



THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

*A Message from NPG President
Donald Mann*

I always look forward to our year-end newsletter because it gives me a chance to personally reflect on the positive accomplishments of the past year and focus on the daunting challenges that face NPG in the year to come.

However, I can't even begin to discuss the past or future of NPG without first expressing my thanks to the thousands of NPG members whose generous support makes it possible for us to pursue our mission to sound the alarm about the consequences of overpopulation. And to that end NPG will dedicate 2005 to our "Educate America Project" in the belief that a well-informed citizenry is the best defense against the dire effects of too many people.

NPG prides itself on being the most prominent organization in the nation singularly dedicated to halting — and reversing — America's unchecked population growth. And it is your shared belief in this important goal that enables us to have such a profound impact on the current national debate regarding population and immigration.

There is little question that the battle to secure our borders and derail the Bush Administration's quest to enact their irresponsible guest-worker/amnesty legislation was the focal point of our activities throughout 2004 — and it will be even more central to our efforts in 2005.

On the information homefront, I am pleased to report that thousands of people continue to utilize NPG's information-packed website each month as a prime resource for population research — especially by students. In addition, in 2004 we issued 4 Forum Papers which were widely distributed to libraries, NPG members and thousands of policymakers who value the research and opinions of our well-respected, nationally known authors. Likewise, we mailed population-related books to more than 1,000 libraries all across the country.

Throughout 2004 our *National Voter Opinion Survey on America's Population Growth* took our message to hundreds of thousands of citizens which broadened our

nationwide grassroots support and resulted in thousands of new members. By tallying these poll results and sending quarterly updates to all Members of Congress, we ensure that they are constantly apprised of voter sentiment on key population and immigration issues. In addition to this effort, we also circulated a national mailing asking citizens to sign an "Immigration Moratorium Pledge of Support" and were very heartened to see that this proposal — which may need to be implemented in order to stop the current tidal wave of both legal and illegal immigration — had such widespread support.

We intensified our media campaign during 2004 with our NPG spokespersons making dozens of appearances on local and national talk radio shows. In addition, we continued to run our thought-provoking print ads in national publications such as the *Christian Science Monitor*, the *Washington Times National Weekly*, the *Washington Post National Weekly*, and *Harper's Magazine*. Our aggressive public awareness campaign is designed to remind Americans just how much overpopulation and out-of-control immigration directly influences their daily lives. All of our ads convey the crucial message that it is up to us to work together now to ensure that we don't overload our planet and selfishly destroy the environment for future generations.

Finally, 2004 saw the inauguration of our new President's Circle, which is open to all members who are willing to make a monthly financial commitment to NPG. I'm pleased to say we are welcoming many new President's Circle members each month.

Now we turn to 2005 and the ambitious task of derailing the dangerous Bush guest-worker/amnesty program. I can't help but agree with those who say that passage of this legislation would be the first step toward effectively eliminating the U.S.-Mexico border that would trigger a population explosion in America. This is definitely a battle we must win!

Again, thank you again for all you do to keep NPG such a prominent force to ensuring a livable future for all of us. I look forward to working with you on the challenges that lie ahead. Have a great 2005!

Don Mann

NPG's 2004 POP(ulation) QUIZ

Numbers, facts and statistics are always at the center of any discussion or debate on immigration and population. Via our newsletters NPG works to make sure that our members are consistently up-to-date on specifics and can more than hold their own in issue-related conversations. Take this quiz to see how well informed you are (note: many of the answers have been reported in various 2004 issues of our *Population and Resource Outlook*). Then, tell us how many questions you answered correctly on the enclosed reply.

