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David Touretzky

Why is David Touretzky so afraid of people actually successfully getting off drugs through the Narconon program?



Touretzky is a “cognitive research” professor who obtains federal funding for research projects by coming up with complicated sounding theories about the brain by studying rat behavior. For instance, here is a typical example of complex sounding Touretzky recount about one of his numerous worthless research projects:

“A pilot rat was run in late 2002, using a small white envelope as the polarizing cue. ... and so in 2003 we re-ran the experiment using a large white FedEx envelope as the cue card. ... The original rat was re-run using this card, and three new rats were also run ... There were some technical difficulties: a problem with the video tracking system corrupted some of the position information, which has had to be corrected manually because the existing software tools were not adequate. Also, some of the data was cut by inexperienced students and may have to be recut. However, a preliminary look at the cue card data suggests that rats are not remapping in response to the card. This may be because even the new card is not a sufficiently salient visual cue, or it could be that the seven days of training before the card was introduced “cemented” the attractor state so that it is more resistant to remapping than would be the case in naive rats.

“For the new rats, we introduced some additional steps in the experimental protocol. One step, pi-

lotted using the last rat, was to place a towel on the floor, of one of the two boxes, which produced noticeable behavioral changes (exploration and also lying down



to sleep on the towel.) The towel also altered the rat’s auditory experience. Because he could not hear the food pellets fall, he foraged “blindly;” in contrast, when the pellets fell on the brown paper, he could forage in a targeted way.”

To continue the above-mentioned experiment (watch a rat taking a nap on a towel and see if it could hear food falling on a towel or brown paper) Touretzky requested the U.S. Government give him \$224,732 - this doesn’t include the previously wasted tax payers’ money on said experiment.

Essentially, Touretzky is getting paid to research the processes that go on in rat brains in order to ultimately come up with solutions to various “human” problems that we all face in society. Such problems include why a person feels he needs to use drugs and why people get addicted to drugs. Of course, since Narconon has a completely workable non-drug based method of safely getting people off drugs and restoring life to those who have been in the grip of addiction, Touretzky feels that Narconon is a threat to his continued government funding and thus must be destroyed. Touretzky fears that if people were aware of the great success that Narconon has in helping persons with addictions, there would be no real need for the government to continue to support him with further research grants. He might then have to go out into the job market and actually create something for the money he receives, some-

thing that he has never done with all the years of research and millions of taxpayer money that he has wasted in studying rat brains.

Touretzky's own words tell us that he gets no results:

“Cognitive neuroscience assertions are tentative and constantly subject to rigorous experimental tests, which they sometimes fail, forcing the theories to be revised.”

However, there is another reason for Touretzky's opposition to Narconon. Various comments and assertions that Touretzky has made on chat groups show that he is bigoted against Afro-Americans, Mexicans, women, various religious groups and minorities such as persons suffering from drug abuse. One of the special targets of his hatred is Scientologists. He evidently feels that if Scientology helped enough people to do better in life and become individually more capable in dealing with their environment and helped them learn how to help others, they would use this newfound empowerment to somehow harm him. Touretzky is simply creating opposition. Scientologists have never suggested that they are out to destroy him. Touretzky feels that he must use various lies and distortions to continue to keep the truth about himself from being brought to light. In this newsletter we will present the other side and state why Touretzky fights so hard to destroy drug addicts' real hope of recovery through the Narconon program.

Touretzky sits in front of his computer at Carnegie Mellon University and directs his pawns to launch discriminatory campaigns against people of goodwill who are doing something about the devastating effects of drugs. He has never worked with drug addicts nor does he have the compassion to help them. He presents himself as an “expert” by exploiting his Ph.D in computer science and his position at Carnegie Mellon University, yet he has no credibility in any of the subject matters he “criticizes”. But that's not all, he utilizes his computer skills to locate and view websites containing child pornography and other vile contents.

Is Touretzky into kiddie porn? You decide.

The following statements made by David Touretzky in a chat room show that he has been visiting child porn websites while he was supposedly “working” at Carnegie Mellon University while supported by federal grants.

