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An Unauthorized History Of 3abn, Chapter 4 (takin care of business...)

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Apr 24 2006, 01:30 PM

Post #1

Takin' care of business...

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BlackSDA Enthusiast

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Leaving the bright Illinois sunshine behind, entering a corridor, my pupils fully dilate attempting to gather all the available light. Making my way into a cavernous expanse, the echo of my athletic shoes as they slap against the well polished floor, reverberate off a distant wall. The sound of a hand striking against a bank of switches signals the immediate blaze of lights that now illuminate the space before me. Instinctively, I turn my head and my hand springs up to shade my eyes, resting on the brim of my baseball cap. The thump of the basketball accompanies me as I dribble over to the free

throw line. I stop. Turning my back to the basket, I raise the ball. In a split second it leaps backward over my head through the air, like a tiger springing for it's prey. A hush falls over the crowd that has gathered, the air is thick with anticipation. Contact! The ball bounces off the backboard echoing through the hushed gym, circling the rim it falls neatly through the net. The previous silence, so thick that you could cut it with a knife, erupts with astonishment as the crowd that has assembled in the basketball court at 3ABN witness "the miracle shot". But this is not my story, it is not I who stands poised at the free throw line. That place is reserved for Danny Shelton.

For a brief moment that particular impression of Danny traces a line across my memories. As I think back over the years at 3ABN, I must admit, it is a truly amazing shot. On how many occasions have I had the opportunity to witness this exhibition of basketball prowess; sometimes successfully executed, sometime not? More than I care to number... A singular thought begins to worm it way up into the foreground of my mind: just how much time has Danny invested endeavoring to perfect this feat of basketball artistry?

Question:

When Danny is occupied on his basketball court and at a myriad of other equally "important" activities that keep him from his office, who does the actual taking care of business at 3ABN?

Answer:

Molly Steenson.

If a bolt of lighting made a direct strike on Danny Shelton, leading to his immediate demise, very little would change in the administrative offices of 3ABN. Of course someone else would have to sign all the documents that lay waiting on Danny's desk, but, if like Danny they only sign the contracts and not read them, that is less than an additional hours work each week. Molly would to continue running the business of 3ABN, as she has done for many years. First as Danny's secretary, now as General Manager and Board member of 3ABN. Many of her responsibilities would not change, only the perks and the title. Hal and Molly Steenson could comfortably slide into the position that Danny currently occupies...at a moments notice.

Even as we speak, preparation is being made for this eventuality. And Danny has played right into Molly's hands. As Hal has often quoted Molly, "Make sure you have them smiling before you hit

them in the mouth, that way you won't bruise their lips". Then Hal laughs and the congregation joins in with him. Around T'ville this only produces an uncomfortable silence, too many workers have been on the receiving end, by making the mistake of crossing Molly or getting in the way of something she wants. Ask Linda Shelton, I am sure she has realized the part that Molly played in her dismissal from 3ABN. Danny has been smiling and trusting in Molly for many years. Sister White has warned us about leaning too heavily upon the arm of flesh, but unfortunately for Danny, he is not a reader.

The major difference between Danny and Linda situations, is the lack of need for any trumped up accusations or other subterfuge to remove him from the throne of power. All it will take is no more secrets. And Molly holds the key to this Pandora's box.

Unfortunately, **for the ministry of 3ABN, exchanging Danny for Molly would be like jumping out of the frying pan into the fire.**

Come with me behind the scenes at 3ABN and watch some of the preparations as they unfold: Hal has already published his first book, promoted by the ministry. Both Molly and Hal are logging in more on air time and becoming familiar faces to the viewers. Danny has touted Molly publically and in 3ABN publications as a woman of integrity...Molly/integrity? Around the water cooler that is definitely an oxymoron. Molly and Hal's attendance as featured speakers is steadily increasing at 3ABN Rallies. Both are accomplished orators. After spending the last two years being subjected to Danny's repetitious and clumsy attempts at homiletics, too often laced with his emotional venting; is crushingly evident, that he pales in comparison with Hal Steenson's masterful precision in skillfully holding an audience. As Hal demonstrates his verbal charisma, boasting a combination of homespun wisdom, good old southern boy humor and Biblical expertise, Danny has indisputably been outclassed.

Perhaps Danny should wake up, smell the coffee and start reading the writing on the wall, before he finds someone else raising "his baby". Of course, materially he would definitely leave as a wealthy man, all his financial needs provided for life, but like Samson when his hair was shorn, he would loose all of his power and influence. Power and influence are an addictive combination, dangerous as mixing certain prescription medications and alcohol, with the results being just as lethal. As in the case of Samson, the only cure was a true heartrending repentance and humbling of character. Should Danny choose to follow the road of redemption, he would still have

to reap the consequences of his actions, but the angels in Heaven would be rejoicing over another sinner saved. (According to some members of the Shelton clan, if that event were ever to occur, it would be the real miracle story of 3ABN.)

