

Mayors Summit – Foreign Policy – Regionalism

On July 7, 2006, radio talkshow host Derry Brownfield did his program on the subject of the NAFTA Superhighway.

<http://mp3.rbnlive.com/Derry06.html>

Whenever I listen to a program like this one, I pick up names and acronyms and search on them just to see what I can find out about them. It's different than searching with a specific purpose in mind. It's more like stream of conscienceness searching. It's most interesting to do this because you never know where you are going to end up.

Today's search began with the name George Blackwood, president of the North American Supercorridor Coalition (NASCO).

[NASCO About Page](#)

<http://www.nascocorridor.com/pages/about/about.htm>

North America's SuperCorridor Coalition, Inc., is a non-profit organization dedicated to developing the world's first international, integrated and secure, multi-modal transportation system along the International Mid-Continent Trade and Transportation Corridor to improve both the trade competitiveness and quality of life in North America.

NASCO is not a government agency. We have no authority to build or develop anything unilaterally. NASCO will work with our members, state Departments of Transportation and federal and local agencies involved in transportation, trade and security to accomplish our mission.

[NASCO Board Members](#)

GEORGE D. BLACKWOOD, JR.

NASCO President

Blackwood, Langworthy & Tyson

An attorney with Blackwood, Langworthy & Tyson in Kansas City, Missouri, Blackwood leads NASCO as President. He served as the former Chairman of the **North American International Trade Corridor Partnership (NAITCP)**, which he helped found in 1998 while serving as **Mayor Pro Tem of Kansas City, Missouri**.

Blackwood is a managing member of Blackwood, Langworthy & Tyson, L.C. He is engaged in the general practice of law and in the specific areas of probate and estate planning and general corporate and international law. Blackwood, Langworthy & Tyson is an established Kansas City law firm with practice areas that include tax law, estate planning, probate law, health care law, civil litigation, business law, real estate, and church and non-profit organization's law. Their personal approach to law serves families and their businesses from **cradle to the grave**.

He currently serves as Vice Chairman on the Board of Directors for the Kansas City, Missouri-Mexico Trade and Business Initiatives Corporation and is also on the Board of Directors for Friends of the Aquarium in Kansas City.

"**Cradle to Grave**" is a trigger phrase in education circles. It comes from [Marc Tucker's \(NCEE\) letter to Hillary Clinton](#) in which he describes a cradle to grave '**national human resources system**' which is actually is a plan for transformation of American schools to be a supply chain management system for workers.

The letter was put into the [Congressional Record by Honorable Bob Schaffer \(CO\), September 17, 1998](#). (updt 4/28/2025)

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Sure enough, Blackwell's resume includes involvement with the education system.
Kansas City Regional Council for Higher Education, 1991-1994.

The next search term was NAITCP - North American International Trade Corridor Partnership.

On this search we find out that:

[University of Texas Pan American](#)

NAITCP is an organization of mayors and city officials representing U.S., Mexico and Canada and working on border issues affecting member cities. Among the issues of viable interest to the group were – the North American Free Trade Agreement, the Maquila Industry and transportation – in particular the promotion of I-69 and I-35.

And that [NATICP and NASCO signed an MOU which merges the two organizations](#) into one (June 24, 2005)

Therefore, NASCO and NAITCP recognize and agree that it is mutually beneficial to amalgamate and form one organization to more effectively represent the interests of both organizations along the defined corridor".

In this Memorandum of Understanding, it mentions the NAITCP and it's annual '**Summit of Mayors**'. So my next search term was 'Summit of Mayors' and this is where things really start to get interesting. We find out that **Mayors are now engaged in foreign policy and they are being engaged to implement the communist agenda of the United Nations - initially on regionalization, but moving on the UN initiative on the elimination of guns**

[Aspen Transatlantic Mayors Summit April 6-8, 2000](#) ([New Traditions Home Page](#))

In cooperation with the U.S. Embassies in Berlin and Paris, the **Aspen Institute France, the Aspen Institute Berlin** and the U.S. Conference of Mayors held a conference on "**Smart Growth - Problems of Urban Development in the 21st Century.**" **Mayors from the U.S., Germany and France** met for three days in Lyon France to discuss how globalization affects urban development. The summit also included experts on urban planning and development from international organizations, research institutions, and think tanks.

The mayors agreed that their own role is changing as a result of globalization. **They are no longer the traditional city planners of the past 100 years, but rather ombudsmen and innovative leaders of important communities and regions. Mayors can no longer afford to deal only with local stakeholders. They conduct their own foreign policy in an environment that sets local issues on the agenda of local politics.** Ambassador John Kornblum strongly encouraged mayors to ignore the admonishments of foreign ministries not to engage in foreign affairs. For the good of their citizens, mayors will increasingly enter the international arena and become global players. The network resulting from the **Aspen Transatlantic Summit series provides a forum for a sustainable international dialogue among mayors to discuss common challenges, exchange best practices, and promote international understanding.**

The issue which generated the most intense discussion was the question of how to successfully assimilate immigrants and minorities into existing communities. What is the recipe for a multicultural society? All present agreed that this was one of the most important issues facing them today and in the future, and that this topic should be the focus for the next summit meeting in Berlin in 2001. **Aspen Institute Berlin has begun coordination for the second volume in the three-part series, which takes place under the umbrella of the New Traditions Network.**

I was familiar with the Aspen Institute in Aspen Colorado because many of my research trails end at the Aspen Institute. It was curious that they weren't mentioned in the article as being one of the sponsor's so I went to their website and did a search on Mayors to see what I could find.

