

Silicon Valley Venture Capitalists Rape Interns and Ideas: What Can Be Done About It

***A ten year under-cover study of the
criminal rape-culture and tacit illicit
conspiracy of silence in Silicon Valley***

A ten year study of the venture capitalists of Silicon Valley was conducted. This is what we learned.

We used an AI data gathering software application system that was allowed to self-breed and auto-populate, for a number of years, using automated web analysis, email text overlap algorithms, Web-DA and other legally acquired re-percussive data acquisition.

We conducted thousands of interviews and personal testaments and went under-cover inside venture capital offices. Cell phones were legally placed in speaker-mode during under-cover activities while calling out to conference calls with our team.

Part One of this report deals with the Sex Assaults. Part Two of this report deals with the Idea Assaults. Part Three of this report deals with the Summations and Psychological Analysis of the VC's. This report will be expanded in new revisions online and offered in Brief, Medium and Long-Form editions. The current Long-Form addition comprises over 2000 pages and includes audio recording MP3 files.

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**Part One: Silicon Valley Venture Capitalists
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**What
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Valley
Thinks
of Women**



Silicon Valley's Greylock Partners, Kleiner Perkins, and most other VC's are rapists, sexual predators and political bribery enthusiasts and nobody ever arrests them for it...

How you can help the victims:

- **Support a DOJ and SEC class action lawsuit against the NVCA and Silicon Valley Venture Capital Firms**
- **Donate legal support funds for the women at <http://www.lawless-lawless.com/>**
- **Encourage other women at Venture Capital firms to come forward**
- **Help distribute the iPhone recordings of the harassment these women have recorded on the job**
- **Call Reid Hoffman, John Doerr, Tim Draper and other VC's on the phone and tell them what you think**
- **Demand that your pension fund remove any investments in Silicon Valley VC funds**

Women in Tech Speak Frankly on Culture of Harassment At Silicon Valley VC's

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By [KATIE BENNER](#)

Photo



Rachel Renock, the chief executive of Wethos, center, with her business partners, Claire Humphreys, left, and Kristen Ablamsky. Ms. Renock said they received sexist comments while seeking financing. Credit Sasha Maslov for The New York Times

Their stories came out slowly, even hesitantly, at first. Then in a rush.

One female entrepreneur recounted how she had been propositioned by a Silicon Valley venture capitalist while seeking a job with him, which she did not land after rebuffing him. Another showed the increasingly suggestive messages she had received from a start-up investor. And one chief executive described how she had faced numerous sexist comments from an investor while raising money for her online community website.

What happened afterward was often just as disturbing, the women told The New York Times. Many times, the investors' firms and colleagues ignored or played down what had happened when the situations were brought to their attention. Saying anything, the women were warned, might lead to ostracism.

Now some of these female entrepreneurs have decided to take that risk. More than two dozen women in the technology start-up industry spoke to The Times in recent days about being sexually harassed. Ten of them named the investors involved, often providing corroborating messages and emails, and pointed to high-profile venture capitalists such as Chris Sacca of Lowercase Capital and Dave McClure of 500 Startups.

The disclosures came after the tech news site The Information [reported](#) that female entrepreneurs had been preyed upon by a venture capitalist, Justin Caldbeck of Binary Capital. The new accounts underscore how sexual harassment in the tech start-up ecosystem goes beyond one firm and is pervasive and ingrained. Now their speaking out suggests a cultural shift in Silicon Valley, where such predatory behavior had often been murmured about but rarely exposed.

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Women in Tech Band Together to Track Diversity, After Hours



Ellen Pao Loses Silicon Valley Bias Case Against Kleiner Perkins

The tech industry has long suffered a gender imbalance, with companies such as [Google](#) and Facebook acknowledging how few women were in their ranks. Some female engineers have started to speak out on the issue, including a former Uber engineer who detailed [a pattern of sexual harassment](#) at the company, setting off internal investigations that spurred the resignation in June of Uber's chief executive, Travis Kalanick.

Most recently, the revelations about Mr. Caldbeck of Binary Capital have triggered an outcry. The investor has been accused of sexually harassing entrepreneurs while he worked at three different venture firms in the past seven years, often in meetings in which the women were presenting their companies to him.

Several of Silicon Valley's top venture capitalists and technologists, including Reid Hoffman, a founder of LinkedIn, condemned Mr. Caldbeck's behavior last week and called for investors to [sign a "decency pledge."](#) Binary has since collapsed, with Mr. Caldbeck leaving the firm and investors pulling money out of its funds.

The chain of events has emboldened more women to talk publicly about the treatment they said they had endured from tech investors.

"Female entrepreneurs are a critical part of the fabric of Silicon Valley," said Katrina Lake, founder and chief executive of the [online clothing start-up Stitch Fix](#), who was one of the women targeted by Mr. Caldbeck. "It's important to expose the type of behavior that's been reported in the last few weeks, so the community can recognize and address these problems."

The women's experiences help explain why the venture capital and start-up ecosystem — which underpins the tech industry and has spawned companies such as Google, Facebook and Amazon — has been so lopsided in terms of gender.

Most venture capitalists and entrepreneurs are men, with female entrepreneurs receiving \$1.5 billion in funding last year versus \$58.2 billion for men, according to the data firm PitchBook. Many of the investors hold outsize power, since entrepreneurs need their money to turn ideas and innovations into a business. And because the venture industry operates with few disclosure requirements, people have kept silent about investors who cross the lines with entrepreneurs.

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Gesche Haas, an entrepreneur who said she was propositioned for sex by an investor. He later apologized. Credit Sasha Maslov for The New York Times

Some venture capitalists' abuse of power has come to light in recent years. In 2015, Ellen Pao took her former employer, the prestigious venture firm Kleiner Perkins Caufield & Byers, to trial for allegations of gender discrimination, leveling accusations of professional retaliation after spurned sexual advances. Ms. Pao [lost the case](#), but it [sparked a debate](#) about whether women in tech should publicly call out unequal treatment.

“Having had several women come out earlier, including Ellen Pao and me, most likely paved the way and primed the industry that these things indeed happen,” said Gesche Haas, an entrepreneur who said she was [propositioned for sex](#) by an investor, Pavel Curda, in 2014. Mr. Curda has [since apologized](#).

Some of the entrepreneurs who spoke with The Times said they were often touched without permission by investors or advisers.

At a mostly male tech gathering in Las Vegas in 2009, Susan Wu, an entrepreneur and investor, said that Mr. Sacca, an investor and former Google executive, touched her face without her consent in a way that made her uncomfortable. Ms. Wu said she was also propositioned by Mr. Caldbeck while fundraising in 2010 and worked hard to avoid him later when they crossed paths.

“There is such a massive imbalance of power that women in the industry often end up in distressing situations,” Ms. Wu said.

After being contacted by The Times, Mr. Sacca wrote in [a blog post](#) on Thursday: “I now understand I personally contributed to the problem. I am sorry.” In a statement to The Times, he added that he was

“grateful to Susan and the other brave women sharing their stories. I’m confident the result of their courage will be long-overdue, lasting change.”

After the publication of this article, Mr. Sacca contacted The Times again to amend his original statement, adding: “I dispute Susan’s account from 2009.”

Many of the women also said they believed they had limited ability to push back against inappropriate behavior, often because they needed funding, a job or other help.

In 2014, Sarah Kunst, 31, an entrepreneur, said she discussed a potential job at 500 Startups, a start-up incubator in San Francisco. During the recruiting process, Mr. McClure, a founder of 500 Startups and an investor, sent her a Facebook message that read in part, “I was getting confused figuring out whether to hire you or hit on you.”

Ms. Kunst, who now runs a fitness start-up, said she declined Mr. McClure’s advance. When she later discussed the message with one of Mr. McClure’s colleagues, she said 500 Startups ended its conversations with her.

500 Startups said Mr. McClure, who did not respond to a request for comment, was no longer in charge of day-to-day operations after an internal investigation.

“After being made aware of instances of Dave having inappropriate behavior with women in the tech community, we have been making changes internally,” 500 Startups said. “He recognizes he has made mistakes and has been going through counseling to work on addressing changes in his previous unacceptable behavior.”

Photo



Lindsay Meyer in her home in San Francisco. She said a venture capitalist groped and kissed her. “I felt like I had to tolerate it because this is the cost of being a nonwhite female founder,” she said. Credit Jim Wilson/The New York Times

Rachel Renock, the chief executive of [Wethos](#), described a similar situation in which she faced sexist comments while seeking financing for her online community site. While she and her female partners were fund-raising in March, one investor told them that they should marry for money, that he liked it when women fought back because he would always win, and that they needed more attractive photos of themselves in their presentation.