To be continued...

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 **calvin**

Apr 24 2006, 03:56 PM

Post #2



Just curious, has there been a moratorium on 3ABN bashing at Club Adventist?

site admin



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 **Clay**

Apr 24 2006, 03:59 PM

Post #3



QUOTE(calvin @ Apr 24 2006, 03:56 PM) [snapback]127804[/snapback]

Just curious, has there been a moratorium on 3ABN bashing at Club Adventist?

5,000 + posts



you think it has shifted here Calvin?

Group: **Administrator**
Posts: 20,159
Joined: 20-July 03
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Member No.: 4

"some engage in 2 dimensional thinking in a multidimensional reality..."
Clay, 4-08
" Much to learn you still have....." -Yoda-

Jesus was on this earth spoke well of Him, but the disciples were less than kind in telling the truth about one another. But the telling of the truth was inspired by God. Truth has reason behind it.

I had a cousin, many years ago, who called himself blessed by God and became a self-proclaimed minister with little professional training. and he called many people to God. These people are still in the Church, but he left the church, became wanted for evil doings even by the FBI, and today his ashes are buried in another person's grave. Was he used by God? I don't know but there are many generations of good SDA people whose grandparents were brought into the church by this apparently-lost man. Only God will judge him. But he did do a good work for God for a time, He was a dishonest man, he was found to be a bigamist, but the Lord still used him for a season. he was found out to actually be a bigamist. I believe these stories need to be told even though they seem to be about the blessed who in the end seem to be lost.

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 **Zephyr**

Apr 25 2006, 12:59 PM

Post #13



QUOTE(summertime @ Apr 25 2006, 08:06 AM)

[snapback]127864[/snapback]

This is not hearsay, from my own beliefs, it is written by authoratative sources.

It is hearsay and her say.. So what? Aint nothing wrong with hearsay or hersay. We aint in cott.

Advanced Member



Group: Members
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Joined: 1-February 06
Member No.: 1,556
Gender: m

"I believe what my church teaches.
My church teaches what I believe.
My church and I believe the same thing."--The Apostate's Creed.

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 **sister**

Apr 25 2006, 02:02 PM

Post #14

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BlackSDA Enthusiast

Group: Members

Posts: 616

Joined: 17-December 04

Member No.: 762

Gender: f

Why?...

Start the clock running...4 minutes for a commercial break, the countdown begins. This is CSI:Illinois (Church Show Investigation) and the computer in master control at NBC has inserted the scheduled commercials. Stay tuned for action that will follow...

Now the real action moves inside the living room. With the speed and agility of a pro team, the entire family responds in unison. Dad leaps to visit the facilities, sister rebounds from the kitchen, everybody's favorite drink is refreshed "remember Mama wants more ice in her tea", while Mama throws the popcorn into the microwave and grabs more chips, and in a flash the final countdown: 5...4...3...2...1 and the entire family has settled in their places, a look of anticipation on their faces. Tension is running high, what will that last shred of evidence reveal in the lab?

We interrupt the in-flight movie for brief announcement. Please remain in your seats, return your tray to an upright position and fasten your seatbelt, this is an announcement from your pilot and it just may answer some of your questions...

Both princessdi and Nuggie have wondered about "the motivation for these revelations and why here." PaperTigers responded, "I think the motivation might be that it's just time that more people were allowed to see "Behind the Scenes at 3ABN".

And now the rest of the story... I joined BSDA on December 17, 2004. I was surfing the net and found some references to this site. After lurking for a while, I joined. To be quite candid, I continued lurking even as a member. With the renewed interest in 3ABN after Danny's recent marriage, I began posting in the thread concerning that topic. A realization began to form, there is so much speculation about what has happened at 3ABN, perhaps it was time for someone with "insider" knowledge to pull away the curtain and reveal that the mighty Oz, was no more than a middle-aged man pulling the strings behind the facade. The only power he has is in the secrets that lie "Behind the Scenes at 3ABN" and too many of those "Golden Opportunities" were funneled directly or collaterally filling Danny's pockets

Why here? This is the online SDA forum where I am a member.

My motivation? It's time that more people were allowed to see

"Behind the Scenes at 3ABN", with knowledge comes responsibility.

Stay tuned as the story continues...

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 **Clay**

Apr 25 2006, 02:06 PM

Post #15



Sister.... no problem from me, just continue posting the facts as you know them to be, and all will be fine..... like I said before, this info is interesting, given that I had never paid much attention to 3ABN before....

