

# ARKY's News

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## Choices and Opinions and Preferences and Judgments Is there any differences?

by Ron Cooper

Everyone knows we are not to judge – right? I mean it's in the Bible (Matthew 7:1), so what gives? Why is it the most quoted secular verse? I certainly have heard it more often than John 3:16 from unbelievers. Even John 3:16 says God so Loved the world...

These out of context, partial quotes, need to be understood by Christians. If we make a choice, is it (hopefully) consistent with our best judgment or at least societies' standards? Is a Christian's opinion any better than anyone else? Is a secular opinion or a secular judges' opinion any better?

Is an opinion just our preference or bias? Is there any real difference between any of these four words in common usage? In the **Court of Public Opinion** (called Political Correctness, Presidential Decrees, Nightly News, "My parents believe...", "My friends say...", My school teaches...), NO, not really! Why?

The answer is based on the source of authority used for our **Choice, Opinion, Preference, or Judgment (COPJ)**. If it's me, or the "Court of Public Judgment/Opinion" (note, another COPJ),

there cannot be any real authority, they are all relative lies of a possible truth. COPJ is quoted with more authority than it has. Many say the Bible has the answer, but those who say it may have consistent COPJs with those who don't believe the Bible.

For examples, "How old is the earth?" or "How old is the Universe?" or "Did Dinosaurs ever live with men?" I have personally spoke with hundreds of people in Christian settings and believe them to be Christians, yet their answers to these questions are little different than COPJ. Common answers are: "I don't know", "I'm not sure", "The Bible doesn't say", "We can't really know that", or "I've been taught..."

**COPJ** is not a real authority unless it is based on "the laws of Nature and Nature's God". In short our conscience, the awe in-

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A generous donor has offered to match all gifts made for reducing the debt on ARKY's House up to a total of \$10,000.

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## Lies in the Textbooks Part 7: Human Evolution?

By Mark Jurkovich

We have hinted at the topic in previous articles, but never tackled one of the most common lies, which is that humans evolved from apes. This is really just a specific case of what was covered in part 2 of the series when the evolutionary tree of life was covered. Primate to man evolution is just the final step in the so-called tree. There are two main aspects of the chimp to human evolution I want to cover today, the claim of DNA similarity, and so-called missing links. Note that technically, the claim is not that man evolved from chimps, but that they both evolved from a common ancestor.

A common claim that still circulates is that human and chimp DNA are 98% similar. But even evolutionists were admitting that number was too high back in 2003<sup>1</sup>. The initial number was based on the mapping of just a small fraction of the genome. As more is learned the percentage continues to decline. It is hard to really put a percentage on the similarity. As Dr. DeWitt points out in The New Answers Book 3, 6% of the genes that humans and chimps have are not in common at all. The comparisons are only made on the DNA sequences of the remaining genes<sup>2</sup>, but typically only reporting on the sections they have actually compared.

Dr. DeWitt further points out that "Regardless of whether the similarity was reduced even below 90%, evolutionists would still believe that humans and apes shared a common ancestor. Moreover, using percentages hides an important fact. If 5% of the DNA is different, this amounts to 150,000,000 DNA base pairs that are different between them!"<sup>3</sup> All of these differences make

it impossible for evolution to have ever had enough time to make that many changes in the two species' DNA.

So then what about missing links between primate and man? There have been numerous famous and not so famous fossils presented over the past century that have been claimed to be missing links. But every one of them has turned out to be either fully human, fully ape, mistaken identities, or even outright frauds. Here is an abbreviated list:<sup>4,5</sup>

- Neanderthal man: fully human, with even larger brain capacity than modern man.
- Lucy: shown to be fully ape, with artistic license taken to depict it with human eyes, hands and feet, and made to walk upright.
- Nebraska man: based on a single tooth, that was later shown to be that of a pig!
- Piltdown man: used for 40 years as the missing link, until 1953 when it was proved to be a deliberate fraud!
- Other fully human examples: Homo Erectus, Cro-Magnon man, Peking man.

