

PREVIOUSLY ON "MEDIA EDGE" (January - June, 2007)

Episode #112 (June 24-25)

Segment #1: "Peak Moment"

Conserve First! Saving Energy in the Home:

Todd Cory lives in a zero energy home. This renewable energy installer brims with enthusiastic ideas about having fun consuming less energy, starting with "the low hanging fruit" -- what's easy and cheapest to do.

Segment #2: "High Crimes and Atrocities"

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Segment #3: "If Not Now, When? -- Helping Our Soldiers, Ourselves, and Our World"

A Media Edge crew covered this forum presented by Therapists for Social Responsibility in Sacramento on April 21, 2007. Veterans George Main and Ray Bacigalupi shared their personal experiences coming home from war, dealing with current world events, and transforming their struggles into positive action. Also: Nadia McAffrey, who lost her son Patrick in the Iraq War, talks about her program, "[Veterans Village](#)."

Episode #111 (June 17-18)

Segment #1: "Sacramento Peace Festival 2007"

Coverage of the people, music and speakers at the first Sacramento Peace Festival, held on May 20 in William Land Park. Produced by Michael Stavros for Media Edge.

Segment #2: "Before He Invades"

Premiere of a provocative music video by Media Edge producer Michael Stavros. "Before He Invades" blends original lyrics about the urgent need to change US foreign policy (and impeach George W) with images of local protest events, set to the tune of Carrie Underwood's "Before He Cheats."

Segment #3: "Focus on the Middle East: Jeremy Scahill"

CSU-Sacramento Sociology professor Ayad Al Qazazz talks with independent journalist Jeremy Scahill about his new book, "Blackwater: The Rise of the World's Most Powerful Mercenary Army." Produced by Mary Brassell for Media Edge.

Segment #4: "9/11: The Myth and the Reality"

David Ray Griffin exposes the official story of 9/11 for what it truly is: a sacred myth. With forceful images and video segments, Griffin details nine of the most commonly held myths and misconceptions about the events surrounding 9/11 and proves the fallacies of each one. Recorded in March 2006 at the Grand Lake Theater in Oakland.

Episode #110 (June 10-11)

Segment #1: "Agustin Aguayo Speaks Out"

Active duty Iraq war resister Agustin Aguayo speaks to a Sacramento audience at the Newman Center on May 10, 2007. Aguayo was recently released from prison, having served eight months in prison after he fought for three years to be recognized as a conscientious objector. Recorded for Media Edge by Peace Film Productions of Davis, CA.

Segment #2: "The War Conspiracy"

The CIA suppression of Peter Dale Scott. What was it about Peter Dale Scott's 1971 book "The War Conspiracy" that scared the CIA so much, they blocked its release?

Segment #3: "Torture and Indefinite Detention"

This second segment from the "Bush Crimes Commission Hearings" features testimony by Brig. Gen. Janis Karpinski describing the chain of command that authorized the infamous torture at Abu Ghraib; Ambassador Craig Murray on the torture conducted for the U.S. by the government of Uzbekistan; and Camilo Mejia, Iraq vet and member of Iraq Veterans Against the War.

Episode #109 (June 3-4)

Segment #1: "Jeremy Scahill -- On Blackwater"

On May 3, independent journalist Jeremy Scahill addressed an audience at the University Methodist Church in Sacramento. Media Edge was there, and we present this brief excerpt of Scahill reading a section of his new book, "Blackwater: The Rise of the World's Most Powerful Mercenary Army."

Segment #2: "TerrorStorm"

"TerrorStorm" delivers a powerful sucker punch to the architects of global terrorism and how they stage false-flag events to achieve political and sociological ends. The film journeys through recent history -- from the Gulf of Tonkin, the USS Liberty and the 9-11 attacks through to the Madrid and London bombings -- to catalogue the real story behind government induced fables. "TerrorStorm" contains viable solutions on how we can reclaim human dignity and freedom and prevent the global population from becoming the slaves of a prison planet.

Episode #108 (May 27-28)

Segment #1: "Peak Moment"

Fossil Free by '33: Tam Hunt of the Community Environmental Council in Santa Barbara, California outlines a strategy for regional independence from fossil fuels -- and it centers around electricity. Start with efficiency & conservation, add renewables to replace fossil fuels for electricity, then add more renewables to electrify transportation such as plug-in hybrids and electric vehicles. The result? A program "to save America's environment and economy, one region at a time."