- 1) How many illegal aliens currently in the United States will be put on the road to permanent citizenship if the Bush Administration's guest-worker/amnesty legislation is passed by Congress?
 - a) 3-4 million
 - b) 7-9 million
 - c) 10-12 million
 - d) 15-17 million

- 2) How many states currently give drivers' licenses to illegal immigrants?
 - a) Five
 - b) Eleven
 - c) Thirteen
 - d) None

- 3) A recent report released by the Center for Immigration Studies estimated that households headed by illegal aliens received how much in subsidies from American taxpayers in 2002?
 - a) \$5.1 billion
 - b) \$9 billion
 - c) \$14.5 billion
 - d) \$26.3 billion

- 4) Next to India, what country is going to see its population rise faster than any other industrialized nation between now and 2050?
 - a) China
 - b) Canada
 - c) United States
 - d) Japan

- 5) Immigration — both legal and illegal — adds how many people to the U.S. annually?
 - a) 1.1 million
 - b) 2.5 million
 - c) 4 million
 - d) 6 million

- 6) According to the American Farmland Trust, what percentage of our nation's fruit and vegetable production is in the path of high development?
 - a) 34%
 - b) 49%
 - c) 64%
 - d) 86%

- 7) Between 2000 and 2003 how many states saw an increase in their population?
 - a) 18 states
 - b) 35 states
 - c) 40 states
 - d) 49 states

See page 6 for answers

PRESIDENT'S CIRCLE



NPG's specially designed President's Circle pin is adorning many lapels these days as more committed members sign up for this monthly tax-deductible donation program. With the immigration battles ahead, 2005 is sure to put a tremendous strain on NPG's financial resources and this steady stream of guaranteed revenue will be invaluable in helping us to fund projects to fight unchecked immigration, halt and reverse our population growth and promote our goal of a sustainable population. The beginning of the New Year is a terrific time to make the commitment to help us make a real difference in improving our shared future. If you have yet to register for President's Circle membership, please act now and complete the necessary information on the reply form that accompanies this newsletter. For all those loyal members that have joined, I want to thank you for your support and would also like to acknowledge the following individuals who most recently joined the ranks of the President's Circle.

Mr. Worth D. Blaney	Mr. H. Eugene Hall
Prof. George E. Collins	Mr. Robert M. Hoffman
Mr. Edward R. Cundiff	Ms. Barbara O. Keeton
Mr. Bruce C. Decker	Mrs. Jane W. Lusk
Mr. Richard M. Dubiel	Mr. Matthew John Pohl
Major & Mrs. R.M. Dunn, Jr.	Mr. Frank L. Reinig
Ms. Patricia Ebert	Mr. Robert W. Stein
Ms. Melody Elliott	Dr. Glenn R. Stewart
Mrs. Susanna I. Feliciano	Mr. James G. Up de Graf
Dr. & Mrs. Gregory Ferriss	Mr. David L. Wells
Mrs. Alice C. Fick	Mr. Clinton C. Wolfe
Prof. David F. Grether	Mr. John Yttri

COMING SOON TO A RADIO NEAR YOU...

A special thanks to the dozens of NPG members who sent us the call letters and city of a local radio station that they want us to contact to book a guest NPG spokesman. Requests came from cities of all sizes and we're actively following up on booking time wherever possible to spread the word about what individuals can do in their own communities to make their voices heard on key population-related issues.

THE PRICE OF 300 MILLION AMERICANS

NPG's chief spokesman, Dave Simcox, appears on talk radio stations all across America and customarily takes our message to tens of thousands of people each month. In a recent appearance on Claudia Christian's national news show he made the following points about America that powerfully underscore the dramatic need for NPG to step up its efforts to stop the escalating population growth that is taking us into a very dangerous future.

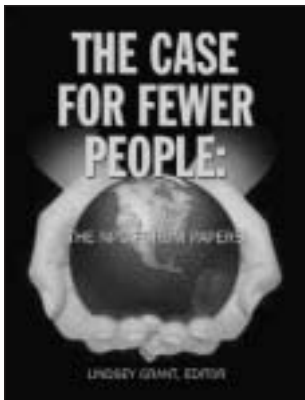
"All sorts of signs of stress are beginning to show in terms of water shortages. Even where water is available much of it is so heavily polluted that it requires extensive treatment and can't be used for drinking, fishing or swimming. We're seeing the waste dump that we've made our atmosphere becoming overloaded with heat trapping and toxic gases. We see that our agricultural land that makes the United States the breadbasket of the world shrink in size. And we see a population that prefers distilling its grains into automobile fuels, having the automobile compete with humans for our food supply. 300 million Americans can do an awful lot of damage to our resources."

IS YOUR COUNTY NEXT?

