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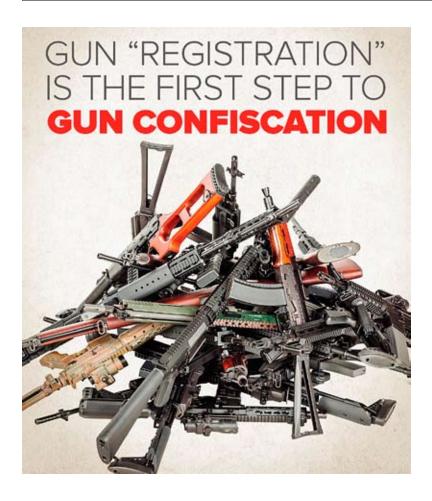


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Holiday meeting updates

See page 2 for Thanksgiving and Christmas changes to our meeting lineup! Have a Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas!

DO NOT REGISTER

Week one compliance rate .04%!

(Guns Save Life) - Earlier this year Governor Pritzker and his merry band of gun control jihadists passed a gun and magazine ban. In addition to banning the sales of the most popular self-defense firearms, the law required existing owners to register their guns starting October 1.

At the end of the first week of gun registration, it became clear that Land of Lincoln gun owners would not comply. Only 1050 of 2.4 million FOID holders complied and registered their banned firearms - .04%. The near-zero compliance represents the overwhelming contempt for the law seen as clearly unconstitutional by virtually all gun owners.

Guns Save Life recommends not to register any guns with the Illinois State Police (ISP). There's zero benefit to registering your guns at this time and lots of reasons not to.

Why not register? First off, if your FOID card lapses for any reason, including delays in processing FOID renewals, you must surrender registered guns to police, move them out of state or take them to a dealer to sell to someone out of state. You cannot get those items back, even if the reason for the suspension was unfounded or in error.

Not only that, but there are already plans to move new legislation next year to "close the existing owner loophole."

That proposed legislation would give those who registered their guns, ammo, and accessories 90 or 120 days to surrender

those items to law enforcement. Pritzker & crew planned to keep that little tidbit under wraps until the registration window closed but those plans leaked and GSL shared them far and wide

The beauty of not registering, for now at least, is that you avoid potential downsides while keeping your options open. Courts may intercede. Or you may make other arrangements. Ultimately, it's none of the state's business what guns you have or where vou have them.

In the end, you have until the end of the year to reconsider the best course of action for you and your

For the moment at least, we urge people not to register any firearms with the ISP.



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November 2023

- Quincy: Last Wednesday: October 25, November 29, December 27 (tentative)
 Eagles Club, 3535 N. Fifth Street, Quincy
 Chicagoland: Last Sunday: Oct 29, Nov. & Dec. cancelled for holidays
 American Legion Post 1198, 1631 Western Ave. Chicago Heights
 - Exhibits and conversation here at 4:30pm. Program at 5:30pm.

 Sangamon County: First Monday: November 6 & Dec. 4 at Air Combat Museum Air Combat Museum, 835 S Airport Dr., Springfield
- Pontiac: First Tuesday: November 7, December 5
- Pontiac Sportsman's Club. 18663 4-H Park Road, Pontiac
- Decatur: First Wednesday: November 1, December 6 Coz's Pizza, 1405 East Village Parkway, Mt Zion Peoria: First Thursday: November 2, December 7
- Barrack's Banquet Center, 1224 April 6. Pioneer Parkway, Peoria
- Danville: Second Monday November 13, December 11
 Ela's Restaurant, 1111 E. Voorhees St., Danville
 Champaign County: Second Tuesday: November 14, December 12
 KC Hall, 1001 N. Ohio St., Rantoul
- Northwest Chicagoland: Second Wed: Nov... cancelled, December 13 Prairie House Tavern, 2710 Main St., Buffalo Grove
 Dinner and conversation here at 5:30pm. Program at 6pm-ish.

 Charleston: (Usually the Second Thursday): November 16, December 14
- U Hotel Conference Center, 920 West Lincoln Ave, Charleston
- LaSalle County: Second Thursday: November 9, December 14 Jamie's Outpost, 602 Clark St. Utica

Dinner, conversation, exhibits at 6 p.m. Program starts at 7 p.m.

Come on out and join us. Good food, good fun and good friends. Dinner is optional but we encourage attendees to eat to support the venue.

Meetings are <u>free</u> and open to all.

Charleston's main speaker Shannon Bridges, right, shares a laugh towards the end of the meeting.



Howard Kaye with Chicagoland Regional Director Alfreda Keith Keller.



Heroes among us...

From left, Dick Brandt, Marc Roderick and Warren Drake, veterans among the GSL Honor Flight contingent spoke about their experiences.



Terry Mechlinburg, the veterans liaison for DAR, shared her project to raise money and awareness for homeless vets.

Upcoming schedule changes

November

Charleston November 16th: Our Charleston meeting is moving back a week to November 16th. They have a large event planned for the week of our meeting and we've agreed to move back a week to help them out.

Northwest Chicagoland November cancelled. Our meeting room has been long-booked for another event, so we've cancelled our November meeting. Join us at the GSL Chicagoland in late October!

Sangamon County GSL will take place at the Air Combat Museum, 835 S. Airport Dr. Springfield. Bring your friends and family to see this privately owned museum and its million-dollar vintage aircraft. SCHEELS is unavailable to us in November and December with the holidays. New Year's Day falls on Jan.

1st. A January meeting will be TBD. We'll return to SCHEELS in February.

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Remarkable, selfless people at GSL Bill Butikas won the Iver Johnson side-by-side shotgun in Danville. After the photo and thinking about it, he donated it back for us to offer at a future month. Thank you sir!



\$5000 to GSL from MVHFA

Mississippi Valley Hunters & Fishermen Association donated \$5,000 to Guns Save Life towards the legal fees involved with fighting JB Pritzker gun and magazine ban. GSL's Quincy Regional Director Kristen Garrett accepted the check for GSL at the September 30th GSL event in Quincy. Thank you to the MVHFA for their confidence and support in our mission to beat back this unconstitutional gun & magazine ban.



State Rep. Mike Coffey joins us in Springfield. "Yes, I'm very pro-gun," he said.



Dan Woolfolk (left) won the gift certificate to Oglesby & Oglesby Gunworks in Springfield. Congrats.



Rick K. won the Bond Arms at the Champaign County meeting.



Cliff R. won 1000 rounds of 9mm at Pontiac.



John Boch snagged the Rock Island Armory Ultra Match 1911 .45 in Peoria.



Mike Brown, a Chicagoland CCW instructor, former cop and veteran talks about Chicago - which no doubt residents of Quincy are glad is four plus hours away.

BREAKING: JCAR fails to block ISP 'Emergency Rules' on gun registry but approves three public hearings on the law

(GSL) - On Tuesday, October 17th, the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules failed to block implementation of the State Police's "Emergency Rules" on the gun registry. It came on a 5-5 tie vote along partisan lines (which is frankly better than we expected).

The JCAR board did approve a motion to force the ISP to hold three public hearings on the law around the state to get public input. Watch the GSL website for those dates and locations. The upside: the lawsuits challenging these rules weren't mooted out of court!

Meeting Highlights

Quincy.

We had another really big night at the second Quincy GSL meeting. The Mississippi Valley Hunters and Fishermen Association made big news with the presentation of a check for \$5,000 to GSL for legal fees in our efforts to roll back Pritzker's gun and magazine ban. THANKS to all at MVHFA!

Jay Gordon, a rep for US Concealed Carry Association discussed preparedness for a life threatening situation mentally, physically, and emotionally. He shared some stats on crime in the local area.

Mike Brown, a former cop and current CCW instructor spoke about what's happening up in the hellhole that is Chicago. He highlighted the importance of being able to protect yourself and your family & knowing how to use what you carry. All of that is just philosophical until you have your own deadly force incident, of course. (Practice, Practice, Practice!)

In addition to surviving the incident, you have to survive dealing with cops and courts. Mike had first hand experience with needing legal support and was able to speak to the importance of a good attorney and a good support

Lots of exciting speakers & events coming up in the community that we can't wait to highlight in the coming months!

Chicago

See page 8 for main speaker Chad Berck's remarks about getting stabbed 19 times in his own front yard and then arrested.

We touched upon Liberty Safes and backdoor digital codes to get into them. One of our members mentioned the YouTube channel of Mr. Locksmith. In one of his videos, "Mr. Locksmith" opens a safe with a digital combination lock in five seconds with a strong

Tom Wegner (sp?) won the 50/50 donated it back to GSL. Matt F. won the Ruger Security

Sangamon County.

