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*Gjyshi means Grandfather in Albanian*

*Mustafa 'Max' Beqiri*



## How to select an asbestos removalist

While many people in the community are aware of the risks associated with asbestos, it is important to consider how removing asbestos can be done safely.

In Queensland, there are a number of legal requirements for asbestos removal within the workplace and the removal of asbestos by homeowners. Homeowners carrying out asbestos removal work on their own property must comply with the *Public Health Regulation 2005*.

**Bonded asbestos** (asbestos containing material which includes a bonding compound reinforced with asbestos fibres, such as asbestos cement sheeting) can only be removed by a homeowner if less than 10m<sup>2</sup> is removed. If more than 10m<sup>2</sup> of bonded asbestos is being removed, then it must be done by a person who holds either an 'A' class or 'B' class asbestos removal certificate issued by Workplace Health and Safety Queensland.

Homeowners can undertake the appropriate training and apply for a 'B' class certificate. The training covers the safe practices and procedures for removing bonded asbestos and focuses on minimising the risk to you, your family and neighbours. All 'B' class certificate holders are expected to follow the necessary safety precautions when removing any bonded asbestos containing material.

**Friable asbestos** (asbestos containing material that can be easily crumbled by hand pressure) must be removed by a business holding an 'A' class asbestos removal certificate issued by Workplace Health and Safety Queensland. It is illegal for homeowners to remove friable asbestos containing material.

Many homeowners engage a contractor to remove asbestos from their property. If a contractor carries out work at a domestic premise, the part of the home where work is being carried out is deemed a workplace and the contractor must comply with workplace health and safety legislation requirements for asbestos, including having the appropriate certificate.

Before engaging an asbestos removalist:

- Ask to see the person's certificate issued by Workplace Health and Safety Queensland that authorises asbestos removal.
- Obtain a written quote which clearly identifies the scope of asbestos removal work and clean-up procedures and verification that it will be done by the appropriate certificate holder.
- Ask the asbestos removalist if they know that they have to comply with the *National Code of Practice for the Safe Removal of Asbestos* 2<sup>nd</sup> ed.
- Ask what arrangements they will have for disposing the asbestos waste properly. Local councils can be contacted for more information about the disposal of asbestos in your local area.
- For significant asbestos removal jobs, ask for the details of any previous clients, so you can contact them to find out about the work performed by the contractor and whether they were satisfied with the job done.

Home renovators and trades people performing minor work in domestic buildings can find out more information on how to handle, remove and dispose of asbestos safely and legally by referring to *Asbestos: A home renovator's and tradesperson's guide for minor work in domestic buildings*, or online at [www.worksafe.qld.gov.au](http://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au) or at [www.health.qld.gov.au](http://www.health.qld.gov.au).

If you have any concerns about asbestos removal work being carried out by contractors, contact Workplace Health and Safety Queensland on 1300 369 915.

All questions about the disturbance of asbestos by homeowners on their own property should be directed to the relevant local council.

**\*A Safety practice is to ask for the dumping slip prior to payment and you know your asbestos has been disposed of in the appropriate manner.**

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By Thady Blundell

## President's Report

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*Asbestos  
Awareness  
Saves Lives*

Welcome to the December issue of our newsletter.

As we quickly approach the end of another successful year, it is fitting to reflect on some of our major achievements. We embarked on an ambitious Business Plan and are pleased to say that it formed the blue print to the year's success in such areas as:-

- Significant changes in legislation allowing people easier access to their rightful compensation;
- The running of our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual race day was a huge success;
- Writing and publishing of a new information book for Asbestos Disease Suffers their Carers, Family and the Community;
- Setting up networks with the Social Workers in our major hospitals;
- Working with the Department of Education via their technical advisory committee for the management of Asbestos in all Education Department Schools, TAFE's and Administration buildings;
- Achieving a three year funding grant from the State Government, through the Department of Health to improve our ability to deliver more community awareness programs;
- Achieving a grant to purchase a new vehicle, reducing the need for the use of private vehicles;
- New permanent offices at 16 Campbell Street Bowen Hills opening in January 2011;
- Forming and maintaining strong working relationships with Government and Unions;

We are planning to work to a new modified Business Plan for 2011, but first we are taking a break and in doing so we would like to extend the warmest wishes and the best of good luck to all our Members, Sponsors and Supporters and especially those of you who have volunteered your time and efforts throughout the year. Without the help from all of you none of the above could have possibly be achieved.