Segment #2: "2007 Scholarship Essay Contest Winners"

This year's winners of the annual essay contest sponsored by the Sacramento chapter of Physicians for Social Responsibility read their works at an event on May 3rd, at the United Methodist Church in Sacramento. These students were chosen from a field of 165 entries for their essays on this year's prompt, "You can bomb the world to pieces, but you can't bomb it into peace," from the song, "Bomb the World" by Michael Franti.

Segment #3: "Helen Thomas Interviews 'George W. Bush' "

Legendary journalist Helen Thomas grills the US "President" during a "press conference" on January 13 at this year's National Conference for Media Reform.

Segment #4: "Walking the Line"

A harrowing view of the chaos, absurdity, and senseless deaths along the US-Mexico border.

Episode #107 (May 20-21)

Segment #1: "Peak Moment"

Community Responses to Peak Oil: Peak oil educator and author Richard Heinberg discusses what communities can do to prepare for peak oil. He covers transportation, including a novel ride-sharing scheme, assessing municipal vulnerabilities, local food and energy production, as well as the Hirsch report's conclusion that 20 years will be needed to make an energy transition -- very possibly more time than we have.

Segment #2: "Invisible Ballots - A Temptation for Electronic Vote Fraud"

Do touch screen voting machines jeopardize the sanctity of the voting process? Governments are installing computerized voting systems with no paper trail. If vote counting is privatized, there may be no way to get it back.

Segment #3: "Stealing the Spin from the PR Industry"

Author and activist John Stauber reveals how powerful interests manipulate public opinion, news, information and government policy through the use of hidden propaganda.

Episode #106 (May 13-14)

Segment #1: "Iraq, Islam, Democracy and the War on Terror"

A capacity crowd gathered at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Sacramento earlier this year to hear CSUS Professor of Sociology Ayad Al Qazzaz speak on this important topic, followed by a lengthy question-and-answer session.

Segment #2: "Seniors for Peace"

A profile of a remarkably passionate, committed and articulate group of senior peace activists from The Redwoods in Mill Valley, California.

Episode #105 (May 6-7)

Segment #1: "Peak Moment"

Return of the Electric Car:

Otmar Ebenhoech has worked with electric vehicles for decades, watching as popular commercial EVs were developed, then recalled when their legal mandate was overturned. He sees improved battery technologies as the critical factor for viable future EVs. Peek under the hood and watch a test drive of his electric Porsche race car conversion.

Segment #2: "Como Angeles"

A film produced in Cuba to show the effect of the free medical training given at the Latin American Medical School in Havana. With a short introduction by Cedric Edwards MD, the first American graduate of the program, this film follows students during their sixth year of study, a year filled with practical experience both in Cuba and in their home countries. In Spanish with English subtitles added by Mary Brassell of Media Edge.

Segment #3: "Beyond Words"

This documentary focuses on the world's top war photojournalists, and attempts to turn the lens of attention onto them.

Segment #4: "Year Anniversary of the Invasion of Iraq"

On March 17, 2007, people of Sacramento gathered to protest the Bush Administration and the Iraq War, marking the 4th anniversary of the US led invasion. Media Edge videographer Michael Stavros was there to cover it for us.

Episode #104 (April 29-30)

Segment #1: "Peak Moment"

An Experiment in Back Yard Sustainability:

Tour Scott McGuire's "White Sage Gardens" in the back yard of his rental home -- a demonstration site for suburban sustainability. He ponders, "How might a household produce and preserve a significant portion of its own food supply?" Composting, a water-conserving greenhouse, and seed-saving are all facets of this beautiful work in progress.

Segment #2: "In Debt We Trust"

This latest film by Emmy Award winner Danny Schechter explores the relationship between Congress and the credit complex and how it is having an enormously negative impact on the country's financial health.

Episode #103 (April 22-23)

Segment #1: "Meeting the Historic Challenge: War, Peace and the 2007 California Democratic Convention"

On April 4, residents filled the auditorium of Sacramento's Coloma Community Center to hear antiwar leader Cindy Sheehan and author Norman Solomon.