Member and minor local celebrity Tom Shafer spoke briefly about a hot burglary at his house a couple of Sundays before. A career burglar snuck in his back window and the neighbors called 911. Cops rolled up, surrounded the house.

When police knocked on his front door and told Tom he had a burglar in the house he laughed at them. Minutes later, Springfield cops found the very lucky intruder in his basement after a thorough search. It was the guy's fourth burglary arrest since the SAFE-T Act kicked in and this time they held him.

State Rep. Mike Coffey accepted our invitation to come out and speak. He's running for re-election next year in the 95th District. This was his first visit to GSL and frankly, he sounded downright MAGA-ish in his remarks.

Terry Mechlinburg, the veteran liaison for the DAR spoke, let folks know how she'll be once again spending the night outdoors on Nov. 4th to raise money for the Fifth Street Renaissance Center's veterans programs.

John Boch won the 50/50 - well over \$100 and said to give it to Ms. Mechlinburg for her

project. Dan Woolfolk won the very soughtafter \$500 gift certificate for Oglesby & Oglesby gun shop.

Pontiac.

For November, we have Livingston County State's Attorney Mike Regnier coming to talk about life under the new SAFE-T Act.



South Post Guns' new indoor range is OPEN!

At our October meeting, we learned that South Post Guns in Streator has completed their new indoor range and - most notably they have Class III rentals available!

Decatur.

Aside from some great politicians (Dan Caulkins, Brad Halbrook) and candidates (Regan Deering), we heard from Dan Cooley with an Industry Update. According to Dan, the ISP leaders have told him that you don't have to go to a dealer to do paperwork on a private transfer if you complete the online person-to-person background check (and keep those records for at least ten years). He joined John Boch in saying not to register anything just yet.

Jim Getz, formerly Decatur's police chief, spoke to the audience in his new role. He's now the head of the Macon County Law Enforcement Training Center.



Jim Getz head of the MCLETC.

Yes, Virginia, Macon County has its own "Police Training Institute" - only much better, much newer and probably the most stateof-the-art in Illinois. They're training tomorrows police officers and corrections officers with the latest and greatest information and they're booked solid.

What's more, they offer a lot of advanced training for officers from smaller departments which is a boon for them.

Tom R. won the Ruger Super Wrangler pistol.

Jerry Fletcher has been reloading since childhood. In fact, his dad ran a trap and skeet club and Jerry had to load a case of shotgun shells after school and then another case after dinner many days.

Today, he has a LOT of equipment and loves reloading, producing the finished product

that looks every bit as nice as factory ammo. "You're not gonna save money." he said. But you will end up shooting more and spending less per round.



Jerry Fletcher.

Danville.

See page 11 for Jon Shrock's presentation on the John Birch Society's efforts to help Americans stay informed and get informed, including a success in stopping a CO2 pipeline through Central Illinois.

Mr. Schrock won the 50/50 and donated his winnings back to GSL. Thank you sir! Bill Butikas won the Iver Johnson 12 gauge sideby-side shotgun. After the picture, he donated it back to GSL to sell tickets in a future month. So if you're like me and would like a side-by-side shotgun, here's your second chance! Many thanks to Mr. Butikas.

Champaign County.

Our main speakers all took the trip to Washington DC on the GSL group's Honor Flight back in September. Marc Roderick, Warren Drake and Dick Brandt all shared their rave reviews of the trip and the parts of the day that impacted them the most. They all liked Mail Call and the welcome home crowd at

the airport when we returned home. It was a great trip!

John B. snagged \$39 in the 50/50 and Rick Kinkade won the Bond Arms .357 derringer.

Welcome Kristen Garrett to our **Board of Directors**

We had a vacancy in the GSL board because of a resignation. One of our team decided to pull his horns in for fear of workplace complications from serving.

The Board approved the nomination of Kristen Garrett to fill the remainder of the term. Members approved this at our monthly meetings.

Welcome aboard Mrs. Garrett!

ELECTIONS...

We're a month late, but in odd-numbered years, we elect our officers and two of our

Our nominating committee has nominated the incumbent office holders for their positions.

President: Rich Goodall Vice-President: John Coyne Treasurer: Joanne Chandler Secretary: Lois Morton

Immediate Past President (not elected) Director #1: Tim Weir Director #2: Al Devlin

We'll make a move to accept the slate by acclimation at next month's sequence of meetings.

Can't make it to a meeting? Still want to win a gun?

Tickets are available!



You can't make it to a meeting, but you want a chance to win a gun for as little as \$4? Here's your chance!

And yes, we've had several mail-in ticket winners in the past few months.

Indicate how many tickets you want for the gun you want (and city of drawing). Tickets are \$5 or 5 for \$20. Or 25 (plus a bonus) for \$100.

GSL's Treasurer Joanne Chandler will electronically notify the Regional Directors of the mail-in tickets sold for their meetings so they can get them into the drawing. If you're late, we'll return your check.

Attn: Drawings **Guns Save Life** PO Box 8 Clinton, IL 61727

GSL Monthly Gun Lineup!

Chicago Oct: Ruger Super Wrangler .22

Mag/.22LR

Chicago Jan: Taurus TX22 Chicago Feb: Ruger 10/22

Peoria Nov: Para-Ordnance P14-45

Pontiac Nov: \$300 gift card to Freedom

Sport Shop in El Paso

Pontiac Dec: Henry .22 classic lever ac-

Decatur October note: We did have a Ruger target pistol slated - until we noticed it had a threaded muzzle... Decatur Nov: Ria 12-gauge riot gun

Rantoul Oct: TBA

Charleston Nov: Glock 22 .40 S&W... gently used, includes holster & more...

Danville Dec.: Iver Johnson 12ga. side-byside 28" shotgun

Sangamon Co. Nov: TBA

Executive Director's Report

Good news for a change...

by John Boch Executive Director

You asked for good news. Here you go: If all goes as planned, shortly after *GunNews* is printed we'll be filing an amended complaint seeking to block the PICA gun and magazine ban in federal court. Yes, we're going to give federal district court Judge McGlynn a second bite at this apple.

We're going after it on a number of different angles and it only takes one of those claims to sink the gun ban.

Our friend Thomas Maag may beat us to an injunction blocking the law. He already had his day in court on October 11th and did well. Judge McGlynn will likely issue a ruling siding with Maag, striking down at least parts of the new gun & magazine ban.

Freedom wins. Yes, freedom is scary. Deal with it.

Do NOT register!

If you are one of those who opt to maintain your scrupulous compliance with the unconstitutional gun registry, my advice is to wait until late-December to register your scary guns. Why wait? Courts may block the law. If you register and your FOID card lapses for any reason, even through no fault of your own, you lose those guns and you can't get them back

If you opt not to register, prudence will demand you keep those guns at home. No taking them to the range or out hunting. Yes, most State Police will likely give you a pass, there's always a chance you'll run into a guy who wants to get promoted and will arrest you. The first gun is a misdemeanor (and you won't get your gun back by the way... it'll be confiscated). If you have a second gun, that one will be a felony and you will lose *all* of your guns.

"Oh, my prosecutor won't prosecute," you say confidently. That's okay. Kwame Raoul might appoint a special prosecutor.

If you don't register, keep your head down and your mouth closed, and you'll likely

remain unmolested by police.

The burden's on them

You don't have to prove you no longer have restricted guns... it's up to the state to prove that you still have access to them inside our state.

If police show up at your door

If the Illinois State Police, or you local LEOs show up at your door asking about your guns, the only thing you say is "I'd like to speak to my attorney before answering questions." Make sure your significant other is on the same page as well.

Don't answer questions and do NOT consent to any searches. Also, don't let them into your house (unless they have a warrant), even during inclement weather. Don't show them anything, don't sign anything, and don't surrender anything.



Nothing - NOTHING - you say to investigating officers can be used to exonerate you. So, remember what William Kirk of Washington Gun Law (now a Guns Save Life member) says about talking to police, "Why in the hell would you do that?"

After the cops leave it might be a good time to contact your criminal defense attorney, just in case. You've got one of those right? If you don't, now might be a good time to look into one. Just in case Five-Oh comes back with a warrant, you'll want to have an attorney.

Tick tock. January 1 will be here before you know it.

States with highest (and lowest) rates of hunting license issuance may surprise you...

(GSL) - Did you know that California had the lowest rate of hunting among its population? Just .07% of the Golden State's residents go hunting (about 267,000), as tallied by hunting licenses issued. How bad is it? Even though Idaho has a tiny fraction of California's population and land mass, more people hunt in the land of gems and potatoes. Rhode Island, Hawaii, New Jersey and Massachusetts round out the bottom five states for hunters.

Illinois isn't far behind at #39 with a meager 2.3% of our residents buying hunting licenses. The authors of the piece noted that Illinois' numbers are decreasing in part because

of declining habitat and reluctance of farmers to open their lands to hunters.