In summary, there is not one example of a missing link between ape and man. And modern genetics demonstrates the impossibility of evolution from primate to human ever happening.

This may conclude my Lies in the Textbook series, though I am sure there are other topics I could cover. If anyone has a suggestion for one I missed, or have a subject you would like me to tackle next, please let

me know via '[ArkFoundation@arky.org](mailto:ArkFoundation@arky.org)'.

References:

1. Dr. David DeWitt, "Greater Than 98% Chimp/Human DNA Similarity? Not Any More. A Common Evolutionary Argument Gets Reevaluated—By Evolutionists Themselves.", April 1, 2003. <https://answersingenesis.org/genetics/dna-similarities/greater>

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Missing Link wall at Creation Evidence Museum in Glen Rose, Texas

## God's Not Dead!

A new commercial movie is out that addresses evolution head on. The acting and dialog is good. The situations are very realistic and painful at times. A college boy is faced with defending his faith with his friends, his long term girlfriend, and his classroom, especially his atheist professor who has the power to ruin his college career.



For us, how about our children or grandchildren, there is a good message here! They are the ones that count. Every generation we

lose a greater percentage.

Recommendations: See this movie; buy this DVD, attend the creation museum; help a creation group; ask serious questions; understand absolutes in a relative world. This is more than a movie, and you can preorder this from ARKY. The retail is \$24.95, Preorder now from ARK for \$19.95 and if you are an ARKY Member \$14.95. You must preorder before July 31 for this price. It will be released in August.

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spiring and humbling Creation, and the 10 Commandments is the authority for ALL Law. If COPJ is not founded and based on the word and principles of the Bible, it is just pretend law. It may have Force behind it, but it doesn't have God's Authority. People know this and acknowledge it by their attitudes and words. Statements like, "Not really elected" or "Who can know" are obvious statements of unbelief in some principle or "law". We go along with COPJ because we don't know the truth. Without the truth, one COPJ is as good as another.

What's your **COPJ**?

## Celebrating the Fourth of July!

By Wall Builders

As America celebrates the anniversary of the approval of the document that provided the foundation for one of the greatest nations in history, how much do you know about the Declaration of Independence? Take our quiz and find out! (Answers below.)

1- True or False: The Declaration of Independence was signed by the 56 signers on July 4, 1776.

2- True or False. The 56 men who voted for the Declaration were the ones to sign that document.

3- Which signer of the Declaration spent months rarely sleeping two nights in the same place in order to avoid the British, who were seeking for him, to punish him for having signed the Declaration?

4- True or False. The Signing of the Declaration was commemorated for decades by sermons and orations delivered across the nation on July 4th.

5- Which Founding Father would be considered the penman of the Declaration?

6- The bell that was rung after the Declaration was approved on July 8th later became known by what title? Why did it receive that title, and when?

### Answers

1- False - Only John Hancock and Charles Thompson signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4th. The copy with which we are familiar today, bearing the signatures of the 56 famous Founding Fathers who inscribed that document, was signed on August 2, 1776. (For additional information, see David Barton's ["4th of July Article."](#))

2- False - Although the majority of the Founding Fathers who voted for the Declaration also signed it, there were some who voted for the Declaration but were called home to serve their state before they could sign it (such as

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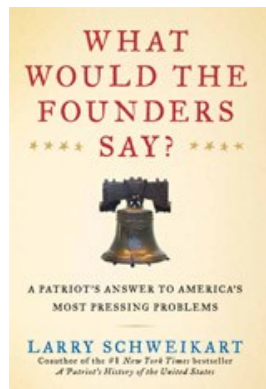
## Store News.

We have one Ken Ham 31 Book Collection Special offered at half price, \$229, saving \$235 + you get a free leather Henry Morris KJV Bible, a \$94.99 value. A total 59% savings! This is a library in a box! Great for home or church library. Also have a special on the Bill Nye/Ken Ham Debate DVD. Regular price \$19.99. Our price is \$10.00 each or 5 or more at \$6.00 each!