5,000 + posts

BlackSDA Addicted

Group: Administrator

Posts: 20,159

Joined: 20-July 03

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Member No.: 4

Gender: m

 "some engage in 2 dimensional thinking in a multidimensional reality..."
 Clay, 4-08
 " Much to learn you still have....." -Yoda-

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 **princessdi**

Apr 25 2006, 03:20 PM

Post #16



5,000 + posts

BlackSDA Addicted

Group: Administrator

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Joined: 21-July 03

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Member No.: 47

Gender: f

Question sufficiently answered.....post on!!!! 🙏

QUOTE(sister @ Apr 25 2006, 01:02 PM) [snapback]127929[/snapback]

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 **Clay**

Apr 26 2006, 09:48 AM

Post #30



5,000 + posts

BlackSDA Addicted

Group: Administrator
Posts: 20,159
Joined: 20-July 03
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Member No.: 4
Gender: m

QUOTE(Fran @ Apr 26 2006, 09:42 AM) [snapback]128054[/snapback]

CA has some members under a gag order. You can only say what they want you to say. It has become very nice here as I read the truth!

There is much more to the story. I visit here before bothering to check CA.

that's our policy here... nothing off limits, just be polite when disagreeing...

"some engage in 2 dimensional thinking in a multidimensional reality..."
Clay, 4-08
" Much to learn you still have....." -Yoda-

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 **denisebyers**

Apr 26 2006, 10:22 AM

Post #31



Advanced Member
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Group: Members
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Member No.: 1,654
Gender: f

QUOTE(Fran @ Apr 26 2006, 11:42 AM) [snapback]128054[/snapback]

I visit here before bothering to check CA.

Me too!! There is so much more to read and learn here. Thanks Sister for posting what you have. Its been real interesting.....

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 **sister**

Apr 26 2006, 01:06 PM

Post #32

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BlackSDA Enthusiast

Group: Members

Posts: 616

Joined: 17-December 04

Member No.: 762

Gender: f

"What do you have in your hand?"...

There are incidents related that become the stuff from which legends and myths are created. One such story is told of a fund raising event that occurred in the Northwest. According to legend it came to pass in the open air, at dusk. That brief magical time between the light of day, where in the brightness of truth can separate itself from falsehood and the dark of night where intrigues are plotted and hatched. Danny was relating the story of Moses. Arriving at the juncture where God questions Moses, "What do you have in your hand?" We all know the answer, clasped in Moses' hand is his Shepherd's rod. An account is given of Danny throwing down a stick and unbeknownst to him, a snake slithers out of the grass. As the crowd stands mesmerized, Danny continues on with the story seemingly unaware of what has occurred. And the donations roll in. Upon closer examination, it has been suggested that the real snake in the grass stood on two legs.

So the birth of a new slogan for separating viewers from the contents of their wallets had taken place. But the reality and the intended results comically skewed in different directions. Rather than cold, hard cash all sorts of items were showing up at the compound of 3ABN: boats, RV's, cars, boxed silverware sets, crocheted pillows lovingly crafted by white-haired ladies, and the list goes on and on... The good viewers took the call literally, to the chagrin of Danny Shelton, and Studio B took on the appearance of a major flea market.

To paraphrase the 19th century Scottish poet Robert Burns, "the best laid plans of mice and men often go astray, creating more problems, than the joy and gain envisioned by the schemers".

It has been said that "that which is of God prospers, but not everything that prospers is of God". There is a big yellow house located on the West Frankfort Lake Road. It is the house that Danny built. Not difficult to find, it's location is an open secret in T'ville, only the employees of 3ABN have been forbidden to divulge it's location.

Before it's location was a so closely guarded secret from the viewers, I once heard tell of a man and his wife that were visiting 3ABN from California, a major marketing area for donations. After visiting the studios, turning left onto Highway 50, heading in the

direction of West Frankfort, they took the first left onto West Frankfort Lake road. The entire parcel of land on their left was open pasture and a small herd of horses were grazing in the afternoon sunshine. The angle of light hitting some long shafts of dried grass made them appear as if they were straw spun out of pure gold. This field extends from the highway to the next T junction of West Frankfort Lake Road that leads to the driveway of what was the home of Danny and Linda Shelton. That beautifully lite pasture land belongs to 3ABN and the herd of horses grazing there to Danny Shelton.

As the reflection of the afternoon sun brings a faint shimmer of gold to the big yellow house, the man turns off the ignition of his car, both he and his wife stare in wonder. This huge yellow house facing them on the West Frankfort Lake Road is not the home they had envisioned for Danny and Linda Shelton. As they sit there, the wife slowly opens her purse, her hand reaches for her checkbook. She takes out the check that she had forgotten to give to Molly Steenson after their tour of the studio. How fortunate they had made this detour before heading over to the old studio site to visit the location of the new 3ABN Radio station. The following thought passes through her mind as she shreds the check into tiny pieces: if Danny and Linda can live in an estate like this, 3ABN really doesn't need our donations. Returning to California that was the last check ever logged in that check register with 3ABN as the recipient and across the entry was neatly penned in capital letter one word, VOID.

