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To Andy Davis, founder and administrator of 'The Thoughtful Monarch', Facebook group,

There's 80 BCC + monarch conservationists receiving this communication.

Andy Davis, we're not happy with the harm you and your members are doing by trying to deter us from practicing and teaching our legitimate monarch conservation practices by intruding in our organizations that promote and teach monarch butterfly conservation.

Monarch Joint Venture, We are not happy with the information you and your Partners are spreading on your websites, on the internet, and to your 120+ partners, regarding your condemnation, or stance, on what you term as captive rearing and/or raising monarchs. Within the context of these memos and brochures you admit

you don't even know if what you're saying is true or not true. Your lawyers must be advising you not to present your opinions as fact which is a good idea. This still deters the spread of helpful information to North American citizens regarding researched and healthful measures citizens can take to improve and increase the monarch migration. This contradicts your mission statement and actions you take claiming to promote 'All Hands On Deck ' for monarch conservation, etc. Of course we have science supporting what we teach and you're welcome to use it and it's linked below in this communication.

Andy Davis, we looked at posts on 'the thoughtful monarch' Facebook group. We read and copied a number of posts and comments where you and/or your members discuss posting and commenting to our monarch conservation Facebook groups and members and potential members. You and your members spread contradictory opinions to what we and our members teach in an effort to deter our members from practicing and teaching the conservation measures we choose to practice and teach that have been shown to be effective. You say just leave monarchs alone. 'Alone' at the mercy of predators is not what we do and teach to achieve monarch butterfly conservation when we intervene in the monarch migration to protect

some monarchs' vulnerable early development stages so they can reach the in-flight stage to help them produce and multiply healthy monarchs in future generations during their incredible migration in North America.

Many monarchs wouldn't exist and multiply without that protection we provide and teach and almost everyone wants to see and experience more monarch butterflies except you and your members I guess.

Why would you discourage your family, and friends, that have been involved in the study of monarchs most of their lives, and teach others to discourage people from helping the monarch migration increase with methods that have been shown to be effective in increasing the monarch migration population.

We have saved many examples of your group members' posts and comments posted in our groups challenging and posting contradictions to our members' opinions when our members are helping our members and potential members with their questions etc. Here is the exact text of one of your posts and your pompous attitude when it comes to us administrators of our Facebook groups doing and promoting legitimate monarch conservation. Your post to your members on your group's timeline reads Folks, let's start a new thread about Facebook itself.

First, I can see the inherent irony in this, because we're all here. But, the discussion yesterday veered into this, so let's get to it. We will eventually anyway.


Right now there are some real problems happening for monarchs that stem from facebook, and the many, many groups that are out there, which all seem to have different messages and themes, and importantly, different admins, with different agendas. I'm sure a lot of admins are in this group here, listening too. So listen up.

You start by talking about yourself and accusing other administrators of being like you and doing what you do but you don't know that's what you're doing in this

statement(it's called projection) I think the biggest problem with Facebook is that the admins have the ability to control the flow of information in their group, and control the people in the group, and control the discussions therein (i.e. by deleting posts or comments). That means, if an admin doesn't want there to be any discussion of the science around captive-rearing, then they can and do make that happen. If you are one of those admins, then shame on you. This is not helping the

monarchs. Andy you're such a funny guy. You do exactly what you're accusing others of doing

Of course you want to cherry pick the information you post. Don't laugh, you folks that are reading this, MJV does the same thing and so do us Facebook administrators because we want to justify what we teach too and that's our privilege as administrators because I've never seen any science papers that didn't state (we need more money so

) this topic needs more study. It's not just captive-rearing, but also the science around the monarch population status too. This became crystal clear to me last year when the big paper on the breeding population status was released. That paper showed how the monarchs in North America are doing quite well, but, a LOT of admins simply refused to share anything related to that, in some kind of effort to keep their own members believing that monarchs are in trouble. Some of

those admins are here too. Even if the population is doing "quite well" which it's not, according to many scientists with "their own" opinions and studies, we want more monarchs in the migration because monarchs are beautiful and we want to see more of them instead of ants, fire ants, wasps, and spiders that kill and eat monarchs and bite and sting us

too. We want more and we produce more of them by increasing the monarch population. Monarchs haven't even got a mouth or claws to defend themselves let alone bite us.

