# Joint Conversations

"Polite conversation is rarely either." - *Fran Lebowitz*October 2019 - ISSUE 28

'Time 4 Hemp' returns with new weekly podcasts.



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"Make the most you can of the Indian Hemp seed and sow it everywhere."

- George Washington, U.S. President

"Hemp is of first necessity to the wealth and protection of the country." - Thomas Jefferson, U.S. President

'Time 4 Hemp' made its debut Jan 5th 1991. Over the years the series has blossomed into a Global Broadcasting Network featuring amazing activists, radio hosts, writers, producers and litigation experts who have come together in one voice denouncing marijuana prohibition.

Advertising with this team has tremendous benefits! There has never been a more important time to invest in the Cannabis Movement than today, with Time 4 Hemp. This network has the power, through mainstream broadcasting on iHeartRadio, along with the HIGH QUALITY production with the all-star lineup, to reach over 10.5 mllion registered iHeartRadio users.

If you are looking for an explosive opportunity to talk to your key audience - then become a sponsor on the network. We will create the perfect package that offers the most traction for your campaign.

In such an historic time, the companies, individuals and organizations who advertise on Time 4 Hemp will have their voices heard as we aggressively expand our audience. Your dollars will help put the programs on this network in front of millions of people and forever change the landscape of informed activism.

### It's About Time.....

I guess it's about time I get back to broadcasting new programs on the network. It's been a struggle to do so, thanks to the problems I had to deal with at GoDaddy. Now that those are behind me, I am able to focus on producing NEW CONTENT for the network - and I am very excited about the way things are progressing.

First off- the new website ROCKS, or at least I think it does. It loads in fast and works correctly in every web-browser. I've built it on SquareSpace after giving up on WordPress. One of the benefits of having the website on SquareSpace is that all of our podcasts will soon be found on iTunes due to their partnership. Currently we are found on iHeartRadio, Spreaker, Tumblr, and SoundCloud. Being included in iTunes will be a fun way to expand our audience. An easy way to enjoy the '24/07 all cannabis all the time' broadcast is to hit the PLAY button on the audio player at the top of the Home-page of Time4Hemp.news. We play LOTS of Rock with a LITTLE Talk!



Nearly all programs produced for the network are 60-minutes or less in length. Most people today have limited free time; because of that we intend to keep our shows short.

It's not easy to do since our guests have much to share. We are working with the concept of doing 2-part programs - but sometimes it makes more sense to release a 42-min MP3 instead of two 21-min files.

One of the important aspects to the website are the network archives. We have been producing programming since 1991 and every show can be found on the website. I would encourage you to look through them in your spare time. There are many great guests who have taken Time 4 Hemp.

Another reason for keeping our segments short is so they will be easy to listen to on your smart phone. The website works great on any device but sometimes an MP3 can be difficult to listen to if the file is too large.

Maintaining a blog on SquareSpace is amazingly easy to do as well. Because of that, new posts will be added to The Learning Center blog 2-4 times a week.

Maintaining the MONTHLY newsletter, Joint Conversations, will be easy to do. In the past, SOMETIMES I was able to make deadline and SOMETIMES I wasn't. The newsletter came out SOMETIME during the month. I'm now gonna TRY to release it SOMETIME the FIRST week of each month.



Patrick Moore takes Time 4 Hemp.

### It's Time 4 Hemp!

Casper Leitch returns to hosting his ground-breaking series, 'Time 4 Hemp' with the first segment being released October 14th. The guest for the show is Los Angeles Hemp Advocate, Patrick Moore. Patrick has spent the last 15 years trying to enlighten people about the truth and importance of cannabis. He's presently focused on promoting a new California initiative for the 2020 ballot entitleded 'The California Cannabis Hemp Heritage Act'.

Click here to listen to a preview of the show.

### October 21st

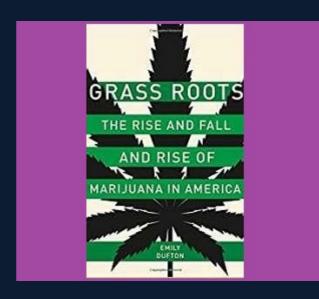
The guest is **Keith Stroup**, founder of **NORML**. Keith has practiced criminal law, lobbied on Capitol Hill for family farmers and artists, and for several years served as executive director of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (**NACDL**).

In 1992, he was the recipient of the Richard J. Dennis Drugpeace Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Field of Drug Policy Reform presented by the Drug Policy Foundation, Washington, DC.

Click here to listen to a preview of the show.



Casper Leitch (L) and Keith Stroup (R).





Bill Levin takes Time 4 Hemp.