They put up with the comments, Ms. Renock said, because they “couldn’t imagine a world in which that \$500,000 wasn’t on the table anymore.” Ms. Renock declined to name the investor. Wethos raised the \$500,000 from someone else and is still fund-raising.

Wendy Dent, 43, whose company Cinemmerse makes an app for smart watches, said she was sent increasingly flirtatious messages by a start-up adviser, Marc Canter, as she was trying to start her company in 2014. Mr. Canter, who had founded a software company in the 1980s that became known as Macromedia, initially agreed to help her find a co-founder. But over time, his messages became sexual in nature.

In one message, reviewed by The Times, he wrote that she was a “sorceress casting a spell.” In another, he commented on how she looked in a blue dress and added, “Know what I’m thinking? Why am I sending you this — in private?”

Mr. Canter, in an interview, said that Ms. Dent “came on strong to me, asking for help” and that she had used her sexuality publicly. He said he disliked her ideas so he behaved the way he did to make her go away.

Some entrepreneurs were asked to not speak about the behavior they experienced.

At a start-up competition in 2014 in San Francisco, Lisa Curtis, an entrepreneur, pitched her food start-up, Kuli Kuli, and was told her idea had won the most plaudits from the audience, opening the door to possible investment. As she stepped off the stage, an investor named Jose De Dios, said, “Of course you won. You’re a total babe.”

Ms. Curtis later posted on Facebook about the exchange and got a call from a different investor. He said “that if I didn’t take down the post, no one in Silicon Valley would give me money again,” she said. Ms. Curtis deleted the post.

In a statement, Mr. De Dios said he “unequivocally did not make a defamatory remark.”

Often, change happens only when there is a public revelation, some of the women said. In the case of Mr. Caldbeck and Binary, the investor and the firm [have apologized](#), as has Mr. Caldbeck’s previous employer, the venture capital firm Lightspeed Venture Partners, which had received complaints about him.

“We regret we did not take stronger action,” [Lightspeed said on Twitter](#) on Tuesday. “It is clear now that we should have done more.”

Lindsay Meyer, an entrepreneur in San Francisco, said Mr. Caldbeck put \$25,000 of his own money into her fitness start-up in 2015. That gave Mr. Caldbeck reason to constantly text her; in those messages, reviewed by The Times, he asked if she was attracted to him and why she would rather be with her boyfriend than him. At times, he groped and kissed her, she said.

“I felt like I had to tolerate it because this is the cost of being a nonwhite female founder,” said Ms. Meyer, who is Asian-American.

But even after she reached out to a mentor, who alerted one of Binary’s investors, Legacy Venture, to Mr. Caldbeck’s actions, little changed. Legacy went on to invest in Binary’s new fund. Binary and Mr. Caldbeck declined to comment.

“We failed to follow up on information about Mr. Caldbeck’s personal behavior,” Legacy said in a statement. “We regret this oversight and are determined to do better.”

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Ex-stripper describes 13-year nightmare as tech titan’s sex slave

By Joe Tacopino

A Silicon Valley venture capitalist has been sued for \$40 million by a woman who claims he used her as a virtual sex slave for 13 years.

Michael Goguen, who had worked for a firm that funded Google and Paypal, “sexually and physically” abused Amber Laurel Baptiste over more than 13 years after picking her up at a Texas strip club, her lawsuit alleges.

Baptiste, who claims she was brought to the United States from Canada by human traffickers at 15, said she endured “countless hours of forced sodomy” from the tech titan. The former stripper said Goguen made her endure demeaning sexual acts, sodomized her for “six hours at a time,” and forced her to call him “king” and “emperor.”

Filed in San Mateo County, Calif., on March 8, her suit details a life of torture and servitude as she was jetting around the globe to serve as the millionaire’s plaything. She claims Goguen had promised to save her from human trafficking but instead became an even worse predator himself.

Goguen, who was forced to step down from his position at Sequoia Capital, did not deny that the two had a sexual relationship but insisted the sex was consensual. He filed a countersuit against Baptiste claiming she is an “exotic dancer . . . looking for a payday.”

The venture capitalist said Baptiste was obsessed with him and sought to extort him because she was jealous of his wife. In his countersuit, Goguen provides pages of texts and emails in which she apparently refers to him as “Prince Charming,” “My Beautiful Love” and “the sweetest man in the world.”

The suit includes Baptiste's descriptions of the "amazing sex" the two had together and photos that she allegedly sent him in which she is seen playfully posing in her underwear.

Baptiste is demanding \$40 million, saying the two agreed on the amount to compensate her for the horrors she had suffered. Goguen, who has already paid her \$10 million, said she is "a woman scorned" and a victim "of her own delusions."

He claims that when he tried to end their relationship, Baptiste became bent on vengeance, threatening to ruin his life and reputation. He said that he had no choice but to pay her the \$10 million, but that she refused to relent and demanded more money.

Sequoia Capital released a statement that called Goguen's departure from the firm the "appropriate course of action." A philanthropist, Goguen was lauded for donating \$2 million to fight online child pornography and sex trafficking where he lives in Montana.

Goguen is not the only business leader who's faced backlash over sexually inappropriate behavior.

FACEBOOK BOSS IN UNDER-AGE SEX SCANDAL

Dov Katz, head of the computer vision and machine learning group at Facebook-owned Oculus, has been charged in King County for attempted commercial sexual abuse of a minor. The 38-year-old tech exec allegedly attempted to contact what he believed to be was a 15-year-old girl for sex. The fictitious 15-year-old was actually an undercover police officer with the Tukwila Police Department, a city just south of Seattle.

The news was first reported by KING 5, which said that Katz was arrested by Tukwila Police on Wednesday. Katz is to be arraigned on January 5th, and bail was set at \$125,000. An Israeli citizen who resides in California, Katz is forbidden to have contact with any minors, except in the presence of a responsible adult, according to charging documents. Katz allegedly responded to an online advertisement that offered sex in exchange for money, an ad which was posted by undercover police officer posing as a 15-year-old girl.

Horrorific Google Anal Sex Slave Case Uncovers Twisted Perversions Of Google Executives

By Samantha Conners - APT

Michael Goguen, Google's married senior investor, "sexually and physically" abused Amber Laurel Baptiste with constant anal sex over more than 13 years after picking her up at a Texas strip club. His company: Sequoia Capital, has had other run-ins with cheating married executives, escorts and tax evasion schemes, per legal filings.

Eric Schmidt, the head of Google, proclaimed that he would have a "open marriage" where he could have sex any time, with anybody, and is documented in a ream of news articles and video regarding his fifteen million dollar "sex penthouse" in New York.

Sergey Brin, another head of Google, is featured in numerous news articles for his "three way sex romp" with multiple Google employees forcing one employee to move to China to escape him. A married Google senior executive named Hayes, who helped rig Google's searches for political clients, was murdered on his "sex yacht" by his prostitute, which other Google executives had used.

Ravi Kumar, another VC associated with Google Executives, was also murdered by a pack of hookers and pimps that frequented his Silicon Valley home.

Valley Girls was a private escort service that used Stanford Co-eds to service the sexual kinks of Google executives.

Ellen Pao famously sued Google founding investor John Doerr, and his company Kleiner Perkins, for sexual abuse.

Google employee divorce filings hold the Silicon Valley record for use of the word "abuse" as one of the reasons given in the legal papers filed to initiate the divorce.

The list of kinky, twisted, bizarre sexual antics of Google executives, and their investors, goes on for pages and pages...

Google seems to attract the most twisted, perverted, morally decrepit men in the world. One has to wonder why, of all the large companies on Earth, only Google got to place the majority of it's people in the White House? That's right, Nike doesn't have it's people in the White House. Macy's doesn't either. Neither does Chevron, or John Deere tractor or any other company on Earth.

Only Google, exclusively and uniquely, had all of their people placed in the White House and top federal agency lead positions. What's up with that? Were they selected because of their technical skills or their ability to make people bend over?

An addiction to dirty sexual perversions are not the only illicit trends that Google folks display. The Google investors are members of a financing cartel called the National Venture Capital Association

(NVCA). This group of frat boy elitists got busted for running the “Angelgate” scandal in which they were documented rigging, colluding, black-listing and contriving the whole Silicon Valley start-up industry.