Sheehan criticized Democrats who voted for the supplemental funding bill for the Iraq war, as strongly as she has condemned the actions of the Bush administration and Congressional Republicans. "There is no such thing as a good war -- ever, ever," she stressed.

Solomon screened a preview of "War Made Easy: How Presidents and Pundits Keep Spinning Us to Death," a documentary film based on his recent book.

Recorded by Steve Kolb and Randy VanDalsen for Media Edge.

Segment #2: "The Battle for America"

Many young people join the military out of a sense of service and duty. This short video is an uplifting call to action to all of us to enlist in the fight to save our nation.

Episode #102 (April 15-16)

Segment #1: "Peak Moment"

Local Currencies - Replacing Scarcity with Trust:

Francis Ayley established over a dozen local currencies in the UK before moving to the U.S. He contrasts our standard, scarcity- and debt-based money system with local currencies in which "there's always as much as you need." Local currencies like his Fourth Corner Exchange issue money when members trade goods and services. Communities with local currencies will be less affected when recession or depression hits the mainstream economy.

Segment #2: "High Crimes and Atrocities"

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Segment #3: "Wars of Aggression"

This outstanding video details the Bush Administration's violations of international law, the Geneva Conventions, and the Nuremberg principles. It features testimony by Scott Ritter, former UN weapons inspector; Amy Bartholomew, Carleton University professor of law; independent journalist Dahr Jamail; Jeremy Scahill, writer for The Nation and former correspondent for Democracy Now!; Camilo Mejia, Iraq vet and member of Iraq Veterans Against the War; David Swanson, organizer of Camp Democracy; and Dr. Thomas Fasy, Mt. Sinai School of Medicine.

Segment #4: "Outlawed: Extraordinary Rendition, Torture and Disappearances in the War on Terror"

The harrowing stories of Khaled El-Masri and Binyam Mohamed, two survivors of extraordinary rendition, secret detention, and torture by the U.S. government.

Segment #5: "Crack the CIA"

Connecting the dots between drug traffic and the CIA. Did the CIA bring drugs into the inner city? An explosive look at a story that won't go away. This short film was the Winner of the 2002 Sundance Online Film Festival.

Episode #101 (April 8-9)

Segment #1: "4th Year Anniversary of the Invasion of Iraq"

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Segment #2: "Focus on the Middle East"

CSU-Sacramento Sociology professor Ayad Al Qazazz talks with civil rights attorney Lynne Stewart, who has been falsely accused of helping terrorists. Now convicted, she faces 30 years in prison. Recorded by a Media Edge crew during Ms. Stewart's recent visit to Sacramento.

Segment #3: "Father Roy Bourgeois"

Hear what Father Roy Bourgeois, founder and leader of the School of Americas Watch, had to say when he spoke at the Newman Center in Sacramento. Bourgeois has spent a total of four years in federal prison since 1990 because of his non-violent, civil disobedience protests aimed at closing the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation (formerly the U.S. Army School of the Americas). The school trains military officers and soldiers from pro-U.S. regimes throughout Latin America. Among the 60,000 graduates of the School are notorious generals and dictators known for their violent policies and human rights violations.

Segment #4: "The 2007 National Conference for Media Reform: Van Jones"

As the final speaker at this conference on January 14, Van Jones, founder of Oakland's Ella Baker Center for Human electrified the audience with a passionate plea: "Every race, every class, every religion is here, so we have the opportunity to test pilot the solutions to our biggest problems. And the reason we want this pro-democracy movement is because we believe this country can lead the world. But not in war; not in pollution rates; not in incarceration rates."

Episode #100 (April 1-2)

Segment #1: "Eyes Wide Open - A Visual Tone Poem"

An updated version of Sacramento videographer Steve Kolb's multi-award-winning look at the "Eyes Wide Open" tribute to the soldiers and civilians killed in Iraq. This traveling exhibit stopped in Sacramento on March 29-31, 2005. Since then, nearly 2,000 more US soldiers have died in Iraq, and unknown hundreds of thousands of Iraqi civilians.