Who has the most hunting license per capita? Wyoming! Almost one quarter of the state's entire population - men, women and children - has a hunting license. South Dakota and Montana round out the top three, each with over a fifth of their population packing a hunting license in their back pocket. North Dakota, Idaho and Maine followed by West Virginia round out the top 7 states.





GSL WRECKS Gov. Pritzker's plan to gaslight gun owners on gun registration

(GSL) - Good old Governor J.B. Pritzker had a slick plan to help nudge compliance upward in the final weeks of the state's gun registration window.

On or about December 5th, he would put out a press release that 78% of gun owners had complied with the new law and that those remaining should "bring themselves into compliance" before the end of the year.

Sources in his inner circle shared this plan with us on the sly and we broad-

cast it far and wide on our Within hours, the govwebsite. Within hours, the governor's plan to gasligh:



Not long thereafter, WMAY's Greg Bishop talked about the scheme on his morning radio show in Springfield. Bishop's radio show is heard by a who's who in state government. Within hours, the governor's plan to gaslight gun owners had been wrecked. Guns Save Life had not only outed his scheme, but we also undermined J.B.'s credibility on the issue.

To add insult to injury for the "big man" in charge, the widely-read Second City Cop also picked up news of the plan and they ridiculed it as well to their Chicago-area readers.

LOOKING FOR A PLACE TO SHOOT?

DeWitt County Sportsmans Club

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and more. Dues are currently \$60/year plus two work days (\$45 each on deposit, prepayment required). Over 65 dues are \$45 and no workdays.

Download an application at dewittcountysc.com or by mailing a request to DCSC, PO Box 322, Clinton, IL 61727.





Ex parte gun confiscation orders on tap in Illinois

(The Center Square) – Expect a push during fall veto session at the Illinois Statehouse to make gun confiscations in cases with orders of protection more strict.

During a news conference Thursday in Chicago, state Sen. Celina Villanueva, D-Chicago, joined with gun control advocates and said too many women are dying in domestic violence encounters...

"Karina's Bill would require a firearm to be removed from a home when a survivor is granted an order of protection with the firearm remedy from a judge," The Network Advocating Against Domestic Violence said in a statement. "Advocates hope to pass the bill during the Illinois General Assembly's fall veto session beginning in late October, which is also Domestic Violence Awareness Month."

[Editor: Villanueva's bill would strip gun rights without due process. Then law enforcement would show up without notice and move to confiscate firearms from the respondent. How many times will that happen before people get killed?]

NICE TRY: Sting operation targets GSL's John Boch for multiple gun felonies

by John Boch

Bloomington, IL (GSL) - Guns Save Life has quite the reputation for trading junk guns, sometimes utterly trashed guns for perfectly good cash which we then forward to youth shooting programs across the state. Oh yeah, occasionally we even use the money to buy guns to give away to the kids.



Roughly ten years ago, we popped Chicago for about \$6500 while turning in almost 70 guns at one of their gun buybacks. The international publicity from that excursion caused such a black eye for Chicago's leaders that they suspended the program for at least two years, if not three.

In the past month or so I've taken three

phone calls from unidentified people who have multiple guns for us to take to our next buyback adventure. In fact, with each call the number of guns keeps growing. This most recent one didn't give an exact number but said it was "probably close to a dozen." Not only did they seem willing to bring them to my house in Bloomington, but they maybe sounded just a dash eager.

What's more, the callers seemed unconcerned about waiting periods, or doing the transfers through a dealer that the law now requires.

In Gavin DeBecker's *The Gift of Fear*, he teaches people not to ignore their intuition.

I'm pretty certain this was a sting operation to nail your's truly with multiple felony gun charges. Not sure who was behind it - maybe the Illinois AG's office or Chicago's CAGE unit. Maybe even ISP.

For the record, we are no longer in the gun buyback game. So stop calling.

COINCIDENCE? Bloomington hosting gun buyback

Trick or treat, smell their cash. Bloomington PD will host a "gun buyback" on **Saturday, October 29th**. Got unwanted, non-functioning, or barely functioning firearms? Have any antiques or obsolete junk? Here's your chance to sell them to some do-gooders for perfectly good cash.

Let's help them make it a big success.

I'd recommend getting there around 8:30 or so (the location is 2602 Six Points Road in Bloomington). There will be a line. There always is. And they'll be out of cash within the first half-hour.

If you participate and want to donate those funds to GSL for worthy youth shooting programs across Illinois, we'll happily accept them.

But we aren't accepting guns any longer.



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Peoria shooting incidents up 31% this year compared to 2022

* Shot-spotter reports 4,207 rounds fired vs. 3,597 last year to date...

Peoria, IL (WMBD) —
Peoria's Advisory Committee on Police-Community
Relations met on Monday where committee
members learned a grim
statistic — shootings are
up. Committee member

and former Peoria Police Sergeant Keith McDaniel shared an update on the crime numbers.

As of Sept. 11, year-todate shooting incidents have increased by 31% since this time last year, he said during the meeting. The number of shooting victims are up 30% compared to last year with 99 for this year and 76 for last year.

'Enhanced' background checks for gun purchasers 18-20 yield *three* blocked sales - .0945%

Chicago (CBS) – Since Illinois instituted enhanced background checks for gun purchases in June of 2022, 3,174 firearm purchases have been reviewed because the person who wanted to buy the gun was under the age of 21, according to Illinois State Police.

Of those purchases, state police denied three gun sales to would-be purchasers.



Manticore Arms leaves IL

(Only Guns & Money) - Manticore Arms is relocating from Illinois to South Carolina. Currently located in Elburn, a village in Kane County just west of Chicago, they will be moving to North Charleston, South Carolina.

Manticore is a combination design firm and OEM manufacturer. They manufacture aftermarket parts for a number of firearms as well as providing design work for other firearm companies.

Their email announcing the move says they are moving to "much more gun friendly state!" I would agree.



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Country Character

Sometimes it's important to remember what we have to be thankful for...

Giving thanks. by Justin Thyme

a GSL member

In a time when it seems everything is going wrong for the American patriot I believe a review of the facts will be uplifting

We presently live in a country where much of our government has no regard for our constitution. Many are using our government and our tax money against us to promote their wicked agenda, even to the point of weaponizing branches of our government against us, i.e. IRS and BATF. If we don't lean their way, or worse, lean towards personal freedom and liberty, they send their cronies to correct us. Voicing the facts or our opinions in accordance with the First Amendment can initiate an FBI raid on your home.

But looking back reveals how decisions of those who came before now benefit us. What if our founding fathers had decided that it's not that bad living as subjects of the king? What if they had decided freedom wasn't worth fighting and dying for? What if they hadn't sought the Divine guidance of our Creator in writing the Constitution? The wisdom and foresight displayed in the Constitution is commendable and remarkable. There are paths to correction for many of our government problems in the Constitution but it won't happen by itself. The citizens need to follow through.

What if during the First World War, our country decided to learn German instead of fighting? What if in World War II, our country decided that it was just too much work to fight, or too risky? We'll just have to learn Japanese or German (or both) instead, the path of least resistance.

But that's not what happened. We stood our ground, we fought for our country and liberated our allies. It came at a high price in lives, treasure and hardship to our nation.

Many things were rationed such as food and fuel. There was also much that wasn't rationed because it was not available. The country's mindset was all out to win the war. Would the bulk of our present day citizens have the concern, drive and tenacity to do



We must confine our consumption of Sugar to not more than 2 lbs per person per month

Thankfully, those who preceded us fought the hard fight, and bequeathed to us the tooling to continue in the fight. Yes, we have much to be thankful to our Creator for. Also, much responsibility. Let's do our part in order that future generations can be free and thankful as well. What country will we bequeath to our children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren?



John Quincy Adams, sixth president of the United States, stated, "Duty is ours. Results

Happy Thanksgiving!

DeWitt County Sportsman's Club

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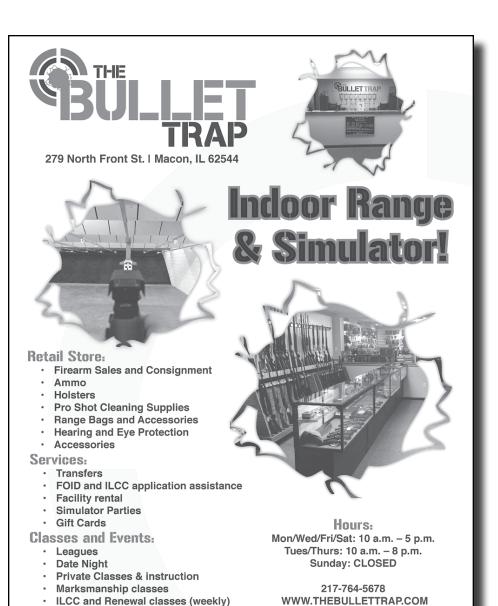
We post stories several times each day on weekdays and usually at least one or two each day on the weekends. In addition, we post changes in our monthly meeting schedule or meeting cancellations for weather or other reasons beyond our control.

