outage.

**[00:24:21] Fox Local News reporter**

An unprecedented blackout brought much of Spain and Portugal to a standstill earlier this week.

**[00:24:26] Today News reporter**

Millions of people across Spain and Portugal are without power this morning in one of the biggest blackouts Europe has ever seen.

**[00:24:32] CBS News reporter**

The outage caused internet and phone networks to go down, halted trains, shut down traffic lights, and caused major delays at airports.

**[00:24:40] BBC News reporter**

It seems that metro subway underground systems across the peninsula are out of action.

**[00:24:45] CNN News reporter**

Schools, businesses, shops, restaurants, all of those, of course, coming to a standstill with people struggling to figure out what's next.

**[00:24:52] BBC News reporter**

All of our lives are completely dependent on this. And so for people who are trying to go about their work, go about, just live their normal life, it's going to be very, very difficult.

**[00:25:01] Fox News reporter**

The Portuguese National Cyber Security Center issued a statement saying there was no sign the outage was due to a cyber attack.

**[00:25:07] CNN News reporter**

The mayor of Madrid appealing to people to please proceed calmly, to be careful, because that is how much life has come to a standstill. And no clear answer as to when these services will be restored, or why they were even cut in the first place.

**[00:25:22] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Yeah, it was a crazy story watching the break. It's weird when you're like, not just one country, but multiple countries. We're not talking cities, we're talking countries?



**[00:25:31] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

Yeah, entire grid down collapse in the country. That is really unprecedented until modern times, really within the last couple of months, we're starting to see this. And it wasn't just Spain and Portugal. So going into these articles, I want to paint this picture of how massive this problem was and this situation was that, you know, the news cycle is so fast, these get brushed under the rug, but goes in this article, it says, "...the full list of countries hit by Europe's massive power cut....It wasn't just the Iberian Peninsula. Parts of south-west France reported brief outages too, especially close to the Spanish border. French authorities acted fast, trying to reroute electricity to help their neighbors. Their quick moves helped stop things from getting worse - but it was a clear sign of just how tightly Europe's power grids are linked these days....Germany and Italy also saw short-lived disruptions, although they managed to recover faster. Over in Andorra, wedged between France and Spain, locals also found themselves without power for parts of the day....It's worth noting that while these countries weren't hit as hard as Spain and Portugal, the effects still rippled across their systems, causing small but significant problems." So now we get into the investigation. What the heck happened? Because you're saying it's not cyber attacks, but when you're seeing it on that large of a swath of countries, grids down, there is reports when it first happened of weather phenomenon, perhaps something solar related.

**[00:26:48] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

And when we talk about that, when we talk about such a large portion of a country going down like that in a grid, we have to look at the sun, the solar flares from the sun. And when directed at Earth, these solar flares can create massive disturbances to the magnetic field that surrounds our planet, which translates into all types of effects, including, you know, the effects of radio transmissions, but also power outages. So we have what's called a K-index, we can actually measure this. And this K-index, we can see on the days leading up to that and after April 28th, this is a scale detecting the fluctuations in the Earth's magnetic field from solar events. And you can see there was a six there, you have a seven. Those are just basically moderate geomagnetic storms. But then on the day it happened, four, was just active magnetic effects, so nothing really major. So because you're not seeing anything there, we start to move on a little bit and go okay, are there any more evidence we can just rule that out? Well the US embassy gives us the final piece of evidence, we can probably really rule that out. And the US embassy put out an alert on the day that happened.

**[00:27:53] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

This was to US citizens. And it said, "The consular agencies in Palma de Mallorca (Balearic Islands) and Las Palmas (Canary Islands) are operating as normal." So I want to show you a map here, what does that mean? We have Spain and Portugal there to the left. There's Palma, there's Balearic Islands, those little islands right off the coast. If you had a weather phenomena, a solar weather phenomenon, everything would be knocked out. That little island with its tiny grid would not stand a chance. So we're not talking weather phenomenon at this point, we're not talking cyber attacks. Let's look further into this investigation here. And we look at this article. There was a "Warning as Spain suffered multiple incidents in build-up to full blackout." So now we have this piece of information. It says, "A power cut disrupted railway signals and stranded at least ten high-speed trains near Madrid on April 22." So almost a week before. "Transport Minister Oscar Puente said excessive voltage in the power network had triggered disconnections to protect substations. On the same day, Repsol's" --that's their largest energy company in that country, in Spain-- "Cartagena refinery saw its operations disrupted by power supply problems." So April 22nd, you're seeing these surges, these problems. What else happened on April 22nd in Spain? Well, we go to this headline. "Spain hits first weekday of 100% renewable power on national grid."

**[00:29:15] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

So now we have our culprit. And we have Red Eléctrica, this was the, this is the national electricity grid in Spain, and they came out with this article. "Two months ago, Red Eléctrica acknowledged to investors the risk of 'disconnections' in the system due to high penetration of renewables." That's wind and solar power. Says, "Red Eléctrica this morning ruled out the possibility that yesterday's blackout was caused by a cyberattack or an anomalous atmospheric phenomenon, as initially considered. Everything now points to a failure of the electrical system itself, which resulted in a 'total collapse' following two consecutive disconnections at generating plants in the southwest of the country." Now they said to investors in February of 2024 this. They said, "'The closure of conventional generation plants such as coal, combined cycle, and nuclear (as a result of regulatory requirements) entails a reduction in the firm capacity and balancing capabilities of the electrical system, as well as its 'strength and inertia,' the company acknowledged in a report submitted to the market." They said, "'This could increase the risk of operational incidents that could affect the company's supply and reputation. This incident poses a risk with a short- to medium-term time horizon,' the company stated." Well, short- to medium-term time horizon, they're right on target, so that company is very accurate with that, with that prediction.

**[00:30:34] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

We launched it. We're 100% renewable. Oh no!