Next Andy, you and your members even want to bother Leslie Inman and her 100s thousands of members who plant native pollinator habitat all over North America. The same goes for the tropical milkweed "debate", and then just about any other important conservation issue around monarchs. Did I mention that the admins of Pollinator Friendly Yards won't even allow me to post about monarchs there? **Many Many scientists disagree with you when it comes to tropical milkweed. If monarchs could talk they would tell you to leave our favorite milkweed alone. We wouldn't exist without it.**

Andy, you're PROJECTING AGAIN here: What I'm getting at is the cherry-picking. Admins can simply find links to opinion pieces or garbage posts that share their personal opinion, and then make sure there are no posts about the actual evidence if it does not match up with their agenda. Or, admins can simply play the dial-a-scientist game and find the one scientist who shares their opinion on certain subjects, and then dial up another who shares their opinion on others. **Of course, everyone on any side of any issue can "dial up" science to support their side of an issue. Of course Andy thinks he's right all the time about everything. Aren't we blessed to have him. ☐**

All of this leads to members (a lot of people) being completely misled or confused about a lot of important topics around monarchs, and because the people are misled, they then act in harmful ways to monarchs. **Thank you Andy and your disciples for trying to save monarchs and us from ourselves. You're so smart. We just think a jury, pondering the evidence, would have a difficult time thinking it's alright for you and your members to come onto our platforms and tell us what we should know and do when we're doing the work for the**

monarchs. You poke keys. Don't you ever think you and your members should be invited?

Andy this is "projection" again So how can we turn this situation around, or is it helpless anyway, because the admins in question won't even admit they are doing this? **Andy,** you have have chosen a way to turn things around by bothering our members in our house (platforms) If you could get your ego out of your way, we would love to have you and your members help us in what we're doing although we just think you and your members are stuck in front of a mirror telling yourself you're right. As you know, the vast majority of the citizens in North America involved in Monarch conservation do and teach what we do and teach. We know you don't understand why so we will tell you. It makes sense Andy. It's not rocket science. Humans have been intervening in nature for their purposes ever since they have been put on this earth. **WE PROTECT THE THINGS WE LOVE TO SEE AND WANT MORE OF THEM. SOMETIMES WE EAT THE THINGS WE LOVE TO SEE !**

That's the human condition we were born with Andy

Let's hear from everyone, not just the people who spoke up yesterday. **They're not interested in speaking up Andy. They know what you teach but they believe in what they are doing to increase the things they love. Have you ever heard of the phrase "COMMON SENSE" ? I didn't think so because you over think things.**

Andy, your members discuss in your group being blocked from posting or commenting in our groups.

We administrators all work together with many groups that practice basically the same monarch conservation methods and they are having the same problems with your members.

Blocking your members should send a message to you and your group members that we don't agree with your opinions and we don't want you or your members attempting to confuse and discourage our members with your opinions posted on our group platforms. We have plenty of science supporting what we teach although that's not the point.

I'm citing a couple examples of research and study on monarch predators and research and study demonstrating captive reared monarchs ability to migrate that you have questioned that was appropriately answered by the researchers of the study. I thought it was gracious of them.

We didn't ask you to, so you and your members have no right to challenge our members with your opinions and what YOU consider 'science' contradicting what we regularly teach our members, and they teach others on

our platforms, and we don't want you to continue doing it.

Of course if you could swallow your pride, you and your members could assist us and monarchs in your group by doing things that would add beautiful healthy monarchs to all of our lives. You know exactly how to do it the right way. You learned it from us, you probably just haven't tried it. You'll release clean healthy monarchs everytime. Even you can probably do it.

