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## History of Halloween

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Halloween symbolizes the de-Catholicism of the Western World. It typifies a phenomenon of the Anglo-Saxon world in which Catholic feasts, especially Christmas and Easter, became paganized. Christmas is associated with Santa Claus and Christmas trees, while Easter has its rabbits and new outfits. The departure from Christianity is most noteworthy in the time period from 1941 to the 1980's when the organized TV networks presented all Easter shows with non-Christian events or pagan symbols.

Halloween is even worse, thanks in large measure to the Protestant revolt of the 16th Century. On October 31st, 1517, the Vigil of the Feast of All Saints, Martin Luther nailed his 95 theses to the Church door of the Castle of Wittenberg, Germany. This was the birthday of Protestantism. Protestant = to protest.

Martin Luther dropped the Feast of All Saints because he denied the right of the Church to give absolution from sin in the name of Christ. He denied the veneration of saints and called it superstition. It became a day of mockery of the saints. Both Luther and John Calvin (the genius behind Protestantism) declared, "There are no saints in heaven." Pope Leo X condemned Luther 3 years later, but by 1546, Luther's death, one third of Europe was lost to the Catholic Church.

The English language is not a vehicle for Catholicism, as we will see in the name, "Halloween," which, in a religious context, is almost a blasphemy of All Hallows E'en. "Hallows" is Old English for saints. "E'en" is an abbreviation for evening or the vigil before the feast, so "All

Hallows E'en" means "All Saints Evening." It is the Vigil of All Hallows Mass, November 1st, a feast observed by Roman Catholics.

Pope Gregory III assigned this day when he consecrated a chapel in St. Peter's Basilica. His successor extended the feast to the whole Church. By the end of the Middle Ages, the celebration of All Hallows Eve was an established part of the Roman Catholic Church. After the Protestant Revolt, the Protestants rejected the Vigil of All Saints, Christmas and Easter. Where these feasts returned, it was because of the Catholic Church.

Students of folklore believe that the non-Christian customs of Halloween precede the origins of Christianity. They believe the day originated from the Harvest Festival in Rome for the goddess Pomona, and in Germany, Scotland and Ireland for duodism. Their belief was founded upon the pre-Christian pagan symbols of witches, black cats and skeletons, along with traditional nuts and apples, which were used for this feast.

With the feasts of All Saints on November 1 and All Souls on November 2, the Church celebrates the "harvest," the heavenly harvest of souls. The Church was "quite" successful in replacing the pagan with the Christian.

However, North of the Alps (that is, Germany, some parts of Switzerland, Norway, Sweden, Finland, England, Scotland, Wales, and Ireland) the missionary effort had not been as effective as in the Mediterranean or African worlds. We see that in 325 AD, the first general council of the Church, the Council of Nicea, condemned the heresies of Arius who denied Christ's divinity. A sizable minority of bishops retracted their rejection of Arius by retaining Arian teachings in their territories. These bishops were from the northern countries noted above. The most devastating heresies have come from these countries. The Irish even became militant in their heresies.

When Henry VIII suppressed Catholicism under persecution in England, hidden paganism began to arise. Spirits of the departed were said to visit their relatives to seek warmth and good cheer as winter approached. Threshing and food preparation for the winter season became the focus of attention. In England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales and the Shetland Islands bonfires on hilltops were lit on the evening of October 31st. Halloween games were played, including divination by pulling kale, throwing a shoe over the house, and placing stones and nuts in the fire. The church porch was considered a reliable place to learn future events.

The pagan practices, then, began in Great Britain, spread to Ireland and then to the United States.

Pranks and tricks centered in Britain, the once largest empire in history. Immigrants to the United States from English-dominated countries brought the pagan practices that have been in vogue since the time of Christ.

Halloween is a return of unqualified paganism to lands and cultures where Protestantism has de-Catholicized nations and removed the clearest sign of a Catholic mentality: the veneration of the saints.

All Saints Day commemorates all those who have reached heaven, not just canonized saints.