**[00:30:40] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

Send out the press release to the investors. Again, this is them talking to their investors going, look, this might hurt our reputation. We're switching to renewables because of regulatory requirements, but we've got a short-term problem here. And so they introduced, there's a word there that's introduced. So we know when, we know solar we know renewables. But going beyond that there's a term called inertia. There's inertia in the system. These are massive electrical systems. And the problem with inertia is not just a Spain or Portugal problem, this is a problem throughout Europe as well. And this is in The Telegraph. A power engineer wrote an article, an op-ed. He said, "I'm a power engineer. The Iberian grid collapse makes me very afraid for Britain." And he goes on to kind of educate. He says, "At the time, the grid was producing 28.4 GW of power, of which 79% was solar and wind. This was a problematic situation as solar and wind plants have another, not widely known, downside - one quite apart from their intermittency and expense. This is the fact that they do not supply any inertia to the grid. Thermal powerplants - coal, gas, nuclear, for example - drive large spinning generators which are directly, synchronously connected to the grid. If there are changes which cause a difference between demand and supply, the generators will start to spin faster or slower: but their inertia resists this process, meaning that the frequency of the alternating current in the grid changes only slowly. There is time for the grid managers to act, matching supply to demand and keeping the grid frequency within limits."

**[00:32:10] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

He goes on to say this. Besides Spain and Portugal, "...there are places where things are worse." (with the inertia) "The UK and Ireland are island grids. They have undersea power interconnectors to Europe, but these are non-synchronous DC links and transmit no grid inertia. There's little prospect that this will change." So you have this inertia able to stop and start and slow and speed up as the solar comes in. And what happened in Spain is when the solar hit during the middle of the day, when they had all of the sun, it just tripped out the entire system because it was too much and they didn't have enough inertia to downregulate that system. So this is what, this is what the potential may happen in the UK, in Ireland, throughout other countries in Europe. And you can start seeing headlines now. There's like a big backtrack from this net zero energy, this revolutionary energy we are told to really free us from everything. "National grid chief raised alarm over speed of net zero." That's in the UK. And another headline in the Telegraph. "The glory days of net zero are thankfully over." So in Europe, the worm is turning, as they say. They're really starting to look at net zero in a different way, especially in Spain and Portugal. But in the United States here, the United Nations General Assembly meeting from just a couple of months ago, our envoy to the United States said this.

**[00:33:28] Edward Heartney, Minister Counselor to ECOSOC**

We, however, have decided to call a vote on this resolution. We have a concern that this resolution reaffirms agenda 2030 and the Sustainable Development Goals. Although framed in neutral language, Agenda 2030 and the SDGs advance a program of soft global governance that is inconsistent with US sovereignty and adverse to the rights and interests of Americans. In the last US election, the mandate of the American people is clear. The government of the United States must refocus on the interests of Americans. We must care first and foremost for our own. That is our moral and civic duty. President Trump also made it clear an overdue course correction on gender and climate ideology, which has pervaded the SDGs. Simply put, the globalist endeavors like Agenda 2030 and SDGs lost at the ballot box. Therefore, the United States rejects and denounces the Agenda 2030 for sustainable development and the Sustainable Development Goals and will no longer reaffirm them as a matter of course.

**[00:34:22] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Amazing. It's, I mean, yeah.

**[00:34:26] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

That's the Agenda 2030 Sustainable Development Goals. This is this rapid net zero transition that has been really supercharged under the Biden administration. And what we see the end result in Spain and Portugal, these are the end results of this. We have grids that aren't able to, basically don't have the inertia to deal with real world transitions of this solar that's moving way, way too fast. So that's the US putting the stick in the ground and saying, we're slowing it down, we're stopping it for now until we can really reassess what this will do to our country and our sovereignty.

**[00:34:58] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Well, I mean, you think if that happens, you know, during an ice storm, people freeze to death. If it happens during a heat wave, people, you know, are just, you know, elderly especially are going to be at serious risk. You know, I'm all about diversity in energy, obviously. We want clean air, clean water, clean food, we've talked about it all the time. But we have to be reasonable and we cannot put ourselves at risk. And we've talked so much about how so much of this just seems like a move towards eugenics, reducing population, reducing the power of the people to have a voice, to have a life, to just be struggling. Everyone will rent, all these WEF ideas are obviously blowing up and it's good to see it. Let's get back to being individuals and being reasonable.

**[00:35:40] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

Yeah. And as we're reshuffling the deck with our health agencies, the leadership at our health agencies, we're still waiting for the CDC, for a head of the CDC, we have the conversation that we cover here so long around COVID and the COVID vaccine. And the vaccine is still out there, the recommendations are still out there, namely for children and for pregnant women and for people trying to get pregnant, men and women, as far as their fertility. And that's still a conversation because these are still good, these shots are still going into the arms, and we have conversations about this. If you go to the CDC, it says this, when you're talking about pregnancy or trying to get pregnant. The CDC's webpage says, there's "No evidence that COVID-19 vaccines affect fertility. There is currently no evidence that the vaccine ingredients or antibodies made following COVID-19 vaccination would cause any problems with becoming pregnant now or in the future." Well, isn't that something? Well, there is evidence of that, and I really, obviously need people to pay attention here because this, this goes a little bit into the science, but it's just so informative and this is so dire, this conversation. Because it's not been really properly addressed, because the former FDA official has really just turned a blind eye to this. So in 2021, we had confidential data from the Japanese researchers from Pfizer. The Pfizer submitted their data for the COVID vaccine to the Japanese government. This was confidential information. A FOIA request made that public, and this is the document I want to show people. We've shown this a lot of times, it's a chart. It's a pharmacokinetic chart. This is where the lipid nanoparticles go. Lipid nanoparticles are those little encapsulated molecules in the vaccine, and that goes into, and you can see highlighted there, ovaries. That is the second highest abundance of these lipid nanoparticle concentrations in 48 hours after the injection, second only to the spleen. So you have this hyper-concentration of this new technology going right to the ovaries in 48 hours and hyper-concentrating there. And that's....

**[00:37:35] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

For people that are watching for maybe the first time, think of the lipid nanoparticle like a little UFO that carries the mRNA technology into the body, delivers it to the cell, delivers it as this, in this case, we're seeing into soft tissues, organs, ovaries a huge problem, the heart muscle. Something Bret Weinstein, go back and watch my interview with him, super horrifying. As he's saying, it's not just the spike protein, it's this delivery system, the mRNA technology, the way it works. It doesn't matter if it's spike protein, it's taking any foreign protein, which is how they expect this vaccine to work, and delivering it all over the body, to the brain, to the heart, to your organs, to your ovaries, only to then have your immune system attacking, what it naturally does, foreign protein. It attacks it, but now it's attacking your heart, now it's attacking all different issues. Is that what happened in the ovaries? Not sure, you know, but these are the issues. We're seeing all sorts of problems. This technology is a disaster, and it's terrifying how many mRNA vaccines are in the pipeline right now rushing our way, which is why, Jefferey, we have work to do, right now. I think one of the most dangerous vaccine technologies of all times is being fast-tracked on multiple, multiple levels right now.