Already traffic in Loudoun is a headache, school construction can barely keep up, taxes are soaring, and county services are strained — to say nothing of the aesthetics of a landscape being torn up by bulldozers. Let there be no illusions, continued explosive growth will make all of this worse."

— *Washington Post* editorial lamenting the devastation caused by population growth in the once-idyllic suburban Loudoun County, Virginia.

THE CASE FOR FEWER PEOPLE



For the past three decades much of the writing directed to the critical issues of population growth and its consequences has been sponsored by and published by Negative Population Growth. Today, we take great pride in the sizeable collection of 112 publications we offer members and researchers who wish to learn more about how population,

immigration, the environment, and our future survival all interconnect.

Over the years, all of these papers have been extensively distributed to more than 1,000 libraries across the nation as they are published. However, we know that loose paper copies rarely remain in library collections very long — and far too many are subject to being pilfered.

For this reason NPG has made the major investment of putting our collection of publications into a single hardcover volume titled *The Case For Fewer People: The NPG Forum Papers*, an 748-page book that is sure to be a

more permanent repository of population issues that will serve as a more functional and comprehensive research tool.

Today, our challenge is to place this valuable book in as many libraries as possible to further fulfill our educational mission. As a continuation of our ongoing Library Project we are asking NPG members for a generous contribution of at least \$35 to underwrite the extensive costs of one book as well as its distribution. As in the past, you can choose your community library, the library where your child or grandchild attends school, or perhaps even your own alma mater. If you like, a bookplate and letter with your name can accompany your gift. Please tell us that you will join in our **2005 Book Project** by using the enclosed response form to provide us with the necessary information.

Here at NPG we would like very much to thank Lindsey Grant, our esteemed colleague, who served as editor of *The Case For Fewer People: The NPG Forum Papers* and who saw this major endeavor through from conception to completion.

Printing and distributing *The Case For Fewer People: The NPG Forum Papers* is the most extensive — and expensive — NPG book project ever. We greatly need your help to make it a success!

LAS VEGAS' FUTURE — IS IT A GOOD BET?

Las Vegas, Nevada prides itself on being one of America's great escapes for tourists. But these days it's the residents who live beyond the glitter of the neon who would love to escape the out-of-control growth that is turning the entire area into a nightmare.

Earlier this year, syndicated columnist George Will called Las Vegas "the world capital of exuberant excess." He backed up this label by citing statistics that show the current 1.6 million population growing by 6,000 a month to 2 million by the end of this decade... housing starts that run to 20,000 per year... a fast-depleting water supply that is currently at 50% capacity... a never-ending need for new roads and infrastructure... increased taxes... a demand for 17 new schools every year... and pollution that is creating respiratory problems among the elderly, increasing the costs of their long-term health care.

It's sad to say, but the future of cities all across America could end up looking like today's Las Vegas if we fail to heed the signs of overpopulation. In sum, Las Vegas remains a nice place to visit — but don't move there. And definitely, don't bet on its future as a great place to live!

NOT THE BEST LIST TO BE ON

As a share of the nation's population, immigrants now account for 12% — the highest level in 80 years. States with the largest increase in their immigrant population between 2000-2004 are Arizona, Georgia, Maryland, New Jersey, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Texas, Virginia and Washington.

Center for Immigration Studies
November 23, 2004

THANK YOU ARIZONA VOTERS!

It might not have been front page news where you live but you can rest assured that politicians in Washington, D.C. and all across America paid attention to the final vote count on Arizona's Proposition 200 on November 2nd.

Given the opportunity to send a clear message that they are no longer willing to subsidize illegal immigrants, voters of the "Grand Canyon State" endorsed the measure 56% to 44%. Proposition 200 had three major elements: 1) Individuals must prove their citizenship when registering to vote and when casting a ballot; 2) People applying for services not mandated by the federal government, such as welfare, also would have to prove their identities and eligibility, and; 3) State or local workers must report

undocumented immigrants that apply for government services.