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As a curtain is pulled back, a familiar face peers out from behind the window observing the rain from the big yellow house on West Frankfort Lake Road. A bolt of lighting, so close that the tremendous roar of thunder that accompanies it is separated by only a fraction of a second, sends him recoiling from his observation post. Not enough time is available for Brandy's children to complete the first number in the childhood countdown for reckoning distance...

The house that Danny built shakes in anticipation with the ever increasing possibility that the next hit could dislodge the actual foundation, its former glory dispersed, scattered by the four winds like a house of cards.

Wipe the sleet clean: remove Danny Shelton, Molly and Hal Steenson, Walt Thompson and the others that have been involved in supporting this corrupt administration. After the dust has settled and the rubble has been removed, what is left: a world-wide ministry with programming intended to reach people thirsting for the truth of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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 **beartrap**

Apr 26 2006, 07:36 PM

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BlackSDA Enthusiast

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A progression that I found interesting is that of the "God Complex." In 1990, I remember a week of prayer at 3ABN that was done by Hal and Mollie Steenson. They told us employees that God had given us to Danny as gifts all wrapped up, and that when those gifts were opened, Danny would reveal to us who we were, what we were, and what we were to become.

Some years later, Mollie came to 3ABN and took the position of Danny's personal secretary. She immediately started telling Danny and everyone else that God speaks to Danny, and speaks to us through Danny. Then E.T. Everett arrived and took it a step further. She led Danny to believe that whatever thoughts and impressions he had regarding anything were the voice of God. Soon Danny was looking at people and telling them that the Lord was revealing this or that about them. He was being shown things in dreams or visions. If you disagreed with him, you were disagreeing with God himself because he was the voice of God.

I will never forget the man in Denver, CO at a church I was speaking in. After the service, he told me that I was so fortunate to be working with God's final prophet for the end times. He said that E.G. White was the prophet for her day, but Danny was a much greater prophet.

Danny seems to have surrounded himself with people who enforce that in him, and it has come to the point where Even a board member who works at 3ABN said, when someone disagreed with Danny, "To us, Danny is God."

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sister

Apr 27 2006, 02:49 PM

Post #67

A Man of Influence...

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BlackSDA Enthusiast

Group: Members
Posts: 616
Joined: 17-December 04
Member No.: 762
Gender: f

His name is recognizable to few of the rank and file that make up the millions of members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Although holding no prominent church office, his name alone guarantees his entrance at the highest organizational levels. Like a master puppeteer who manipulates the strings from behind the curtains, out of sight from the audience, he causes the marionettes to perform at his bidding through the pressure he exerts on their strings. With a few well chosen and well placed words he puts up Division and Conference Presidents, then has them removed or moved at his discretion.

How can one man wield so much power? Money... To refuse to comply with his wishes would mean the rescinding of the funds he so "generously" supplies. As many have experienced, "He who pays the piper calls the tunes." In addition to the organized church, he guides the reins of many familiar SDA organizations. Have you heard of ASI or OCI? Who is this individual that makes church officials tremble in his wake? Who is this shadowy figure, his plans concealed from view? What is his motivation? Where does he fit into our story?

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As a come up to a red traffic signal, a large truck is stopped before me. On the mud flaps is a partially obscured name. It ends with the letter "s", but the rest lay hidden behind the construction grime that covers it... I just can not make it out clearly, the image haunts me the entire day as I try to remember the name. Like a snippet of a melody that plays over and over in your head and you can not recall the rest of the tune, it permeates my thoughts.

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"C-O-N-T-R-O-L!" "CONTROL!" "It is spelled C-O-N-T-R-O-L!" Then Danny opens his mouth, sticks out his tongue and jabbing his fingers toward the opening, completes a gesture for vomiting that

one would expect only from a small child. "That is just what Garwin did and said!"Then Danny laughs and continues on with the story.

The story Danny related took place during the administration of Robert Folkenberg as president of the GC. The purpose of the meeting? It depends upon what version you are quoting. To hear it told from Danny's perspective, Folkenberg and the GC were attempting a hostile takeover of 3ABN. As the parties involved addressed each other over the formulation of the document that lay on the table between them and what this would mean for the administrative and operational future of 3ABN, an older man walked in and sat down. Intent upon the negotiations that were suggested by the parties involved, he remained silent. Pairs of eyes darted back and forth, trying to "read" what lay behind his intent expression, with the full knowledge that once his opinion was voiced they would be expected to fall into line.