**[00:38:43] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

Right. And so moving into this evidence even further, so the public may say, or people watching this may say, well, you just have some lipid nanoparticles in the ovaries, they're perfectly safe, all the science has shown that. Well, the FDA was not doing the science and they weren't requiring Pfizer to do the science. So we had actual University of Illinois researchers who were speaking on Twitter, basically, and people are saying, women were saying, my menstrual cycle is changing. So they decided to do a survey. And this is the article in 2021. "In survey, COVID-19 vaccine recipients report changes in menstrual bleeding." So we saw that. So many people were talking about this, and so they put out a survey and it turns out, that survey turned into a study turned into there are problems and there are increases, decreases, just changes in that cycle. But then we go to OpenVAERS, and this is where this red warning sign continually comes from this database, and this is an underreported database. Here's the reports of miscarriages and stillbirths by year. Notice, since 1990, really nothing to speak of. In 2008, you had a spike there, that could be the HPV vaccine. But then 2021, the largest increase, straight through the roof, all the way up. And then you go to the next one, reports of menstrual and hemorrhages by your menstrual cycle issues and hemorrhages by your. It mirrors that above chart, it literally mirrors the miscarriages. And you can see nothing since 1990. And so those are two, I mean, they're just signals there, with CDC. And now we have the study.

**[00:40:09] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

I'm building this conversation up, I'm showing you the evidence to present this study. This is how the Czech Republic. This is a preprint, it's not peer-reviewed, that's the caveat. "Rates of successful conceptions according to COVID-19 vaccination status: data from the Czech Republic." And we go into the results here. "During the study period, there were approximately 1,300,000 women aged 18-39 years in the Czech Republic, and the proportion of COVID-19-vaccinated women increased until reaching a steady state of around 70% by the end of 2021. During the entire study period, SCs <successful conceptions> per 1,000 women were considerably lower for women who were vaccinated, compared to those that were unvaccinated, before SC. Furthermore, SC rates for the vaccinated group were generally much lower than expected based on the proportion of the total population." So they're saying two things there, they're saying vaxxed versus unvaxxed. The unvaccinated had a much easier time, much more successful at conceiving, but also just compared to the entire population, they also, unvaccinated had a better, better chance. And you go into this study and you can see this graph here. Basically everything I just said there, it's in a graph form. And you can see when it's looking through this, it shows that dark, those dark bars are the vaccinated. And you can see around middle of 2021 it starts to increase and then it gets to a baseline and then it just follows that all the way across to 2023. The clear line is the unvaccinated. You can see across every metric the unvaccinated is performing better at successful conceptions.

**[00:41:42] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

So remember the CDC's website, it only links to one study to prove that COVID-19 vaccinations don't affect the likelihood of becoming pregnant. It just has one study, and this current study out of the Czech Republic targets the CDC's study, and it says this about it. And we going back to this article, it says, "To our knowledge, the relationship between COVID-19 vaccination status and rates of SCs has not been examined previously on a population level. However, a prospective cohort study" --the CDC Study-- "of pregnancy planners" --2,126 women-- "in the US and Canada indicated that preconception COVID-19 vaccination did not influence the probability of SC, albeit that study only included women who were trying to conceive and was also limited by use of self-reported vaccination status. Contrary to these findings, our current real-world population data from the Czech Republic indicated that COVID-19 vaccination was linked to substantial decreases in SC rates compared to non-vaccinated women." And Del, just to follow this up and end this segment on this note, we have menstrual issues and cycle changes with women now in the flu vaccine. This is the new study coming out this week in JAMA. "Menstrual cycle length changes following vaccination against influenza alone or with COVID-19" vaccines. So now we're moving on to other vaccines. How many other vaccines are changing the cycles of women and the menstrual cycles? What's going on here? Why hasn't this been studied until right now? These are the questions that we need answered.

**[00:43:12] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Absolutely. I mean, this is the problem with the way science has been working, you know, is that, first of all, oh, well, it's just the menstrual cycle. It's not really happening. Oh, maybe it's happening, but don't worry about it. I'm sure it's fine, not a big deal. And then once we know it's happening, are you going to study why it's happening? If you can't figure out why, what else is this thing doing? It's throwing bodies out of whack. This can't be good. Then, you know, we start seeing rise in cancer, fertility issues all over the place. It's that sort of arrogance I've been talking a lot about, you know, that arrogance from medicine and science to just march forward without ever, like looking at any anomalies we should be really worried about, like why is that happening? Careful. Whoa, hold on. Maybe we should back off. Back off pregnant women for a second, let's figure out what's going on here. Not here in America. Certainly not in, you know, in modern medicine and scientists. Push ahead, who knows? I mean, look, if we make every woman sterile, we'll work it out.

**[00:44:02] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Oh wait a minute. Did we give everyone the vaccine? Did everyone get it? Uh-oh. Whoops. I mean, I said it at that press conference in Washington, D.C. at the National Press Club. I said, look, I'm pretty sure that the science is already showing that the COVID vaccine is a disaster, but let's be clear. Even if it doesn't, here's the point we're trying to make at the Informed Consent Action Network. If we keep allowing the pharmaceutical industry or any science groups to rush markets, products onto the market without a single double-blind placebo trial, no proper long-term safety trials, then it is just a matter of time before we make a colossal, catastrophic mistake and wipe our species out. Everyone knows we need safety trials, everyone knows we need to be looking at any product long-term, and when we start just erasing that and saying, hey, five days for the hepatitis B vaccine, let's just make everything a five-day safety trial. Just put it all on the market, why have safety trials? Our species is not long for this world if we keep doing things that way.



**[00:44:56] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

Absolutely. And you know, we already are facing, a lot of countries are facing a major collapse in fertility, and that's obviously started way before the COVID vaccine was given out. You have President Trump saying we're going to give possibly money to mothers to have more children. How about we look at the health causes, we look at this issue because we're giving a vaccine, or vaccines plural, we don't even know that are affecting fertility. We could we could change that piece right now if we wanted to.