November 2 remembers all the souls who are still suffering in purgatory.

Our responsibility is to restore All Hallows Eve to its Catholic place on the Church's calendar.

Know the saints.

Read books on the saints.

Promote their writings.

Know what they have to say.

Publicize the lives of the saints.

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If you see injustice, STAND UP  
If something needs to be said, SPEAK UP  
If you make an appointment, SHOW UP  
If you make a mistake, FESS UP  
If you're overstepping, BACK UP  
If you get behind, CATCH UP  
If they knock you down, GET UP  
If you're out of line, STRAIGHTEN UP  
When your boss instructs, KEEP UP  
When your elders speak, LISTEN UP  
When your teachers teach, SIT UP  
When your preachers preach, WAKE UP  
When your country calls, MAN UP  
Ladies too... WOMAN UP  
When the fight is over, MAKE UP  
If you're being hard, EASE UP  
If your heart is closed, OPEN UP  
If you want to buy something, SAVE UP--  
It's not an entitlement, so SHUT UP!  
If you make a mess, CLEAN IT UP  
If you drop trash, PICK IT UP  
If a car is waiting for you to  
walk cross the street, SPEED IT UP  
If you're cold busted, GIVE IT UP  
If people fall down, HELP THEM UP--  
Not the government, YOU STEP UP  
If you have a concern, BRING IT UP  
If idiots start fighting, BREAK IT UP  
If the music is wholesome, TURN IT UP  
If the message is poisonous, THROW IT UP  
If your words are vulgar, CLAM IT UP  
If your words encourage, KEEP IT UP  
If your pants are baggy, PULL THEM UP

If the belt's too loose, CINCH IT UP  
If your fly is down, ZIP IT UP  
If you're dressed half naked, COVER IT UP  
If you can't afford stuff, PASS IT UP--  
No "bailouts" folks, PONY UP  
If you made a promise, you BACK IT UP  
And you can take your whining and PACK IT UP  
It's called personal responsibility, so TAKE IT UP  
This country was founded on it, you can LOOK IT UP  
It's the American way people, so TURN IT UP  
Because when life gets boring, you SHAKE IT UP  
When life is good, you SOAK IT UP  
When life's unfair, you SUCK IT UP  
When life is funny, you can YUCK IT UP  
When life is sad, just LOOK STRAIGHT UP

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### Three Men on a Hike

Three men were hiking through a forest when they came upon a large raging, violent river. Needing to get to the other side, the first man prayed: 'God, please give me the strength to cross the river.'

Poof! God gave him big arms and strong legs and he was able to swim across in about 2 hours, having almost drowned twice.

After witnessing that, the second man prayed: 'God, please give me strength and the tools to cross the river'

Poof! ... God gave him a rowboat and strong arms and strong legs and he was able to row across in about an hour after almost capsizing once.

Seeing what happened to the first two men, the third man prayed: 'God, please give me the strength, the tools and the intelligence to cross the

river'

Poof! ... He was turned in to a woman. She checked the map, hiked one hundred yards up stream and walked across the bridge.

GO AHEAD, SEND THIS TO A WOMAN WHO NEEDS A GOOD LAUGH AND TO ANY MAN WHO CAN HANDLE IT!

*'If at first you don't succeed, do it the way your wife told you!'*

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SIMPLICITY AT IT'S BEST!!

This is from an article in the St. Petersburg Times Newspaper on Sunday. The Business Section asked readers for ideas on "How Would You Fix the Economy?"

I think this guy nailed it!

Dear Mr. President,

Please find below my suggestion for fixing America 's economy. Instead of giving billions of dollars to companies that will squander the money on lavish parties and unearned bonuses, use the following plan. You can call it the Patriotic Retirement Plan:

There are about 40 million people over 50 in the work force. -

Pay them \$1 million apiece severance for early retirement with the following stipulations:

- 1) They MUST retire.. Forty million job openings - Unemployment fixed.
- 2) They MUST buy a new American CAR. Forty million cars ordered - Auto Industry fixed.
- 3) They MUST either buy a house or pay off their mortgage - Housing Crisis fixed.