Any members needing assistance or knowing of anyone needing assistance between the 13<sup>th</sup> December 2010 and the 27<sup>th</sup> January 2011 please do not hesitate to call:-

Helen Colbert - President **1800 776 412 or 0439 10 11 14**  
Please record these particulars somewhere safe just in case you need it.

*Helen Colbert  
President*



## **ASBESTOS REGISTRATION**

It is very important for anyone who has been exposed to asbestos to have their exposure registered. The importance of this is that if a person goes on to develop an asbestos disease there is evidence of the circumstances of the asbestos exposure occurred and this of course can assist in compensation entitlements.

There has been an assumption that there is a central asbestos register for all people in Australia. This is not the case although the Society is able to assist in registering the exposure of persons exposed to asbestos in any situation. Where the information regarding the registration is kept depends upon the circumstances of the exposure. For those exposed to asbestos in Queensland employment the situation is simple – the workers compensation insurer, usually WorkCover Queensland, is notified of the asbestos exposure and a claim number given. There is no actual claim for compensation lodged, just a notification that asbestos exposure has occurred and the circumstances of that asbestos exposure. The Society assists in these notifications.

If someone is exposed to asbestos in a household situation though – for instance from exposure from building works going on next door, the Society, and its Legal Officer, will assist in gathering information about the exposure and holding it on a file. Statements can be obtained and signed and other evidence, such as asbestos clean-up and verification reports can be copied to the file.

Asbestos exposure also falls into two basic categories – that is those being exposed needlessly to asbestos today and those who were exposed years ago through workplace and other means of exposure. Thankfully only a small proportion of persons exposed to asbestos will go on to develop asbestos disease – although this risk cannot be discounted. In the first category the development of asbestos disease, if at all, would be years away. In the second category, if the exposure occurred decades ago, there is a risk of developing asbestos disease today and not only registration of the exposure needs to take place but perhaps some medical monitoring under the supervision of a doctor. Initially this can take the form of chest x-rays and simple lung function tests.

All persons who have been exposed to asbestos should seek to register their asbestos exposure and contact the Society so that this is attended to. Co-workers, friends, family members may have been exposed to asbestos and please feel free to pass on the Society's details to them and if you have any questions about this do not hesitate to contact me on 0418 621 654 or at the Society office on 1800 776 412.

## **Boost for asbestos victims**



**WELCOME SUPPORT: Helen and Ray Colbert with Evan Moorhead MP and Di Farmer MP along with the Premier Anna Bligh.**

QUEENSLAND'S asbestos related disease sufferers have received a financial boost. The State's peak body will receive funding to employ a part-time social worker and two support workers at its Brisbane Office.

President Helen Colbert has welcomed the funding. Mrs Colbert's husband is an asbestos related disease sufferer, is confined to a wheelchair and knows only too well the issues endured by his fellow sufferers.

"The tragedy of asbestos and mesothelioma is that ordinary working people contract this disease as a result of trying to put bread on the table for their family," she said.

Many of these people seek help through the Queensland Asbestos Related Diseases Support Society.

The Society can assist with accommodation for asbestos related disease sufferers from the regions who travel to Brisbane for medical treatment.

## Safe Work Australia Week 2010

This year was without a doubt the best Safe work Australia Week ever, with numerous Queensland workplaces heavily involved, raising awareness of the importance of Workplace Health and Safety. WHSQ held a variety of activities during the week including information sessions, workshops and other events throughout the State which were attended by over 1500 participants. Over 200 individual organisations held their own events throughout the State. Key events included a North Queensland launch in Cairns, Brisbane launch and harmonisation Forum, Indigenous Business Leaders' luncheon, Work Safe Awards 2010 ceremony and a Central Queensland Seminar and dinner.

The "Breakfast with Mal" event in King George Square was attended by over 2000 people and involved 30 stall holders promoting a variety of Workplace Health and Safety issues and activities.