**[00:45:20] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Yeah, absolutely. Well, that's the work that we're doing. And look, we're making huge strides. As I've said, everyone stay focused, stay on it. Pedal to the metal, take no prisoners. Now is our time. Jefferey, thank you. Amazing reporting, as always. I'll see you next week.

**[00:45:35] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist**

All right, thank you.

**[00:45:36] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Let's just take this moment to say, this is what we do here, right? We're, we've been on this, we've been reporting on this from the very beginning. The second we started seeing menstrual issues, we had people on the show discussing it. We were warning you. So when I run into people now, you know, even journalists. I talked to a journalist the other day, she's like, I'm starting to wish I hadn't gotten after. Like, I see all of your reports, I see what you're doing, it's starting to wear on me. I'm, you know, wishing I hadn't gotten the COVID vaccine. People that were injured, you know. Sitting with Brianne Dressen, all I think as I'm on that panel is, you know, it's such a shame we didn't get to. It's such a shame you never saw The HighWire. In fact, when we're sitting there right before it started, she said, you know, I had heard of VAXXED. I didn't see VAXXED prior to being injured. Then finally, while I was dealing with this COVID vaccine injury, someone said, you should watch VAXXED.

**[00:46:22] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

She's like, when I saw it, I was blown away. And I asked her, I said, do you think that that film would have changed your mind, you know, before you'd been injured? And she said, you know, I think it, I think it would have. I do think it would have, it was really powerful. Those are the types of things, like with your friends right now don't be shy, save their life. Tell them they can watch VAXXED for free at thehighwire.com. Just go to thehighwire.com, type in VAXXED in the search, it's free. Trust me, that film is a game-changer, it changes minds right away. That's what we're doing here. To continue doing this work, to bring the lawsuits. We're working. You see Aaron Siri saying, we want to end the PREP Act. We are all over the PREP Act right now. We are trying to figure out, we're bringing lawsuits from all different directions. We're working to Free the Five. We're working on lawsuits all across this country, especially in the five states that have taken away the religious exemption. And do you want someone fighting, what did we just hear? Was it in Massachusetts that Jefferey was just saying, that they want to take away the religious exemption? Guess who's going to be fighting for you? Guess who needs money to fight for you? Guess who needs help right now from you? The Informed Consent Action Network does, so that we can bring our staff to Washington, DC, that we can speak to the press at the National Press Club.

**[00:47:34] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

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**[00:48:32] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

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**[00:49:49] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

But what I do know is if you really want to avoid chemicals on your food, and we're talking about in terms of glyphosate, that's an antibiotic, meaning it's wiping out your gut biome. It is giving you a leaky gut, which means every toxin that comes in throughout all of your food, anything else you're touching or drinking or eating that the FDA has approved and never should have, is going into your blood, it's going into your bloodstream, it's getting into your blood-brain barrier. All of this we now know through the work that we've been doing at The HighWire. But you want to do something about it, one thing you do is know where your food comes from, and the best way to do that is to maybe grow it yourself. That's the heart of a huge conference that's taking place on June 18th and 19th, Seed to Spoon. And I'm about to speak to the founder, who has a background being Amish, the people that really know how to grow their own food without glyphosate, know how to can that food so it lasts all winter. Amazing. Want to learn how to do that? I know I do. This is John Miller.

**[00:50:51] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

My family has been in this area since 1819. Amish country, great community. A lot of crafts, a lot of food production. You can get eggs and milk and apples and take your pick. I grew up in a Amish family driving a horse and buggy. Didn't have indoor facilities until I was, I think it was 12. I grew up helping my uncle farm and working in my dad's shop. I helped put up hay and grain. I value my Amish heritage, always have, always will, and my wife and I, in our early 20s, wanted to begin celebrating the Sabbath, meaning Saturday, and the biblical holy days, which, that was a difference. Amish celebrate Sunday. So that was the decision that precipitated us leaving. I went from driving a horse and buggy to driving a Pontiac. That was quite a transition. We lived outside the community for 12 years. I had a great career with Chrysler and the German engineering company, and then moved back here when our kids were teenagers because we wanted to be back in the community. And we're fully integrated now. So this is known as Ohio Amish Country. It is the largest concentration of Amish in the United States now. Here we have horse and buggy coming, probably one of my cousins. I'm related to just about everybody here. The farm up here on our left is my mother's home farm. The Amish have little homesteads, an acre or two, enough to support a horse. And gardening and canning and preserving your own food is just a way of life.

**[00:52:42] Susan Miller, John's wife**

I grew up on the farm, so we raised almost all of our food. We eat a lot of our vegetables out of the garden fresh, and then what's extra I can or I freeze.

**[00:52:51] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

As a basement filled with maybe anywhere from 300 to 1000 jars. So if something happens, you have a snowstorm, power goes off, you always have food.

**[00:53:03] Channel 5 News reporter**

...store shelves were a familiar sight at the beginning of the pandemic, but we're seeing them now again. This time what's in short supply is canning supplies.

**[00:53:12] CBS 4 News reporter**

Anyone who cans or jars their food, there is a canning lid shortage.

**[00:53:16] Channel 5 News reporter**

Increased demand comes as more people have planted gardens during the pandemic and have taken an interest in preserving food.



**[00:53:23] CBS 4 News reporter**

Many people have not been able to find those lids anywhere on store shelves or online.

**[00:53:28] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

It was about nine months into COVID. The issue of a shortage of canning lids was causing a problem. My company makes engineering components for automotive, so a local food distribution company came to me and said, can you make canning lids? It was critical, because the Amish community was going to lose the harvest in 2021. We had some machinery that had some capacity, so we mobilized our entire engineering team, put automotive engineering behind it, and in five months, we had designed a product and delivered our first million lids to the community and saved the harvest. COVID was definitely a driver that caused people to think more deeply about food. There is a growing interest for having some level of food independence. My business unit manager and I were going to dinner one night and I said, you know what? We should, we should start a canning festival. That was the initial thought. And then my friend Marcus Wengerd, who has Berlin Seeds, and he said, I'm thinking too small. That's how the Food Independence Summit was born and we went much more broadly, all the way from seed to spoon. And we also were very intentional about bringing people outside the community, bringing them here, where homesteading is really just a way of life. It's about doing what you can with what you have. That's food independence.

**[00:55:01] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Well, it's my honor to be joined now by John Miller. Thanks for joining us today.