I've asked MJV and Xerces to research and study our natural way of protecting monarchs minus the predators and showed them how to do it to get the best results but like you, it just doesn't fit into their narrative and agenda although what they do fits into our narrative.

If we all do and teach both things monarchs would recover to a large migrating population that would put them out of their jobs and they surely wouldn't want that, right ?, **except you Andy, who thinks there's plenty of monarchs.** What we teach is the best way to avoid OE in the population and you and your wife should have a big enough mailing list to add this teaching to your newsletters, you know the natural rearing method we teach without touching any of the stages of the monarchs development and protecting them from OE by

having clean pop-ups, clean local stock and clean milkweed, We produce clean healthy monarchs everytime. THE MONARCHS WE PROTECT ARE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE WINDOW GLASS LOOKING OUT AT THE PREDATORS ON THE SCREEN WHO ARE TRYING TO GET IN AND HARM THEIR OFFSPRING. Kinda like what we are as humans, right ?

We all take what we practice and teach seriously. We care about monarch butterflies and want to see more of them. We practice and teach with our own time and treasure, habitat planting, and early in the migration, protecting the vulnerable stages of local monarchs until they are adults, testing for parasites, and releasing healthy viable butterflies outside. These butterflies reproduce, in the wild, healthy viable butterflies, that wouldn't have existed without us protecting their most recent ancestors from predators in their early stages of their development. Obviously, this procedure adds healthy strong butterflies to the migration that wouldn't have existed without our help. We want everyone to join us in our efforts.

According to overwintering counts shown on the population charts, nothing anyone else is being paid to do is adding monarchs to the migration population.

Other monarch conservation organizations like Monarch Joint Venture and all their 120+ partners put together haven't added any monarchs to the monarchs' migration considering the average over the last 14 years of 2.68 hectares overwintering in the mountains of Mexico. (That's not counting when whoever is responsible and cheated on the 2013-4 count that was turned in so FWS would accept their petition explained by [Dr Tom Emmel starting at the 5 minute mark of this video.](#)) This is an FWS, MJV, MW investigation and maybe lawsuit all by itself. 😞

Their efforts have been a failure yet they discourage and minimize our efforts keeping us from having the numbers of citizens that need to be involved in our efforts to make it to the deemed 'sustainable' number of an average of 6 hectares of monarchs overwintering in Mexico. We could do it in 1-2 seasons with everyone's help

These efforts we practice and teach are designed to increase the migration with enough citizens involved and hopefully prevent what FWS calls the predicted high chances of the extinction of the North American monarch butterfly migration. How do we know it will work ? Go to the [SUMMER BREEDING GROUNDS](#) from

the 1st to the middle of September and stop at all the 6 foot tall common milkweed stands and there's millions of them. The monarchs are all heading South for Mexico by then and most aren't breeding. Billions of common milkweed plants are green preparing to start turning yellow. That's right, they are all still standing there with no caterpillar damage to their leaves. The stems started growing 2-3 months before and if there were eggs laid on them you would surely know caterpillars didn't eat any of the leaves.

There's enough milkweed growing in the summer breeding grounds to feed BILLIONS of caterpillars that could be going to Mexico yet the numbers were so small that needed the milkweed you can hardly find a damaged leaf. Promoting an invasive weed, common milkweed, is a perfect way to secure funding from our federal government to grow it in mass, even though many scientists have researched and believe there is plenty of it to feed untold numbers of monarchs. Should I invoke Andy Davis and Anurag from Cornell in New York ?

Many of us promote [American Beauties Native Plants](#) in our conservation groups, the largest native plant branding program in North America, supplying these beauties to 1500+ nursery/garden centers and offering

them on Amazon so they will be delivered to your front door.

We're doing our part to beautify and supply habitat for monarchs and pollinators. We just promote them, they don't pay us anything.