### October 28th

The guest is **Bill Levin**, who founded the **First Church of Cannabis in Indianapolis**, March 4, 2015. Bill attended Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation (a Reform Judaism synagogue) as a child and titles himself to be 'The Grand Poobah' of the church.

After looking around the political landscape, Bill has decided Indiana woul be a much better place to live if he were the Governor of the state so he is running for the office in 2020.

Click here to listen to a preview of the show.

### November 4th

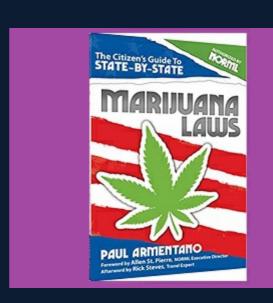
The feature guest is **Paul Armentano**, Deputy Director of **NORML**. Paul has written on the subject of cannabis and marijuana policy for over 20-years. His work has appeared in over 200 publications, including more than a dozen textbooks and anthologies. He is a frequent contributor to AlterNet, **The Hill**, High Times, and The Huffington Post. He is a 2008 recipient of the '**Project Censored** Real News Award for Outstanding Investigative Journalism'.

Al Byrne and Mary Lynn Mathre join in as Joint-Hosts.

Click here to listen to a preview of the show.



Paul Armentano takes Time 4 Hemp.



### Time 4 Hemp Will Soon Be On Fire!

Amazon Fire that is. Time 4 Hemp is the first ALL CANNABIS – ALL THE TIME broadcasting network on ROKU-TV. (It's also the first ALL CANNABIS- ALL THE TIME broadcasting network on iHeartRadio.) Over the past year, all our video platforms have changed – some for the better -- some for the worse.

First off, ROKU and YouTube struck an agreement in which ROKU would no longer allow YouTube videos to be seen on their network. This caused a lot of the ROKU channels to have a meltdown. Many developers of ROKU content would post their videos on YouTube and then use the YouTube link to stream the content into ROKU. The new agreement caused a large amount of content to suddenly disappear from hundreds of channels, the Time 4 Hemp channel included.



It became necessary to revert the ROKU-TV channel to a private channel so as to rebuild it. The channel will once again be LIVE on **February 02**, **2020** (that's 02/02/2020). The Time 4 Hemp Amazon Fire Channel is set to launch on the same day.

The Tommy Chong Television Network, Cannabis Club TV, picked up the Time 4 Hemp video series in October of 2018. Some of those segments have been released on YouTube, but YouTube does what it can to make it hard to find our content.

### I Want My Hemp TV.

There's been a Time 4 Hemp YouTube Channel since 1999. During the past 20-years a LOT of content has been added to it. At one time, all the video's posted got a LOT of traffic. Because the topic of our videos is 'WE NEED TO END CANNABIS PROHIBITION', YouTube makes it hard to find us in a search on their site. If you do a YouTube search on the term 'hemp' a video from the Time 4 Hemp Channel on the topic of hemp with the word 'HEMP' in the title is nowhere to be found in the first 100 results. There are nearly 2,000 videos about hemp on the channel!

Posting videos on the Time 4 Hemp FaceBook Fan Page ended up being a pointless endeavor as well. FaceBook does what it can to censor the message about the need to end cannabis prohibition. FaceBook is also famous to making it difficult to network on their platform. If you post a video on FaceBook and begin to post about it in your groups on fan pages, by the time you've made your 11th or 15th post, FaceBook blocks your ability to post on any timeline except your own. It's easy to post a video onto FaceBook – it's just impossible to make more than 100 people aware of the video in any given day.

The above-mentioned problems pertaining to YouTube and FaceBook are now well known. Activists around the world have posted rants about the censorship these two platforms have put into place and have begun to move their content elsewhere. One of the places video content producers are migrating to is **BitChute.com**. This includes the Time 4 Hemp Network!

One of the many reasons I've fallen in love with SquareSpace has much to do with the ability to show videos ON THE WEBSITE. Now, like CNN, or NBC or CBS – the Time 4 Hemp Network can display the videos we produce ON the website. This makes it easier for our audience to locate each segment AND share us with friends.

Now that there are several viable avenues for an audience to access the networks productions, I'm extremely excited about the new content being developed. Two programs are currently being released on a regular basis.

The first is the 'Time 4 Hemp Video Series'. The first two segments are available on the archive page. New shows will be released each Friday starting October 18th.

The **Time 4 Hemp Toons** series has also launched. The first two segments can be viewed on the archive page. Animation is an involved process that takes a silly amount of time to produce a small segment – therefore it is a series that will only be release monthly beginning **November 23rd**.