We're able to bring you educational and sometimes entertaining video content on the website as well.

Check out the video under "About us" for an overview of our organization and our mission. And you can join, either online or by downloading and printing a hardcopy membership application to become part of our family.

Even better, toward the end of the month we usually post an electronic copy of GunNews which you can share with friends, family and everyone else in your sphere of influence. Reading GunNews is proven to help make regular people more informed about their right to selfdefense. While you're (probably) reading a hard-copy right now, you can email the electronic version almost effortlessly.

Lastly, we have a favor to ask: Help us grow and flourish by posting comments to the stories, and/or suggest potential topics for stories. You don't have to use your real (or full) name. We welcome your hot takes on our reports and posts.





In the land of the blind, the one-eyed man is King by Desiderius Erasmus, a GSL member

'You had ONE job!' Now do it!

Early on October 7, 2023 air raid sirens began wailing across Israel. At about 6.30 a.m. local time, a barrage of rocket fire began from Gaza into Israel, hitting several cities including Tel Aviv, Rehovot, Gedera and Ashkelon. (Reuters)

Israel and the United States appeared to be caught off guard at the size and ferocity of the Hamas – a terrorist group – attack. But were they, and if so, why?

On September 28, 2023, the US intelligence community produced an assessment, based in part on intelligence provided by Israel, warning Washington that Hamas was poised to escalate rocket-attacks across the border. (CNN) On October 5, 2023, the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) produced a second assessment of the increasing possibility of violence by Hamas. (CNN) On October 6, the day before the attack, US officials circulated reporting from Israel indicating unusual activity by Hamas. (CNN)

Warnings did not begin in just the last two months. "A Middle Eastern diplomat in Washington, DC, told CNN that his government had repeatedly warned the White House and US intelligence officials of a buildup of Hamas weapons and anger among Palestinians that was set to explode." "This in every meeting, every meeting in the last year and a half," the diplomat added. (CNN) On the other hand, "There was no information warning about the terrorist attack in advance," a US administration official told CNN. So who is prevaricating?

"If we had known or if we know of a pending attack against an ally, we would clearly inform that ally," Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin said on October 12, 2023. But did we? Hamas likely hid the planning for the attack by good, old-fashioned counterintelligence measures such as conducting person-to-person planning meetings, not using digital communications (that can be tracked by Israel and the US), and leaving their cell phones far away, so their location could not be "pinged." But Hamas trained for their attack in at least six sites across Gaza, one site less than a mile from Israel's border. (CNN) US military satellites can see that with remarkable clarity.

Was White House National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan uninformed, or just whistling past the graveyard, when he said at "The Atlantic Festival" (a gathering hosted by The Atlantic magazine of "influential and provocative political, cultural, business, tech, and climate leaders for two full days of in-depth interviews, timely forums, intimate breakout sessions, book talks, screenings, and networking opportunities") on September 29, 2023: "The Middle East region is quieter today than it has been in two decades." Maybe Jake needs to ditch the rich and famous, and get to his ONE job, keeping us safe.

Meanwhile, over in Israel, the Hamas October 7 attacks are widely viewed as "the biggest breach of Israeli security since the 1973 Yom Kippur War." (MSN) Others view it as "Israel's 9/11." The New York Post opined: "Israel has spies in Gaza, of course, but apparently they heard nothing, which is worrisome. Or they aren't reliable, which is more so."

So why should you care about Gaza? Or how the Mossad – the national intelligence agency of Israel, or the CIA in the US conduct their spying business? Mossad has ONE job – protect Israel!



Maybe they were caught with their pants down as they are doing too many things that they shouldn't be, and there's truth in the phrase: "he can't walk and chew gum at the same time." Over the last year, Israeli intelligence organized protests against Benjamin Netanyahu, the Prime Minister of Israel, in opposition to his party's platform of reform aimed at Israel's Supreme Court. (New York Post) And as a Washington Post headline revealed: "Israeli spy chiefs led secret revolt against Netanyahu reforms," concluding with: "direct intervention into Israeli politics by Mossad, an external spy service forbidden from wading into domestic matters, [is] a significant revelation."

But that's some other country; it can't happen here. Think again. On October 19, 2020, 51 former senior intelligence officials used a false alarm of Russian interference signing a letter to stop a presidential candidate from winning a second term as president. Recent reports contend that our own FBI is infiltrating Catholic churches, and treating parents who protest at school-board meetings, and religious people reciting prayers in front of abortion clinics as "domestic terrorists." In short, for years our own security services have been distracted by domestic politics – and some pretty ugly politics at that.



Could elements in Israeli intelligence have intentionally downplayed Hamas capabilities and intentions, allowing a "surprise" attack, which they believed would drive their nemesis, Bibi Netanyahu from office? And back here, what are the FBI and CIA ignoring because they are wasting time and resources barking up the wrong tree of political opponents? What are they missing now? When we finally find out, will it be too late? Ditch the politics!

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More dangerous than Chicago? Color us skeptical

WalletHub names St. Louis the 'most dangerous city'

(Breitbart) - The safest and most dangerous cities in America have been ranked following WalletHub's assessment of over 180 cities.

The Daily Mail reported Sunday that the company assessed the cities "across 41 indicators of safety."

According to WalletHub, "Our data set ranges from traffic fatalities per capita

and assaults per capita to the unemployment rate and the percentage of the population that is insured."

Each place was graded regarding home and community safety, natural disaster risk, and financial safety, with the safest place in the United States being Nashua, New Hampshire.

Meanwhile, St. Louis, Missouri, was ranked the most dangerous city. It was known as the murder capital until 2022 when New Orleans, Louisiana, was found to have the highest murder rate, the Mail article

It is important to note that in July, an open records request found that in private texts, St. Louis Mayor Tishaura Jones (D) noted the ineffectiveness of gun control in other major cities,

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Lessons learned in a miscarriage of justice...

Chad Berck: Stabbed 19 times, then arrested in his front yard by Normal PD

At our Chicagoland meeting, GSL member Chad Berck described an incident from last May where he was arrested in his front yard after being stabbed 19 times by a neighbor. In his presentation, he provided a lot of valuable takeaways for audience members. First and foremost: "Don't talk to the police without your attorney!"

He described the long and arduous process to clear his name, and then get his gun rights restored by the State of Illinois.



Chad Berck.

"It all started over a dog," he said. Along with the neighbor's attempt to bully the neighborhood. It all culminated in May 2022 when James DeWitt attacked an unarmed Berck with a knife on Berck's front lawn. Chad sustained 19 stab wounds, some to the bone, before cops arrived. Incredibly Normal PD arrested Mr. Berck.

He told the audience that he spoke to police that night because he knew he was the victim. "He attacked me with a knife in my front yard," Chad said. Both responding officers and a skeptical investigator used "inconsistencies" in his statements against him. "Don't EVER talk with police in the aftermath of any use of force in self-defense!" he implored the audience. "Even if you KNOW you have acted righteously."

He described the criminal justice system as cold and uncaring. The care he received for his stab wounds was equally callous as the health care workers looked at him as a criminal thanks to the handcuffs.

Meanwhile, DeWitt went full-on lawfare against Berck, filing an order of protection and pursuing prosecution. Over the course of about six long months, the case fell apart.

Mr. DeWitt didn't take it well, cussing the judge and getting thrown out of court more than once for contempt. At the same time, countless neighbors testified in court to the problems and threats from Mr. DeWitt.

A special prosecutor later dismissed the charges. A judge even apologized for the system failing to protect the real victim.

Of course, the Illinois State Police were in no hurry to restore the FOID card and carry license. That took several months to ac-

As a subscriber to US Concealed Carry Association, Berck said they were great. They helped him cope with the depressing aftermath of the arrest and later as the case progressed. They paid for the attorney too.



Berck's attacker Jimmy DeWitt at the ER, courtesy of police bodycam video. Nice tat.

Now Berck has the order of protection against the neighbor and his gun rights restored. He also has his carry license again. He thanked GSL for our help and John Boch's for his assistance and guidance which proved very helpful. "John didn't even believe me at first, but I won him over with evidence and persistence. It is a very crazy story.'

Lessons learned: Never, ever give a statement to police without an attorney present, even if you were attacked on your own property. Have self-defense legal insurance. It's priceless. And find someone who will keep their mouth shut to talk with about your situation and your frustrations.