## More Store News.

Our banquet speaker, Larry Schweikart, has books we stock and include:

- 7 Events that Made America, America
- 48 liberal lies about American history
- What Would The Founders Say?
- A Patriot's History Of The United States
- The Patriot's History Reader
- A Patriot's History Of The Modern World Vol 1, 1898-1945
- A Patriot's History Of The Modern World Vol 2, 1945-2012



The ARK Banquet presentation was filmed and should be available in July. The talk was, "The Four Pillars of American Exceptionalism". If you want a copy, please let us know.

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Robert Livingston and George Clinton of New York) and some who were not in Congress when it was voted for, but arrived in time to sign the Declaration (such as Benjamin Rush and James Wilson of Pennsylvania, who replaced delegates who had voted against the Declaration). (To learn more about Dr. Benjamin Rush, see David Barton's book [Benjamin Rush](#).)

3- John Hart (To learn more about this Founding Father and his sacrifice, see David Barton's article, "[The Cost of Signing the Declaration of Independence](#)" or the book, [Lives of the Signers of the Declaration](#).)

4- True. (To see some of these orations and sermons, be sure to visit the [WallBuilders website](#). Some examples of the ones posted include orations and sermons from: [1796](#), [1798](#), [1801](#), [1804](#), [1808](#), [1812](#), and [1825](#) to name a few.)

5- There were five Founding Fathers on the committee to write the Declaration, but Thomas Jefferson is responsible for nearly all of its content (To learn more about Thomas Jefferson, see [The Jefferson Lies](#) or be sure to read the email blast coming out on July 4th!)

6- The Liberty Bell -- although it was not called that until decades later, when it became an important symbol for the abolition movement, especially because of the Bible verse emblazoned around its top, Leviticus 25:10: "Proclaim liberty throughout the land to all the inhabitants thereof" (To learn more about this bell and the Biblical inscription, see David Barton's "[4th of July Article](#).")

## **ARKY's Bookstore Stocks these books!**

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- [than-98-chimphuman-dna-similarity-not-any-more/](#)
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- 3. DeWitt, "Greater Than 98%..."
- 4. Mike Riddle, [The Origin of Humans \(DVD\)](#), 2003
- 5. Hovind's seminar: <http://www.creationtoday.org/lies-in-the-textbooks-seminar-part-4/>

### **ARKY's CHRISTIAN BOOKSTORE**

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## **STOP! PUSH BACK!**

Many of you are sick of socialists ruining our country. Many of you may wonder where God is. It's going to get harder every year to turn things around. If you are complainer, then now is the time to push back at every politically correct issue (atheist, socialist, or immoral behaviors).

**Common Core** is wrong and you can help make it right. It lacks rigorous standards. It's not going to improve education for our children. Central planning committees are not an American process. It does not prepare us for life. It's at best, a corporate takeover of education and indoctrination. At worst, a total destruction of families and religion. All at a higher cost with very low known results in real independent thinking. "Common Core" is the total lack of Common Sense!

**Jul 22:** 8:00 pm until 11:00 pm. **Call to Action to Take on Common Core** with Glenn Beck at Regal Fairfield Commons Stadium 20, 2651 Fairfield Commons, Beavercreek, OH. "We Will Not Conform": Glenn Beck Announces Call to Action to Take on Common Core This Summer. Tickets are \$18.00. TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

### **Common Core Is Not Based on Common Sense!**

Are we to believe that for 240+ years we had no standards for education? Do perfect standards exist? Does leveling the standards, raise the standards? Won't we just teach the standards? Aren't the teachers judged by the same lowest common core standards (the lowest common denominator in math terms)? Where did these standards get tested? Do you want your children to be the guinea pigs?