He stood up and all conversation ceased, you could feel the tension mount as those assembled waited for his pronouncement... Raising his hand toward his head, his mouth opened and sticking out his tongue he jabbed his fingers toward the opening. After completing this gesture he said, "C-O-N-T-R-O-L!" "CONTROL!" "It is spelled C-O-N-T-R-O-L!" With this announcement and his elaborations that followed, 3ABN was "saved" from the interference of the GC. But at what price? Instead of becoming an organization working in conjunction with the organized church, 3ABN became what it is today: a private institution with accountability to no one, run by a man who has professed himself to be as "god" in his ministry.

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 **higherground2003**

Apr 27 2006, 04:00 PM

Post #68

Advanced Member



Group: Members
Posts: 306
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Member No.: 255

QUOTE(Hersheys99 @ Apr 27 2006, 11:24 AM)

[snapback]128216[/snapback]

Yes but when there are more than 1 person telling the same story & some of these folks have worked previously at 3ABN & have seen first hand what is going on we are not jumping to conclusions we are going by FACTS! I know some of the things being said are true as I have seen it myself or been told the

"stories" by some of them that the "stories" are about.

I know plenty of lies out there that has more than one person telling it. In my opinion, this is just as wrong as what 3abn did.

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 **Hersheys99**

Apr 27 2006, 04:38 PM

Post #69



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BlackSDA Enthusiast

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Joined: 6-April 06
Member No.: 1,672
Gender: f

QUOTE

I know plenty of lies out there that has more than one person telling it. In my opinion, this is just as wrong as what 3abn did.

I find it interesting that since you find it so wrong then why are you reading it? If I find something wrong or that I feel is wrong I surely wouldn't sit & read about it. That is my opinion.

My second favorite household chore is ironing. My first one being -- hitting my head on the top bunk bed until I faint.
-Erma Bombeck-

Inside me lives a skinny woman crying to get out. But I can usually shut her up with cookies.
(Unknown)

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 **sister**

Apr 27 2006, 07:26 PM

Post #70

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BlackSDA Enthusiast

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Joined: 17-December 04
Member No.: 762
Gender: f

The Sword of Damocles... a warning

A sharpened sword is suspended from the ceiling on a single horse hair above where Damocles is seated. Sweat forms on his brow, his eye begins to twitch, gazing up a thought suddenly leaps into his brain, "Is it more dangerous, to move slowly and deliberately, risking the possibility that even this minute disturbance of air is enough to loose the weaken single strand of hair or to move suddenly, springing forth from his seat, or should he remain perfectly still, diligently pursuing the outcome of each possibility in his mind...

I have been warned that in my last post I may have awoken a

sleeping giant, much more dangerous than Danny. I have been cautioned that I am probably safe at this time, but that I should be careful to remember what has happened to others that have made statements exposing this influential man for what he does.

The following quote from beartrap speaks for me. I have supplied the bold print.

QUOTE(beartrap @ Apr 26 2006, 09:27 PM)

[snapback]128132[/snapback]

I can't say that the NAD does, or doesn't firmly support 3ABN, but I can say that there are a number of influential leaders from the local conference level on up to the GC who firmly support Danny Shelton. **As one of them once told me, there is a vastly wealthy man who unquestioningly supports Danny, and no church entity with any monetary sense will jeopardize funding from this man by questioning Danny's integrity.**

Stay tuned...

This post has been edited by **sister**: Apr 28 2006, 03:55 AM

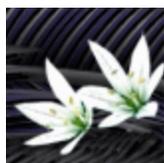
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 **Jvat**

Apr 27 2006, 10:01 PM

Post #71



Does the SDA church operate like a Mafia Organisation, folks? That a man can have money and use it to manipulate the church to his own ends and GET AWAY WITH IT???? Lord help us all!!!

Advanced Member



Group: Members
Posts: 441
Joined: 4-August 04
Member No.: 514

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 **Zephyr**

Apr 27 2006, 10:16 PM

Post #72

Guests

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Sounds like good business sense if Danny has not done anything illegal. The problem is not Danny but those who believe that what he does is anything more than good family TV entertainment.

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 **sister**

Apr 28 2006, 01:26 PM

Post #75

The Tree in the midst of the Garden...Part 1

500 + posts

BlackSDA Enthusiast

Group: Members
 Posts: 616
 Joined: 17-December 04
 Member No.: 762
 Gender: f

Texas has been represented by soldiers, who have had the misfortune of receiving their basic training in it's broad expanses as "the only place on earth where you can have mud in your boots and dust in your eyes at the same time". This is the land of long horned cattle and "remember the Alamo". Amid the dangers, initiated by both nature and man, the treat of settling disagreements with a gun has permeated the history of the Lone Star State. We now intensify our focus, narrowing our field of vision to a compound located near the town of Waco. The year is 1993 and we are transported back in time to the infamous showdown between the United States government and the Branch Davidians. Lead by David Koresh, **self proclaimed god of his ministry**, a confrontation was to take place that would shock the world.

