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SBC Yahoo wrote:

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SBC Yahoo wrote:

In science, only the truth matters.

Well SBC Yahoo I couldn't agree with you more, have you
seen any truth
lately?

That's a partial yes/no thing. The truth is "out there", but
where
"out there" might be I'm not sure. I see a definite division
between
those that go "out there" and those that don't go "out there."
Those
that venture "out there" say they've seen it and they know
what it
looks like, whereas those who haven't been "out there" say
they've read
about it and they too know without having to see it. I'm not
sure if
this is a clear division between geologists and others or not,
but it's
puzzling for sure.

I'm in the group that likes to go "out there", touch it and see
if it
agrees with the papers people have written as sometimes it's
darn
interesting, because once "out there" you know that
whomever wrote some

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of those papers had no idea at all that what they said was so far off the mark that it couldn't possibly be anywhere near "the truth."

As for those on Capital Hill, well I'm sure they have differences of opinions too. Congresswoman Lynn Woolsey who sits on the Science Committee, (whom I've known for ten years) sent me a nice letter just last week commending me on my proactive stance on earthquake safety issues in California. It's good we can agree on that one.

So SBC, what's your uptake, is going "out there" a good thing or unnecessary?

Petra

Earthquake preparedness, in California, must be something like the "duck and cover" we went through during the Cuban Missile Crisis. As school kids, we were told in the event of a nuclear explosion (attack), we were to get under our desks (duck) and place our hands over our heads (cover). A lot of good that would have done, huh? I think the best EQ prep is to move to the Midwest.

Yeah. Earthquake-proof land is cheap near New Madrid, Missouri. *|;-^)

Yes I see the similarity between the New Madrid Fault and the San Andreas. During the past week there were 283 earthquake events in California, of magnitude 1-5, while along the New Madrid there were 3 of magnitude 1 and 2. (<http://earthquake.usgs.gov/eqcenter/recenteqsusc/>)

This place is the King of Earthquakes, in the US.

I do believe the historic New Madrid quake may have been one of the strongest to hit the USA in recent times, although a Alaskan quake was around 9.0 not too long ago. You are probably more likely to be struck by lightning in Southern Missouri that to be involved in a major quake (+6.0). While in SoCal, it is not a question of if, just when.

I suppose that is why so many are trying out their versions of Earthquake Crystal Balls?

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