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Made in America Panel Advocates on Behalf of Workers that Deserve Fair Workplace Choices

Neal Asbury began his nationally syndicated "Neal Asbury's Made in America" show on Radio America (now on 47 stations) by supporting workers that want to make informed choices about their workplace without intimidation by unions -- or representatives posing as union members.

Made in America welcomed first-time guest Peter Carey Schaumber, who served as Chairman of the National Labor Relations Board under George Bush. Schaumber is concerned that the labor unrest in a VW plant in Chattanooga, Tennessee is being manipulated by the UAW that wants to establish a beachhead in the South where labor unions have fared poorly in employee union elections

"The UAW is so concerned about this election that they forced union elections to take place in 9 days, which limits the time management and workers can express their opinions. The UAW forced the acceptance of workers to wear Pro UAW t-shirts, but anti-union t-shirts are not allowed," according to Schaumber, who noted that a new wrinkle in the negotiations is that VW wants to set up a works council where unions, non-union, and management sit together to make decisions. Although these are acceptable in Europe, that aren't legal in the U.S.

Neal and co-host Dr. Rich Roffman returned to their ongoing discussion about the lack of jobs for young people, as reflected in new data that finds that 1-4 young people 26 years old or younger, are still living at home because they can't find a good paying job.

"The worst part is young people are resigned to the fact that they won't be able to find a good job, so they are willing to accept minimum wage jobs that were not intended as a career destination," noted Neal, who added that 20.7 percent of teenagers are unemployed.

Co-host Dr. Rich Roffman agreed, recalling his days as a part-time employee, but recognizing that he had higher aspirations than that.

"I received a great education, and I'm not suggesting that this shouldn't be the goal for many kids, but when you're in college think about a path that will lead to a job. Getting a PhD in 18th century literature is admirable, but if you can't get a teaching job, then what? Maybe more kids should think about vocational schools, where your degree leads to a good paying job."

Matt Malone, Founder and President of Distileria Caneca, joined the show to discuss the launch of Miami Club Rum, the first and only rum to be distilled in Southern Florida.

"I am proud to introduce our hand-crafted rum, which is made by artisans with a family history of rum production that dates back 5 generations. Our distillers utilize South Florida sugarcane and other superior local ingredients right here in Miami to create a smooth and 'Ultimately Mixable' rum experience," said Malone, who added that the secret to the smoothness of his rum is that it is distilled in copper and steel vats, and then stored in French oak barrels.

"Every generation must make its own contribution, and when my kids join Miami Club Rum, we will be entering our sixth generation of rum making. I am excited that our rum is being picked up by cruise lines and the Duty-Free shops at Miami airport. We will be exporting to other countries as well," noted Malone

The final guest on "Made in America" was Alan Gibbs, the co-founder of the world's first high-speed sports amphibian — the GIBBS Quadski — which can hit speeds of 45 mph both on sea and land.

The Quadski is produced at a 54,000-square-

foot assembly plant in Auburn Hills, Michigan, and represents a \$200,000,000 investment and 2 million man-hours.

"You simply press a button and it goes from a vehicle to a watercraft. We are making a truck model, which has gotten a lot of interest from the military and rescue organizations. We have a dealer network for consumers. The Quadski retails for \$42,000," concluded Gibbs.

Reminding listeners that cronyism hurts all of us, Neal and co-host Dr. Rich Roffman concluded the show by returning to ways that cronyism rewards the few at the expense of the many.

"You may have noticed that the Obama administration is handing out ambassadorships to key fund raising bundlers, most of whom have no background or experience in diplomacy. In fact, congressional hearings are revealing that some new ambassadors have never been to the country to which they have been assigned, and can't speak the language. Former Montana senator Max Baucus is the designated United States Ambassador to China, although he speaks no Chinese and has no experience relating to China," revealed Dr. Roffman.

Dr. Roffman moved on to another Obama crony that was rewarded by the Obama administration. BrightSource Energy, Inc., a solar thermal technology company, was given a \$1.6 billion loan from the U.S. government for a 5-square mile solar farm based in California.

"It may surprise no one that every major director of the company worked in the Obama administration, even for the DOE, so once again the American taxpayer gets to fund projects run by Obama cronies," said Dr. Roffman.



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