Looking back, Chad sincerely believes his attacker is evil. "He was giggling as he stabbed me that night," he said. What's more, Berck knew he had to win that fight that night because his front door was unlocked and his family were asleep inside.

Berck later learned that Mr. DeWitt had a hand axe in his backpack. He can't help but think that his drunken neighbor had plans for the rest of Chad's family that night.

Chad applied for a vacant county board seat appointment... and this happened

Stabbing victim forced to relive trauma under questioning after applying for McLean County board

Also interrogated about his 'temperament' because he was arrested for self-defense Bloomington, IL (Cities 92.9) - A longtime-McLean county resident and McLean county board applicant was forced to relive the trauma of being stabbed 19 times after being questioned by a Democrat board member.

"This gentleman came walking down the street, he brandished a knife and attacked me in my front

yard. I was stabbed 19 times. I defended myself... and because of the fact we ended up on public property (the street) I was arrested," answered Chad Berck, a Republican applicant for the county board District 5 seat.

The county board district 5 seat was left vacant by Republican John McIntyre after he resigned abruptly

due to health concerns. Flizabeth Johnston serves as the other board member in that district and asked Berck about his "temperament" in a public forum. Johnston claims to know several people in Ironwood neighborhood who have concerns about his temperament because he was arrested for self defense.



Never talk to police. Don't answer questions. Don't consent to searches. Just don't do it.

Just say 'NO'

Exercise your right to remain innocent...

by John Boch Don't talk to the police. Don't answer questions Don't consent to searches.

Why?

First and foremost, nothing you say or do can help prove your innocence in court. But anything you say can and will be used against you at trial.

Read that last paragraph again, my friends.

Pay attention to your Miranda Warning. That should be a clue-by-four across the forehead to shut your piehole and ask for an attorney.

Police interrogations - cops like to call them "interviews" because it sounds less intimidating - are stressful. You've likely never been interrogated, but rest assured the person on the other side has likely conducted hundreds if not thousands of criminal interrogations after attending countless hours of training.

Even if you're innocent of the crime you're suspected of, you may get carried away and tell a fib about something else and that's a crime right there. Or the interrogating officer (er, I mean "interviewing" officer) may mis-recall something you said or the question you were asked and

that mistake might be used to help prosecute you.

You might tell the police the absolute truth as an innocent person. But sometimes witnesses can be mistaken, or coincidences might align with what you said, or impeach your statements as well.

All of this goes away if you don't answer questions from police.

Plenty of people have been convicted for lying to investigators. Just ask Martha Stewart. If she had only kept her mouth shut she wouldn't have gone to prison. And then there are plenty of others wrongfully convicted thanks to statements they made to police.

If you don't submit to police interrogations, all of those worries go away.

Even if you're innocent, take the Fifth. If in doubt, ask an attorney.

Searches

Police have fairly wide latitude when it comes to searching your person or your vehicle in public. Yes, they need probable cause (PC), but for a veteran cop, developing PC is not very difficult at all. What's more,

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If a law enforcement officer is asking your consent to search your person or your car, he likely had some reason to suspect you might be commit-

Instead of just searching, the savvy cop will ask for consent first. If consent is given, that makes it a LOT harder for a defense attorney to get the evidence thrown out later.

So even if you have nothing illegal in the car, politely and repeatedly decline any requests for consent to search. If the requests become badgering, ask the officer if you're free to go. If he or she savs "yes," leave immediately. If the cop says anything but "yes", decline to answer any further questions until you speak with your attorney.

If you're Mirandized with the classic warning we all know from TV shows, no matter how much the officer tries to minimize their significance, stop talking aside from immediately asking for your attorney.

Your home.

Your home and the curtilage (the yard around the house) are relatively inviolate to police. Unless police have a warrant, police can't snoop around on your property looking for evidence and they can't (legally) stick their foot in your door to stop you from revoking their implicit license to "knock and talk."

You have no legal obligation to answer the door if the police knock. Also, you have no obligation to answer their questions. You can, however, order them to leave and they should leave. They may not go, but if they stay, any evidence they develop will likely get tossed in court.

Oh, they may say they'll be back with a warrant. That's fine. Until they have a warrant their hands are tied.

Despite what they'll hint around at, they're not going to be one lick nicer to you if you consent to a search as opposed to making them get the warrant first.

Don't be afraid to answer the door if police knock. They may have important information. But if it's a criminal investigation, like asking about whether you've registered some guns (or not registered some guns) decline to make any statements at all then ask them to leave.

Make sure other household members are on the same page too. Having no comment to cops at the door will be completely undermined if your spouse consents to a search.

Just say "no!"

You don't have to be a jerk, but be affirmative in both your statement that you wish to plead the Fifth to questions . and a firm "no" to searches.

Why?

Again, nothing you say or do can help prove your innocence. But anything you say can and will be used against you in court.

So shut up! Don't answer questions from the police in criminal investigations.

What to say in the aftermath of a defensive gun use...

If you can't remember what to say, the fall-back position of saying nothing at all (besides I'd like to talk with an attorney) comes in a strong second best thing you can say to police following a defensive use-of-force incident. Identify yourself and ask for that attornev.

If you can remember what to say, here's a suggestion that might be just a little bit better.

You're the victim of a criminal attack. Act like it. Tell first responders who attacked you and tell the cops just that. "This man attacked [whoever]. If he survives I will cooperate with his prosecution."

Identify any witnesses: "They are the witnesses."

Point out all evidence that is relevant. Shell casings, guns/ knives, bullet holes, physical evidence, etc. Police might miss some things, or other evidence can be disturbed by boot cleats.



Point out evidence

Mother Nature, or by sticky-fingered witnesses.

Ask for that attorney. "You know how serious this is. I want to consult with my attorney before answering any questions."

Lastly, if you're not feeling well at all, ask for an ambulance ride to the hospital to get checked out. Don't lie and say you're having a heart attack, but just ask for the ride. Your blood pressure may be through the roof. The ER staff will likely draw your blood for a toxicology screen, and if you're sober, this will be a big plus for you. It will also give your attorney time to respond.

Lastly, don't be intimidated into trading a statement before your attorney arrives to avoid a night in jail.



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Calculus of a Chicago Criminal:

Near-zero chance of punishment for serious crimes drives violence

Thanks to IL gun control, they face a near-zero chance of encountering a CCW holder too

Chicago (WirePoints) - The decision to commit a crime in Chicago has never been easier. Criminals are almost guaranteed to profit because the chances of getting caught and punished have collapsed to near-zero.

It's a big reason why the city is on target to hit a post-pandemic high in major crimes in 2023, currently up 32 percent vs. last year. It's also why crime is unlikely to slow down significantly any time soon. Mayor Brandon Johnson doesn't show any signs of imposing a higher cost on the city's criminals. And Cook County State's Attorney Kim Foxx and Cook

County Chief Judge Tim Evans haven't changed their soft approach to crime either

The math is pretty straightforward. A demoralized, restricted police force. Plus a 1 in 20 arrest rate. Plus a high rate of unreported crime. Plus a dismal 911 response rate. Plus a city leadership that's soft on crime. All that equals a near-zero chance of criminals ever getting punished.

Not until the costs of committing crime go way up – and the equation changes – will Chicagoans see any relief.

University of IL College of Business Dean calls 911 in Chicago ...and NOBODY ANSWERED

Chicago (GSL) - Jeff Brown, UI Champaign-Urbana's Dean of the College of Business took a business trip to Chicago in the last week of September. It didn't go well for him and left him shaken up to say the least.

In short, while in the downtown area - you know, the formerly nice and "safe" part of Chicago - he witnessed a violent individual grab a young woman by the hair, seemingly at random, and try to drag her down the stairs towards a CTA platform. "There was no effing way I'm going to let that happen," he wrote on Twitter.

He dialled 9-1-1 and confronted the man. The perp beat the woman and threatened to beat Dr. Brown as well. The phone rang eight times calling 9-1-1 and nobody answered.



Dr. Jeff Brown

In the end the violent predator let the young woman go and after threatening to beat the good Samaritan dean, went on his way, unconcerned about a police response. Ultimately the bad guy was right: the police didn't respond. And neither did 911.

More 'SAFE-T' Act headlines from CWB Chicago

- · Electronic monitoring for man CPD says shot toward on-duty cops
- Chicago man burglarized downstairs neighbor's apartment while on bail for burglarizing his upstairs neighbor's apartment: prosecutors
- Man charged with carjacking driver on Chicago expressway in viral video is released on electronic monitoring
- Cashless bail: Judge refuses to jail Chicago man accused of shooting dog, having 50-round ammo magazines
- Woman who stabbed girl to death in the Loop was awaiting trial for robbing Red Line passenger, prosecutors say

And Chicagoans wonder why crime is bad!