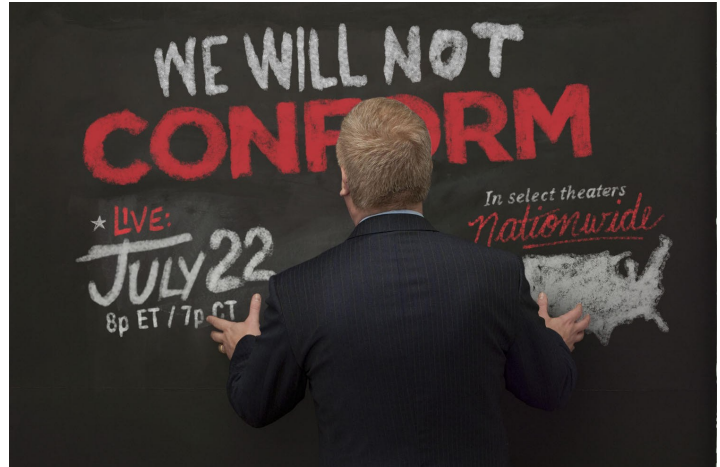
Look into the following resources for answers to the above question.

#### Resources:

An open letter to the Boards of Education nationwide, [http://www.arky.org/current/An\\_open\\_letter\\_to\\_the\\_Boards\\_of\\_Education\\_nationwide.pdf](http://www.arky.org/current/An_open_letter_to_the_Boards_of_Education_nationwide.pdf)

Education in America, short history, <http://www.arky.org/Constitution/IOTC/Education%20in%20America.pdf>

American Clubs for High School students, <http://www.theamericanview.com/american-clubs/>  
"We Will Not Conform": Glenn Beck Announces Call to Action to Take on Common Core This Summer. Tuesday, July 22, 2014, Tickets are \$18.00. TICKETS ON SALE NOW! <http://www.fathomevents.com/event/we-will-not-conform-live>



These common core standards are the method of down grading education and upgrading propaganda. It is a proven method to raise generations of slaves to the state and has been used successfully to kill morality, family ties, religion (other than atheism, the state religion), and train people to do simple tasks like we train dogs. Future Einstein's will fail to arise, America will decline, based on this system.

Do something now or surrender!

Remember the best literacy rates America has ever enjoyed was before public education. Literacy was then defined as the ability to read the daily newspaper (think "Washington's Farewell Address", 1796, <http://www.arky.org/Constitution/IOTC/Washington%20Farewell%20Address.pdf>, which was repeatedly printed in full in the public newspaper) and the KJV Bible (the one many think too hard to read today). Such literacy was said to be about 98% with higher moral values also than today.

**The LAST CHANCE to kill this deceptive program ends soon. PUSH BACK or be pushed over!**

Check out "Stop Common Core" on Facebook.

## Mortgage Payoff !

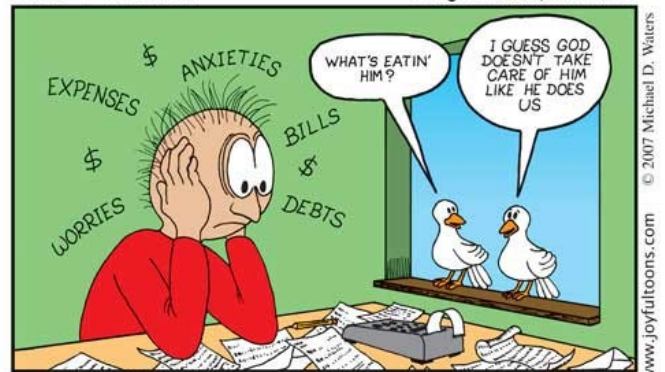
The ARK Foundation of Dayton has been offered a matching gift donation up to \$10,000. Every new dollar we collect solely for an early mortgage pay off will be matched. We have until December 31, 2014, to collect \$10,000. As the money is collected over several months and sizeable donations are accumulated, a mortgage principle payment will be made. We would like to do this every month, which will further reduce the mortgage interest charged. On December 31, 2014, the matching donor will be advised of the total received and they will provide a check for the total received to be applied to the principle the first week in January 2015. If the maximum \$10,000 is received, the matching payment makes a total principle payment of \$20,000. A mortgage burning is then possible within weeks!

Of course, if you have regularly made donations to ARK, we need for you to continue to do that because it is still needed for continued regular expenses. The store receipts do not cover necessary expenses. But with no monthly mortgage expenses we will be in a

much better financial situation.