Segment #2: "The 2007 National Conference for Media Reform: Helen Thomas Interviews 'George W. Bush' "

Legendary journalist Helen Thomas grills the U.S. "President" during a hilarious "press conference" on January 13 at this year's National Conference for Media Reform.

Segment #3: "Getting Out"

The west coast premiere of a documentary that shows the impact that the Rehabilitation Through the Arts program has had on former prisoners trying to reestablish their lives. Filmed inside the walls of the notorious "Sing Sing" prison in New York, this video documents the 15-year incarceration and subsequent release of two inmates. It also highlights the difficulties many former prisoners experience trying to reestablish life outside of prison walls. This documentary was created by David Bagnall and George Stoney. Known as "the father of public access TV" by video activists across the U.S., the 90-year-old Stoney is also known for his other documentaries, including "The Weavers: Wasn't That a Time."

Segment #4: "Conscientious Objection"

In May 2004, a US military court sentenced Staff Sergeant Camilo Mejia Castillo of the Florida National Guard to one year imprisonment for desertion. He had refused to return to his unit in Iraq, citing the conduct of US troops towards Iraqi civilians and prisoners.

Episode #99 (March 25-26)

Segment #1: "Peak Moment"

A Defining Moment in History -- The planet is quickly confronting us with limits to the exploitative, dominator system of the past 5000 years. David Korten, author of *When Corporations Rule the World*, and more recently *The Great Turning: From Empire to Earth Community*, implores us to replace dominator-control stories with new stories -- affirming life values of cooperation, community and interdependence.

Segment #2: "The 2007 National Conference for Media Reform: Jane Fonda"

At the closing session of this conference, actress and activist Jane Fonda fired up the audience with these words: "When we talk about reforming the media, what we're really talking about is creating a media that is powerful, not a media that serves the interests of the powerful; a media that is so powerful that it can speak for the powerless, bear witness for those who are invisible in our world, and memorialize those who would be forgotten. A truly powerful media is one that can stop a war, not start one." Presented on January 14 at this year's National Conference for Media Reform.

Segment #3: "War From Space?"

A report on events organized by the Global Network Against Weapons and Nuclear Power in Space during the World Peace Forum held in Vancouver, Canada in late June, 2006. Many of the presentations feature graphic illustrations that give insight into the aerospace industry, how space technology will be used to give the U.S. "control and domination" of the heavens, examples of what roles particular bases have in the Star Wars scheme, and some illustrations of local resistance.

Episode #98 (March 18-19)

Segment #1: "Peak Moment"

The San Francisco Peak Oil Resolution. San Francisco is the first American city to formally address the challenges of oil depletion. Dennis Brumm and Alyse Heartwell recount how members of SF Oil Awareness envisioned, wrote and presented to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors a Peak Oil resolution, which they passed unanimously in April 2006. They explore next steps: public hearings and plans to create a task force to assess the city's energy vulnerability.

Segment #2: "The 2007 National Conference for Media Reform: Geena Davis"

An impressive and perceptive presentation by actress Geena Davis about the narrow portrayals of women in the media. Presented on January 12 at this year's National Conference for Media Reform.

Segment #3: "9/11: The Myth and the Reality"

David Ray Griffin exposes the official story of 9/11 for what it truly is: a sacred myth. With forceful images and video segments, Griffin details nine of the most commonly held myths and misconceptions about the events surrounding 9/11 and proves the fallacies of each one. Recorded in March 2006 at the Grand Lake Theater in Oakland.

Episode #97 (March 11-12)

Segment #1: "Chew On This!"

A look at The Domes and other UC Davis housing coops; a bicycle safety reminder; "What I Saw at Abu Ghraib" by Aidan Delgado; a story about democracy by Medea Benjamin; and a video survey asking for bumper sticker ideas.

Segment #2: "Peak Moment"

Don Shaffer, Executive Director of Business Alliance for Local Living Economies, recounts BALLE's vision of local living economies ensuring that economic power resides locally, where it can enhance community life and natural systems - as a counter to economic globalization. BALLE's autonomous networks of local businesses initiate programs like "Buy Local First."