Due to the way the internet is censoring content about cannabis prohibition, it is important to us that our audience share our content with their friends. Someday, very soon, it may be the ONLY way we are found. Google and Yahoo make it difficult for pro-cannabis organizations to be heard as do the many social platforms where people interact.

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Derek Cloutier sounds off on Veterans Voices.

### Listen To Veterans Voices.

'Veterans Voices' returns with new segments being released every Wednesday starting October 16th. Hosted by Al Byrne and Michael Krawitz, 'Veterans Voices' kicks-off its fourth season on the Time 4 Hemp Network with guest, Derek Cloutier. Derek is president of the New England Veterans Alliance.

The series is produced by veterans and puts a spotlight on veterans who need medical cannabis. One well known past guest, Jesse Ventura, is being scheduled for a return visit.

Click here to listen to a preview of the show.

### October 23rd

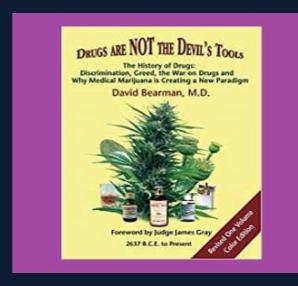
Featured guest is **Dr. David Bearman**, one of the leading physicians in the field of Medical Cannabis in the United States. He has 40 years experience working in substance and drug abuse treatment and prevention programs. He promotes the clinical application of cannabis and cannabinoids as a physician in Goleta, CA.

He is the author of: 'Drugs Are NOT the Devil's Tools: How Discrimination and Greed Created a Dysfunctional Drug Policy and How It Can Be Fixed'.

Click here to listen to a preview of the show.



Dr David Bearman visits Veterans Voices.





Leo Bridgewater visits Veterans Voices.

### October 30th

Featured guest, Leo Bridgewater, was an Army Specialist who served multiple tours in Iraq and Afghanistan and is the founder of Minorities for Medical Marijuana.

Having struggled with PTSD himself, he knows the absurdity of treating this condition with opiates and anxiety medications. They only mask the symptoms. With cannabis therapy, he no longer suffers with PTSD.

Click here to listen to a preview of the show.

### November 6th

Featured guest is Life Griffith, a 19 year U.S. Army veteran and who serves as the Executive Director of Veterans Health Solutions (VHS).

VHS is a non-profit group based in Atlanta, GA that specializes in educating veteran minorities and underserved communities about HEMP/CBD oil as a natural holistic alternative solution for pain management and other acute medical conditions.



Dr David Bearman visits Veterans Voices.

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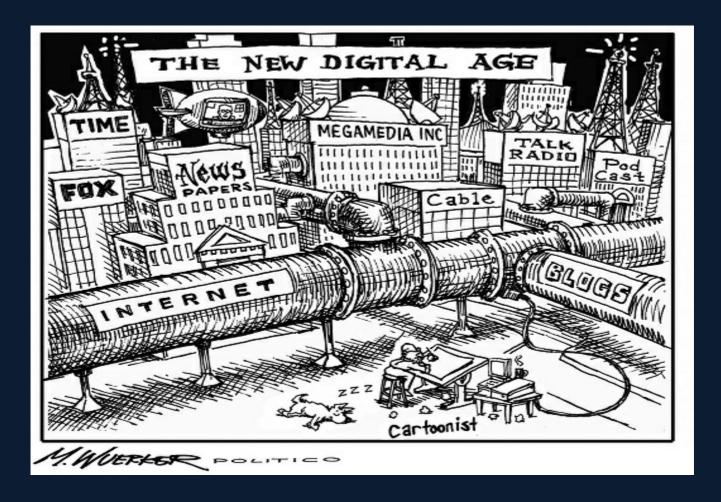
Get your FREE copy of the NEW BOOK 'CBD AND YOUR PET' on October 28th at this website.



### Why GoDaddy Should Be Called StopDaddy!

I became a GoDaddy customer in 1999 when I launched the Time 4 Hemp website. At the time, GoDaddy was just about the only place you could buy a domain name and get a website builder to quickly build a site. By 2003, their website builders became obsolete and GoDaddy no longer supported them making it necessary to learn how to build a site with WordPress or find a webmaster who could. After building a site and adding content to it for 5-years, it was SUDDENLY necessary to re-build it again -- I was NOT happy, to say the least.

The following 4-years were a nightmare. WordPress was constantly being re-invented week-after-week and anyone who was any good with working with it had to also good at working with computer codes. When GodDaddy re-introduced their website builders in 2008, I was thrilled and quickly re-built my website AGAIN – and was happy to have a website that I could operate without needing a webmaster to do the heavy lifting.