“Tons of posts advertising porno: ... look like “13 yr/old with teeny tits”, and so forth. It's KIDDIE PORN spam, not regular porn.

“The images at the web site front door contain some naked kiddies, but they're not engaged in sex acts and the ones showing genitalia are closer to 18.”

“Guess what I found on the web 2 nights ago? Anorexic porn!

“Well the nice thing about this site is that these anorexic women are happy with their looks which is more than can be said for a lot of people.

“But the women on that page are willing to take their clothes off, which gives them one up on ol' Calista.

“The women on that page are too skinny even for me but Calista still makes me hot.

“Anyway, that anorexic porn site is a *pay* site. It's \$14.95/month for the really hardcore stuff.”

“[I] like the concept of amputee porn. Makes the women feel good about themselves.

“I do have this picture of a quadruple amputee with nice boobs. She's looking straight at the camera, a smile on her face, calm, self-possessed. She's doing fine.”

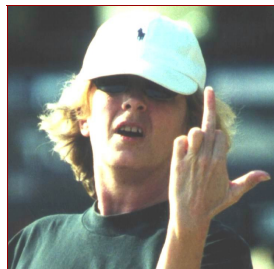
David Touretzky's pawn

Barbara Graham is a San Diego resident acting as an agent for Touretzky to stir up Leona Valley residents against Narconon. Being an alcoholic and drug user (her blood test will reveal her intoxication) she most likely hates the idea of people get-

ting off drugs. Both Touretzky and Graham are obsessed with Narconon's success and are making the repeated mistake of lying about Narconon and they misinform Leona Valley residents about a subject matter they know nothing about. Recently, when Touretzky was confronted by one of his peers that his website contains false information and egregious comments about Narconon, he refused to correct those falsehoods.

What do Touretzky and Graham think of Leona Valley residents?

The following excerpted conversations took place between David Touretzky and Barbara Graham (photo) in a chat room on two separate occasions in May 2006. They were discussing how to exploit the Leona Valley residents to create hate against Narconon supporters.



Barbara Graham: "Dave, what we need is a bus, bus all the Leona Valley people in and give them lunch."

David Touretzky: "Give them all Ritalin."

Barbara Graham: "Sherry said she's not heard if ANY of them are planning on."

David Touretzky: "Time to get on the phones then."

Barbara Graham: "I don't know anyone in Leona Valley SHE [Sherry] does."

David Touretzky: "Maybe we can get the Antelope Valley News to run a new blurb."

Barbara Graham: "I'm still working on handouts."

David Touretzky: "Any other changes besides the time and that typo?"

Barbara Graham: "Noop."

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Barbara Graham: "I still have no idea if ANYONE from Leona Valley is coming. Pisses me off."

David Touretzky: "Call Sherry again?"

Barbara Graham: "We need to bus them in with promise of a free lunch."

David Touretzky: "Strap a couple to the back of your bike and toss them French fries."

Barbara Graham: "I asked her [Sherry] the other day here's what she said 'WE HOPE SO...I'M CRAZY W/ MY BUSINESS RIGHT NOW, AND WILL BE ON A BUSINESS TRIP ALL NEXT WEEK UNTIL FRIDAY NIGHT. I'VE TOLD SOME FOLKS ABOUT IT, BUT HAVEN'T HEARD BACK FROM THEM. HOPEFULLY, WE'LL BE ABLE TO ORGANIZE A GROUP TO ATTEND.' Meaningless."

David Touretzky: "Crap".

In summary, recovering alcoholics and drug addicts, as disabled persons under the American Disabilities Act, the Fair Housing Act, and the Rehabilitation Act, have the same rights and are entitled to the same benefits and use of land that a public entity has to offer to all of its citizens. These individuals cannot be denied this right simply because of unspecified, generalized fears from the community that have no basis in fact, but are merely hypothetical or a result of stereotyping. Absent evidence that a specific individual poses a significant risk of a serious nature, a decision to deny Narconon the use of its land to recovering alcoholics or drug addicts violates federal law.

That's what David Touretzky is in fact attempting to do.