- BreastScreen Queensland
- Cancer Council Queensland
- Chamber of Commerce & Industry QLD
- Diabetes Australia Queensland
- Dial Before You Dig
- Electrical Safety Office
- Energex
- Farmsafe QLD
- Heart Foundation
- Hepatitis Council of Queensland
- Ozhelp Foundation
- QLD Asbestos Related Disease Support Society
- QLD Health Pit Stop Program
- Q-Comp
- Queensland Trucking Association
- Master Builders
- Mater Health Services
- Spinal Injuries
- St John Ambulance
- WorkCover
- Workplace Health and Safety Queensland



## Asbestos Awareness Week 2010

This year the Society, in conjunction with the Queensland Council of Unions, The Department of Workplace Health and Safety, The Queensland Health Department and the Department of Environmental Protection was able to launch an extensive awareness campaign through the 29 Bunning's Stores across the State. This consisted of Workshops by Workplace Health and Safety Inspectors and the distribution of Society Flyers and Health Department Booklets for renovators and trades people alike.

It is important to keep working to improve Asbestos Awareness with the aim of eventually developing a National Awareness program which could be marketed as a significant media event.

Despite decades of litigation and lobbying, Australia is still riddled with Asbestos and it is time our **Federal Government**, took a leaf out of the **State Governments** book and stepped up to provide leadership on this public health issue.

Asbestos still lurks in bathrooms, kitchens, roofs and garages of two out of three Australian homes built between 1945 and 1989. Asbestos Awareness Week 2010 is over but the need for Education and Awareness is as essential as ever. This is why as a society we will be targeting Awareness programs for 2011.

# ANALGESICS

Medical Report by Dr. Maurice Heiner



Analgesics are drugs which relieve or abolish pain. Some analgesics also have anti-inflammatory properties. Analgesics may be prescribed in tablet, intravenous skin patches or suppository form. Analgesics are often confused with anti-inflammatory drugs which reduce pain indirectly by reducing inflammation. Anti-inflammatory drugs include steroids, acetaminophen (Panadol) and aspirin. A group of drugs called non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs also reduce inflammation and include a newer family of drugs called Cox inhibitors.

Pain is often reduced by reducing inflammation and many analgesics often also have anti-inflammatory effects as well as pain relieving properties. Pure analgesics (no anti-inflammatory effects) include opiates (morphine, pethidine, Endone etc).

Prednisone and steroids are pure anti-inflammatory drugs with no direct pain relieving qualities. These facts must be remembered and appreciated when a drug is prescribed. If one twists an ankle both an anti-inflammatory drug and an analgesic are appropriate. On the other hand if one has a headache an analgesic is indicated without anti-inflammatory effects.

If analgesics are prescribed, questions the patient should ask the prescriber include the following:-

1. Is the drug an analgesic or an anti-inflammatory agent or does it have combined properties?
2. Is the drug long-acting, medium or a short-acting medication?
3. Is the drug a steroid, a narcotic or an anti-inflammatory agent, or does the drug exhibit combined qualities?
4. What are the common side-effects and will the drug interact with any other drugs that the patient may be using?
5. Can the drug prescribed cause drowsiness or react with alcohol or some other agent or medication?
6. Will it cause constipation?
7. Are there any foodstuffs which affect the metabolism of the drug? For example, many foodstuffs react with:-
  - a) Warfarin and its metabolism and result in changes in coagulability of the blood
  - b) Grapefruit juice may interact with many drugs and antibiotics and cause cardiac side-effects. This is particularly important in patients who suffer from cardiac arrhythmias.
8. It is important for a patient to mention the name of any analgesic that he has been prescribed to each and every one of his doctors.
9. In this short dissertation about analgesics, be assured that physicians prescribe these drugs in a manner that is safe for a particular patient. However, all patients have individualistic reactions to medications and drugs and if there are any side-effects or any concerns or any symptoms that they do not understand they should contact their doctor immediately.
10. It is also important to take analgesics to prevent pain from the first time the pain presents and not wait until the pain is severe. The latter approach results in higher doses for longer periods of time, which are often less effective.
11. Particularly when on a narcotic or a strong painkiller, know what effect it has on mentation before driving.