Born Vernon Wayne Howell, 1959, in the city of Houston, Texas; by 1990 he had become the leader of the Branch Davidians and legally changed his name to David Koresh. He said that the change occurred because he believed that he was now head of the Biblical house of David.

Beginning in his late childhood, Koresh had a strong interest in the Bible and developing musical abilities. At the age of twenty he turned to the Seventh-day Adventist Church, the church of his mother. When the preceding information was released in the media, a shock wave swept though the Adventist church that appeared to be of cataclysmic proportions. Media damage control

was immediately undertaken. The church survived any association that existed between it and David Koresh, however brief. In fact, the story has been told that he was removed by the local congregation for being a bad influence on the young people. I would venture to say, in that local congregation were members who believed the Biblical admonition, " You can recognize a tree by the fruit..." On hindsight most of us could agree there were some wise folks in that local church.

A few years after David Koresh was removed from a SDA congregation, another young man, a few years older, with a certain interest in the Bible and musical ability was to start his own ministry. He too would come become a **self proclaimed god within the confines of his compound**. Here the stories diverges. The former man was shunned by the SDA church, the latter man has been allowed to become "the face of the SDA church" around the world. A small aside, in opposition to rumors that floated through T'ville beginning in the time of "Waco", I would be willing to swear in a court of law, on a stack of Bibles, "There are no weapons or ammo hidden beneath the floorboards of 3ABN".

Ever since Eve ate of the fruit of the only tree from which she was forbidden access in the garden of Eden, men and women have been tempted by that old serpent, whispering in their ear, "listen to me and heed my advice... then you will surely become like God". Now most of us would be willing to agree that it is no sin to be tempted. The sinning begins when we don't walk away from the temptation and keep right on looking and listening.

Imperceptibly at first, to the human eye, we start to incline our ear, to hear what is being said more clearly. That's when the Devil knows that the hook is sliding into your mouth and with patience born of over 6 thousands years of experience with human beings, he just waits for you to bite down. Then just like the proverbial fish tale, he plays you for a while, slowly reeling you in, then letting you run a bit, finally secure in the knowledge that the hook is deeply imbedded, he hauls you in...hook, line and sinker. Before you realize what has come to pass. The devil presents you, like a catfish all fried up and crispy with a mess of Collards on the side. That catfish, may look good on the outside, the aroma may start the juices in your mouth to run, but the Lord has told us it will not provide the what a body need to remain healthy.

Like Adam was lead to that certain tree in the middle of the garden

by Eve. Two women have been responsible for leading Danny Shelton to the perception that his voice is as the voice of God at 3ABN. Like Eve they may have brought him to that tree, but like Adam before him, Danny choose to eat of it. And it appears that once Danny began, he continued on, whole hog.

At this point we pause...

The story will continue in Part ...

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So what is the man's name Sister.? Don't just leave a brother hanging. 

QUOTE(sister @ Apr 27 2006, 02:49 PM) [snapback]128279[/snapback]

A Man of Influence...

His name is recognizable to few of the rank and file that make up the millions of members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Although holding no prominent church office, his name alone guarantees his entrance at the highest organizational levels. Like a master puppeteer who manipulates the strings from behind the curtains, out of sight from the audience, he causes the marionettes to perform at his bidding through the pressure he exerts on their strings. With a few well chosen and well placed words he puts up Division and Conference Presidents, then has them removed or moved at his discretion.

How can one man wield so much power? Money... To refuse to comply with his wishes would mean the rescinding of the funds he so "generously" supplies. As many have experienced, "He who pays the piper calls the tunes." In addition to the organized church, he guides the reins of many familiar SDA organizations. Have you heard of ASI or OCI? Who is this individual that makes church officials tremble in his wake? Who is this shadowy figure, his plans concealed from view? What is his motivation? Where does he fit into our story?

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~ Sometimes the hardest thing to do is the RIGHT thing!

~ Work like you don't need the money, love like you've never been hurt and dance like you would if no one was watching!



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Move over you two!! Have some juice, soda to go with that popcorn and fried meaty bits..... 🍷 🍷

QUOTE(PaperTigers @ Apr 28 2006, 07:20 PM)

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🍷 🍷 🍷 I'll share my popcorn, Princess!!

This is getting interesting, I think I'll put on my pj bottoms and grab a comfy chair.