**[00:55:05] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

It's my pleasure.

**[00:55:06] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

It's really great to have you. I mean, watching that, there's so many different things I want to ask you about. But, you know, you said and we made our first million lids, and I just thought, a million lids? And that's just getting started. I'm late to this party. Is that many people canning that there's, there's needs for millions of of canning lids?

**[00:55:26] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

It's more than millions. Actually about a billion lids are used every year in just a home canning. And of course you have commercial canning which is about 20x that. So in the Amish Mennonite community, since we've done that, we just did the numbers on my way down here, we have distributed over 41 million lids just to the Amish Mennonite community. So.

**[00:55:47] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Wow. That's amazing. Those are amazing numbers. And, you know, watching it, I was reflecting back. My mom, you know, used to can and basically taught us, I was homeschooled, so we did our own canning, made our own breads and things like that, and watching that, it really made me yearn to say, it was so easy. It's something that's so easy yet we've all, it's like, almost like we've forgotten to do it. But there's a real resurgence now, isn't there, around this idea.

**[00:56:16] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

There is. I mean, the numbers indicate that, but I think also just the fact that things have become uncertain, especially through COVID, people have started to think back and say, wait a minute, what happens if I can't buy food on the shelves? So I think that has driven it as well as COVID. But I mean, just last night I was on a plane from Bentonville to Austin yesterday after having met with Walmart, and I have to put in a plug for Walmart. We are now in 800 stores across the country in Walmart with our canning supplies. And then I realized on the plane, I didn't bring any samples. I didn't have anything like this. And your producer told me you wanted to talk about it so I went to the Walmart right next door to the airport and.

**[00:57:04] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

That's where you get your stuff.

**[00:57:06] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

That's where you get your stuff. And, and I think, I think this is what I want to emphasize. People look at canning and other home production. You don't have to go out and buy ten acres and five cows and seven sheep and build a, do an orchard. That is overwhelming, would be overwhelming for me. You need to do what you can with what you have, where you are at. In the case of last night, I just went to Walmart, went to the organic section, bought the food because it was too late to go out to eat. And so what canning does for you, even if you don't grow anything.

**[00:57:42] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

You can literally just go buy a bunch of organic fruits, vegetables, whatever, bring them home and can them.

**[00:57:47] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

When they are in season. We'll take tomatoes for example. Go buy a couple bushels of tomatoes, easy to do, can them up, and then you have the assurance that when the power goes off, which we just heard earlier in the program, that you have something to eat. That was the way we lived. I remember back in 1978, I'm old enough to remember those winters, we were without power for four days. Our non-Amish neighbors moved in with us because we had power. Well, we didn't have power, we had coal fire furnace back then.

**[00:58:20] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Yeah, you were warm.

**[00:58:21] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

So we, you can do things little by little in the scale that you want and have some assurance that you have food when you need it. More importantly, though, I think, is the fact that you will know what is in your food instead of having to read the labels and wonder what all these unpronounceable words are that are in your food.

**[00:58:45] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Right. You know, the Amish are getting a bit of a celebrity it seems like these days. Mennonites, Amish, as we all are starting, I think COVID drove us saying, you know, I think I've gotten too far away from nature. I've gotten, like, how hard is it to have my own garden, which is what's so amazing about your conference. It deals with everybody from every side. I'm going to be speaking there, I'm really looking forward to it, but meeting people where they're at. But I kind of want to talk about that. I mean, the understanding of the Amish, mostly through some movies, is that, you know, there's a reality show, I don't know what reality that was covering, but is all this attention strange because it seems like a people that, the whole point is to not be drawing attention. How is it affecting the community that events like yours have all these people descending, saying, we just want to learn from you?

**[00:59:38] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

I think we've become used to that. And by the way, the reality shows it's unreality, it's entirely fake, and I want to say that on behalf of the community that I love, because it's not fair, it's not real. But back to the touristic component, that started a good while ago. I'm going to say going back to the 80s, it started, and our community now has roughly 5 to 6 million tourists come to town. And I think we do a really good job of interfacing with them and giving them an understanding of our lifestyle without it disrupting it. And, you know, we like the money that it brings into the community as well.

**[01:00:22] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

I'll bet you do. So explain it to me. Explain to me why it is, you know, take me just a little history lesson, Amish. You know, for those of us that don't know what, you know, what is the nationality, where they come from, and why no, you know, why so limiting on technical advancements like electricity, things like that. What is the thinking?

**[01:00:47] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

How much time do we have?

**[01:00:48] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Well, not much. Let's give me, give me the elevator pitch, the five minute version.

**[01:00:52] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

Okay. I say that in jest. So actually, the founding of Amish, Mennonite, Hutterite, and to some extent brethren dates back 500 years. Actually, this was the 500th year anniversary, we had a small celebration in our community to what is known in the, in religious circles as the Anabaptist movement.

**[01:01:15] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Okay.

**[01:01:15] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

There were those within the Protestant Reformation that didn't think Zwingli, who was a Swiss reformer, and Luther went far enough. So they went a step further. And they actually invented, in 1525, the concept of separation between church and state.

**[01:01:34] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Okay.

**[01:01:35] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

And the different, there were a number of disputes theologically. The primary one was in lieu of a baptism at eight days, which was a tradition back then, it would be a baptism upon adult confession of faith.

**[01:01:51] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Okay.

**[01:01:52] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

So that was the differentiating feature.

**[01:01:55] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

To move it to where you actually know what you're doing, you're actually committing to an idea. Okay, that makes sense.

**[01:02:00] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

So that resulted in, and I could never understand why, if I do not baptize my baby, it should be a capital offense, meaning I get drowned in a river or hung from a gallows, until recently I discovered that back then, not baptizing your baby was paramount to tax evasion. Because when you baptize your baby, that was how you would become part of the public record and could be appropriately taxed. So nothing really changed...

**[01:02:31] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Oh, interesting. A lot of people in my audience probably just went, what? That must mean the Social Security card.

**[01:02:36] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

It. Yes, essentially yes. So in 1525, there was a big event where three people committed to adult baptism upon confession of faith, their names were George Blaurock, Conrad Grebel, and Felix Manz. They paid dearly. Within three years, they were all dead. They died a martyr's death. And then the movement, but the movement spread like a wildfire across the continent, and the, in Holland there was a Catholic priest by the name of Menno Simons, hence the name Mennonite.