In 2013, GoDaddy did it again! It stopped supporting its own website builders making it necessary to ONCE AGAIN rebuild my website from the bottom up with WordPress. After going through 5 different people in 3 years who declared themselves to be a 'WebMaster' only to prove themselves to be nothing more than a 'BullShitMaster', I learned enough about WordPress to run my own site.

### GoDaddy SUCKS!

In 2017, someone hacked into one of GoDaddy's servers and was spamming Comcast customers. Comcast blocked that server and, as a result, ANY WEBSITE on that server was ALSO blocked by Comcast making it impossible for anyone using Comcast to visit my website – including me, since I'm a Comcast customer.

When I called GoDaddy and asked them to move my website to a new server, they told me it would cost me \$280 to have them move it – OR – I could move it myself FOR FREE. I was so pissed that I chose to move it myself. Due to the size of the site, it took me 12 days to download all my files; 8 days to up-load them into a new server and 4 days to restore the site back to working condition causing my site to be down for 24 days. It would have taken GoDaddy only 3-hours to move it directly from one of their servers into another one.

In 2018, every time WordPress would update itself, my website would stop working correctly and I'd have to call GoDaddy and have GoDaddy fix whatever it was that GoDaddy seemed to have to do every time there was a WordPress update. GoDaddy DID offer to up-grade my account AND FOR JUST AN EXTRA \$30 a month, my website would NOT be affected by future WordPress updates. I declined their offer and, every 6-9 weeks I had to call GoDaddy and have them repair my website due to an auto-up-date from WordPress.

In November of 2018, I decided to rebuild the website ONE MOVE TIME and upgraded my account so WordPress updates would no longer affect it. I spent 6 weeks working on the website and in January of 2019 launched it for public review. I sent out about 100 emails to prospective sponsors suggesting they check out the website. Two days after sending out my big announcements, my website was not loading in correctly. It was taking 2-3 minutes to load in. When it did load it, it didn't look right. Everyone though my site looked like a 9-year old put it together and all the prospects for new sponsorship refused to take my calls.

I was furious. I called GoDaddy. They told me that due to the size of my website I needed to upgrade to a BUSINESS ACCOUNT. The salesperson stated that due to the nearly 48,000 MP3's on the site I needed to up-grade so as to handle not only the large among of content on the site but also the large amount of traffic the site attracts. I gave in and agreed to the extra \$80 a month up-grade and after 3 weeks, the site was still loading in SLOW. It would load in correctly- but it took nearly a full minute for the homepage to load in and the rest of the site was just as slow.

When I called GoDaddy, they explained that I needed to either move up to a BUSINESS account with more storage and a dedicated server for \$130 more on the month OR remove a lot of my content in order to speed up the load-in time. Frustrated, I decided to hired a web-repair company to go into my website and see what they could do. They charged me a small fee to go into my site and tweak it so it would load into a web browser more quickly. They pointed out that GODADDY IS NO LONGER EQUIPTED TO HANDLE WEBSITES BIGGER THAN 3-5 HTML'S IN SIZE. I was stunned, but it turns out, they were right.

In March of 2019 I decided to check out SquareSpace and discovered it to be amazing. It's a good enough place for Joe Rogan to have HIS website and feature HIS podcast, it good enough for Time 4 Hemp. I fell in love with how easy it is to build and operate. By the time May rolled around, I had the new Time4Hemp.news site built and was no longer needing the WordPress site for anything other than warehousing all the MP3'S for the network archives.

### GoDaddy SUCKS!

In June I began creating new content for the website. I was feeling up-beat. It was the first time since November of 2018 that I could focus on putting together new podcasts, new booklets, new blogs, new videos and maybe even find some new sponsors.

On the morning of June 23rd I recorded a new interview and 2 hours later I got an email from GoDaddy telling me that I had 48 hours to shrink the size of my website or they were going to remove it from their servers.

I couldn't believe what I was reading. I called GoDaddy and the salesperson I spoke with confirmed the email was correct. They told me that GoDaddy and did the same thing to them a year earlier and THEY WORKED for GoDaddy. Seems GoDaddy doesn't want a website as large as mine on their servers and IT ALSO TURNED OUT THAT I WAS IN VIOLATION OF GODADDY RULES – seems GoDaddy has a policy about using their servers to warehouse content that is being used on a different website, such as all my MP3'S.

I was given 48-hours to remove my over half my files and shrink my website or GoDaddy was going to delete it from their servers. This was mind-blowing considering It had been on their servers since 1999. After my being a loyal customer for 20-years, GoDaddy was just kiking me to the curb, making it clear they had very little interest in me or my needs.