TTFN
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And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose---Romans 8:28

A great many people believe they are thinking when they are merely rearranging their prejudices.-- William James

It is better to be silent and be thought a fool, than to speak and remove all doubt.- Mark Twain

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sister

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The Tree in the midst of the Garden...Part

As we return to our chronicle, we observe Danny continually returning and gorging himself upon the fruit from that forbidden tree. Realizing that he may soon stand before the world caught with his pants down, unlike Adam, who hastily assembled a

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garment of leaves to cover his nakedness, Danny has the entire resources of 3ABN poised and ready, "for the good of the ministry". At a moment's notice, spinning the threads needed to prepare a new garment for him, tailor-made to obliterate Danny's most recent public verbal indiscretion. The chief spin-doctor, Walt Thompson, prepares another letter as the Chairman of the Board of 3ABN. It is quickly distributed through the mailing list of donors. The object of which is to so obscure the gaze of the active viewer or casual visitor to 3ABN to what lies hidden beneath the surface and keep the money rolling in. This is essential to maintain Danny seat on his throne as "god" of 3ABN.

There is one important fact that Danny and Walt have overlooked: there are many open and other somewhat more oblique secrets, the knowledge and protection of which rest in the minds of many witnesses and their continued silence.

The confidentiality of Danny's "indiscretions" can only be maintained as long as the current and former employees of 3ABN, as well as the elected and appointed personnel of the SDA church, and even the inner sanctum of Danny's immediate and extended family (both past, current and future) are all willing to remain silent for "the good of the ministry". All of whom have been lead to believe that the stability and continuance of 3ABN lies in retaining Danny Shelton as it's sole founder—since the public humiliation and dismissal of co-founder, Linda Shelton—and the public face of the SDA church.

When the day arrives, and it will, after all the Public Relations spin and hype is removed and Danny stands before the world...but we are getting ahead of ourselves. Let's continue with our current narration...

One facet of this story has always intrigued me. It is how a man can continue to be "the face of the Seventh-day Adventist church to the world", when so many people are aware of the falsehoods and intrigues" behind the scenes at 3ABN"? Let's explore this issue to a greater extent, before the identity and the actions of the two women introduced in Part 1 of this narration are unveiled:

1. Many of the former employees of 3ABN have witnessed personally different aspects, including those exposed here and many further events that have not yet been publically revealed, of 3ABN's hidden history. They have been persuaded, like many, that

3ABN can not sustain the loss of Danny Shelton at it's helm. As sincere followers of Christ, they are so sicken by what they have experienced that when they leave 3ABN, they just want to forget the whole mess and get on with their lives.

Then there are good people who sincerely believe in what can be accomplished, in spite of Danny Shelton, and they remain year, after year. To do so, is a very difficult task. It means having to put on blinders and as a race horse, not looking to the left or right, completely concentrating on the finish line. But this choice comes at a great price. You are still aware of all the horses as you run in the midst of them, you can still hear everything as you circle the track and the aroma that surrounds you permeates your nostrils . Day after day you keep telling yourself you are doing this for the good of the ministry.

2. Until Hope Channel is secured on considerably more cable networks in the USA, a loose partnership is perceived as necessary between the SDA church and 3ABN. If that means turning a blind eye on Danny's most recent Public Relations nightmare, his divorce from Linda and his remarriage to Brandy, it is considered a small price to pay in return for what Danny has to offer.

3. The immediate and extended Shelton family, both past and present, this is another kettle of fish all together. Over the years Danny has been very "free" in his conversation within the extended family circle. This freedom of speech relates to primarily three preconceived notions on his part: his perception of their "loyalty" to him, his need and desire for bragging and just plain ignorance. Oh, then there are also a few others, those who have been silenced by gag orders or so discredited publicly that they are considered a "manageable" threat. Those include Danny's ex-wife, former son-in-law and previous employees.

There is a popular saying in southern Illinois that pertains to the assumption of ignorance, cited under number three: A man got into a long line, he thought if so many people where willing to wait it must be something really important or free, as he tired of the delay he inquired of those ahead of him what they were all waiting for. Upon hearing what he assumed to be their response, he quickly fell out of line and went fishing. The crowd had responded in unison with one word— Brains. Being a good old boy and not paying enough attention, he thought they said "Trains" and knowing full well that there were enough of those hauling coal from the local

mines to the cities in the North, he just shook his head and walked away.

What all three groups above share in common is one unmistakably flawed supposition: the ministry of 3ABN would not continue without the leadership of Danny Shelton. I am here to testify to the falsehood of that assumption. It is God who has raised up this ministry, in spite of Danny Shelton, not because of him. Why else would it only take Hope Channel only three years to achieve the same growth that it took 3ABN twelve years, under the leadership of Danny Shelton?

It has been suggest that this unauthorized history of 3ABN is nothing more than an interesting read. A weak attempt to dismiss the authenticity of the stories that have been related. In rebuttal I would like to quote a comment that Clay made on another thread relating to Danny Shelton, "...how do you know that God has not prompted us to speak out against some of the foolishness we have observed? How do you know that we aren't part of God' fixing it?"