This is what I found but unfortunately, was unable to recover [the article](#) from the internet archives.

US Conference of Mayors, article

[Lyon, France: Webb Opens First Transatlantic Summit of Mayors](#)

"The Twenty-First Century will be the Century of Cities," Conference President Emphasizes

"If the nineteenth century was the century of empires and the twentieth century the century of nation states, then the twenty-first century will be the century of cities," said Conference President and Denver Mayor Wellington E. Webb, opening the historic first Transatlantic Summit of Mayors in Lyon, France, April 6-8.

The Summit, created by Ambassador Felix G. Rohatyn, U. S. Ambassador to France, and J. Thomas Cochran, Conference of Mayors Executive Director, brought about thirty German, French, and U.S. Mayors together to discuss key issues of globalization and their impact on the world's cities. In Mayor Webb's words, "The century we have just entered will be the century of cities, reflecting a renewed faith in cities and a rediscovery of the vitality and richness that has long characterized our great urban centers.

"We are facing a new era, owing in large measure to a remarkable confluence of events as the forces of commerce, culture, technology, and political reconciliation create unprecedented opportunity for all our citizens," Mayor Webb said. **"Our cities will be both the heart and soul of this historic and global transformation." And "globalization gives us new opportunities for partnership," he stressed.**

U.S. Delegation Members

In addition to Mayor Webb, the U.S. delegation included Mayors Victor H. Ashe of Knoxville, past President of the Conference of Mayors; **H. Brent Coles of Boise, Conference Vice President;** James A. Garner of Hempstead, Conference Trustee; Clarence Harmon of St. Louis; David W. Moore of Beaumont; Marc H. Morial of New Orleans, Chair, Advisory Board, Conference of Mayors; Donald L. Plusquellic of Akron; Susan Savage of Tulsa; Sharon Sayles Belton of Minneapolis; and J. Thomas Cochran, Executive Director of the Conference of Mayors.

Knoxville Mayor Victor Ashe underscored the theme of interdependence: "I have been struck today," he said, "by the fact that if we remove our language differences, we see that the issues we mayors face in common go across both continents and across all counties. Mayor Ashe pointed out the power and potential of the Internet ð "The Internet will change society," he noted. The issue is "how to harness changes brought about by the Internet and make it serve people." Mayor Ashe also noted that it is much cheaper for him to fly to Europe than to San Francisco or to Seattle. **New Orleans Mayor Marc Morial: "You Can't Be a Mayor Today Without Having Your Own Foreign Policy"**

The reason that Mayor Brent Coles is highlighted is not simply because I'm from Idaho. Coincidentally, **I did a research project and wrote a commentary on the corrupt activities of Brent Coles as he went about the business of attempting to regionalize the Boise metropolitan area.** He ended up resigning in disgrace for a trivial infraction leaving the real scandal of what he was doing unreported.

These are the original articles written for Idaho Eagle Forum. They are not in the Internet Archive but they were copied over to the ChannelingReality website:

http://www.idahoeagleforum.com/Environment/un_agenda_21_in_idaho.htm
http://www.idahoeagleforum.com/Environment/un_agenda_21_part_2.htm

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Articles copied over and updated from the Idaho Eagle Forum website:

[UN Agenda 21](#)

[UN Agenda 21 in Idaho](#)

[Hispanic Chamber of Commerce - Kansas City](#)

International Trade. The Chamber has made international trade one of its top priorities for continuous growth. Due to growth in international trade and interest by the Kansas City Metropolitan Area and the States of Kansas and Missouri, the Chamber has formed an international committee representing a varied cultural background of Latin American countries and over 50 years of combined Latin America trade experience. **The Chamber is currently involved with the City of Kansas City in the NAFTA Highway Annual Summit of Mayors, assisting the Sister City association in promoting a trade mission to Guadalajara, Mexico, and in promoting an intermodal railway facility in Kansas City.**

N.Y. Mayor Hosts Gun Control Summit (Note: the article is not in the Internet archive)

<http://www.cbsnews.com/stories/2006/04/25/ap/national/mainD8H75QLG8.shtml>

"If the leadership won't come from Congress or from the White House, it will have to come from us," said Bloomberg, who headed the event with Menino that was billed as the first-ever national gun summit of mayors.

And I'm not sure how I found this page, but it is spot on:

[The Globalization Strategy: America and Europe in the Crucible](#) October 2003

Regional Management Systems: [Moving ahead toward the New World Order](#)

New Term (to me)

[Glocalization](#)

"Glocalization" is an historical process whereby localities develop direct economic and cultural relationships to the global system through information technologies, **bypassing and subverting traditional power hierarchies like national governments** and markets.

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