Then they were caught again when Eric Schmidt, Mr. “Sex Penthouse” and the head of Google, wrote emails ordering a conspiracy against Silicon Valley engineers. This “No Poaching” conspiracy got the Silicon Valley VC's sued in a class-action lawsuit, which the VC's lost. The Google founder's best friend: Jacques Littlefield, kept the world's largest private fully functional military tank squadron, in fully operational status, hidden in vast warehouses in his Silicon Valley estate in Woodside, California.

He said he had this arsenal: “just in case”. Does Google make white frat house men insane or does it draw the crazy ones to it?

The FBI is finally crunching down on these people. After so many years of the White House ordering the FBI to leave the Google VC's and Silicon Valley perverts alone, it was just getting plain embarrassing for the FBI. The audacious impunity with which Google, and it's friends, engaged in tax evasion, importing hookers, bribery, stock market rigging, anti-trust schemes and other crimes has become so overt, in the media, that it was created a spotlight on federal law enforcements avoidance of prosecution of the shenanigans of the Google crowd.

Silicon Valley Men Advise Each Other On How To Rape and Sex Traffic and Not-get-caught

- After-hours meetings in the back-rooms of San Francisco and Silicon Valley restaurants offer tips on how to get away with intern rape, sex trafficking and sex abuse

- Cute Stanford interns are traded like cattle from one VC to the next

- Kleiner Perkins and Google executives hold the record for number of hookers

Stanford University Elitist Rapists Get Away with..RAPE; All The Time!

Sexual assault survivor's powerful message heard worldwide

By Newshub digital staff

Stanford's Rich Parents Encourage Their Kids To Rape Sorority Girls Because.. "Hey, We Are Rich!" A sexual assault victim's powerful statement to her attacker on the day of what many are calling his lenient sentencing is gaining worldwide attention.

Future venture capitalist: Brock Allen Turner, a 20-year-old former Stanford University student, attacked the now 23-year-old woman in January 2015 while she was unconscious and in a public place. He only stopped when two other students came to the victim's aid. Although he faced a maximum of 14 years in state prison, Turner was sentenced to six months in a county jail and probation.

The judge said handing down a longer sentence would have a "severe impact" on Turner, a champion swimmer. Turner blamed his own intoxication for the attack and claimed that the encounter was consensual, despite being convicted of three felonies: assault with intent to rape an intoxicated woman, sexually penetrating an intoxicated person with a foreign object and sexually penetrating an unconscious person with a foreign object.

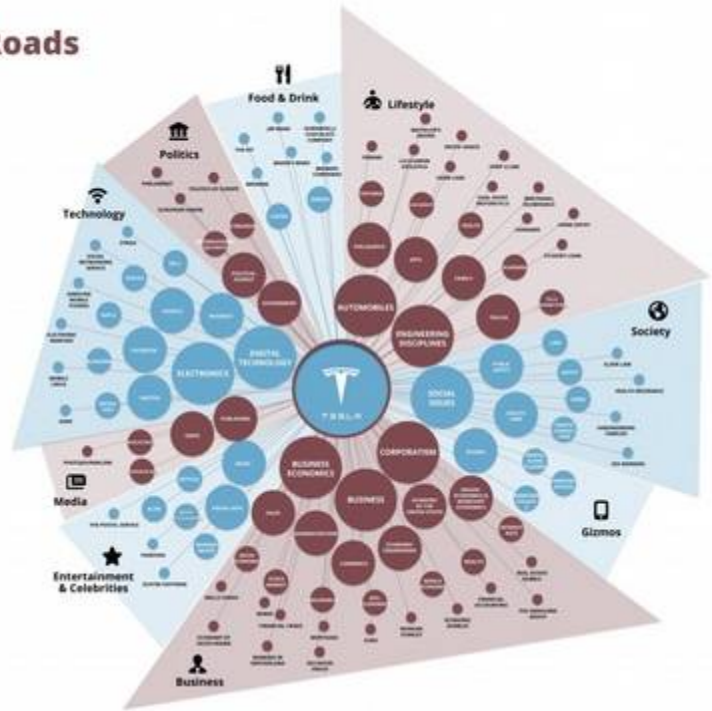
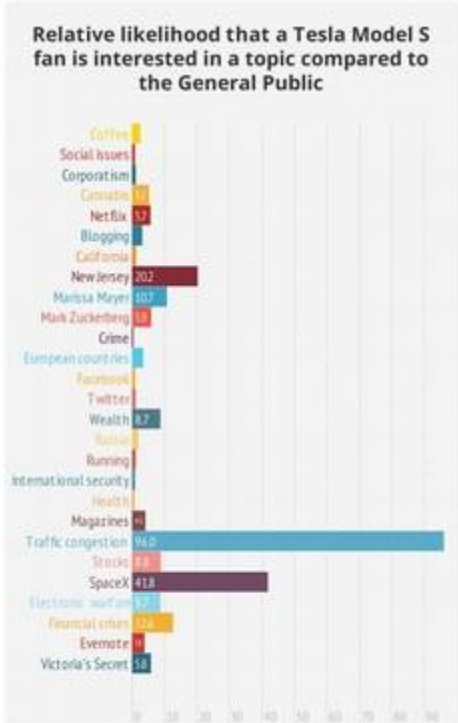
The woman calls his "gentle" sentence a "mockery" and hopes releasing her statement will "wake people up". Printed in full on Buzzfeed.com, reprinted partially on multiple websites and shared thoroughly on social media, the more than 7000 word statement sheds light on what advocates say is an epidemic of sexual violence and rape culture on US college campuses. "To sit under oath and inform all of us, that yes I wanted it, yes I permitted it, and that you are the true victim ... is appalling, is demented, is selfish, is damaging..."

Tesla Fans: Sex, Money & Open Roads

What the Tesla Model S says about you

We all have an Interest Graph...

It's the set of things you care about and how much you care about them. When we all get together as a group, we have one big Interest Graph that describes us too. Let's see what a whole lot of Interest Graphs from folks who are into the *Tesla Model S* can tell us about them.



21,000

Tesla Model S 2013 sales estimates

183,000

Humans with Interest Graphs indicating a meaningful interest in the Model S

It started with Sex.com

All Kremen has recovered so far is Sex.com and Cohen's seven-bedroom stucco house in wealthy Rancho Santa Fe, just north of San Diego. It's where Kremen lives when he's not in his San Francisco condominium.

The back yard has an in-ground hot tub and swimming pool plus a tennis court. The main bathroom has two saunas and an above-ground whirlpool. The kitchen is cavernous, with 35 cabinets and four refrigerators.

"Most of us would sell it," Dublin said. "Not Gary. He'll call Cohen at 3 a.m. in the morning and say, 'Hey, I'm sitting on the toilet in your bathroom.' That's just Gary."

While the house was a nice

turned down a giant in the online adult industry who offered to run Sex.com and pay Kremen \$400,000 a month, plus 40 percent of profits. Kremen wanted to run the business.

Eventually, Kremen turned Sex.com into a paid adult search engine, which delivered links to adult Web sites to people looking for porn online. Kremen eventually hired Steve Klopf to be his partner in running Sex.com.

They expanded the company's staff to 20 over the next couple of years and the site began generating enough money to pay off Kremen's considerable debts. Kremen got another boost in 2004 when he received a reported \$15 million for settling a lawsuit against Network

Mark Zuckerberg at the “**BABES AND BALLS**” Party where billionaires pick-up Asian sex companions, often under-age:



The non-stop sex scandals and student rape crisis at Stanford University: The place where 75% of the VC's are trained to rape and steal

'Knife. Penis. Public Square': Stanford sex scandal detailed by Vanity Fair

Sexting, secret rendezvous, and restraining orders. Is this business as usual at the prestigious @StanfordBiz? <https://t.co/oOAmD2Lc5r>

— VANITY FAIR (@VanityFair) October 21, 2015

“Vanity Fair's December issue includes a detailed article on the Stanford sex scandal that has forced the resignation of the dean of one of the nation's highest-ranked business schools. The tale of "sexting, secret rendezvous, and restraining orders" centers on Dean Garth Saloner, who has resigned but is staying around until next June. He was having an affair with star organizational behavior Professor Deborah Gruenfeld, the estranged wife of Professor James A. Phillips. That means both of the angry spouses were working for Saloner...”

Uber, Google, Facebook, Twitter, Greylock and all of the rest use the standard play-book lie of issuing a statement that says “**We will do better**”... and then proceed to double down on the rapes, sextortion and thefts as if the WE WILL DO BETTER facade will placate the masses until they get caught again.

Never, ever believe that Uber, Google, Facebook, Twitter, Greylock and all of the rest are even remotely “doing better”.. they will only do WORSE!