'SAFE-T' Act sees serious violent criminals released without posting bail

Chicago (CWB Chicago) — Cook County judges denied requests by prosecutors to have two men accused of committing violent crimes detained as public safety threats this week

In one case, 26-year-old Victor Visinaiz is charged with vehicular hijacking and robbery. Prosecutors said he carjacked a woman in the 3000 block of West Ogden on March 31 after they were involved in a traffic crash.

Prosecutors asked Judge Barbara Dawkins to keep him in jail before trial, but she nixed that idea. She released Visinaiz on electronic monitoring instead.

The second man, Tevin Tucker, is accused of threatening a 57-year-old security guard with a metal baton while stealing a phone charger on Wednesday morning at the Jewel-Osco, 1224 South Wabash...

Judge Maryam Ahmad rejected a prosecutor's request to jail Tucker before trial as a public safety threat. She released him from custody and told him to observe a nighttime curfew.

Court records show he has faced 38 different criminal cases in Cook County since 2014, primarily misdemeanors.



Chicago Marathon: An exceptional runner

Chicago Police Officer Mendoza ran the entire Chicago Marathon in his police uniform and gear. Hats off to him! (from Twitter).

Nobody is safe in Chicago

On-duty Chicago cop carjacked outside 311 HQ

Chicago (CWB Chicago) — Two boys, ages 15 and 17, have been charged with carjacking an on-duty Chicago police officer outside the city's 311 call center headquarters

Each teen is charged with felony aggravated vehicular hijacking while armed with a firearm, according to a statement released by the Chicago Police Department.







'PURGE LAW': Man robbed suburban store 2 days after being released under the SAFE-T Act

Chicago (CWB Chicago) — A man who allegedly led state troopers on a high-speed chase across Chicago last month, then got released under the newly-enacted SAFE-T Act, is back in custody. Prosecutors say he robbed a clothing store in Cicero two days after the judge set him free.

Chicago police warn of north side 'gang hotspots'

(CWB Chicago) - In late July, Chicago police officers were warned about four North Side gang hot spots that the department had identified as being ripe for retaliatory shootings between Gangster Disciples in Rogers Park and the Wicked City faction of the Black P Stones street gang to the south

- 1) Ardmore to Granville, Broadway to Sheridan
- 2) Morse to Juneway, Clark to Sheridan 3) Foster to Lawrence, Broadway to Sheri-
- dan
 4) Montrose to Lawrence, Broadway to

Our take on 'gang hotspots':

Tourism opportunities!

(GSL) - So just like tornado chasing, if you're running a tourist operation with armored vehicles looking to experience the fun and excitement of watching a live shootout between gangs, those neighborhoods mentioned above are great places to visit.

Whether or not you charge extra for shooting back at the baddies is another story.

Illinois tourism: It's in "the middle of everything."





Jon Schrock | Stay informed. Get involved!

America needs patriots.

We welcomed Jon Schrock, a field rep with the John Birch Society at our Danville meeting. He introduced the audience to

that organization and its mission to help Americans get involved to protect their freedom and liberty.

"America needs patriots." He had a very local example of how the John Birch Society helps educate, equip and focus everyday citizens to get involved



Jon Schrock

to fight big government and to advocate for freedom and personal liberty.

Schrock shared information on the Biden regime's war on carbon. Related to that, there was a pipeline set to be built in IL to bring CO2 to a "sequestration" location in Central Illinois. Along the way, government also intends to build direct atmospheric capture locations to grab up the gas - supposedly to reduce atmospheric CO2 and reduce global warming.

The biggest threat posed by this scheme? The sequestration location is situated above a huge freshwater aquifer that a million or more rely upon for clean drinking water. Obviously anything that endangers our drinking water supplies should be a major concern, but the Biden administration doesn't seem too worried about that. Then there's the plants, including food crops, that thrive on CO2, turning it into oxygen during photosyn-

thesis. Thanks in part of organizing by John Birch Society members who then pushed back in public meetings, the CO2 pipeline plan has been withdrawn (see below).

What else? Schrock asked why it seems like they want to put massive solar arrays on the most productive farmlands. Of course solar panels leach toxic chemicals as they age which poison the soil.

It's an international agenda the John Birch Society fights. Call it Net Zero, "Sustainable Development", or the World Economic Forums 2030 Project: they all want to lower the standard of living and quality of life of the little people like us in the name of "saving the world." These are the same people advancing the end of privacy and private property. "You will own nothing and you'll like it"



Supposedly these would-be tyrants are going to end poverty and hunger, establish human rights for all, achieve gender equality and the empowerment of all women. Amazingly, they plan to do that by stripping the good guys of their guns. Heck, they're planning on taking guns from local police as well.

By joining the John Birch Society, you can keep informed on what these communists are doing and how you can meaningfully push back against them. Learn more at **jbs.**

Public outcry leads to withdrawal of CO2 pipeline application

(Capitol News Illinois) - The company behind a controversial carbon dioxide pipeline that would have spanned more than 1,300 miles across five states is walking back its permit application in Illinois.

Navigator CO2 on Tuesday voluntarily withdrew its permit application for the Heartland Greenway pipeline project that was pending before state regulators at the Illinois Commerce Commission. The company said it plans to "reassess the route" of the planned pipeline and its application with the state...

Navigator's most recent route plans would

have run through 14 Illinois counties, with sequestration sites in Montgomery and Christian counties, where the CO2 would be pumped into underground geologic formations for storage.



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Faith & Blue in Decatur

Presentations on Human Trafficking and Internet Crimes Against Children educating public on growing concerns in our communities

Decatur (GSL) - The Maranatha Church in Decatur sponsored a "Faith & Blue" event as part of a nationwide program with the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office) at the U.S. Department of Justice. Pastor / Chaplain Steve Holden organized an impressive event which featured presentations by the Illinois State Police on Human Trafficking and Internet Crimes Against Children.



Steve Holden.

After the presentations, organizers had family-friendly events outside including numerous demonstrations including one of only eight US Fish and Wildlife K-9s in the nation. Also, they had a fly-in by a medical helicopter and that gave kids and adults alike an idea of what's inside those birds.

Space considerations preclude detailing most of the presentations, but here are some of the biggest takeaways.

Internet Crimes Against Children

Two ISP investigators delivered this with Sqt. Corey (sp?) Mead taking the lead and Aaron Carr supporting.



From left, ISP's Aaron Carr and Corey Mead.

Sextortion is a growing problem among young people and it's mainly about trading nude photos and videos. When malevolent people get the files, they may try to either embarrass the subject by sharing them or by extorting the victim for more nude files (particularly with girls) or money.

Don't think it could happen to your kids or grandkids? Don't be naive. Two thirds of girls under age 16 have already been asked for nudes or even more explicit images. And almost a quarter of them have shared racy

Parents should carefully monitor their kids' online activities, including watching out for "internet friends." Predators often groom potential victims by becoming "Internet friends" with their target minors. They will manipulate young people into meeting up for sex, and sometimes that meet-up can turn into an abduction and formal introduction into sex trafficking. Moral of the story? Pay close attention to your kids' use of computers!

Teach kids to protect their privacy and to report "cyberbullying."

The ICACTaskForce.org website has resources for young people and parents alike.

Human Trafficking

Brandon Grzechowiak (pronounced "Jahoviack") then delivered the presentation on Human Trafficking. He's one of the ISP's dedicated human trafficking investigators. The problem is growing sharply, in part because it's a multi-billion dollar industry, not too far behind narcotics trade.

There's organized human trafficking over borders where the victims, once here, will have their passports taken to keep them from leaving. From there they generally are either sex trafficked or labor trafficked (think farm and restaurant workers). Right now, with our borders wide open, there are a ton of trafficked individuals coming over the Rio Grande. They often "work" to pay off their coyote fees to the cartel.

Then there's domestic trafficking where young people (usually females) are groomed with drugs or nice things (or both) and eventually end up alienated towards family and friends. Victims may even think they're in love with their trafficker. Pretty much universally they are conditioned not to talk to the police or doctors, but there are signs (like "Daddy" tattoos) and there's usually digital / electronic evidence from phones.

Big events (sports, conventions) are magnets for sex traffickers (think glorified "pimps"), as are airports and high-end hotels.

Meanwhile, Asian "massage parlors" have a reputation for trafficked women, including underage girls.

If you see something suspicious, Grzechowiak recommended contacting police.



The medevac helicopter proved popular. As did the incredible K9 demonstration from Teal and her handler, FWS Agent Carr.





IL cops worry about loss of public goodwill

by John Boch Law enforcement officers in IL have plenty to worry about, especially with some of the onerous provisions in the so-called SAFE-T Act. Now, with the Protect IIlinois Communities Act gun control law, cops - especially State Troopers - now face added worries about losing goodwill among the

public.