Segment #3: "Big Bucks, Big Pharma"

This video pulls back the curtain on the multi-billion dollar pharmaceutical industry to expose the insidious ways that illness is used, manipulated, and in some instances created, for capital gain. Focusing on the industry's marketing practices, media scholars and health professionals help viewers understand the ways in which direct-to-consumer pharmaceutical advertising glamorizes and normalizes the use of prescription medication, and works in tandem with promotion to doctors. Combined, these industry practices shape how both patients and doctors understand and relate to disease and treatment. Ultimately, "Big Bucks, Big Pharma" challenges us to ask important questions about the consequences of relying on a for-profit industry for our health and well-being.

Segment #4: "The 2007 National Conference for Media Reform: Amy Goodman"

Amy Goodman's passionate comments about the role and vital importance of cable access channels and other independent media. Presented on January 12 at this year's National Conference for Media Reform.

Episode #96 (March 4-5)

Segment #1: "The 2007 National Conference for Media Reform: Bill Moyers"

Legendary journalist Bill Moyers delivered this opening keynote address on January 12 at the National Conference for Media Reform in Memphis. The crowd cheered his vital message about media, democracy and the promise of the media reform movement. Moyers stressed the need for those involved in alternative media to support each other's efforts, and not succumb to the "my cause is more important than yours" attitude that has divided progressive social movements in the past.

Segment #2: "If Not War, What?"

A presentation about nonviolent security for our nation by Phil Steger, Executive Director of Friends for a Nonviolent World and co-founder of Peace in the Precincts. Recorded by Media Edge producer Michael Stavros at the Sierra II Community Center in Sacramento on February 9, 2007.

Segment #3: "The 2007 National Conference for Media Reform: Rev. Lennox Yearwood"

Rev. Lennox Yearwood of the Hip-Hop Caucus gave this brief but very powerful and passionate speech on January 13 at this year's National Conference for Media Reform.

Episode #95 (February 25-26)

Segment #1: "Chew On This!"

Special edition about the Iraq War and the Bush administration: survey of what we think Iraqi people feel about us; witness to war & occupation with Faiza Al-Araji; the demonstration against President Bush when he came to West Sacramento last year; a soldier's decision to become a conscientious objector; and a look at how the people in Napa Valley greeted Bush during a 2006 visit.

Segment #2: "Peak Moment"

The Small-Mart Revolution: Michael Shuman advocates "Going Local," showing how local businesses are beating global competition and helping to create self-reliant communities. One innovative idea: invest locally by moving a portion of pension funds into regional stock exchanges.

Segment #3: "The 2007 National Conference for Media Reform"

Beginning with this week's episode of Media Edge, we will feature presentations made by many of the dynamic people who spoke to the more than 3,000 activists that gathered in Memphis last month for the National Conference for Media Reform. This week: Rev. Jesse Jackson, actor Danny Glover and radio host Davey D share their observations about the importance of media reform as a civil rights issue.

Episode #94 (February 18-19)

Segment #1: "Chew On This!"

A look at how the Bush Administration is trying to open up our national parks to commercial use; an interview with Steve Bash talking about using eco friendly fuel, some bicycle safety tips; a report on a peace demonstration at 16th and Broadway in Sacramento; a video survey about great joy; the words of Cindy Sheehan at the Eyes Wide Open exhibit with a reality update; and a useful biodiesel how-to demonstration.

Segment #2: "Iraq, Islam, Democracy and the War on Terror"

A capacity crowd gathered at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Sacramento last month to hear CSUS Professor of Sociology Ayad Al Qazzaz speak on this important topic, followed by a lengthy question-and-answer session.

Episode #93 (February 11-12)

Segment #1: "Leaving Out the Inner City"

The "Kids on the Hill" group from Baltimore, MD created this eye-opening video about what different neighborhoods are like, how they got the way they are, and what we can do to create equality.

Segment #2: "Peak Moment"

How can business help create the world we want? Jill Bamburg, Dean of Bainbridge Graduate Institute's innovative MBA program, examines its basic premise: that doing good for people and the planet is good for business.

Segment #3: "A Dream of Meaning: On Filmmaking"

Oliver Stone talks with Sacramento area students and residents about filmmaking, and blends in his observations about many subjects (including the Vietnam War and the current occupation of Iraq by the Bush administration). Recorded by a Media Edge crew last November at an event sponsored by Sacramento State's University Union UNIQUE Programs. Stone has directed a wide array of films, including JFK, Wall Street, Nixon, The Doors, and Salvador. He won Academy Awards as Best Director for Platoon and Born on the 4th of July.

