Aus witch hunt: Ms. Burke stands tall

AUSTRALIA — Australia's major pioneer of high-resolution phase-contrast medical microscopy, and a chief advocate of thermography in cancer detection, is gamely fighting for her professional life and for health-freedom choices in her country.

Jennie Burke, whose Sydney-based Australian Biologics (AB) office has been under attack since March 2001 by the powerful Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) on charges of “false, misleading or deceptive conduct,” has been forced to sell her home and establish a “fighting fund” since she is opposing the claims about her all the way, according to Australian health-freedom groups.

The “alternative” Nexus and New Dawn magazines believe the harassment of Jennie Burke and AB — she has been in business for almost 20 years and has never had a complaint from a patient or any of the three dozen therapists who have used her services — is a “test case” whereby drug company-controlled standard or allopathic medicine intends to chasten all departures from medical orthodoxy.

Ms. Burke (Med Tech, MD(MA), Dip NSc, Dip MH) has been an Australian integrative medicine gadfly on several fronts:

- She convened three major international conferences on alternative approaches to cancer in Australia in 1994, 1995 and 1997.
- An internationally recognized expert in her fields, she is regularly asked to make presentations at medical conferences throughout Europe, the USA and China.
- She was a primary pioneer of the high-resolution, phase-contrast (“darkfield”) microscopy system with which a controversial blood test (the “free radical footprint” or “clot retraction” assay) as well as high-resolution live blood analysis (LBA) are utilized.
- She has also introduced thermography as a means of diagnosis-by-heat, a growing area of interest in holistic medicine worldwide.

Kentucky’s fluoridation campaign crashing

USA — US anti-fluoridation forces gleefully have noted that Kentucky’s vigorous fluoridation laws — some 96 percent of the state’s water systems have been fluoridated since 1977 — not only have not reduced tooth decay in children but indeed there is more tooth decay than ever.

The New York State Coalition Opposed to Fluoridation Inc. reported Nov. 20:

“In 1987, 28% of Kentucky preschoolers developed cavities. That number increased to 47% in 2001, according to the July/August 2003 journal Pediatric Dentistry. Over 96% of Kentucky water systems add fluoride since a 1977 Kentucky law compelled water suppliers serving over 1,500 individuals to fluoridate, aimed to reduce tooth decay by up to 60%. Fluoride supplements are prescribed to children without fluoridated water.

“...But cavities didn’t decline at all. In fact, 57% of Kentucky third-and sixth-graders also developed tooth decay.

“It turns out these children need dentists more than fluoride. Forty-three percent of preschoolers suffered with festered teeth. ‘Oral disease is reaching a crisis level for children across the country and here in Kentucky,’ according to Jim Ceil, administrator of oral health programs for the Kentucky Dept. of Public Health.

“A Kentucky dentist, ‘shocked by a dramatic increase in the dental decay rate, found poor diet to be the culprit.’

Jennie Burke came under the glare of the Australian version of the “quackbustiers” — the Australian Skeptics Society — in 2000 and was on the brink of suing “Skeptic of the Year” Dr. John Dwyer, an Australian physician, for an allegedly defamatory article he wrote about her when the ACCC “writ” was filed.

The October 2003 New Dawn reported:

“Unlike the giant pharmaceutical companies which spend billions per year lobbying, buy influence and market their products, the alternative health product services industry is fragmented and uncoordinated both politically and legally.

“There is no effective or recognized body for businesses or organizations to turn to in this situation. Individuals and companies faced with this sort of scrutiny and legal challenge usually give in and comply to avoid court action beyond financial reach.

“Jennie has decided to fight the action, but cannot do so without public support. If you are one of the many thousands of people touched by the work of Jennie Burke, and/or Australian Biologics, now is the time to email or post personal testimonials, plus any financial contribution you consider appropriate.

“For more than 200 years mainstream medicine has tried to run alternative practitioners out of operation. It has sought to humiliate them, outlaw them, imprison them, and deny them publicity and research funds.

“Ms Burke has been forced to sell her home to establish a fighting fund, and needs our support to avoid financial ruin, as this case could drag on for years. Of course, it would be much easier to give up than risk financial ruin, but it is apparent we need to unite if we are to fight for our rights of health care choice, and prevent multinational monopoly of our herbs, vitamins and alternative therapies.”

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A vax challenge from author Jock Doubleday

USA — Jock Doubleday, author and president of the California non-profit corporation Natural Woman, Natural Man, has announced that he will offer $20,000 (US) to the first medical doctor or pharmaceutical company CEO “who publicly drinks a mixture of standard vaccine additive ingredients in the same amount as a 6-year-old child is recommended to receive under the year 2000 guidelines of the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).” He stated:

“The mixture will not contain viruses or bacteria dead or alive, but will contain standard vaccine additive ingredients in their usual forms and proportions. The mixture will include, but will not be limited to: thimerosal (a mercury derivative), ethylene glycol (antifreeze), phenol (a disinfectant dye), benzenethionium chloride (a disinfectant), formaldehyde (a preservative and disinfectant), and aluminum.”

The mixture will be prepared by Doubleday, three medical professionals that he names, and three medical professionals that the participant names. The mixture will be “body weight-calibrated,” added Doubleday.

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