Today, most normal Americans support the police. It's how a dozen on-duty cops can police a county of 100,000 people. What's more, if a lone cop is losing a struggle for his life, good Samaritans will often step in to help, at least outside of bigger cities. It's all part of that "small town" goodwill towards fellow man prevalent outside of big cities.

For instance, last summer when an unhinged motorist savagely attacked an Illinois State Trooper near

Chenoa, things didn't look so good for the lawman. He had been beaten, pepper sprayed and fought desperately to keep his attacker from getting his gun.



In the end, the trooper's attacker didn't stop his felonious assault until a concealed carry holder stopped to help.

Today, the ISP's leadership is tainting the goodwill police enjoy among many Land of Lincoln gun owners by administering the new law. "Emptying the goodwill bucket" as the teachers

say at my kids' school.

The goodwill bucket will leak even faster if Pritzker's state cops start knocking on doors about gun registration issues. Or gun seizures of registered guns for those whose FOID card lapsed for any reason including delays in processing renewals. The bucket of goodwill towards law enforcement could be replaced by a bucket of animus.

The good cops out there know that Rep. Bob Morgan and his Moms Demand Action ladies aren't the people who will ever stop and help a cop on the losing end of

If public sentiment continues a swing from goodwill to hostility, it'll take a lot more than a dozen on-duty cops to work that same county of 100,000 safely.



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GSL sending another group in Spring 2024. Submit your applications to Honor Flight or GSL leadership!

GSL Honor Flight group!

by John Boch

Springfield, IL (GSL) - The Guns Save Life Honor Flight group flew out of Springfield, IL with the Land of Lincoln Honor Flight on September 19th. We traveled to Washington D.C. to visit the best our nation has to offer in memorials to our veterans. We had just shy of 200 people on the charter flight including two World War II veterans.

I attended as the guardian for GSL's Champaign County Regional Director Dick Brandt and another GSL regular Marc Roderick. I couldn't have asked for a higher honor than to serve them over the course of the day.

All told, hundreds of volunteers came together to make the event extra-special for our veterans and their families. From the TSA to the park and museum staff, the Honor Flight group got VIP treatment at every turn.

For most it began the night before with a chicken dinner put on by the VFW Post 755 in Springfield. Early the next morning, the terminal was supposed to open at 4a.m., but even before then dozens of vets and their guardians assembled, excited for the big day.



The author with Dick Brandt and Marc Roderick

After breakfast we boarded the plane for the

flight to Reagan National. There, we received a water cannon salute and a standing ovation from airport staff and many of the travelers present as we deplaned. We travelled on four tour buses to the beautiful World War II Memorial first.



Congresswoman Mary Miller took time out of her day to come out and welcome our Honor Flight group!



We took in the Vietnam and Korean War memorials at the next stop, along with the Lincoln Memorial, all with police escorts to expedite getting through traffic.

From there, we visited the National Air and Space Museum and history came to life seeing the Enola Gay B-29, the Space Shuttle Discovery, the SR-71 and many more iconic aircraft.





Marc and Dick in front of The Enola Gay.

We rode to the Air Force Memorial atop the hill overlooking the Pentagon, and then to Arlington National Cemetery where we were honored with parking right outside the Tomb of the Unknowns. Before the changing of the guards, some of us visited notable displays and Audie Murphy's grave site.



The Sentinels at the Tomb of the Unknowns recognized the vets for their service by scuffing their feet in the course of pacing back and forth in front of the Tomb.

We had one last stop, the Marine Corps War Memorial. Like the others it seemed almost majestic and larger then life.

The buses took us back to the airport for dinner and then the flight home, where over 1100 people greeted this flight with a very



It took nearly 45 minutes to make it through two hundred yards or more of well-wishers welcoming the vets back home.

The trip was priceless for everyone. Folks, this should be on everyone's bucket list.

Seeking more veterans for another GSL group next spring

We're asking our GSL family to search out additional Vietnam-era and earlier veterans to put them on another Honor Flight next spring. They don't have to be members of GSL... friends, neighbors, family... they're all welcome. We're also looking for guardians (under age 70) to escort the veterans as well. Those can either be friends of family of the vet or you can sign up as "free agent" guardian. Download applications at Land of Lincoln Honor Flight's website.







Former police officer Shannon Bridges:

On getting shot and the recovery

by John Boch

(GSL) - In Charleston, Shannon Bridges shared her experience getting shot in 2007 while working as a Champaign police officer along with her subsequent recovery. At times Bridges clearly showed some anxiety with the memories. She explained how this night marked the first time she'd ever spoken publicly about what happened that fateful day. She did so with the hope that talking publicly would prove therapeutic.

The presentation provided a lot of valuable lessons on how to support and communicate with someone who has survived a deadly force incident.

A bad day.

Shannon and her deputy chief partner for the day were investigating a stale "shots fired" call at Westside Park in Champaign. They walked up on a homeless guy's car and shots rang out. The second one hit her just above the vest in her shoulder. She lost consciousness briefly before waking up to her would-be killer, wounded, pointing a gun at her head trying to make the gun fire.

Fortunately the bad guy's gun malfunctioned. She fired on him eight times from about six feet. The bad guy survived six gunshot wounds and blamed Bridges for shooting him in the scrotum. *Attagirl*.

She credits her training and her dedication to practicing for helping her incapacitate her attacker almost instinctively. This despite the pain and trauma of the wound and the terror of watching the man trying to shoot her in the head. On top of that, two other officers had also been wounded by the homeless guy's gunfire.

Thanks to modern medicine, her lung healed fairly quickly although the shoulder took a little longer. However, she suffered a lot of debilitating mental issues struggling with the aftermath. She exhibited most of the common issues that follow deadly-force encounters.

Shannon wrestles with PTSD and nightmares along with panic attacks (anxiety and difficulty breathing). Early on she dealt with some depression and turned to alcohol before using food as her "safe place," gaining a lot of weight.

Again these are all classic symptoms. With a background in counseling before becoming a cop, Shannon knew she needed help so she sought it out. Finding the right therapists and therapies wasn't easy though.

What else? While off work, Shannon related how it "felt like I lost my family" from not seeing her fellow cops every day. At the same time she didn't trust herself to go back to work, worrying that she might freeze up in a

tough situation or maybe be a little too quick on the trigger.

Meanwhile the department at the time didn't really have a place for her. Bridges did some "light duty" for a couple of years but eventually left on disability. Today she's involved in criminal justice training, running Parkland College's criminal justice program.

Bridges shared that EMDR (google it) therapy was "a godsend" for her in helping her reprogram her brain to alleviate anxiety and panic attacks aspects of the PTSD.

The audience had lots of very good questions, and there was some talk about the uneasiness of friends and co-workers carefully tip-toeing around what happened. "Nobody asked about it," she said. "But I needed to talk about it." Looking back, she indicated that nobody really knew how to communicate with her.

One positive event in her life once she'd largely recovered physically involved a trip to Missouri with a "Hunting for Heroes" program for injured cops. There, she and the others talked about their shared struggles coping with surviving their encounters along with their at times very difficult road to recovery. She described that as helpful.

A couple of things anger her about the incident. One, the investigator opined that her deputy chief accidentally shot her when she now distinctly recalls he didn't even have his gun out of the holster the instant before she was shot. Other evidence supports that it was the bad guy's .380 loaded with ball ammo, not police .40 S&W hollowpoints that hit her. Secondly she didn't have high praise for the Champaign County State's Attorney and how the case was handled.

Today, her would-be killer is a resident in a nursing home in McLean after getting released from an in-patient psychiatric facility for the criminally insane. He was released not because he was mentally better, but because he had developed some health issues the insane asylum couldn't handle. She's less than pleased about that as well.

She seems largely recovered, although she admits that the sight of homeless bums tends to trigger some anxiety. She carries her gun religiously and that helps a lot too.

We salute Shannon Bridges for her composure under fire after being shot. We also owe her a debt of gratitude for sharing her story and very useful information on how to communicate with the survivors of deadly force incidents.

We're glad she's feeling better today and wish her the best. May God bless you Shannon.



Philly reporter mocked gun ownership for self-defense and those worried about crime

Philly anti-gun reporter killed in his home

Philadelphia (MSN) - Reporter Josh Kruger was recently murdered at his Philadelphia residence despite having downplayed crime in the city throughout his career.

Reportedly, Kruger was shot multiple times before exiting his home, when he then "collapsed in the street..."

"Philly journalist Josh Kruger mocked the idea of using a gun to protect his home. He was killed in his home yesterday," one person wrote to X.