How can you make a matching donation: Include a completed matching form with your payment and/or write matching donation on the "For" line on your check. The matching donation form is below, on our web site, "[http://www.arky.org/current/ARKY Doubled NL.pdf](http://www.arky.org/current/ARKY_Doubled_NL.pdf)", and on the store counter. Please help us get the maximum benefit from this very generous offer.

**DON'T WORRY** A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life? - MATTHEW 6:26,27 NIV

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*Kids Korner*

Hey kids, TJ here. Ok, I have a few questions for you and I want you to see if you can guess the answer without looking ahead. You'll be blown away by this incredible science information that I recently gathered at the Creation Museum. Such a cool place!

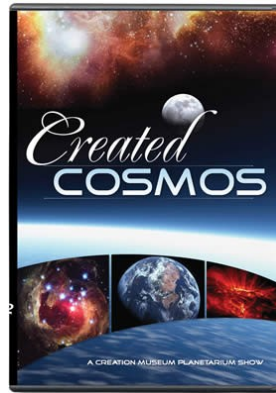
- 1- What reflects God's limitless power?
- 2- Is a blue star hotter or cooler than the sun?
- 3- What exhibits the handiwork of the Lord?
- 4-What star would completely engulf our solar system if it was nearby, is one of Orion's stars, and is located 2400 trillion miles away?
- 5- What planet is 93,000,000 miles from the sun?
- 6- How many different galaxies (approx.) does Virgo contain?
- 7- What is sometimes called, "The artwork of God," and is a cloud of hydrogen and helium gas, is hot, and gives off a lot of light?
- 8- Where is the "Zone of Avoidance" located in space?
- 9- What is believed to be the crushed core of an exploded star?

10-Star Cluster, M 87, has (approximately) how many stars?

Here's the answers, kids, but remember, all of this information can be found at the Stargazers Planetarium at the Creation Museum in Petersburg, Kentucky. It's



M87 © Anglo-Australian Observatory  
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- 1- The Universe!
- 2- It's hotter.
- 3- The Universe!
- 4- Betelgeuse.
- 5- Our planet, Earth!
- 6- 2,000
- 7-Planetary Nebula
- 8- It is an arc just above and aligned with the disc of our galaxy.
- 9- A Pulsar.
- 10-One Trillion!

the show called Created Cosmos. It's a great place to visit during your summer break. If you need help getting in, just ask me. I'm working there this summer! **DVD @ ARKY also.**

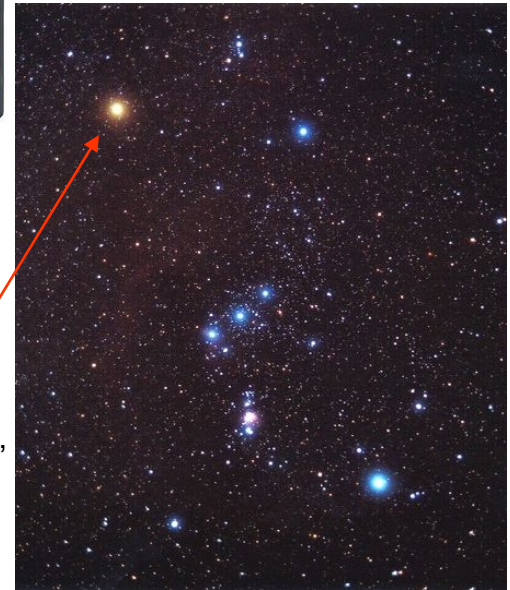
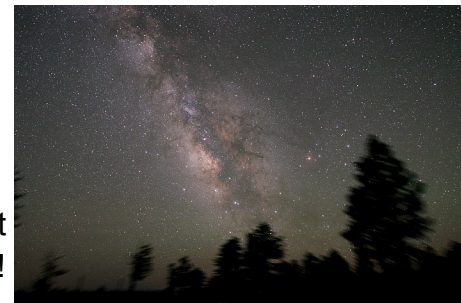


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<http://apod.nasa.gov/apod/ap030207.htm>

Well, kids, this is just the tip of the galaxy! Until next time,..C-ya!