A this point we will again pause in our story... No, I have not forgotten that I promised to reveal the identity of the two women and their involvement with Danny, that is still ahead of us.

Stay tuned for Part 3 of "The Tree in the midst of the Garden"...

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who said we are taking it as truth.... we are reading and evaluating... the truth we may never know..... besides... the name of the thread is.... An Unauthorized History of 3ABN..... if you think its not true.... then ask questions or do some digging of your own..... btjm....

"some engage in 2 dimensional thinking in a multidimensional reality..."
Clay, 4-08
" Much to learn you still have....." -Yoda-

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The Tree in the midst of the Garden...Part 3

Leaning against a tree Danny looks up, causing a trickle of incredibly sweet juice to run down his chin. Lifting his arm he wipes the sap on the sleeve of his flannel shirt. Gazing up into the branches he sees a creature so beautiful it defies description. It begins whispering to him in a voice so melodious he imagines that it must be an angel sent by God. Leaning closer, so as not to miss a single word, transfixed by this image before him, his hand relaxes and the fruit that it once clasped drops to the ground at his feet. As he intently listens, the creature reveals his future: Danny will have dreams and visions coming directly from GOD. When Danny speaks it will be the voice of god at 3ABN. No matter what he says, whether it is right or wrong, it is right; for he will be like God...

As a sleeper awoken in the midst of a dream, Danny shakes his head and slowly stands up from where he has been seated on the porch. Brushing off the dust from the seat of his pants, he walks into the house. Pausing next to Linda, he grabs a piece of fruit, bites into it and starts chewing. The sap starts to roll down his chin and as he lifts his arm, wiping away the juice on the sleeve of his shirt, he thinks about the "daydream" that just passed before his eyes as he sat on their porch. A smile lights up his face, sitting down he picks up his guitar and starts strumming. His future is appearing rosier all the time...

The first of the "two women" has entered the scene. A friendship between she, her husband and Danny dates back from before the founding of 3ABN. She is familiar with the intrigues and falsehoods that can be used to gain power in a ministry, to control and manipulate those that surround the throne of power. Together, with her husband, she held tightly the reins of their growing congregation. Renowned for her Pentecostal teachings on speaking in tongues and with the skilled homiletics of her husband in the pulpit, there appeared to be no ceiling on the heights they could scale, no end to the wealth accumulated and at their complete disposal, and definitely no lack of skill on her part in manipulating "the truth behind the scenes" to keep them from reaching the zenith of private ministries. But there was one chink in the armor, something even Mollie could not control: the drinking, and the womanizing that accompanied it, of an alcoholic husband. How quickly the mighty can fall...

As Mollie spun, returning to the earth, a hand was held out to her, offering her escape from her downward spiral. Clutching the outstretched hand, her fall was aborted in mid-flight and she was again where she belonged—in ministry. True, it meant beginning in a humble position, but that would not pose too great an obstacle for Mollie to surmount. She had time and experience on her side, and if the climb to the top included compromising principle and even lying, she could clearly see that "the end justifies the means". Besides, it is imperative that she regain the power that was wrenched from her grasp and in time, to exceed it.

In 1990, at the height of their ministry, Hal and Mollie were invited to be the speakers at a week of prayer at 3ABN. Why would a Seventh-day Adventist invite a Pentecostal pastor and his wife, experts in the teachings of speaking in tongues, as the speakers

for a week of prayer within his ministry?
 The answer... Hal and Mollie told the employees that they (the employees) had been given to Danny as gifts, all wrapped up, and that when those gifts were opened, Danny would reveal to them who they were and what they were to become. In my book this smells like a set up, not unlike a fancy man touting his "ladies" on a street corner. Only this time it is Hal and Mollie sitting in the front seat of the Caddy and there stands Danny all turned out by them, the newest prophet in the SDA church—proclamation and confirmation from the same source.

This same said Mollie and Hal Steenson, were the collaborators in suggesting and sustaining the "first miracle" of 3ABN. It was Hal who advised Danny that by telling the story of Hal's purported "gift" of television equipment to Danny from a Pentecostal ministry, with Hal willing to sign a falsified document substantiating the "fact", it would "prime the financial pump" and the donations would stream in to Danny's pockets. The truth of the matter is that this \$100,000.00 worth of equipment actually came from Joe Crews, the founder of Amazing Facts, in exchange for air time.

Some years later, Mollie returns to 3ABN, snatched from the crumbling ruins of the ministry that she and Hal built. It was Danny Shelton who reached out his hand to her and broke her fall. After her installation as his personal secretary, she immediately starts affirming to Danny and promulgating to everyone else in the 3ABN compound that God speaks to Danny and speaks to them through Danny. Mollie was now back in her element.

The story continues on in Part 4 of "The Tree in the midst of the Garden"...

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