Proposition 200 was opposed by the vast majority of Arizona politicians from Governor Napolitano on down, and aggressively resisted by a very well-funded coalition of pro-immigration advocates who spent millions on advertising that greatly distorted its purpose. However, in the end the taxpayers won a great victory — and in the process stand to save an estimated one billion dollars a year. The bad news is that the losers are already in court trying to narrowly define what constitutes "state and local benefits." The good news is that Proposition 200 is being looked at in many circles as a bellwether for the nation — where the people finally raise their voice to get tough about immigration. NPG salutes our colleagues at the Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR) for their diligent efforts to get this measure on the ballot.

IS IT TIME FOR AN IMMIGRATION MORATORIUM?

"I have never seen a greater divide between what the people of this country want and what the government is willing to give them than in the area of immigration reform"

The above quote by Congressman Tom Tancredo is right on target when it comes to describing what we're up against in today's immigration debate. Out-of-control immigration is one of the greatest crises facing America and is the major cause of overpopulation today. But our elected officials are not only moving in the wrong direction — the Bush Administration's guest-worker/amnesty proposal is akin to throwing gasoline on a fire.

That's why NPG has been actively spreading the news about "The Mass Immigration Reduction Act" a bill in Congress which calls for a five-year moratorium on almost all immigration. An immediate immigration halt would be greatly beneficial in that it would provide the Border Patrol, Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration

Services, Department of Homeland Security, Justice Department, and State Department with a bit of breathing room to get their technology, computers, manpower, and policies up-to-date and working in unison to best protect the American people in this post 9-11 era. Most important, a temporary immigration moratorium will permit America's leaders and the American people to engage in a long-overdue, focused debate on the long-term impact of immigration before it becomes irreversible. We look forward to this legislation once again being introduced in the new 109th Congress. When that happens, we will update you on the bill number so you can contact your Senators and Congressman urging them to sign on as a co-sponsor.

SAD BUT TRUE

"Overpopulation is the new "third rail" of both politics and journalism, so both professions routinely ignore it."

— Greg Wilcox, *Ashville (NC) Citizen-Times*

WILL YOUR EMPLOYER MATCH YOUR GIFT TO NPG?

It's quite commonplace these days for employers to match donations their employees make to non-profit organizations such as NPG. In some companies this is a well-publicized policy, yet in others it is not. If you are unsure whether or not your company has a matching gift program, we urge you to contact your human resources department so that you can complete the proper forms.

WHERE THERE'S A WILL...

Many of our friends and supporters ask us each year how they can include a gift for NPG in their estate planning. It's actually a very simple process. To assist our members, we are offering for a second time a copy of a very beneficial 24-page booklet entitled *Making Your Will: What You Should Know Before You See Your Lawyer*. To obtain this useful and informative guide, simply contact us at (703) 370-9510.



OUR THANKS TO YOU... A STATE-OF-THE-ART NPG CALCULATOR!

Numbers are part of our daily lives. However, any way you look at it today's population numbers are shocking! The U.S. Census Bureau projects 419 million Americans by 2050 with immigration accounting for more than 60% of population growth over the coming decades. The faster we add new people the more we'll see our already overcrowded nation and communities change before our very eyes — and not for the better!

In appreciation for your contribution of at least \$35, NPG will reward you with a 5½" x 7¾", state-of-the-art calculator imprinted with our NPG logo as a constant reminder that no matter how you calculate the numbers, we are becoming a nation of "too many people". Please take advantage of this special offer today by completing the enclosed reply!

Answers to POP Quiz on Page 2

1 (c) **10 to 12 million**. And once they get permanent citizenship they will be able to petition to have extended family members join them in this country; 2 (b) **Eleven**. However, this issue will once again be up for a vote in many other states in 2005; 3 (d) **\$26.3 billion**. Additional billions of dollars are added annually as long as nothing is done to close our nation's borders; 4 (c) **United States**. Immigration will account for 62% of our population growth between now and 2050; 5(b) **2.5 million**. Based on 1 million legal and an estimated 1.5

million illegals. The real number of illegals is not known and a well-researched Time Magazine article in September claimed that more than 3 million illegals will have entered our country in 2004. 6 (d) **86%**. Currently, the vast majority of America's fruit and vegetable farms are within driving distance of major metropolitan areas that are fast encroaching on some of our nation's most productive farm acreage. 7(d) **49 states**. Population is affecting nearly every state in the country -- only North Dakota saw a decrease in overall numbers in recent years..

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