It can't get any easier than that!

P.S. If more money is needed, have all members in Congress and their constituents pay their taxes...

AND, Mr. President...while you're at it...make congress retire on Social Security and Medicare...I'll bet both programs would be fixed...pronto!

WE THE PEOPLE of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, ensure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare, and SECURE the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution FOR the United States of America. The role of Government is to SECURE our liberty, not SEIZE it from us.

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## BORN IN THE USA?

Old photos, new questions about Obama nativity

University friends of Barack Obama Sr. make no mention of Ann Dunham

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After WND's stunning disclosure yesterday that Michelle Obama publicly admitted her husband's mother, Stanley Ann Dunham, was "very young and very single" when giving birth to the future U.S. president, three photos of Barack Obama Sr. have now surfaced, raising further questions as to whether the two were actually married.

The photos of Barack Obama Sr. attending a University of Hawaii party in the early 1960s, which surfaced on the Internet, show him enjoying the company of fellow students without the presence of Ann Dunham. His demeanor evident in the three photographs suggests a familiarity with women that would give no indication he was engaged to be married or already wed to Ann Dunham.

While the possibility remains the photographs were taken before Obama Sr. met Ann Dunham, the testimonies from Obama's fellow students at the University of Hawaii that accompany the photographs make no mention

that Barack Obama Sr. was ever associated with Ann Dunham, at the time the photographs were taken, or later.

The photographs are identified as having been taken at the home of Arnie and Suzie Nachmanoff in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, "in the early 1960s."

One photo shows Barack Obama Sr., smoking a cigarette and talking with an attractive young woman identified on the website only as "Dorothy."

The other two photos show Barack Obama Sr. seated on the floor with other students at the party, again without Dunham.

Several testimonies "by some old friends of Barack Obama when we were in Honolulu, Hawaii," are posted on the website, reminiscing about Barack Obama Sr.

Several of the testimonies note that Obama had the historical distinction of being Hawaii's first African university student; none of the testimonies make any reference to courtship with or marriage to Dunham.

The website, obviously supportive of President Obama, was created by Naranhkiri Tith, a student at the University of Hawaii's East West Center at the same time Barack Obama Sr. was enrolled. Tith went on to serve for 20 years on the senior staff of the International Monetary Fund.

"Although [Barack Obama Sr.] was not an East-West Center grantee, he was always with us, especially at a Guest House owned and operated by the Asia foundation, situated on the top of a road leading to Manoa valley," Tith Naranhkiri recalled in an essay titled "Remembering my friend Barak (sic) Obama" that "Atherton House was a place where most East-West Center grantees gathered for a drink or a chat."

Naranhkiri said in the 1980s an IMF colleague on a mission to Kenya gave him Obama's telephone number in Nairobi.

"Needless to say that I was very happy to be able to be in contact again with Barak (sic), after more than ten years of silence," Naranhkiri continued. "We had a long conversation and we were able to talk to each other a few more times until one day, when I called him and his secretary told me over the phone that he had passed away of an accident."



Narankiri makes no reference to recalling Ann Dunham at the University of Hawaii or of discussing her with Barack Obama Sr. in their subsequent telephone conversations after the president's father had returned to Kenya.

Robert M. Ruenitz, another student at the East-West Center when Barack Obama Sr. was enrolled, had distinct recollections of the president's father living alone in Hawaii.

"For any of us to say we knew Obama well would be difficult," Robert M. Ruenitz wrote. "He was a private man with academic achievement his foremost goal. He lived somewhat like a hermit in a small room up in the valleys of Manoa. I visited him there on my Lambretta and wondered how he sustained himself outside of his focused attention to his academic pursuits."

WND has established that Barack Obama Sr. always maintained his bachelor apartment at 625 11th Avenue. The only family resident at 6085 Kalanianaʻole Highway – the birth address published in August 1961 in the Honolulu Advertiser and the Honolulu Star-Bulletin – were Ann Dunham's parents, Stanley and Madelyn Dunham.