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A female employee called Tesla's factory a 'predator zone' at a meeting where some workers described sexual harassment

CNN WILL NEVER COVER THIS STORY BECAUSE CNN IS BEHOLDEN TO THE SILICON VALLEY VENTURE CAPITALISTS

"CNN reserves the right to publicly expose the thought-criminal should his remorse or obedience prove insufficient."

**-Andrew Kaczynski,
Goodthink Enforcer**



#CNNBlackmail

- [Danielle Muoio](#)

Tesla CEO Elon Musk reportedly did not attend the town hall where some women described sexual harassment they had experienced in the workplace.

Female employees of [Tesla](#) at a company town-hall meeting in March recounted instances of sexual harassment and mistreatment by male managers, an event the electric-car maker says has already led to leadership and policy changes.

The account of the town-hall meeting was published on Wednesday by [The Guardian's Sam Levin](#), who says one employee went so far as to call the factory a "predator zone" of harassment. According to the report, about 70 to 100 people attended the meeting, but CEO Elon Musk did not.

"The topics raised in this meeting were followed up directly with those willing to discuss," a Tesla representative told Business Insider. "We have a no-tolerance policy and have made changes to leadership, policy, and training to continue to improve our work environment."

The meeting occurred after an email was sent to female employees inviting them to a "lunch 'n learn" to discover essential oils.

According to The Guardian, Tesla postponed the lunch after it received vocal criticism, and it organized the town hall on diversity, where women shared the stories of gender discrimination. Tesla said the town-hall meeting was planned in advance and was not a reaction to the lunch.

A Tesla representative said the town-hall meeting was held by a group called Women in Tesla, which holds regular meetings to receive feedback about the work environment:

"The reason groups like Women in Tesla exist is precisely because we want to provide employees with an outlet to share opinions and feedback in a constructive manner. At Tesla, we regularly host events like the Town Hall, and only someone who is intentionally trying to misconstrue the facts and paint Tesla in a negative light could perceive such meetings as something negative."

AJ Vandermeiden, a female engineer who is suing Tesla over [sexism and harassment claims](#), is one of several sources who described the meeting to The Guardian. Tesla [fired Vandermeiden](#) in June.

"The termination was based on Ms. Vandermeiden behaving in what the evidence indicates is a fundamentally false and misleading manner, not as a result of retaliation for the lawsuit," a Tesla representative previously told Business Insider.

The lawsuit says Vandermeiden experienced "unwelcome and pervasive harassment," such as catcalls and inappropriate language, by men on the factory floor, and that she was denied promotions over men who were equally or less qualified than her.

Tesla said it launched an independent investigation into Vandermeiden's claims and found them to be unsubstantiated.

Women are becoming more vocal about gender discrimination they've experienced in Silicon Valley, which was understood to have occurred but rarely exposed in detail.

The New York Times published a [bombshell report](#) on Friday of female entrepreneurs' descriptions of sexual harassment by venture capitalists like Chris Sacca and Dave McClure.

Former Uber engineer Susan Fowler said in a [personal blog post](#) in February that she had experienced sexual harassment and gender bias at the ride-hailing company, prompting an internal investigation that culminated in Uber CEO Travis Kalanick's resignation.

SEE ALSO: [A female engineer is suing Tesla over sexism and harassment claims](#)

Part Two: Silicon Valley Venture Capitalists Mind Rape and Steal Intellectual Property With Impunity and Audacity

How Silicon Valley and Hollywood Steal From You And Rape Your Inventions and Ideas

By Susan DeLaney – For The Hollywood Reporter OP

Silicon Valley and Hollywood use the same exact lobbyists to rig elections and government policy. They also work hand-in-hand to commercialize idea-theft. Even though they are a small group of men, they account for the largest volume of tax evasion and corruption activities in the USA. Clearly, the facts prove that Hollywood and Silicon Valley are simply a rat pack of unethical crooks.

If you tell anybody in Silicon Valley, or Hollywood, anything that is a bright idea, you will discover, a year later, that they stole it from you and made their own copy cat version.

The following testimonies, from hundreds of thousands of people, are chilling:

“I heard a story from a relative who was involved in genetic research. A friend submitted a paper for peer review. The paper took a LONG time to be peer reviewed. In the mean time, another paper on essentially the same topic got peer reviewed, and it was authored by the person peer reviewing my relative's friend! In other words, their work was held up, so that it could be stolen by someone more well-connected. Have heard these kinds of stories out of Hollywood as well. Someone write's a script. It gets passed around, but turned down. Then a very similar story is authored by someone who 'may or may not' have read the script being passed around, and hey, what do you know, it is snapped up!”

“The Hollywood thing is why you tend to see multiple movies of the same type all coming out at the same time, and it has been going on for decades (“The A-Team” and “The Losers”, “A Bug's Life” and “Antz [sic]”, “Olympus Has Fallen” and “White House Down”, “Dr. Strangelove” and “Fail-Safe”, “The Warriors” and “The Wanderers”, “The Amityville Horror” and “The Shining”, “Gremlins” and “Ghoulies”, “Back to the Future” and “Peggy Sue Got Married”, “Go-Bots” and “Transformers”, “Turner & Hooch” and “K-9”, “The Usual Suspects” and “Primal Fear”, “The Truman Show” and “Ed TV”, “Dark City” and “The Matrix”, “The Road to El Dorado” and “The Emperor's New Groove”, “The Prestige” and “The Illusionist”, “Observe and Report” and “Paul Blart: Mall Cop”, “Gamer” and “Surrogates”, “Despicable Me” and “Megamind”, “Skyline” and “Battle: Los Angeles” {which

apparently was closely-related enough to earn a lawsuit by Sony Pictures}, "This is the End" and "The World's End", "Spectre" and "Mission Impossible: Rogue Nation", "Zootopia" and "Sing", and {last in my list of comparisons} "Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice" and "Captain America: Civil War"). Basically, for as long as a bunch of people have been gathered around in Hollywood making movies, a bunch of scripts or general ideas have been copied and produced in similar time frames.”

“Very thing happened to Nikola Tesla. I've been reading through his FBI files recently. Apparently they sent out "alien asset seizure" or some foreign collection agency to his hotel room after his death and broke into his safe, found all of his notes and locations for supplies. The ordeal is that Tesla was US citizen at the time. So what jurisdiction did that agency have? The given reason is that they could gather his work faster than any other agency. Which doesn't support their foreign affairs but for some reason that's totally fine. Mind you, Teslas end of life work revolved around stuff of fantasy-transmission of wireless energy. Or stuff that could seriously hurt profits for almost every big name out there. “

“Never google something that you think might be a world changing invention...” ...”Google will simply steal it from your search and have the thieving professional copy cat Larry Page claim to have “invented it”.

“All those Israeli tech startups in Silicon Valley are probably based on stolen research. Most of the founders of these startups were members of Unit 8200 - Israel's NSA. There's also lots of insider trading by monitoring conversations of CEOs and bankers around the world. “ ... “Lots of insider trading has happened by all these NSA-contracted security firms. Unit 8200 in Israel and many other companies that make surveillance equipment for spy agencies around the world have gotten really rich with "lucky" stock market investments and technology seemingly invented out of nowhere. LOTS of former Unit 8200 members went on to create startups in Silicon Valley based on technology they most likely stole from other companies. They pretty much had the same powers as the NSA and could break into any system worldwide...”

“Even then, a dumbass might just get the idea to finish what great minds of the past have started. Buckminster and Tesla have a lot of groundwork laid out to realistically carry out their goals. If said dumbass were to make significant progress in those goals, would he be stopped? It seems that just having the desire to improve circumstances for all humans is a dangerous enough ideal to those currently in power...”

“It's about stoping new discoveries from overtaking agendas. the human spirit is regulated for the sake of the market, and control. subsequently, and unfortunately, some humans can never be trusted with the things some have already discovered...but most importantly; we have discoveries taking place that can not be easily understood by contemporary, mass-education and curriculums...all of these factors have created a deprecated, socio-economical means of control through the graduated constitution of a flat-learning curve. (oxymoron intended) nothing more, nothing less...”

Bottom Line: Silicon Valley venture capitalists like Tom Perkins, John Doerr, Ray Lane, Vinod Khosla, Al Gore, etc. are pure sacks of thieving shit. They call you in, look at your stuff, copy it and shove their hand as far up your ass as possible. Pay Back is, as they say, a “bitch” and this bitch needs to “bring it” in way that will make a dent in the history books for decades to come.

Silicon Valley VC's have no regrets, embrace crime and will screw anybody for anything."

You Stole My Idea!