Asbestos Diseases Research Institute

**MEDIA RELEASE**

**EMBARGOED: AEST Midnight Sunday 21 November 2010**

**AUSTRALIA'S NEW ASBESTOS DISEASES RESEARCH INSTITUTE**

**ONE STEP CLOSER TO TREATING PATIENTS WITH MESOTHELIOMA**

*Asbestos Awareness Week Is - 20-27 November*

New research conducted by the Asbestos Diseases Research Institute (ADRI) (the world's first stand-alone research facility dedicated to asbestos-related diseases) has identified a new tumour marker for mesothelioma – a breakthrough toward better treatment for patients with a disease that has an average survival time of only 6-18 months after diagnosis.

With malignant cancers characterised by uncontrolled growth of tumour cells, the rate of growth of tumour cells can differ significantly from one patient to another making effective treatment of the cancer difficult. However, recent oncological research conducted at the ADRI has shown certain markers in blood or tumour tissue can reflect the aggressiveness of the disease.

Professor Nico van Zandwijk, Director of the ADRI said, "This is a significant research outcome in that some of these markers have become very important in the treatment of malignant diseases such as asbestos related mesothelioma by assisting clinicians in guiding specific treatment for each person diagnosed with the disease.

"By enabling us to individualise treatment we can now avoid demanding therapy in some cases and institute radical treatment in other cases when required," said Professor van Zandwijk.

"With the findings currently validated in a new series of patients, this is an important step forward in offering better treatment selection for patients while bringing our researchers closer to understanding the mechanisms and origin of disease progression," he said.

Australia has the world's highest incidence of malignant mesothelioma per capita, with more than 700 new cases diagnosed each year. It is estimated that the incidence of malignant mesothelioma will continue to increase for the next 10 to 20 years.

With the aim of improving the diagnosis and treatment of asbestos-related diseases and identifying new preventative measures, the ADRI conducts research focused on clinical and epidemiological aspects of asbestos-related diseases and is located in the Bernie Banton Centre (Concord Hospital Campus) which opened on the 21st January 2009.

"After a period with almost no progress in asbestos-related diseases, there is now a light on the horizon and the ADRI is committed to making further progress in this important research," Professor van Zandwijk said. The Asbestos Diseases Research Institute is Australia's leading research institution into asbestos-related diseases. It is a charitable, not-for-profit foundation dedicated to paving a better future for all those Australians exposed to asbestos fibers while being instrumental in determining effective preventative measures. The ADRI has also coordinated experts from around Australia to draft uniform national guidelines for the treatment of mesothelioma.

A full transcript of the research paper is available on request.

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# Indian consortium makes cash offer to revive rare Canadian asbestos mine

MONTREAL - An Indian consortium has made an offer to buy one of Canada's last remaining asbestos mines and extend its life. The group made a bid last Thursday to purchase the cash-strapped Jeffrey Mine in the Quebec town of Asbestos. Jeffrey president Bernard Coulombe confirmed Tuesday that he received a pitch, but would not say how much the consortium has put on the table. "We're looking at (the offer) very seriously and we have one week to respond," Coulombe said in an interview. "The offer is serious because it was officially presented with a guaranteed deposit." The 131-year-old Jeffrey mine is one of only two sites in Canada that still extracts the controversial substance, blamed for causing serious health issues, including cancer. The World Health Organization says asbestos-related diseases cause 90,000 deaths annually around the world. Australia has the second highest death rate in the world from asbestos related diseases. The Canadian asbestos industry has been heavily criticized for exporting the mineral to developing countries where few, if any, safety measures to limit exposure are followed. India is one of Canada's biggest asbestos customers. But supporters of the industry, and its Quebec variety known as chrysotile, argue that it's safe to use as long as it's handled properly. Coulombe said the deal would give Jeffrey the necessary funds to complete a new underground section of the mine, extending its life for another 25 years. Breathing new life into the mine would also create hundreds of direct and indirect jobs in the area. The news is promising for the local mine workers' union, which has also received a copy of the offer. "I'm optimistic," said union president Normand St-Hilaire, who represents between 600 to 800 workers. St-Hilaire said the union will meet this Sunday, when details of the proposal will be presented to its members. But even if the offer is accepted, there are no guarantees it would revive Jeffrey, which is currently under bankruptcy protection. The Quebec government has yet to decide whether to guarantee a critical \$58-million bank loan the company says it needs to restart operations. Still, the deal would meet one of several conditions the province wants Jeffrey to meet in exchange for its support to secure the financing. Economic Development Minister Clement Gignac said the mine must find new partners to invest \$15 million, which is the balance of the \$73-million total needed to reopen the project. The government also said the mine's customers must agree to adhere to Quebec standards on the safe handling of asbestos. Gignac also wants an independent firm to ensure the company will be profitable before he backs the loan. Coulombe's announcement Tuesday comes after he accused Liberal leader Michael Ignatieff of scaring off a would-be investor from China. He said last summer that he had the investor lined up and willing to inject \$40 million, but it backed off after Ignatieff commented on the industry. Ignatieff has called for a ban on exports of the material. His office immediately expressed skepticism over Coulombe's claim that the Liberal leader's remarks might have torpedoed the deal. The Conservative government has repeatedly voiced its support for the industry. In recent months, Canada's asbestos sector has also become the target of a growing international campaign. Health professionals and anti-asbestos activists from around the world have spoken out against Canadian exports.