It seems MJVs founder, Karen Oberhauser, wants the monarch listed under the ESA so they can ban what we teach because she and Andy and Sonia and the rest of them think if they ban rearing through "NO TAKE" (touching monarchs in any stage) except for maybe 10 monarchs a season per individual household. She and her colleagues maybe think, the OE parasite will be diminished.in the migration if very few people touch very few monarchs. We really don't care what you think, we're just asking you to increase that number to 100 out of respect for your fellow citizens and Dr Lincoln Brower and for yourselves.

Instead of a week, we should designate the month of June as "PROTECT THE MONARCH BUTTERFLY MIGRATION MONTH" This is the month where citizens will go out and plant milkweed and pollinator habitat and the month when citizens go out collect stems with eggs on them and catch a monarch which have no disease and/or OE at that point in the migration population.

When they see a monarch laying eggs on milkweed, net her, and put her in the safety of that hatchery shown below so she can look out the kitchen window at those predators on the screen while she's laying eggs and those predators want to get in and eat the eggs, caterpillars or chrysalis because when monarchs can fly they can get away. All a person has to do is add freshly trimmed milkweed stems to keep them fresh, to the milk jugs full of water. After the caterpillars start stripping the leaves and to prevent too much cannibalism because the bigger caterpillars think the little ones are milkweed and they are, you need to continuously add stems to the jugs and remove spent stems. The caterpillars will go to the top of the hatchery when they've had enough and become chrysalis. In 10-14 days they will be butterflies, allow them to dry for 24 hours, and check 10 of them for OE and if all 10 are clean, release them all.



If you release 100, 15 out of the 300 (5%) of the eggs laid by a single butterfly become adults, those offspring will be responsible for 15 x 100 or 1500 monarchs in the next generation. If those 1500 reproduce before or on the way to Mexico they will increase the migration population going to Mexico in September. 15 x 1500= 22,500 monarchs that grew up in the wild all from those 100 monarchs you released 2 generations earlier. Of course many citizens will protect less than 100 and that's great. If only 50,000 North Americans living in the [Summer Breeding Grounds](#) protect 100 monarch eggs until they're adults using the same calculations over 1 BILLION monarchs will head to Mexico in September. Wouldn't that be terrific? We can do it easily.

Karen Oberhauser thinks ole JO and his boss Barack Obama and Michelle, who she's friends with, will see to it that there's enough funds designated for monarch and pollinator recovery through planting and restoring what's left of potential monarch/pollinator habitat after GMO crops took over most of the land in the summer breeding grounds. Of course there's the pesticides too. A lot of people think there's enough habitat because there's so much milkweed left after the monarchs quit breeding and migrate South.

That would be great and I will be helping make that happen and we will teach our upwards of 100,000 members to help but you need to let them protect up to 100 monarchs in June when the migration is clean and healthy. Their offspring will develop in the wild and benefit the migration numbers tremendously. I don't see how it can do anything but help. There are many people that overthink this and make it way more complicated than it is. I believe it can only help. Besides, all the people in our groups will feel empowered and you know we need all hands on deck if you want to plant all that habitat.

We teach we're adding monarchs to the migration that wouldn't have existed without our help protecting the vulnerable early stages of some monarchs' development until we can **test them for parasites**, and if healthy, **release them outdoors** to produce more monarchs that wouldn't have existed without us protecting them when they were young and not able to fly away from danger. This helps increase the monarch migration numbers as many factors try to reduce the numbers including destroying monarchs with pesticides, etc.

We're asking Monarch Joint Venture to help us teach, and since they're funded by the federal government, they ask U S Fish and Wildlife to help us teach others

our monarch conservation practices at their hundreds of sites across America, nature centers, and encouraging science teachers in their science classrooms in over 100,000 schools to demonstrate the miracle of metamorphosis as MJV has done in the past except use our safe natural method pictured below