"In my mind, I always picture him at a certain spot under a large tree, just outside the University library," Bob Craft, another East-West student recalled. "There a small group of us would frequently gather, standing around for a short while chatting.

"All these years – I still believe that I can remember his voice distinctly, which had middle and high tones sitting on top of a deep rumble. I also remember him always being dressed in a white shirt and dark trousers, in contrast to everyone else who usually wore flowered Hawaiian shirts and shorts," Craft continued, making no mention of Ann Dunham.

Rep. Neil Abercrombie, D–Hawaii, told the Chicago Tribune that he was part of a group of graduate students at the University of Hawaii along with Barack Obama Sr. and Dunham who spent weekends listening to jazz, drinking beer and debating politics and world affairs. Another of Abercrombie's recollections, however – that Ann Dunham "disappeared from the University of Hawaii student gatherings" only after Barack

Obama Sr. was accepted to attend Harvard University – conflicts with new evidence.

WND has obtained evidence that Dunham enrolled in extension classes at the University of Washington in Seattle on Aug. 19, 1961, only 15 days after Barack Obama Jr. was born, and that she lived in an apartment in Seattle's Capitol Hill area, never returning to Hawaii until after Barack Obama Sr. had left for Harvard.

The Chicago Tribune further reported that on a trip to Africa years later, Abercrombie caught up with Barack Obama Sr.

Barack Obama Sr. "was drinking too much; his frustration was apparent," Abercrombie told the newspaper.

"To Abercrombie's surprise, Obama never asked about his ex-wife or his son," Tribune national correspondent Tim Jones wrote.

WND has reported the only documentation for Dunham's marriage to Barack Obama Sr. comes from their divorce documents that list the marriage date as Feb. 2, 1961.

However, it isn't clear Obama's parents were married, since official records have never been produced showing a legal ceremony took place. No wedding certificate or photograph of a ceremony for Dunham and Obama Sr. has ever been found or published.

In his book "Barack and Michelle: Portrait of an American Marriage," former Time magazine contributing editor Christopher Anderson elaborates: "There were certainly no witnesses (to the alleged civil marriage ceremony on Maui in 1961 between Obama's parents) – no family members were present, and none of their friends at the university had the slightest inkling that they were even engaged."

Anderson further quoted Abercrombie as saying that "nobody" was invited to the wedding ceremony.

Obama himself, on page 22 of his autobiography "Dreams from My Father," wrote of his parents wedding: "In fact, how and when the marriage occurred remains a bit murky, a bill of particulars that I've never quite had the courage to explore. There's no record of a real wedding, a cake, a ring, a giving away of the bride. No families were in attendance; it's not even clear that people back in Kansas were fully informed. Just a

small civil ceremony, a justice of the peace. The whole thing seems so fragile in retrospect, so haphazard."

President Obama's birth story is further complicated by the fact that when Barack Obama Sr. arrived in Hawaii as a 23-years-old in September 1959, he already had been married since age 18 to a Kenyan woman named Kezia Aoko.

Obama Sr. ultimately had four children with Aoko, and there is no evidence to suggest he was ever divorced from Aoko, either in Kenya before he left for Hawaii or in Hawaii prior to the alleged marriage with Dunham.

On page 126 of "Dreams from My Father," Barack Obama Jr. described his father's marriage with Kezia in a quotation in which Ann Dunham says, "An then there was a problem with your father's first wife ... he had told me they were separated, but it was a village wedding, so there was no legal documentation that could show a divorce ..." (Ellipsis in original text.)

Dunham apparently was suggesting bigamy was not involved in her alleged marriage since Barack Obama Sr.'s marriage to Aoko was a "village wedding" that possibly would not have been recognized as legitimate by Hawaii civil law. Barack Obama Sr. was reportedly a polygamist who had at least four wives, including Ruth Nidesand, who he met at Harvard and became his wife after she followed him back to Kenya.