<http://someinterestingfacts.net/zone-of-avoidance/>



Creation Museum

## ARKY's Calendar of Events (as of 7/2/14)

See more details and complete list at  
<http://www.arky.org/current/index.htm>

**Jul 12:** 9:00 am until 2:00 pm. IOTC SPRING 2014 LEADERSHIP TRAINING with Ricki Pepin at Wings of Love Church, 1238 Upper Valley Pike (behind McDonalds), Springfield, OH. Ph: (937) 322-3149. "How To Multiply the Message" : Training materials - \$40; Lunch \$10

This Leadership training is for three types of people: —Those who want to lead a medium-large class from the front of the room. —Those who want to lead a SMALL home/group study. —Those who want the "Graduate Level" to learn even better how to talk one-on-one with others, and to be kept on the Leadership mailing list to keep current with happenings and new educational materials.

YOU MUST REGISTER to ATTEND! REGISTRATION DEADLINE for material - June 28, 2014.

\***Jul 14:** 7:00 pm until 8:35 pm. **DVD: The Story of America's Liberty**, with Stephen McDowell & Eric Holmberg at ARKY's House. Colorful, thorough, inspirational documentary of America's Christian heritage featuring accounts of God's miracles in the founding of America. It examines the events that were significant in the founding of America as well as the men who shaped them. The guiding hand of God is clearly seen. [ARK#5887]

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There are only a few opportunities in life to make a real difference by standing up for what you believe. The next one is coming on July 22. Glenn Beck and Fathom Events invite you to your local movie theatre to experience a live national night of action against Common Core. WE WILL NOT CONFORM is a chance for anyone who's tired of sitting idly by as the federal government continues its takeover of our

schools to come together and do something about it.

**Aug 3:** 9:30 am - 3:00 pm. **Answers in Genesis Event Speaker with Bob Gillespie** at Emmanuel Baptist Church, Call for details or visit link 2928. Wilmington-Dayton Rd Bellbrook, OH 45305-8826, Ph: (937) 673-2084. Schedule: 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. "Genesis and Science: Can Both Be True?": 10:45 a.m. -11:45 a.m. "Genesis: Where the Gospel Begins": 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. "Building a Biblical Worldview"

<https://answersingenesis.org/outreach/event/bellbrook-2014/>

\***Aug 11:** 7:00 pm until 8:35 pm. DVD: **The Great Delusion, America Under Judgment?** with Ken Ham at ARKY's House.

**Aug 20-23:** Creation College 4 with Several Speakers at Legacy Hall, **Creation Museum**, 2800 Bullittsburg Church Rd, Petersburg, KY. Ph: (800) 350-3232, ext. 2.—Practical training on how to develop a strong biblical worldview. —Learn in-depth information from leading creation scientists on how to refute pseudo-science claims in our culture. —Expand your presentation skills for basic relevance talks. —Receive up to 3 CEU credits.

\***Sep 8:** 7:00 pm until 8:35 pm. **DVD: We The People: The Character of a Nation** at ARKY's House

**Sep 17:** 7:00 am until 8:35 pm. **Constitution Day?** At ARKY's house. Please help us plan for celebrating Constitution Day, September 17, 1787, when the delegates to the Constitutional Convention met for the last time to sign the document they had created.

\***Oct 13:** 7:00 pm until 8:35 pm. DVD: with Speaker TBD at ARKY's House

*Note Asterisk (\*) Indicates regular ARK meeting at ARKY's House, 2002 S Smithville Rd, Dayton, OH. One mile South of US 35, just past Wayne Ave. Park on side. Ph: (937) 256-ARKY.*

The ARK monthly meeting is every 2nd Monday of the month. The ARK bookstore is open 30 minutes before and after the meeting.

**Membership is NOT required to attend meetings!** - Get the latest "CURRENT EVENTS" on the web at <http://www.arky.org>.