When the co-founder of Snapchat is not out cruising Los Angeles in his [recently purchased Ferrari](#), he's stuck in court. Why? Well, he's getting sued by a guy, Reggie Brown, who claims to have been a co-founder in Snapchat.

Snapchat's [now being valued](#) at somewhere around \$3 billion (despite \$0 in revenue), and it looks like Brown may be entitled to a share of the paper loot. "Reggie may deserve something for some of his

contributions,” Evan Spiegel, Snapchat’s co-founder, [acknowledged](#) in a deposition video released yesterday.

Stories like these are actually pretty common, and they tend to follow a similar pattern. A group of entrepreneurial hopefuls gets together. One of them pitches an idea. Some of the participants lose interest in the idea, while others pursue it more closely. Roles change and cliques form. Someone is shoved out. Then the startup goes on to massive success, and that person—the one who was shoved out—demands a share in the company spoils. Usually, that person loses. After all, an idea is just an idea, and what matters most is how much a person contributed to building the product or service.

But sometimes, he or she wins. The Winklevii, for instance, settled with Mark Zuckerberg [for a reported \\$65 million](#), plus a big chunk of stock.

We like to think of Silicon Valley as a happy place. A tract of beautiful NorCal paradise known for innovative ideas and high-tech companies. Computer geniuses and friendly nerds. Principled, Stanford-educated venture capitalists. But there’s a darker side to the Valley. A place of jealousy and backstabbing friends. These are their stories. [Dun-dun-dun.](#)

Theodore Schroeder vs. Pinterest

Theodore Schroeder, an entrepreneur and lawyer who worked with Pinterest’s earliest investor, Brian Cohen, claims that Cohen stole his idea for the social-pinning site Pinterest and handed it off to Ben Silbermann, Pinterest’s current CEO and founder.

In a December 2012 lawsuit filed in New York, [Schroeder claims](#) that the technology he developed “was shared with Pinterest without his consent even after he took steps to maintain the secrecy of all related technology and business management information.”

The lawsuit is still pending.

Schroeder isn’t a very public guy. [According to AllThingsD](#), “He is a young practicing lawyer and ‘self-taught computer genius’ working in the Philadelphia region at a company that he does not want to disclose.”

Raj Abhyanker vs. Nextdoor

Despite the fact that most people have never heard of it, Nextdoor has raised a boatload of cash—about \$100 million, mostly from Benchmark Capital. For the uninitiated, Nextdoor is sort of like a mashup between Facebook and Google Maps—a site to help you connect with your neighbors.

Raj Abhyanker, a Bay Area lawyer and entrepreneur, [claims](#) that Benchmark Capital “had stolen his pitch for a local social network with neighborhood-level privacy controls.” Apparently, Abhyanker pitched Benchmark and its entrepreneur-in-residence, who then ran with the idea without him.

That case was quickly dismissed in 2012 (apparently his pitch was too vague—just an idea) but you can read the salacious details of his complaint [here](#).

Now Abhyanker is the CEO of LegalForce, a startup that offers legal services online. In January 2013, he even [launched a Kickstarter](#) to fund a documentary about the “idea thieves” of Silicon Valley. Sadly, it raised just \$1 (literally).

Peter Daou and James Boyce vs. The Huffington Post

Daou and Boyce were democratic political consultants when, in 2004, they presented Ariana Huffington and Ken Lerer with a plan for a political website, FourteenSixty.com. According to the 2010 complaint, the four had a handshake deal for Daou and Boyce to help build out the site, but, as you may have guessed, Huffington and Lerer ran with the idea without them. [Their complaint read](#): “Huffington has styled herself as a ‘new media’ maven and an expert on the effective deployment of news and celebrity on the Internet in the service of political ends.... As will be shown at trial, Huffington’s and Lerer’s image with respect to the Huffington Post is founded on false impressions and inaccuracies: They presented the ‘new media’ ideas and plans of Peter Daou and James Boyce as their own in order to raise money for the website and enhance their image, and breached their promises to work with Peter and James to develop the site together.”

Amazingly, the trial is still [ongoing](#). The judge has refused to throw out the case, [saying in February 2013 that](#) the “plaintiffs have adequately alleged that defendants took the information that plaintiffs provided, secretly shared it with another person, camouflaged the origin to make it appear as it came from that other person and, in effect, stole the idea and developed it with that other person.”

Both Boyce and Daou continue to work as political consultants in New York City.

Noah Glass and Twitter

Poor, forgotten Noah Glass. If the name sounds familiar, it’s because his name has surfaced in recent weeks as Twitter has gone public. Glass was an employee of Odeo, the San Francisco incubator that launched Twitter with Evan Williams, Biz Stone and Jack Dorsey.

Glass ran Twitter’s operations from the very early days in September 2006. He was its first user, and he reportedly even came up with its name. Then, after months of tension with his colleagues, he was fired by Evan Williams, Twitter’s then-CEO. He never sued Twitter—he seems to be resigned to the idea that it’s best to move on.

“I’m sure you get this impression from the story and I’ve never really said this before—I did feel betrayed,” he told Business Insider recently. “I felt betrayed by my friends, by my company, by these people around me I trusted and that I had worked hard to create something with.”

The entire interview [is well-worth the read](#).

Not much is publicly known about Glass. His LinkedIn [profile](#) appears to be largely untouched in years. His [last tweet](#), sent out Sept. 13—as Twitter was gearing up for its IPO—simply reads: “I wish the Twitter team the best of luck and trust that they will be successful in continuing to develop this important communication tool.”

In the Business Insider interview—one of the very few he’s every granted—Glass is asked what he’s doing now. He alludes to “working on projects that could be something big if they get fleshed out,” but leaves it at that.

Martin Eberhard and Tesla’s Forgotten Founders

In 2009, Martin Eberhard, the founder and former CEO of Tesla waged a lawsuit against his former business partner, Elon Musk, [claiming that Musk](#) “sought to ‘rewrite history’ by taking credit for the accomplishments and the very idea behind Tesla Motors, resulting in a damaged reputation for Eberhard.”


That, in itself, was pretty juicy, but get this: The lawsuit revealed there were three other founders of Tesla that no one seems to know about. They are: JB Straubel, Marc Tarpenning and Ian Wright. Straubel is actually still with the company—he’s the CTO—but Tarpenning and Wright have both left. Marc Tarpenning [now serves](#) as entrepreneur in residence at the Mayfield Fund, while Wright founded a [powertrain company](#) (they make cars go fast) in San Jose.

Martin Eberhard went on to work for Volkswagon, and he [now serves](#) on the board of BRD Electric Motorcycles and write web stuff under pseudonyms. He, secretly, really does think Elon Musk belongs in federal prison.

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In the **Silicon Valley** show, when the CEO was explaining the technology (the middle-ware to be specific) to a bunch of curious VCs, the marketing guy takes him out and ...

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“If you are reading this and you are a Silicon Valley Venture Capitalist you are most likely a scum sucking pile of shit who does not deserve to exist. The fact that you do exist and you live the vile misogynist, rape-culture, sexist, racist, frat boy, privileged, tone-deaf, self-centered, narcissistic, yuppie life that you lead fully justifies the means to your end.”

In Silicon Valley...

... There is a small Cartel of “Venture Capitalists” who like to call entrepreneurs in, examine their technologies in fishing expeditions, say “we can’t see any use for it”, copy the technology and launch it themselves; after black-listing the entrepreneur. That is their “playbook.” The New York Times released an article (<http://www.nytimes.com/2016/01/24/technology/larry-page-google-founder-is-still-innovator-in-chief.html>) describing how Google’s bosses covertly skulk around at tech parties in order to snatch technologies from unsuspecting entrepreneurs. The new start-up hopeful in Silicon Valley must watch for these Raiders with a cautious eye. Google, in fact, put their lawyer in charge of the U.S. Patent Office and spent nearly a hundred million dollars lobbying to try to “outlaw” small American inventors because Google is so afraid of eventually having to pay for all of the tech it poached. Here are some past tales of intellectual property poaching in the “word to the wise” category:

Inventors Who Changed the World and Got Screwed in Return

By [Karl Smallwood](#), [Mike Floorwalker](#)



As we've [discussed before](#), just because your hard work and perseverance led you to create something that changes the world, it doesn't mean that you'll get fame, fortune, or the slightest bit of recognition out of it. In fact, some inventors get so little credit that we completely forgot about them in our previous article, and since we really don't like angering the [ghosts](#) of people who could probably invent a way to punch us from beyond the grave, here they are.

#6. Siegel and Shuster, Superman's Creators



Robert Mora/Getty Images Entertainment/Getty Images

Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster created Superman, the most famous superhero ever, perhaps with the exception of Spider-Man or that kid who changes the channel with his eyes in *X2*.