Episode #92 (February 4-5)

Segment #1: "Chew On This!"

A humorous look at our driving lifestyle; bicycle safety tips; a story about brutality in Haiti; a public opinion survey about TV News; a song/spoof about domestic surveillance; a guest commentary; and the music of Roberta Chevrette.

Segment #2: "Peak Moment"

Yes! magazine counters mainstream media by giving us stories of people creating sustainable, just and positive futures. Executive Editor, Sarah Van Gelder discusses healthcare for all, alternatives to prisons, peak oil, living democracy, climate change, working together, and how each of us can begin creating change.

Segment #3: "All for the Taking"

This film demonstrates that urban renewal and eminent domain policies are usually aimed at community residents who are unaware of their rights and are easily confused and frightened by the powerful forces that are changing their neighborhoods and disrupting their lives. It examines the personal struggles of residents impacted by an urban renewal program in Philadelphia, and illustrates how housing activists are fighting eminent domain abuse.

Segment #4: "The Most Dangerous Game"

The truth behind Nazis and U.S. psy-ops. The secret history of the CIA's mind control programs: from the covert importation of Nazi scientists to illegal brainwashing experiments on unsuspecting patients.

Episode #91 (January 28-29)

Segment #1: "Chew On This!"

An interview with Sacramento City Councilperson Robbie Waters about the problems caused by big box retail stores; a humorous yet frightening spoof about the issue of privacy by the ACLU; a video survey about the war in Iraq; preview of "Thou Shall Not Kill" by Damion Sharpe; a parody about technology gone mad; a bicycle safety reminder; and the music of local artist, Patrick Grizzell.

Segment #2: "Peak Moment"

This episode: "Go Electric: Bike Commuting Made Easy." Catch Sally Lovell's enthusiasm for her electric-assist bicycle. Her comprehensive primer covers bicycle types, battery recharging, practices and products for security, inclement weather, and road safety.

Segment #3: "Seniors for Peace"

A profile of a remarkably passionate, committed and articulate group of senior peace activists from The Redwoods in Mill Valley, California.

Segment #4: "The Power of Nightmares"

"The Power of Nightmares" explores how the idea that we are threatened by a hidden and organized terrorist network is an illusion. It is a myth that has spread unquestioned through politics, the security services and the international media.

Episode #90 (January 21-22)

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Segment #2: "The War Conspiracy"

The CIA suppression of Peter Dale Scott. What was it about Peter Dale Scott's 1971 book "The War Conspiracy" that scared the CIA so much, they blocked its release?

Episode #89 (January 14-15)

Segment #1: "Chew On This!"

An interview with Sacramento's Leisa Faulkner Barnes, who served a 90 day prison term for her protest of the School of the Americas, a music video entitled "School of the Americas" by Michael Stavros, a story about slavery by Pierre Labossiere, a public opinion piece about what it means to be a Good American, some fun exploration of dumpster diving, and the music of Anton Barbeau.

Segment #2: "Focus on the Middle East"

CSU-Sacramento Sociology professor Ayad Al Qazazz talks with Palestinian journalist Mohammed Omer about the current situation in Gaza. Recorded by a Media Edge crew during Mr. Omer's recent visit to Sacramento.

Segment #3: "Voices of Patriots"

Dedicated career military professionals address key issues surrounding U.S. war policy in Iraq. In addition, parent Cindy Sheehan provides her viewpoint as a military family member. These patriotic Americans provide expert analysis from the point-of-view of serving the best interests of the United States and the American people. A must-see for anyone who cares about the future of America.

Segment #4: "Conscientious Objection"

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Episode #88 (January 7-8)**Segment #1: "Chew On This!"**

A story about democracy by Medea Benjamin, the Sacramento City Council Resolution to bring the troops home, some fun public opinion about dumpster diving, the music of Bluespace, and more.

Segment #2: "Peak Moment"

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A harrowing view of the chaos, absurdity, and senseless deaths along the US-Mexico border.

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The humanitarian crisis of pregnant Palestinian women's experiences.