## **Follow up we received Sunday, October 31, 2010**

Bernard Coulombe, president of the Jeffrey mine and who owns 65% of the mine's shares, has already approved the sale of the Jeffrey underground mine to the consortium of investors.

The workers' co-operative, which owns 35% of the shares of the mine, met today and unanimously approved sale of the mine to the consortium. The consortium would buy their shares (and Coulombe's shares) and the workers would get back over \$ 2 million that they invested in the mine. If the sale does not go ahead, then these shares are worth probably nothing. So the workers have an incentive to sell their shares to the consortium.

In the Quebec media coverage (which is all in French), it now says that the identity of the consortium of investors is still secret but that it is persons with mining background from different countries, including India.

The consortium of private investors have offered \$15 million to buy the mine and want the Quebec government to give them a \$58 million subsidy (80% of the price) for the deal to go ahead.

# Fire and Asbestos



## **What are Asbestos Fire Issues?**

Asbestos fire damage is caused as a result of exposure to temperatures of about 1000 °C where the effects of charring, spalling, loss of structural strength, etc to the asbestos materials is observed. Asbestos fire damage can also be seen in asbestos containing materials where Thermal expansion has occurred where no direct exposure to fire has taken place

## **Which buildings can have asbestos fire issues?**

Properties constructed prior to 1990 are likely to contain asbestos within their fabric. In residential building the majority of asbestos is found within the wet areas such as bathroom, kitchens and external eaves. Asbestos fire damage in such properties can spread to neighbouring properties and cause asbestos fire contamination in a much greater area than that of the building's own foot print.

## **Would asbestos fire damage release breathable airborne asbestos fibres?**

Most airborne **asbestos release which results from asbestos fire damage occurs during Spalling** of materials such as Asbestos Cement Sheeting (Explosion of cement sheeting caused as a result of built up of steam within the cement matrix). **Asbestos fires do not completely destroy asbestos containing materials**, but can cause significant extensive damage to structural integrity of asbestos containing building materials, which would in turn lead to release of airborne asbestos.

Additionally, the collapse of structures after or during asbestos fire damage such as roofing girders and rafters could result in asbestos roofing breakage and asbestos debris production, which in turn released airborne asbestos fibres. The level of airborne asbestos may be dependant of the friability of asbestos fire damaged materials. For example, there is a greater chance that airborne asbestos fibres are produced from collapsed asbestos fire damaged pipe insulation then asbestos fire damaged bitumen roof felting.

## **What to do in the aftermath of an Asbestos Fire?**

The **major issue with Asbestos Fires is the debris left behind** which can be very fine pieces and/or bundles of asbestos fibres which can be spread to a large area as a result of Spalling. Asbestos contamination can be found within ash and dust after and during an asbestos fire.