DC Comics

Superman can set a TV on fire with his eyes, which isn't as useful.

Debuting in 1938, Superman was an instant success. DC Comics soon followed up the "man in underpants punches criminals" concept with Batman, and that was it, there was no turning back: Siegel and Shuster's creation had started a multibillion-dollar industry that is still going strong today, spawning toys, T-shirts, and, oh yeah, some of the highest-grossing movies of all time. Nice one, Siegel and Shuster!



Alan Light

"Take it from us, kids: Work hard, change the world, and you too can see *absolutely no reward* from it!"

But Then They Got Screwed

"Nice one, Siegel and Shuster" is exactly what DC must have said, in a sarcastic tone, when the duo famously sold them all rights to Superman for a measly \$130, a check that's now ironically worth [hundreds of thousands of dollars](#).



The seller added \$1,000 for every tear this thing soaked up.

At the time, no one suspected that the guy in blue pajamas that they'd been drawing would turn into a cultural icon -- so when he did, and Siegel and Shuster continued getting squat, the pair embarked on perhaps the longest clusterfuck in copyright history.

The duo spent the better part of their lives unsuccessfully trying to reclaim some part of their creation, only to be rebuffed time and time again. While DC raked in billions from Superman alone, Siegel and Shuster lived the [lives of paupers](#). They were given a yearly pension in the late 1970s by Warner Bros. (which had purchased DC), but only because the studio couldn't afford the bad publicity with a Superman movie on the way.



"You're right, scrapping the costume is not going to help. Just pay them."

In 1999, three years after Siegel died, his family successfully won the rights to his half of his creation. A happy ending, right? Nope! This meant dick to Warner Bros., who still refused to pay them a penny, leaving them to fight in court for another 10 fucking years. And the superdickery continues: More recently, [documents disappeared](#) from Siegel's daughter's attorney's office and somehow wound up in the hands of Warner Bros. Executives.

#5. Philo T. Farnsworth, the Farm Boy Who Invented Television



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Philo Farnsworth, besides having the supreme honor of inspiring a *Futurama* character, was a serial inventor with a list of credited [patents](#) longer than his forehead.



[Utah State History](#)

And he had a HUGE forehead.

Among those patents was the one that made television possible: an "image dissector" that could capture images as a series of lines to be displayed electronically. If that isn't impressive enough for you, consider the fact that Farnsworth came up with the idea [at age 14](#), while growing up on a farm in Idaho, and first demonstrated it at 21, in 1927. If that didn't make you feel bad about yourself, it should have.

But Then He Got Screwed

When the young inventor applied for a patent at age 20, David Sarnoff of the Radio Corporation of America took notice. Radio had a pretty cozy spot at the center of the American living room at this point, and Sarnoff wasn't interested in letting that change. And if it did, then he would at least make sure that RCA would be the one getting rich from it.



[The David Sarnoff Library](#)

David Sarnoff: *Smug* magazine's Person of the Year, 1921-1967.

Sarnoff kept Farnsworth tied in a series of legal battles over the next decade using a number of bullshit tactics, like [hiring a Russian inventor to spy on him](#) or using said inventor's earlier patents (which they could never get to work) to argue that *he* had invented TV. At one point Sarnoff just said "Fuck it" and started making TVs without paying Farnsworth. RCA was eventually forced to pay him a one-time \$1 million licensing fee, but it wasn't worth the emotional stress that had left the man crippled.



And yet he looks so healthy.

Then the whole television business was put on hold when the '40s rolled around and the government told everyone to focus on building things that could kill Germans. The final blow came when Farnsworth's patents expired just as World War II ended ... and, what do you know, television sales skyrocketed. RCA, or anyone else for that matter, no longer had to even pretend to give a shit about paying Farnsworth for his invention.

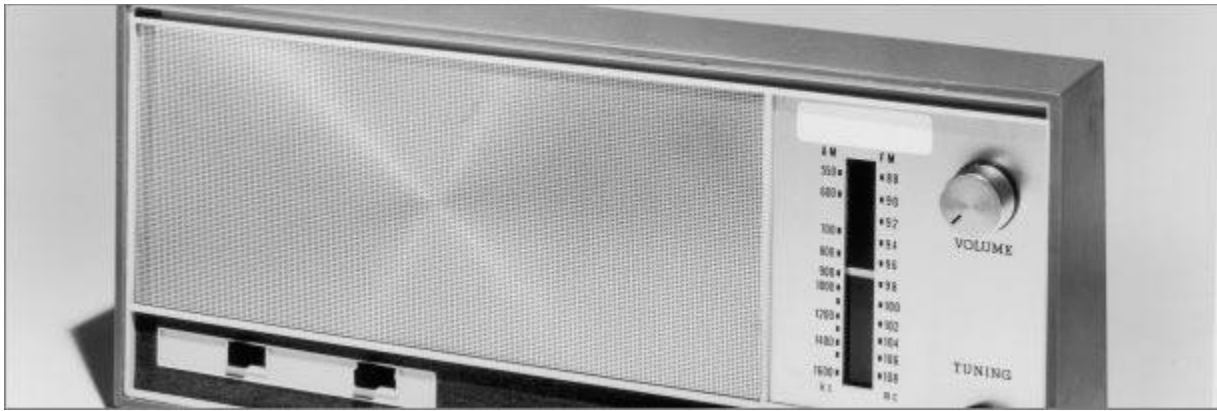
It wasn't until 20 years after his death that the government decided that Farnsworth probably deserved some recognition. No shit.



[DC Pages](#)

Following Farnsworth's final wishes, his statue is about to insert something into Samoff's anus.

#4. Edwin H. Armstrong, the Father of FM Radio



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When is the last time you listened to AM radio? Intentionally? The sound quality is so bad that most of the programming is reduced to things that already sound like shit, like conservative talk radio or a single, never-ending religious sermon in Spanish.



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"Either way, I want to do the opposite of pray. Which is ... what, rape-arson?"

The much superior FM was invented by [Edwin Armstrong](#), who created a system to reduce interference across radio bands in the 1910s. He continued his lifelong vendetta against crappy sound in the '20s, when he came up with frequency modulation (FM) as a way to reduce static. We will now reiterate that he developed all this technology nearly 100 years ago, and it's still present in all modern radios.

But Then He Got Screwed

Things seemed to be going swimmingly for Armstrong for a while, but it was at this point that a remarkably smug asshole came into the picture.



[The David Sarnoff Library](#)

"Miss me?"

Yes, David fucking Sarnoff from RC-fucking-A proceeded to mess with the life of yet another world-changing inventor. Sarnoff had built his empire with AM radio, so he decided that if FM was the way of the future, then he'd do anything possible to pull a John Connor on that future. Since Armstrong wouldn't relinquish his patent, Sarnoff made sure that RCA not only stopped supporting the development of the new technology, but actively tried to stop it.

In 1937, Armstrong used money from his own pocket to build the [very first FM radio station](#). Another followed, then another, until by the mid '40s a string of stations known as the [Yankee Network](#) were busy convincing everyone of the superiority of FM, just by existing. And then it all stopped.



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Armstrong was now forced to rely on his mutant telepathy.

In a dick move of epic proportions, Sarnoff [successfully lobbied the FCC](#) to move the FM band to a different place on the dial, from 42 to 50 MHz to 88 to 108 MHz. While there were somewhat valid technical reasons for this, a happy side effect for RCA was that it made all of Armstrong's stations instantly obsolete.

It took decades for FM radio to recover. In the late '70s, it finally surpassed AM, but Armstrong was long gone by then, having committed suicide in 1954 by jumping from the 13th floor of his office building, presumably screaming "FUCK SARNOOOOOFFFF" all the way down.



Pay respect to his memory by printing out this picture and drawing a dick on it today.

#3. John Walker, Inventor of the Match



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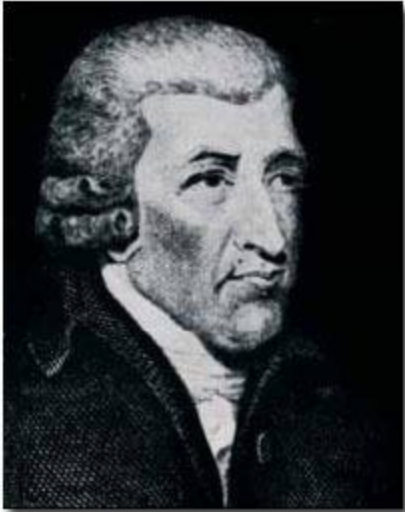
About [500 billion matches are used every year](#) in the United States -- that's the kind of volume you can do when your product sets itself on fire with every use. Before the invention of self-igniting friction matches, people simply used sticks that caught on fire when you, y'know, put them near fire.



