

# *Essential Oils*

## *Than & Now Newsletter*

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### TIP OF THE ICEBERG

My Father was a political writer - brilliant, driven and angry, an ultra-Conservative and member of the John Birch Society in a very liberal Massachusetts town. He exposed evils in government and consequently there were threats on our lives and incredible malicious reports designed to destroy our credibility and reputations. How could people really believe my Mother was a member of the CIA, my Father an international spy, that we had trained bears in our woods and some kind of control over the police? It was a very traumatic and painful time for me. I wanted out of the fishbowl, and nothing to do with politics.

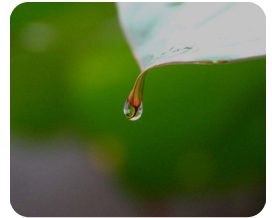
How ironic. As a Natural Health Practitioner I have been bombarded recently with this administration's and world politics. Check the excellent web site - Millions against Monsanto Campaign. What's Monsanto?

Since 2006 farmers in America with large crops have been forced to spray Monsanto's Round-up pesticides or face fines or prison. Hopefully we don't import soy beans or soybean oil for our foods from Brazil, Paraguay, or Argentina where genetically modified foods are legal and who use Round-up on their crops? This Round-up is hurting their children and killing animals that drink or swim in pesticide contaminated waters. Have you relatives who fought in Vietnam bearing children with birth defects, and fighting cancerous and/or neurological diseases and death? Agent Orange was made by this evil company. Monsanto's PCB's, now illegal, are buried in a small Alabama town causing illness and death. Check the bills before Congress HR 875 and HR759 influenced indirectly but profitably for Monsanto - the so-called Food Safety laws backed by lobbyists for pharmaceutical, pesticide and chemical companies whose basic agenda is wealth. Investigative reporter Linn Cohen-Cole wrote "These bills will industrialize all farms to ensure the farmers are forced to buy chemicals and drugs. Organic farming is dead. As well as human control over the food supply. As well as health..."

During tough economic times when alternative health practitioners are making a financial loss impact on allopathic disease care, there arises suits against "people practicing medicine without a license." The instructors from whom I am currently taking Health Coach classes, have been on board to fight these suits in Washington, Oregon, Colorado, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Florida recently and currently Massachusetts where people doing raindrops, using oils and other modalities are having tremendous results on diseases that Doctors have no cure for. The practitioners' defense is Spiritual and all the cases have been won so far as "Nobody can be helped if God wasn't having an influence on these people." I have my Nursing and Spiritual Healer licenses. My school pin says "Man tends, God Mends." So I watch and write Congress. How long can

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we keep our office open? Essential oils now are also being maligned as ineffective on health and toxic. (Actually, depending on the company and country which distills oils there might be some validity about that.) Fortunately, as dire as all this sounds....

It's not checkmate yet!

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