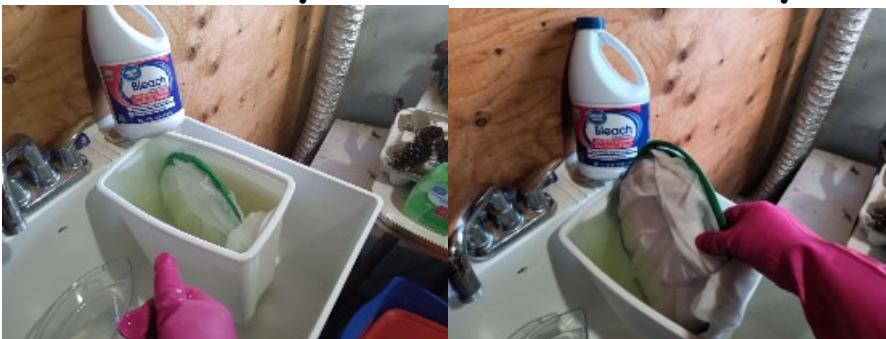
MJV actually discourages classroom rearing, a practice they promoted in the past, to allow children to experience the miracle of metamorphosis. That just doesn't sound right but it's a lawyer FWS thing. They can't ban rearing if they are teaching rearing classrooms that requires touching monarchs which violates the "take" clause in the Endangered Species act.

Of course, if they adopt a 4-D rule that allows citizens to rear to 100, that will circumvent the 'Take' clause like [Dr Lincoln Brower](#) asked them to do here copy and

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Sanitation of our pop up and other equipment before and after protected rearing up to 100 monarch eggs to adulthood is required

As pictured below, mix 1 part of unscented household bleach with 4 parts of water in a container that will completely submerge your rolled up flat hatchery for 24 hours. Remove the hatchery and rinse well and open it and let it dry and it will be ready to go.



Our Monarch Butterfly Grandfather of monarch conservation, education, and science, Dr. Lincoln Brower was a wise man and asked us and FWS to do just what we do and teach. In the following petition to FWS he asked them to allow households to raise up to 100 monarchs a season for conservation and education even if the monarch is listed, without a permit. Soon after

he passed away in 2018 his 'STUDENTS' went against his wishes. [https://img1.wsimg.com/blobby/go/8ef0052a-9ec6-4eb5-8373-35e15f18d1e4/downloads/monarch-es-petition-4d-rule_61731%20\(1\).pdf?ver=1705591291171](https://img1.wsimg.com/blobby/go/8ef0052a-9ec6-4eb5-8373-35e15f18d1e4/downloads/monarch-es-petition-4d-rule_61731%20(1).pdf?ver=1705591291171)

Our lawyer tells us we have a lawsuit now. Andy, you and some of the members of your group (and we know who they are) are conspiring to come on to our monarch conservation platforms to create discontent among our members, attempting to discourage our members from practicing our conservation procedures, and attempting to discourage our members from sharing our conservation methods with potential future members on and off our platforms, and through personal contact with our members outside of our platforms.

Andy Davis, you can do what you want with your group members, but we'll be watching to see if you ask your members to cease and desist what you and they are doing and/or conspiring to do on our monarch conservation group platforms regarding discouraging our members from practicing the conservation methods we teach to our members and potential future members, either on our platforms or any monarch conservation platform or personally on our monarch conservation platforms that allow and/or encourage what can be termed as rearing, raising, protecting monarchs

vulnerable, Please express our and your wishes indefinitely in a pinned post at the top of your group page and/or whenever the issue arises in your group, or we will seek legal action. If any of your members and/or former members, or anyone continue to practice interfering with our conservation efforts on our platforms, they will be dealt with in a similar fashion.

Monarch Joint Venture and your 122+ partners including the Xerces Society. We are asking you to take down any and all handouts discouraging our members and future members from practicing what we teach for monarch conservation including discouraging citizens from putting monarchs on plants' in classrooms and from raising up to 100 monarchs per household per season for conservation and education.

We have contact with the Texas Public Policy Foundation in case we need to ask for their assistance. They are not pleased with the way the Endangered Species Act is used to take away citizens rights and represents, free of charge, citizens whose action by FWS affects their rights.

You might want to read about them on their website and about what they think about the Endangered Species Act linked here: <https://www.texaspolicy.com/legeesa/>