**Financial Statement 2014**  
**General Fund**

Balance 1/1/14	\$10,725.26
<b>Receipts</b>	
Memberships/Newsletters	735.00
Donations	0.00
Speaker Gifts	0.00
Projects	0.00
Special Events /Banquet	0.00
Equipment Sold	50.00
Kroger Gift Cards/Promotion	123.61
Reimbursed	67.35
Misc	10.25
Non-Tax Sales	1,190.64
Taxable Sales	11,963.75
Sales tax collected	831.24
Savings Withdrawal	0.00
Loan Proceeds	0.00
Total	25,697.10

**Disbursements**

Newsletter/CC	138.00
Projects	0.00
Office	28.07
Telephone	802.81
Children's Ministry	0.00
Exhibiting	1,022.76
Web	0.00
Inventory	10,310.05
Equipment	0.00
Supplies	73.09
Insurance	926.00
Professional Fees	407.82
Sales Tax Paid	963.85
Speaking/Events	0.00
Misc.	240.41
Tithes&Gifts	0.00
Reimbursed	67.35
Savings/RE Tax Escrow	0.00
Total	14,980.21

**Balance 5/31/14 10,716.89**

**Building Fund**

Balance 1/1/14	-8,785.77
Matching Mtg. Fund	433.69
<b>Donations</b>	<b>5,403.39</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Mortgage	2,650.65
Building	0.00
Utilities	2,242.72
Real Estate Taxes	856.83
Matching Funds	433.69
Repairs	0.00
Total Bld. Expenses	6,183.89
<b>Balance 5/31/14</b>	<b>-9,132.58</b>
<b>Net Balance, Both Funds</b>	<b>1,584.31</b>

**ARK Supporter Benefits**

- 30% discount:** minimum on all purchases;
- Quarterly newsletter:** ARK members receive news and expansion plans;
- National support:** 10% of supporters' general donations is given to Answers in Genesis, our voluntary support for a national Biblical creation science organization;
- Webpage:** www.arky.org provides logical, Biblical information to a world saturated with an unbiblical, ill-suited naturalism for the needs of people;
- Monthly ARK meetings:** interesting speakers or DVD program on a variety of subjects, provided FREE to the community;
- Major speaker programs:** sponsored into the area or promoted by ARK;
- Local ARK speakers:** available for community and church events;
- Encouragement and Answers:** for belief in the Biblical Creator;
- Leadership training:** periodically opportunity to learn how to serve in your church or school or study group;
- Public materials:** make available Creation resources – books, audios, and DVDs to public;
- Lending library:** by mail or at ARKY house for supporters;
- Bookstore available:** during regular hours and by appointment;
- Bookstore honors specials:** when offered by AiG, ICR, and WallBuilders for items in stock.

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Review of  
**19th Annual ARK Banquet**

There was no loss of quality with the late change of speakers for the Ark Banquet. Dr. Larry Schweikart, Professor of History at the University of Dayton spoke on the Four Pillars of American Exceptionalism. No other country in the world has consistently held to these four ideals. The four pillars are:

- Christian foundation—all the initial colonies, with the exception of Jamestown, were religious based. Dr. Schweikart also pointed out that the idea that the founding fathers were “deists” is nonsense. Even Jefferson believed in a Christian God, not deism.
- Common Law—meaning that God planted the law in the hearts of man, and the common men together set the law of the land. Most other countries have civil law where the ruler sets the laws and dispenses it to the people below.

- Free Market - not present at the founding, but soon developed to a free market.
- Private Property with titles and deeds—we may tend to take this for granted, but many do not enjoy this right in other countries.

Are these pillars ready to crumble? Maybe, but Dr. Schweikart pointed out the this claim has been made in almost every period in US history. He then pointed out two times, once during the Revolutionary War, and again during WW2 when things looked hopeless, but turned around dramatically within days.

You can still benefit from Dr. Schweikart’s wisdom by going to the following sites:

- Book site is [www.patriotshistoryusa.com](http://www.patriotshistoryusa.com).
- Film site is [www.rockinthewallstudios.com](http://www.rockinthewallstudios.com).
- The Classical Historian is [www.classicalhistorian.com](http://www.classicalhistorian.com).
- and see **More Store News** on page 4 of this newsletter