**[01:03:15] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Okay.

**[01:03:15] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

And then in Switzerland, the more conservative group, there was a man by the name of Jacob Ammann, who hence the name Amish, who, by the way, was a tailor.

**[01:03:25] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Okay.

**[01:03:26] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

And had a vested interest, I think, in becoming pretty prescriptive about the dress mode. So that's where those, the traditions started. But to do the elevator speech, essentially what happened, what began as a fiery, very fiery religious movement emerged, emerged later as a religious tradition, still adhering to the basic tenets of the founding, but the the aversion to technology, I think I can explain that in a few minutes. The aversion to technology is actually a relatively recent phenomenon. My forefathers in Europe, actually on the one side of the family, lived in a castle on Lake Constance, and I've been there and visited, and they were the most progressive farmers at that time and earned a degree of religious freedom because they had advanced technologies, including making, they were the first to learn how to make burn limestone and fertilize fields in that way. Closer to home, my paternal great-grandfather in 1938 moved to the southernmost part of the Ohio settlement, and at that time he was the only Amish, the southernmost Amish farmer. The other farmers, all in 1938, were still farming with horses. He was the first to buy a tractor and a threshing machine and then went around the community doing the threshing. It was after World War II that a distinction was made in the mechanized, they decided not to do the mechanized farming and also the automobile. And it was, there were a couple of components to it. One was the automobile will take you away from the community.

**[01:05:20] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Okay.

**[01:05:21] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

So, and I think that that decision has proven to be accurate. The other, the other component, the electrification. It's interesting, we have a sea change happening in the community right now. And a sea change is that the iconic horse and buggy is now being replaced by e-bikes.

**[01:05:42] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Okay.

**[01:05:42] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

And most old order Amish homes in our area are fully electrified. So you, you know, you scratch your head, you know, how did that happen? To me, there's a very logical explanation, and the explanation is this. It is one of being, the basic philosophy of not being dependent on outsiders for my basic needs. So the idea of being connected to a power grid was counter to that. Now that I can have solar panels and we probably have the highest concentration of solar panels anywhere in the country, when you come to, when you visit in a few weeks. So I charge my battery, I have 110 electric, and now I can charge my bike. And in my company and others, we actually have a bike parking lot in a shed on the outside.

**[01:06:35] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

So you just don't like electricity because you don't want anyone to turn you off?

**[01:06:39] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

Correct.

**[01:06:39] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

No one outside is ever going to be able to turn us off, we are going to be in control of our destiny. If there's power, we create it. If it's food we create, we don't need outside grocery stores, we don't need. So the whole thing is about truly, like really then, this idea of homesteading, this is just a part of your culture through and thorough.

**[01:06:58] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

It's a of life. It's a way of life. And that's why, you talk about the Food Independence Summit, we went, we go all the way from seat to spoon. And we've got a whole deck of keynote speakers in the morning, but in the afternoon, I've got 40 workshops of people who do butchering and all kinds of crafts so that you can be not, not be dependent on others for doing it so.

**[01:07:24] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Wow.

**[01:07:25] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

It is the, it was the founders' vision, Marcus and I, to be able to bring people to our community and help them learn those skill sets. So.

**[01:07:36] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Wow. Tell me a little bit about then your journey then, because obviously at some point, you mentioned you changed the Sabbath day, but really that decision to buy a car. Which I think about that, it makes sense. One of the issues with the car is, I need an outside gas station. If it's not there, then, you know, we're going to have issues. But what is that like? I mean, is that, are you admonished, is it difficult to make that move inside of your community, to decide to, you know, really go into a car and change your lifestyle that way?

**[01:08:13] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

That was the most difficult decision that my wife and I have ever made. You know, you have a, you have people that grow up in the Amish community that feel somehow constricted by the lack of technology. I never felt that.

**[01:08:30] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Okay.

**[01:08:31] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

I, and maybe that is because my father was a rather innovative individual who, without electricity, had a manufacturing company and used air power and diesel engines to do it. So there was always, there was always for me, even as a young, very young person, the capacity to use my mechanical skills and creative energies. So we never had any desire to leave the community. Actually, on the contrary. That is until I was confronted by an individual who asked, that told me that I should not listen to men, but rather base my faith on the Bible itself. And through that process, we came to the conviction that the seventh day Sabbath was important, that it was actually holy time, and became convicted that we needed to keep that day in lieu of Sunday, which is a more recent innovation, third century. And it was that conviction that drove the decision. But at that time, the community was very averse to it, so I found myself in a position where living my conviction put me at odds with the community, which was a process that lasted about 12 years.

**[01:09:49] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

So while you're all pissed off at me for changing my Sabbath, I think I'll buy a car too. While you're upset, why not just go ahead and like, you know.

**[01:09:57] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

No, actually, the real reason was that, you know, I had to find employment outside the community.

**[01:10:05] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Okay. Oh.

**[01:10:05] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

So to get there, I needed a car.

**[01:10:09] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Got it.

**[01:10:10] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

The interesting kind of, you know, you do what, you, I'm a very strong believer that you need to live your conviction. And I really respect people that may have the opposite conviction that I have, but they're real. They are not pretending, they're not fake. So.

**[01:10:30] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

I was being kind of convicted in this earlier today before we started. You're like, you obviously really believe that. I was like, I'm a convicted person. I'm like, into what I believe in. I'm passionate about it

**[01:10:40] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

I saw you in the back room telling your producer what you're not going to do and I said, I like this man, you know, because I know what he believes. So this is an interesting anecdote. So I was a young man working with my father in this small manufacturing company, which, this is ironic. So you have a small manufacturing company, about 25 people that provided all the cord real springs for Hoover, which was a device we wouldn't be allowed to use....

**[01:11:15] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Right, interesting.

**[01:11:15] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

...that we were producing using air power instead of electricity. So I had all the practical experience. And so then I went looking for a job, and I finally found a job as a draftsman, that's something I learned how to do. And then a year and a half into this, I got a call from a recruiter, and the recruiter said, John, I want you to interview at Chrysler.

**[01:11:39] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Okay.

**[01:11:39] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

And I said, Pat. It was Paterson personnel. I said, look, I'm not wasting my time, because they want somebody with a degree, I had eight grades of education. I then got a GED and I was taking engineering classes at the time. She said, John, you got to take this interview. They're going to want you. I said, no, I can't afford it. So she actually said, I'm going to pay you to take the interview.