I have no clue why it is that GoDaddy thinks it has ANY SAY as to what I do with my website as long as I pay the monthly server fees. I'm the owner of the Time4Hemp website – NOT GoDaddy.

In LESS THAN 2-HOURS I GAVE GoDaddy what it wanted – me gone. I decided on the spot to just move my site to a new company. I found at new home at InterServer.

I explained to the sales rep at InterServer that I intended to use the site mostly as a place to warehouse my MP3's and that the website was very large. The sales rep said THEY DIDN'T CARE, they were happy to have me as a customer. As it turns out, many members on their team support cannabis legalization.

When InterServer began the process of moving my website from GoDaddy servers to their servers, about halfway through the transfer, GoDaddy BLOCKED the site move. GoDaddy continued to block the site move. After 3 attempts to move my website, one of the team members at InterServer downloaded a full back-up of the website onto his own personal computer at his home and then up-load it to the new server - all this work on his own time. It was the only way to get a copy of the site from GoDaddy. It seems GoDaddy was hell-bent on leaving me only 2 options to pick from: Either I destroy my website or GoDaddy would destroy it. I count myself lucky to have found the amazing team at IntraServer.

When I began the process of closing out my account at GoDaddy, I asked the customer assistant rep if GoDaddy had any concern about treating a 20-year customer is such an inconsiderate manner. I asked if GoDaddy had any concern about the amount of money it was saying good-bye to by treating a customer in such a way. Over and over, the customer assistant rep would only answer with; "I've taken note of your concerns and will forward them up to my supervisor.

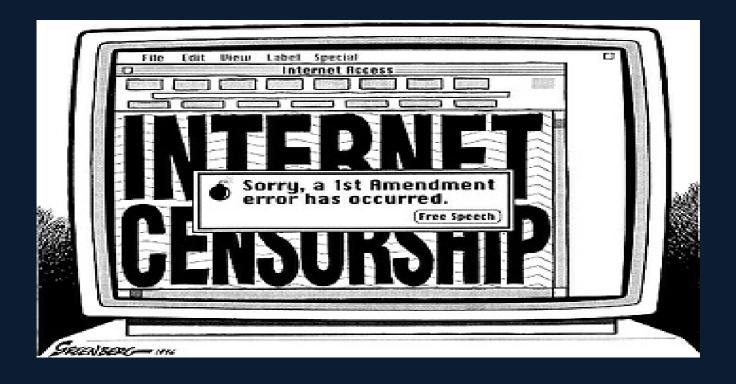
Up until this point, the ONLY REASON I had remained a customer of GoDaddy's was due to the amazing Customer Care Team they have. I ALWAYS got fantastic care when I had to phone in to resolve any type of problem. Sadly, not only were there just too many problems with their services – now the Customer Care team was nothing more than a BRICK WALL of people with NO ANSWERS to my issues that stood between me and GoDaddy.

Just for chits-and-giggles, I did a Google search for the term: "GoDaddy complaints" and what I found was very interesting. It seems there are even a few chat rooms dedicated to THAT TOPIC – FOFLMAO. I am now FREE FROM BEING A SLAVE to my website and can focus on creating new content for the network. No longer am I throwing good money after bad on an outdated web-hosting company that is incapable of providing even the MOST BASIC of services.

If you are someone who only needs a 2-3-page website and you don't mind rebuilding it every 2-4 years, then you will be very happy being a GoDaddy customer using one of their website builders. If you plan on using WordPress and enjoy doing daily maintenance on a website and find it fun to redesign a WordPress site every 3-7 months, then you will be a happy GoDaddy customer.

If you are someone who needs to build a real website for a business or an organization, then you will hate using anything GoDaddy has to offer. You will be better off doing what so many other people have done: build a website at SquareSpace. If you are a wizard at computer code and love using WordPress to build websites, you will find the services at IntraServer to be competitively priced – and they offer a lot more BANG FOR THE BUCK. Their Customer Care Team is fabulous as well! They went WAY ABOVE AND BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY for me. I was a NEW customer, and they could of very easy said that it was just too much a hassle to move my site to their company and then suggest I look elsewhere. Instead, one of their team members used his own computers and worked on his own time in order to get my very large website moved and working properly!

My Life has truly been much better since I left GoDaddy. With my MP3's securely warehoused at IntraServer, ALL THE PROBLEMS THAT BEFELL ME AT GODADDY HAVE STOPPED!! I am so happy to have found InterServer. They have great customer care, better products and for less money. With the rest of my website being on SquareSpace – the constant need to up-date technology and software issues is GONE. My website always loads in fast and looks like it should every time it loads in.



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