In an event of asbestos fire damage the following steps should be taken:

- **Do not enter damage asbestos fire contaminated area** to reduce chances of disruption, exposure or cross contamination.
- Seek professional opinion from your asbestos fire consultant and request a risk assessment and or pre-demolition type 3 asbestos survey (as it is likely that the fire damaged building would have to be demolished)
- Engage appropriately licensed asbestos removal contractors to remove asbestos fire debris and dispose of in a safe manor and controlled
- Engage independent asbestos analysis to conduct asbestos atmospheric testing before/during/after removal asbestos fire debris and provide you with an Asbestos Clearance Report.

Link to <http://www.safeenvironments.com.au/asbestos-fire/>

# In Memory to all those, who have passed away from an Asbestos Related Disease.

January – December, 2010

Albert Adams  
Albert Victor Doyle  
Alex Cooper  
Allan Waters  
Barry Roberts  
Bill Menzies  
Christopher Smith  
Daniel Dingwall  
Desmond DeVoss  
Desmond Hickmott  
Desmond Power  
Doreen Notley

Douglas Campbell  
Dusan Pauchlik  
Eddie Anderson  
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Jeanette Sweeney  
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John Askew

John Patterson  
John William Powell  
Kelvin Cresswell  
Kenneth Lenneberg  
Kevin Thorpe  
Lawrie Paliaga  
Leonard J Cholakos  
Mustafa Beqiri  
Neville C Davison  
Nicholas Carpenter  
Patricia Page  
Paul Bosomworth

Robert Maclean  
Shirley Cecil  
Stan Hilton  
Stella Mary Scott  
Thomas Barrie Young  
Tony Bird  
Wallace Chapman  
William 'Al' Floyd  
William Huxley  
Wolfgang Biermann  
Yvonne Bedson

## Those we love remain part of us.

*"Our loved ones  
leave the world,  
but never our hearts."*

*You will always remember.  
You will always love.  
So much has changed,  
but so much will always be.....*

*Your loved one is part of who you are,  
of how you see the world....  
of how you live and give.  
Those priceless gifts are yours forever.*



**The names of the people listed above are only those whose families have notified the office. We acknowledge this is not a full list of people who have passed away this year from an Asbestos Related Disease.**



## Ecumenical Service - 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2010

Thank you everyone who attended the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Ecumenical Service at the Cathedral of St Stephen. It was sobering to listen to our two speakers (Mr Evan Moorhead MP introduction and the Attorney General Mr Cameron Dick key note speaker), and share such a moving service in recognition of past and present sufferers of asbestos disease. The inclusion of Children into this



years' service was a truly uplifting experience, to see the pride and reverence with which they carried out their duty's was inspirational, it would be easy to forget that they are only 9, 10, and 11 years of age, and unfortunately all have experienced the cruelty of Asbestos Disease with their loved ones.



## General Notices

### Apologies

Unfortunately a thank you was accidentally missed out of our last newsletter that was to Mr John Flack, who donated prints for our race day auction, please accept our sincerest apologies, John.

### Thank you Lyn

Thank you and Well Done must go to Lyn Hasler who despite losing her husband in April this year, Lyn had the courage to take part in two walkathons, in turn, raising more than \$1,500 on behalf of the society.

### Donation - Scooters and a Walker

Mrs Pam Noble and her sister have kindly donated 2 Motor Scooters and a Walking Frame to someone that can use them.

Both motor scooters are now deregistered, they probably could do with a service, they are both in very good condition and have a basket on the front. One has a rear view mirror the other doesn't.

The Walker has a basket and a seat and also is in very good condition. If you would like more information on these items, please call Pam Noble on **3843 3223**.



### Thank You

The Management Committee would like to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to all our sponsors and members for their invaluable ongoing support throughout 2010.



*May the true  
Spirit of Christmas  
bring you  
Peace and Happiness.*

We look forward to your continued support in 2011. It is only by working together that we can continue to provide the support and resources so desperately needed by people with Asbestos Related Disease, and promote Asbestos Awareness to all levels of the community.

**To our Volunteers, with special thanks to all of you.**



*To know you  
is to know people  
who are kind, considerate  
and thoughtful.*

*To know you  
is to be grateful  
for the special things you do'*

*For everything you've done...  
for being the special people that you are...  
Thank you so very much.*

**The management committee would like to wish you all a happy and safe Christmas.**

# ***SUPPORT THOSE WHO SUPPORT THE SOCIETY***

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