**[01:12:09] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Wow.

**[01:12:10] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

So she paid me twice as much as I was making at the time to take the interview. And I went home and told my wife I should start interviewing full time because it pays better. Long story short, a year and a half after I was driving a horse and buggy, I was a manufacturing engineer at Chrysler.

**[01:12:28] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Without a college degree. You know, an eighth grade education. And I think that's one of the things that. And you're very successful. You've done very well for yourself, which is just an amazing journey. And so on that journey. But still your yearning brings you back and now you're back into, you know, your wife's out there, you know, working in the garden and you've put together one of the biggest festivals there is around that homesteading lifestyle, getting back to where we aren't owned by the system, where we can take care of ourselves. So what brought you back?



**[01:13:03] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

We moved back, my last, I was working for a nonprofit in Germany during the Balkan war, church-related nonprofit, and we moved back when our kids were teenagers because we wanted, we wanted them to reconnect with the community. And by that time, the fledgling company that my brother and I started had grown to the point that it would support both of us. So that's what brought us back and then, you know, we've been trying to be superb in manufacturing ever since then.

**[01:13:36] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Great. And so tell me then really about Seed to Spoon. What is what is this, it's June 18th and 19th.

**[01:13:45] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

Correct.

**[01:13:45] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

And it's in, where is it at?

**[01:13:47] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

It's in Walnut Creek. We have a lot of creeks in our area. We have Sugar Creek, Walnut Creek.

**[01:13:52] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Okay. Here it is, folks, we're looking at it. You can connect there, [foodindependence.life](http://foodindependence.life), and there's a code right now. If you're watching today and today only, the code is 'del25' for a 25% discount.

**[01:14:07] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

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**[01:14:21] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

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**[01:14:22] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

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**[01:14:23] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

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**[01:14:26] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

Correct.

**[01:14:27] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Okay. So there you have it. You get dropped down to 10% off if you type in bigtree10,. But del today, del25, if you want that 25% discount at everything there. This is a huge event. I mean, I saw you, you know, we saw, obviously, Joel Salatin, one of my favorite farmers in the world, talking about regenerative farming and all the brilliant work he's done. Folks, you can see. Even Calley Means is going to be there. I mean, you're dragging people out of Washington, DC to come down and discuss. Max Kane, great friend of the show who actually brought us together. And, you know, where do you see, where do you see the future going? I mean, we are, you know, obviously now you're in tech, you know, technology, you are a manufacturer. When you see AI and advancements that I think even those of us that have been driving cars our whole lives are now terrified of where technology is going, are you worried about that, or do you think that's going to drive more people back to their roots, back to nature?



**[01:15:34] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

I'm not concerned, you know, I guess this is a two-faceted question. I'm not concerned that A.I. is going to cause our community to lose the integrity of our homesteading lifestyle, because that is so deeply entrenched. I am concerned about AI in general. I think AI can do marvelous things, particularly in the data analysis standpoint but if we, if it becomes a beast that can do things we can't control, I think that's very concerning. But I also think it's a bit of a fad because now you see AI on everything, when in fact it's just, you know, maybe a little bit of advanced computing. But tracking back to the Seed to Spoon, you'd ask me how that came to be, and I think I was quoted on the role prior to coming on set. We really wanted to do something, we recognized that to be successful in home preservation, we needed to provide training. And, you know, it was spontaneous. We're, my business unit manager David Greer and I were driving to a restaurant in town for dinner, and we went by a campground, and a friend of mine owns a camping manufacturer, and they have this ccamper conference.

**[01:16:58] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

And I said, you know what, Dave? We need to have a canning festival. So that's how. And that was in July, and so I went to see my friend Marcus, who owns Timbercrest Campground and I said, you know, what could we do? And he told me, this doesn't happen very often, he told me, John, you're thinking too small. I mean, usually I'm, I come up with crazy ideas that others have to pull back. So he wanted to go all the way from Seed to Spoon. And so then the question was, when do we do it? This was middle of July and we had our first conference in September. We literally put it together in six weeks. I called and we said, well, who do we have come? We said, we need Joel Salatin. And I said, well, he's probably booked. So I called Joel, I called Justin Rhodes and Sarah Thrush and one other person whose name I don't recall at the moment, and we had a conference. They all said yes, much to our surprise. So we pulled it together and then it's grown from them.

**[01:18:02] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

How big was it last year?

**[01:18:04] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

Last year it was in June and we had around 3000 people.

**[01:18:09] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

3000 people.

**[01:18:10] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

So we, I'm looking forward very much to having you there. I think you're speaking on Wednesday, and you're a keynote and I think you're also doing a workshop on the importance of home, land ownership. So we have a big top tent that Mark has bought, and we can seed over 2000 people in that tent, 3000 if we push it. Big stage from 8:30 until noon. Walking through, it's basically an educational conference. And then in the afternoon we've got the exhibitors from the community, and I think more importantly this year, I couldn't believe it. I mean, Arland came to me, one of my, I have a whole team of people working together, and we have 40 workshops throughout the afternoon that you can participate in, so you'll get your money's worth.

**[01:19:03] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

It sure sounds like a lot of fun, everybody. Let's bring this up. Today, today only, del25 for 25% off. Just go to foodindependence.life. There it is, down below. foodindependence.liveevent-ticket, 25% off. And after today, if you're watching and you decide to delay a couple days, this will learn you. This will teach you not to do that. You get bigtree10, 10% off. I'm going to be there, Joel Salatin, lots of amazing speakers. It's going to be a spectacular event. I'm going to talk to you after the show. You actually have a really big story about healing from Lyme disease that I'm curious about and a very specific way you do that. I run into that everywhere. So we'll talk about that after the show, Off the Record.

**[01:19:48] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

I'd just like to say, I just looked it up. It's exactly one year today that I flew to Germany to take the treatment. I was in a bad way. I was passing out and didn't have any energy but, you know, we can talk about that Off the Record.

**[01:20:05] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Yeah. I look forward to that. Thanks for joining us today and thank you for all your great work, Seed to Spoon. It's a very important conference, I'm happy to be a part of it.

**[01:20:12] John Miller, Owner & Operator of Superb Industries Inc., Homesteading Advocate**

Thank you.

