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Dear Subscribers:

Staff Sergeant Matt Maupin will finally return home to Cincinnati as his family mourns and brings to a close their four year ordeal. Matt was part of a supply convoy on April 9, 2004 near Bagdad airport when they were attacked. Two soldiers and four civilian contractors were killed; Matt and a civilian driver were taken prisoner. The driver managed to escape from a different location a month later but knew nothing of Matt's whereabouts. Two months later a video allegedly of Matt surfaced. His family and friends rallied together, kept their faith and hope, and what started in Cincinnati, Ohio later attracted national attention as Matt throughout that time remained the only missing serviceman in Iraq. Four years later the U.S. Army announced it had located and identified Matt's remains. Matt was a popular, well-liked and respected young man and football player with a 3.5 grade-point average. He had plans for college after his tour of duty. His story and the diligent work of his parents to support American servicemen can be seen at <http://www.yellowribbonsupportcenter.com/>

In January, 2007, this writer contacted his state legislator and started the process to introduce legislation renaming the section of Interstate I-275 that passes very near Matt's home to be renamed the SSgt Matt Maupin Highway.

Wesley Cook and Leonard Peltier: Late last month Wesley Cook, a former Black Panther who has been sitting on death row for the 1982 brutal murder of Philadelphia Police Officer Daniel Faulkner, was granted a reprieve of

sorts on a sentencing technicality. The federal court upheld his conviction but said he should receive a new sentencing hearing. If prosecutors do not move for a new death penalty hearing, Cook will automatically be sentenced to life in prison.

Peltier's and Cook's cases have some glaring similarities; they have both changed their version of the events several times, there have been witnesses who remained silent, yet others who place them both at the scene of the crime and a phantom killer in both cases was proven to be a fabrication.

The events surrounding Officer Faulkner's murder can be seen at the website <http://www.danielfaulkner.com/>, and in the recent book by Maureen Falukner; "Murdered by Mumia; A life Sentence of Loss, Pain, and Injustice."

As early as May 2000 Peltier tried to capitalize on Cook's infamy by "...launching of a world wide 'month of action' for Mumia Abu Jamal and Leonard Peltier." And, "...demanding Leonard Peltier and Mumia Abu Jamal be released from prison." Peltier also tied his own fate to that of the Oklahoma City bomber and mass murderer, Timothy McVeigh.

Pine Ridge: On April 2nd it was announced that an anonymous couple from Washington D.C. donated one million dollars that will be part of the planned high school expansion for a state-of-the-art facility for science and Lakota studies as well as socializing and office space for students and faculty. The gift was accepted in the form of a "challenge grant" in which Red Cloud Indian School has agreed to match the gift with donations from new donors. May God bless this couple from D.C. They are wonderful in their generosity and recognition of the outstanding accomplishments and promising future at Red Cloud. Anyone interested in a truly worthy cause that benefits the most deserving of our Native American youth should consider being as charitable to Red Cloud as they can. <http://www.redcloudschool.org/>

8th NPPA Anniversary: April 30th marks the eighth year since the inception of the No Parole Peltier Association. Much has happened during the ensuing debate but the original goal has been sustained; to dispel the myths and folklore perpetuated by Peltier and his supporters and honor the sacrifice and memory of Special Agents Jack Cooler and Ron Williams.

Over the past year: The felon Robideau, once again, crawled out from under the Peltier tent, but he's sure to return because he has no other accomplishments in his life with which to massage his tortured ego; Peltier offered yet another lie about his background; Peltier's intolerance for those who have been loyal to him but did not do his bidding was demonstrated once again as the LPDC continued to falter; fundraising remained at an embarrassing level as Peltier's popularity continued its annual slide; Peltier's actual guilt was readily demonstrated and, an outspoken supporter demonstrated his lack of understanding of the Peltier case and the criminal justice system. For a detailed review of the past year's developments please see editorial essays #38, #39, #40, #41, #42, #43 and #44.

Peltier/LPDC update: It would appear that the LPDC website has been stagnant for many weeks, nearly three months; no updates, dead links (even to the fundraiser doesn't work). But this isn't surprising as Peltier's unwarranted popularity continues to dissipate.

This monthly newsletter will be provided to NPPA subscribers in place of the previous periodic emails sent through the bravenet.com listserve. Any individuals who wish not to receive this newsletter need only advise us and they will be removed. For those who desire to receive these updates as we approach this important phase in the Peltier matter, please forward the newsletter to others so they may also receive updates.

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