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It was a bad system.

This changed when John Walker, an English chemist born in 1871, began coating sticks in a number of dangerous-sounding chemicals until he happened upon one that, when struck against a surface, erupted in flames. Other self-igniting matches had been tried before, but they were extremely impractical, by which we mean that a lot of people probably lost their eyebrows or worse using them.



And clearly, eyebrows were very important to this man.

Walker's invention caught on fire, both literally and figuratively, and we still keep matches around today, despite the fact that we've all heard of lighters.

But Then He Got Screwed

Walker, unaware of the potential of his invention, worked on these new "friction lights" for about a year, then promptly forgot about the whole thing and stopped selling them. People close to him implored Walker to [patent his friction light](#), since he'd just revolutionized the creation of fire and all. Walker declined, believing that his invention could better benefit mankind without a patent.

Others, however, believed that Walker's invention could better benefit mankind by making them rich.



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"How does fire help humanity if it doesn't allow me to buy prostitutes?"

In 1829, another inventor named Isaac Holden independently came up with an improved version of Walker's friction matches. Like Walker, Holden [neglected to patent his idea](#) ... and that's where one Samuel Jones came in. Jones, realizing that Walker and Holden had effectively created one of the most useful inventions in the history of civilization and weren't making money from it, decided to do it on their behalf, because he was nice like that.

Almost immediately, Jones patented [the exact same thing](#) and began selling it under the name "Lucifers," because fuck it -- if you're gonna be evil, you might as well go to the source. Soon other brands began offering improved versions of the same thing, all for a price, of course. It wasn't until they were all dead that Walker was credited for his invention, and Jones for being a douchebag.



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"To Samuel Jones, the man who made the modern bar possible!"

#2. Stephen Foster, the Father of American Music



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There are some tunes that you're just born knowing. If we somehow forced you to hum a melody right now, chances are that a great number of you would go with something like "Oh! Susanna":
Or "Camptown Races" (you know, the one that goes "doo-da, doo-da"):
Or maybe something more nostalgic, like "Old Folks at Home":
Man, can you imagine if all these songs had been written by the same guy, and that he'd been actively trying to get money from them? That dude would have been richer than Madonna and Bono combined. Actually, all those songs and more *were* written by the same person, and he *did* try to cash in on them -- the keyword being "try."



Then "she" came around the mountain and snatched up all his royalties.

But Then He Got Screwed

In the 1800s, Stephen Foster wrote classics like "My Old Kentucky Home" and "Beautiful Dreamer" and [over 200 other songs](#). Foster was a professional songwriter before those existed. Seriously: The profession literally [did not exist](#) before Foster trailblazed it like a motherfucker.



Not many pop stars can pull off a bow tie.

Of course, the problem with being the first in his profession was that there were no such things as "enforcing copyright" or "not screwing over songwriters" back then. Today, Foster would have earned obscene amounts of money from "Oh! Susanna" alone, but in 1848, [he got exactly \\$100](#) for the rights to publish the sheet music, while the publisher made \$10,000 selling his work.

Even when Foster became a minor celebrity, he continued getting nothing but pennies for every copy of his work that was sold. For his dozens of hit songs, he saw around \$15,000 in royalties in his whole life. In the 1860s, he was dumped by his wife, who had probably had enough of sticking around with this dude who *wrote* like a rock star, and *drank* like a rock star, but was not *rich* like one. He died at the age of 37 after hitting his head on a washbasin, with around 40 cents in his pocket.



Some of which were melted down to make this statue.

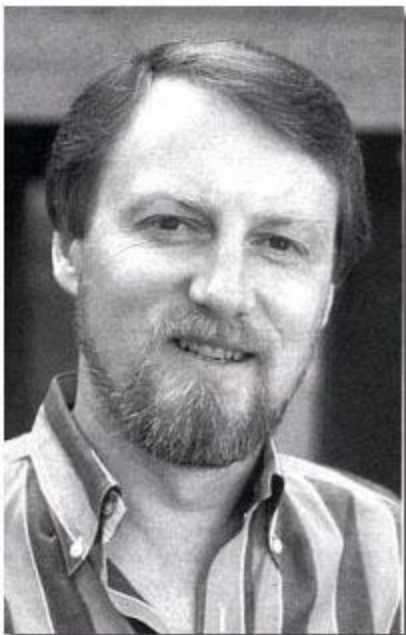
His contributions can't be overstated. Not only did he create most of the conventions of popular songwriting as we know them today, but he also demonstrated the need for intellectual property laws by getting repeatedly screwed.

#1. Gary Kildall, the Father of the Operating System

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CD-ROM Device Driver for IDE (Four Channels Supported)
(C)Copyright Oak Technology Inc. 1993-1996
Driver Version      : U340
Device Name        : BANANA
Transfer Mode      : Programmed I/O
Drive 0: Port= 1F0 (Primary Channel), Slave  IRQ= 14
Firmware version   : ALPH

MSCDEX Version 2.25
Copyright (C) Microsoft Corp. 1986-1995. All rights reserved.
  Drive R: = Driver BANANA unit 0
A:\>
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Gary Kildall is one of the guys we have to thank for the fact that you don't need to be a genius to use the ultra advanced computer you are looking at right now to search for porn. Thank you, Gary.



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Thank you for the porn.

In 1973, Kildall made life a lot easier for nerds everywhere when he created CP/M, a groundbreaking operating system for microcomputers (which is what they called any computer smaller than a semi truck back then). The program became the industry standard for the next decade. This guy was basically Bill Gates before Bill Gates was Bill Gates.



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"It's cool, I'll just donate a bunch of money to charity someday when I'm all old and prune-faced."

But Then He Got Screwed

Of course, at the same time, Bill Gates was busy trying to become Bill Gates, and he eventually achieved that at Kildall's expense.

In 1980, IBM was getting ready to launch its first personal computer and needed an operating system to operate the shit out of it. They first knocked on Microsoft's door, but Microsoft wasn't really into the OS-making business at that point, so they directed the IBM suits to Gary Kildall's company. However, [as nerd lore has it](#), Gary picked that day to go flying (he was an amateur pilot), blowing off IBM and his chance at history.



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Let he who hasn't blown off a corporate giant to go flying cast the first stone.

Accounts differ on whether Kildall met the IBM suits that day or not, but either way, the company went back to Microsoft, totally forgetting the whole "We don't make OS's here" part. Not one to miss out on an opportunity, Bill Gates turned to local programmer [Tim Paterson](#), who had built a CP/M clone he called QDOS (for "Quick and Dirty Operating System"), bought it for a paltry 50 grand, then turned around and sold it to IBM under the name PC-DOS.

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Seattle Computer Products
Copyright 1979,80,81 by Se
Error Count = 8
A:hex2bin mon
A:

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The term "user-friendly" meant something very different back then.

PC-DOS, later renamed MS-DOS, was included in every computer IBM made, and, long story short, that's why roughly 90 percent of you are using Microsoft Windows right now.

Today, Kildall's name is [barely known](#), while Bill Gates will be a household name in the fucking 25th century. Most of Kildall's innovations ended up being credited to other people -- and he can't even defend himself, having died in 1994 after falling down in a tavern, which pretty much just seems like his luck.



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Today's lesson is, if you're an inventor, wear a freaking helmet.

Karl Smallwood wrote a book (yes, a real one), which you can read [all about here](#). If you want to read words he's written for free, feel free to follow him [on Twitter](#). Mike Floorwalker has a [website](#) that's like ... whoa. Like, seriously, dude ... whoa.

The sure sign of a great idea is when some big gorilla steals it from you.

Robert William Kearns (March 10, 1927 – February 9, 2005) was an American inventor who invented the intermittent windshield wiper systems used on most automobiles from 1969 to the present. His first patent for the invention was filed on December 1, 1964.

Kearns won one of the best known patent infringement cases against Ford Motor Company (1978–1990) and a case against Chrysler Corporation (1982–1992). Having invented and patented the intermittent windshield wiper mechanism, which was useful in light rain or mist, he tried to interest the “Big Three” auto makers in licensing the technology.

But then he got screwed.

They all rejected his proposal, yet copied his idea and began to install intermittent wipers in their cars, beginning in 1969. march Abraham made the film: ” Flash of Genius” about him.