**[01:20:12] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

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**[01:20:45] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

It's time to go Off the Record. The show exclusively for our donors. All right, we're rolling, here we go. I want to thank you for just sticking around a little bit. We call this Off the Record. This is what we couldn't talk about on The HighWire. I actually want to dive into a very sensitive topic.

**[01:21:00] Robert Malone, MD**

You have no obligation to be honest with these people.

**[01:21:02] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Is anyone telling me the truth?

**[01:21:04] James Neuenschwander, MD**

No doctor wants to say that they're killing people.

**[01:21:06] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Yeah, but doesn't every doctor want to stop killing people?

**[01:21:08] Roseann Barr**

You have no freedom, you have no liberty. You're a slave.

**[01:21:12] Matthew Guthrie**

Journalism massively failed the United States.

**[01:21:14] Sharyl Attkisson**

It's silly to call people anti-vaccine.

**[01:21:17] Savanah Hernandez**

It's nonsense.

**[01:21:18] Jim Breuer**

When all the vultures come out. Are you married?

**[01:21:22] Robert Malone, MD**

Yeah, all of that's BS.

**[01:21:24] Matthew Lysiak**

This whole system is rigged and they don't care about our health.

**[01:21:27] Michael Connett, Esq.**

We will have full discovery power.

**[01:21:29] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Watch what happens when we go Off the Record. You are not going to want to miss this.

**[01:21:34] Jim Breuer**

Good hanging out.

**[01:21:35] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Indeed.

**[01:21:38] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Well, I've been on a blitzkrieg of speaking engagements over the last several months. This is actually my last power week. I've been saying to everybody that knows me, call me after Mother's Day, I just got to make it to Mother's Day. I'm just incredibly packed, busy. I mean, just this week I was in Washington, D.C., I was in Tampa yesterday. Got in here just in time to do this show. Tonight, I'm speaking at a fundraiser for the school that my wife and I created, it's moving on to really dynamic people as we're doing our own thing but here it is. May 8th, Spirit of MAHA Campfire Chat in Austin, Texas. Go to [RafaelSprings.org/spirit-of-MAHA](http://RafaelSprings.org/spirit-of-MAHA). I've really been digging talking about the Make America Healthy Again movement. That's going to be really up close and personal. If you want to come and meet me and talk, that's going to be a great event. So [RafaelSprings.org/spirit-of-MAHA](http://RafaelSprings.org/spirit-of-MAHA). And then on May 9th, tomorrow, I'm going to be in Mountain View, California. I believe that's somewhere, is that up Sacramento, Silicon Valley-ish area? You know, if you're there, you know if you're close to it. Another amazing event, the Liberty Forum Event, Mountain View, California. [Liberty-Forum.org](http://Liberty-Forum.org). The QR code is right there. I'd love to see you there. That's going to be a dynamic event. And then I'm doing the Free Now Foundation Gala in Redwood City, California.

**[01:23:00] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

Just go to [FreeNowFoundation.org](http://FreeNowFoundation.org). That's May 10th, that's Saturday evening. All of these are going to give a little bit different interpretation to a lot of the stuff that we're talking about, so you can see them all, man, you're going to have a heck of a week. And then finishing off, we have an awesome event happening May 11th, MAHA Mom Celebration in Austin, Texas. If you want to check that out, that's going to be a great Mother's Day event. It's a little bit later in the day. We know that many of you go out to brunch, but after that, we're going to be just celebrating moms at the [mahaaction.com/maha-moms-celebration](http://mahaaction.com/maha-moms-celebration). And guess what? Many of you talk about the show where I sat with my family and talked to my family. I'm actually going to, you know, interview my mom, Norma Bigtree, on Sunday for that Mother's Day event. Talk to one of the original MAHA OGs who didn't vaccinate me back in 1970 when I was born, raised me with organic food before I think they had to label it, but made sure all of our vegetables and everything were fresh. All of the different ways that I was raised that are, you know, coming back in vogue. But what was it like when she was all alone out there thinking that way? A really great event. So I'm looking forward to all that, hope to see you there.

**[01:24:14] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

And why am I traveling? Why I'm working so hard because I don't feel like we have a lot of time if we really want to change the course of our nation and ultimately the world. We have been on a multi-decades, maybe even centuries trajectory of authoritarianism slowly moving its way into our lives, teaching us that, you know, we need something outside of ourselves. Such a great message from John Miller. The problem with the pharmaceutical industry. All day long, you're watching that tv and watching every single ad about you must need some drug to feel better about your life. You know, something outside of yourself to make you healthy, something outside of yourself to make you happy, something outside of yourself to feel like you have a place in this world when, you know, really, truly it's all inside of us, we generate this. Our bodies are designed to heal, you don't need all that stuff. Food is medicine. And especially your sovereignty, this idea of sovereignty. Oh by the way. I mean, you know, what wasn't it amazing, Kentucky Derby, that Sovereignty beat out Journalism? I just, it just popped in my head. What an amazing. It's one of those moments where it's like, am I laying in jelly somewhere like The Matrix. And it's just one of those computer programs, say, Del, there's no way this is real. You've been screaming about how journalism is destroying sovereignty.

**[01:25:36] Del Bigtree, Host, TheHighWire.com**

It's bringing in authoritarian government now. Two horses randomly named Sovereignty and Journalism in the homestretch, and Sovereignty wins. That's right. Sovereignty wins every time. That's why I'm psyched to be, you know, celebrating Seed to Spoon. I'm going to be there. I'm going to be speaking everywhere I can. I hope you're speaking to everyone you can. I hope that you're recognizing that this is a moment where we have the momentum. In many ways, we're the majority. We have the government. We have everything moving in our direction. And I'll even tell you, the press, they're having a really hard time pressing back against this. And obviously, they have a hard mission to sell why we still need petroleum dyes in our food. Why it's okay to reduce the IQ of your child by drinking fluoridated water, because at least they have nice teeth. I mean, I hate to be on their side. They're in a really difficult position. So while they're in that position, let's take advantage. Take advantage together. Talk to everyone you know. It's so much fun. We have so many wins to talk about. And who doesn't want to be on the winning team? All right. Well we're going to keep winning for you. Every day is getting better and better. I look forward to winning this week. I'll see you at one of these events, and I'll catch you next week on The HighWire.

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