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John Gyorki

Extraordinary fear of terrorism in the US seems to have paralyzed our law enforcers' sense of responsibility and what is best for its citizens to the point of compromising many of their rights. For example, I have three hobbies and a university degree all of which recently have come

hobbies and a university degree, all of which recently have come under suspicion for being criminal. Let me explain.



I have been an amateur photographer since I was ten years old. My uncle and I used to do photo shoots on weekends of nature scenes, people, buildings, statues, fountains, and many other objects. Once, I photographed a night scene of a petroleum refinery; its unusual lights and flames made a fantastic, prize-

winning gallery picture. Not anymore. Now, I am harassed by the "law" when I take a picture in a public park! Because I carry a tripod and camera with a large lens, I am judged to be either a terrorist or a professional photographer breaking some law. You know what "they" do to terrorists. But as a perceived professional photographer, I am not allowed to take pictures of certain "copy-righted" buildings! That means the owners suspect I will get rich printing and selling pictures of their building (the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame comes to mind); they want the exclusive right to do so. How ignorant is that? More>>

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John Gyorki

I recently purchased a Hewlett Packard laptop computer to replace my 1.5 year-old Apple MacPro (\$2500.00) after it developed an annoying screen flicker, which according to experts, would have cost about \$800.00 to \$1200.00 to repair. But, that's another story.

My new HP Pavilion dv9000, an "Entertainment PC," is outfitted with the Home Premium version of the Vista operating system and Office 2007. Now I have an opportunity to experience Vista's really cool and not so cool features. Because of the many negative reports I heard about Vista when it first appeared, I was wondering if I should have opted for the XP operating system instead. But, I decided I can't impede progress, and eventually, most of us will be using Vista and Office 2007, anyway. Feedback>>

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