

# Paradigm Shift

Nobody asked but ...

Tha USA has been in a paradigm since the Civil War, that of the military industrial complex. I don't see how we make a paradigm shift away from that. We are too fat and happy with our comic book heroes, drugs legal and illegal, video games, reality television, cable news, and professional sports spectacles. What could make us change? Entertainment is not going to get drastically better. POTUS is not going to do anything new — maybe a bit more scandalous, but not new. Our technology has plateaued, but based as it is on endless war, we'll just punch ourselves out. The cultural makeup of the country is a dichotomy of a dying European segment and a burgeoning non-European segment. We don't know whether to fish or cut bait.

— Kilgore Forelle