Preston Tucker was a car-crazy kid who hung around auto speedways and grew up to create an automobile—the Tucker—that was years ahead of its time. He was a man of pioneering spirit, ingenuity and daring, who revolutionized Detroit in the 1940s with his stunning “Car of Tomorrow.” It was streamlined, futuristic and fast—the car every American dreamed of owning, at a price most people could afford.

A man of endless enthusiasm, Tucker publicized his model all over the country to wild acclaim. He sold stock, set up a factory . . .

But then he got screwed.

...and then the auto industry launched a devastating anti-Tucker campaign in order to character assassinate, industrially spy on and sabotage his car. Francis Ford Coppola made a movie: "The Man and His Dream" about him.

Nikola Tesla helped established robotics, radar, remote control, and he helped expand ballistics, nuclear physics, and theoretical physics.

But then he got screwed.

Practically no one's heard of him. Why? Because of a man named Thomas Edison, who is widely credited with the invention of the light bulb. Edison was an all-around pretentious ass, who totally tried to steal Tesla's credit... which kinda worked, considering everyone remembers him and not Tesla. Anyway, the two men had initially worked together — well, Tesla worked for Edison —and this is where Tesla was first screwed over by the man. Edison had offered \$50,000 — over a million bucks, adjusted for inflation — to someone who could fix his crappy and inefficient motors. When Tesla did (probably by staring them down until they worked harder), Edison wrote his deal off as a joke, and continued to pay Tesla \$18 per week. Keep in mind, Tesla was one of the most brilliant humans to have ever lived; it didn't take long for him to flip Edison the bird and get his ass outta there to start his own company.

Soon enough, Edison's electricity, direct current (DC) was competing with Tesla's far superior electricity, alternating current (AC). Edison actually tried to discredit Tesla's AC by having the first electric chair run on it; this was supposed to discourage people from putting it in their home. There are a few movies based on Nikola, one is: "The Prestige".

THUS...

What do we learn from this lesson?:

- Non-disclosure agreements with investors mean nothing. Only discuss the "How It Can Make Money" part with investors and never discuss the "How it Works" part with anybody!
- Build it and try selling it yourself, first.
- File a patent on it before you tell a single soul about it. If you have told anyone except your patent lawyer, then the cat is out of the tube!
- If a big corrupt gorilla company steals your stuff and won't negotiate, crash their company and file charges against them with every law enforcement agency in the world!

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FoodquestTQ is only one of numerous small businesses that accuse the government of stealing their intellectual property or trade secrets when they enter into contracts or research agreements with federal agencies.

"The government interceded, stole the technology and attempted to use this in classified programs," says Jim O'Keefe, the president of the small New Jersey technology company Demodulation. He has filed a \$50 million lawsuit against the U.S. government, accusing it of taking his firm's research.

Demodulation developed an advanced technology involving fiber coated wire, called microwire, which is thinner than a human hair. The company says its microwire can be used for a variety of national security applications, such as tracking drones, keeping tabs on soldiers on battlefields, transmitting information without a power source, and that it even has the ability "to render objects invisible to radar."

"It sounds incredible and impossible that the U.S. government is taking things from people," says Demodulation lawyer Sean Callagy. "We believe this is the greatest country in the world with the greatest justice system in the world but the U.S. government is not an eagle or a flag, but human beings. And human beings make mistakes."

The lawsuit accuses the Department of Energy and the National Nuclear Security Administration, among others, of illegally swiping the firm's information by "using microwire and Demodulation's trade secrets in its mission to gather intelligence."

It also says that the U.S. has even built "a secure facility for the production of microwire" on its own.

"There are classified reports showing the technology," declares Demodulation attorney Ben Light, who says that after the company "shared the secret sauce" about microwire with federal officials, they simply "took (the) wire."

The Department of Energy referred Fox News' requests for comment to the National Nuclear Security Administration, which did not respond to repeated requests for a comment about the company's allegations.

The Department of Justice denies Demodulation's charges in court filings.

Stuart Delery, an Acting Assistant Attorney General, wrote that while "the United States admits that it continues to conduct research regarding what is generally known as 'microwire,'" he says that the government did not act improperly.

The Department of Justice claims the government did not take any proprietary information or develop the microwire technology based on Demodulation's work, and that "none of the asserted patents have been infringed on by the United States."

Delery also pointed out that some of Demodulation's patents had expired.

"The only reason the patents expired is because Demodulation was driven out of business," responds the firm's lawyer, Light. "It doesn't affect the entire case because any infringement during the period when the patents were enforced is still compensable."

O'Keefe says the government denials are "an impossibility based on the evidence I have."

He is calling for "reform and legislation to protect us. I hope through our litigation we will be able to expose some of the problems."

It turns out that the government is routinely accused of similar wrongdoing and sometimes has to pony up.

The U.S. Army settled a case in November by paying \$50 million to a Texas company, Apptricity, which claimed the government took some of its software, which tracks military equipment from MRE's to troops, without paying for it.

The company's court papers said that the government "willfully infringed" on its copyrights, "failed to provide information" about what it did and was engaged in "actively concealing the Army's misappropriation of Apptricity software."

The complaint said the Army paid for using the software on five servers and 150 devices, but actually "copied and installed Apptricity software on at least 98 servers and at least 9,063 devices" without telling the company.

"I don't think there was malicious intent," Apptricity's founder and president Tim Garcia tells Fox News in the aftermath of the settlement. He says his company pursued its case by the "standard process through the Court of Claims."

There are numerous other companies that have filed similar actions at the Washington, D.C.-based court, which is the venue for legal claims against the federal government. Among them:

Liberty Ammunition, which is suing the government for allegedly infringing on its copyright for developing a lead-free "green bullet" after it worked on the invention with the Department of Defense.

Net Results, which claims that the Army infringed on its patent for a "mine detecting device" by giving out its design to six other government contractors.

In 2009, NASA was ordered to pay \$28.3 million to Boeing after the court found that the government infringed on the company's aluminum alloy patent.

In a noted case in 1999, the U.S. government paid then Hughes Electronics \$154 million in damages after a 30- year long legal battle found that the government illegally appropriated the company's satellite technology.

The U.S. Court of Federal Claims calls itself "the people's court," and says it is considered "the keeper of the nation's conscience." It is situated right across Lafayette Park from the White House.

"There is no reason to think it can't happen," observes New York University law Professor Jeanne Fromer, an intellectual property and copyright law specialist.

"The government can take patent rights, as long as they compensate for it. It is not dissimilar, in that sense, to notions of eminent domain."

"The government is a big sprawling place and there are lots of people acting in it. I think some of them act very nobly...but it's hard to say that everyone always does."

"We are hearing more frequently from companies about intellectual property theft by the government," notes John Palatiello, head of the Washington, D.C.- area lobbying group, the Business Coalition for Fair Competition, which is studying the issue.

"Companies are becoming more vocal about it."

Hnatio believes there is a troubling explanation for alleged government flinching.

"What we are seeing is a direct competition between the private sector and the U.S. government. The problem for small businesses is that they are simply being destroyed by their own government in spite of the fact that we hear politicians say all the time, that small business is important...it's extremely disturbing because it means we lose jobs, and it means we lose our competitive edge in the world. It creates a very dangerous situation for our national security."

Fox News repeatedly requested comment from the FDA regarding Hnatio's allegations about FoodquestTQ, but the agency did not issue a statement.

While the Demodulation case is expected to go to trial next year, Hnatio says he has been left without any money to hire a lawyer to go to court.

"From the time I was a little kid I dreamed of starting a business. But I do have to tell you that there is a grave danger to the American dream," he says.

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Silicon Valley Venture Capitalists suffer from a form of systematized mental illness according to every major psychological study.

They came from Stanford, Yale and Harvard fraternity house boys clubs where misogyny, penis size competitions and rape are taught to be normal.

They came to a centralized region and contained themselves on the same three streets, where they come and go from the same handful of bars and restaurants and TED Talks.

They created a self-reinforcing bubble of denial, tone-deafness and superiority that they never see outside of. To them, their criminal abuses, thefts and sexual extortions are how things are “expected to be”. To the rest of the world they are sick, twisted ego-maniacs.

They are too mentally damaged to see what they have become.

Only a federal law enforcement intervention can break the cycle of corruption and deviance that they self-propagate.

Because they have been purchasing The White House and Congress, since before 2008, their bribes to politicians have created a bulwark which creates potent slow-downs of enforcement actions against them.

Is all lost? Are they free to continue their digital land baron havoc.

No.

The public must simply cut off all of their investments in their companies and demand that no pension fund give them money. This will instantly kill them off, as has already been demonstrated.

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