[Editor: An investigation that led to his 19-year-old killer uncovered how Kruger had sexually molested his attacker the past four years - since age 15 - giving the teen HIV along the way. It seems the killer wasn't the only underaged male the reporter molested and gave HIV to prior to his death.]









Dem Rep. Henry Cuellar 'jacked in DC

Washington DC (Texas Tribune) — U.S. Rep. Henry Cuellar, D-Laredo, was carjacked at gunpoint Monday night near his Washington home, according to his chief of staff.

Three armed robbers in knit caps and ski masks stole the congressman's car — a white Toyota crossover — while he was parking, Jacob Hochberg, Cuellar's chief of staff, said in a statement. Cuellar was unharmed in the incident, and law enforcement eventually retrieved the car.



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Psycho sledgehammers door, pulls gun... and gets shot

Baton Rouge (WBRZ) - A man was arrested Wednesday morning after he broke into his ex-girlfriend's home and was shot twice by her current partner.

According to a spokesperson for the Baton Rouge Police Department, Jake Raybon went to the house around 9 a.m. and broke through the door with a sledgehammer.

Once inside, police said Raybon pulled out a gun and started shooting at the victim, her 3-year-old child, and her current boyfriend. Officers said the boyfriend also grabbed a gun and shot Raybon twice.



Chicago Transit Authority

CCW holder saves CTA employee by shooting would-be killer

Chicago (WLS) -- A Concealed Carry License holder fired back at a gunman who shot a CTA bus supervisor on the city's Southwest Side on Tuesday afternoon [Oct. 3rd], officials said.

'Dynamic duo' becomes a solo act

Las Vegas (KLAS) — Las Vegas police say that a homeowner's son shot two men, killing one of them, after they allegedly attempted to break into their home.

According to Homicide Lt. Jason Johansson, police were called to a home in the 3300 block of Iberia Street near West Desert Inn Road and South Rainbow Boulevard at around 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 20, after a report of a shooting.

The 70-year-old man who called 911 told police two people tried to break into his house through the back door and his son, a 50-year-old man, had shot them.

[Editor: The dead man was later identified by police as Travon Powell, 27.]



Soros-funded prosecutors equal fewer prosecutions and more crime

Carjacking thwarted in nice suburb of St. Louis

Bellefontaine Neighbors, MO (KMOV) -Two people are recovering after a double shooting during a carjacking attempt in Bellefontaine Neighbors Friday morning...

Investigators were marking evidence just before 9:30 a.m. Police told First Alert 4 that a couple pulled up to their home after dropping their child off at school. The woman left her car door open while running inside. According to police, that's when a juvenile jumped out of a car that followed them and hopped into the victim's driver seat.

The man, still in the backseat, shot the suspect, who then ran back to their car. Police said they believe multiple others inside the suspect's car then fired shots at the victim's car.



Thinning the herd

Intruder shot, killed by Phoenix homeowner

Phoenix (ABC15) - Phoenix police say a homeowner shot and killed an intruder late Thursday night...

Officials learned a man, identified as 30-year-old Ricky Gomez, had forced his way into a home in the area and the man living at the home shot him. Gomez died from his injuries at a hospital.

First date goes very poorly

Colorado Springs, CO (GSL) - A woman on a first date fatally shot her suitor in self-defense at an apartment complex in Colorado Springs, CO. The incident occurred at 1:15am in the 6900 block of Alpine Currant View.

The woman told police her date violently attacked her so she shot him. Cops found 26-year-old Kymir Williamson dead right there in the parking lot.



Armed blacks don't get oppressed...

'Your call cannot be completed as dialed. Please try again later.'

Portland asks residents NOT to call 911

by Lincoln Brown (PJ Media) - The chickens continue to come home to roost for progressive cities. While it is tempting to make remarks about savoring the schadenfreude of the various moments, karma being a bitch, or getting what one voted for, it is more like driving by a fatal car accident on the highway. Mainly because for every arrogant progressive who is getting a proverbial snootful from the uptick of crime due to Democrat policies, there are people who are getting caught in the crossfire.

Lately, Philadelphia has been in the news for riots, a motorcyclist smashing the back window of a car with children inside (and dropping his gun), and the murder of a left-wing journalist. New York's woes persist. Even as Governor Kathy Hochul was grudgingly forcing herself to admit that open borders may have been a bad idea, another homicide was entered into the Big Apple's Roll of Shame. Thirty-two-year-old Ryan Carson was stabbed in Bedford-Stuyvesant on Monday night. Carson was anti-cop and identified as a member of Antifa. He got to experience the fruits of his beliefs firsthand.



News Nation reports that on Monday, Portland's safety commissioner, Rene Gonzalez, announced via social media:

Our 911 system is

getting hammered this morning with a multiple person incident — multiple overdoses in northwest park blocks. Please do not call 911 except in event of life/death emergency or crime in progress (or chance of apprehending suspect). For non-emergency please use 503-823-3333.

...Yes, someone needs to tell New York, Philadelphia, Seattle, Portland, and pretty much all of Southern California that this is what a progressive utopia looks like. Needles, feces, crime and all. I find no reason to rejoice in the misfortunes of Leftist cities, since if the Democrats have their way, we will all be living in some version of Portland in another ten years.



Freedom's Forum



'Peace & Love' doesn't stop evil

Pacifism and supporting gun control might seem like noble causes. One might even practice them in a civilized society and not become a victim of violent crime or senseless attack. However, when the barbarians come knocking, nothing stops bad people with evil in their hearts like a good guy or gal with a gun.

When Hamas savages paraglided into that "Peace and Love" music festival, nobody had the means to fight back thanks to Israeli gun control laws. The young people could only flee as terrorists started doing unspeakable things to their victims. In the end, 260+ were slaughtered. Plenty more were wounded and most of the survivors will be mentally scarred for life.

"Peace and love" didn't help those young people in Israel, nor will "peace and love" help you on the mean streets of America.

Nothing stops bad people with evil in their hearts like a good guy or gal with a gun. Nothing.

If you're not already a gun owner, you don't have to live life as a defenseless potential victim. Empower yourself. Become a gun owner, seek out some training and live life knowing that you can be your own first responder.

Israel needs a 'Second Amendment'

by Aidan Johnston

(Ďaily Caller) - While Israel is also purchasing thousands of machine guns and handing them out now, the Israel Defense Forces (IDF) spent the last few years confiscating guns from local civilian security forces.

So, while Hamas terrorists invaded with machine guns, grenades and missiles, these Israeli gun owners were forced to fight back with only a single handgun and 50 rounds of ammunition each.

According to one gun owner, "the IDF took our rifles recently, they left us with just a few. We repelled a Hamas commando terror cell with just pistols."

Gun control left self-defenders outgunned while hundreds of completely disarmed Israelis were tortured, raped and murdered by vicious terrorists in this surprise attack.

[M]illions of Israelis still aren't even eligible to carry a firearm for self-defense because they do not live in an eligible settlement — despite being at war and surrounded by enemies on all sides.

On Wednesday, one would-be self-defender pleaded with the National Defense Minister on X: "Don't wait for the next holocaust. We will not forgive you. The whole country is an eligible settlement!"

What the National Defense Minister has done to bypass gun control laws is certainly a commendable first step and will hopefully help many defend themselves and their families amid this horrific war. But imagine if there had been armed civilians at the music festival, armed fathers protecting their families, armed good guys to fight the bloodthirsty attackers.

The best time to have repealed Israel's gun control was any time before yesterday. The next best time is today. It's clear that Israel has a long way to go to protect its people.

Instead of ammunition restrictions, waiting periods, and bureaucratic firearm licensing, Israel needs a Second Amendment protecting the individual right to keep and bear arms for self-defense.

Gun control advocates horrified by the scenes unfolding in Israel should think about the unknown number of terrorists who have crossed over our borders undetected. Maybe that will finally wake them up to the importance of our Second Amendment.





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Massive spike in ammo demand since Hamas attacked Israel

by Sam Gabbert

(SGAmmo) - We have seen a massive spike in demand this past 5 days, with double 'normal' sales Saturday and Sunday. Then triple normal on Monday, quadruple on Tuesday, and today is way up as well.

When it will slow down is hard to say at this point as demand seems to continue to rise. If order volume continues to overwhelm the warehouse crew's capacity to fill orders over the next few days we will have to make choices on how we reduce volume, which could involve increasing prices 5% to 15%, limiting selection to cases only, removing popular ammo options that are sold at extremely low profit margins from the website menu, minimum \$\$ orders, etc, all of which are highly unpopular with segments of out customer base, but necessary to maintain synchronization of warehouse capacity with order volume..

In my course of many conversations with clients, I commonly see that there

is wide spread misunderstanding of 'how it works' in the ammo business, which is understandable because it takes decades of experience to learn the deeper details, and even then, there are always surprises along the way.

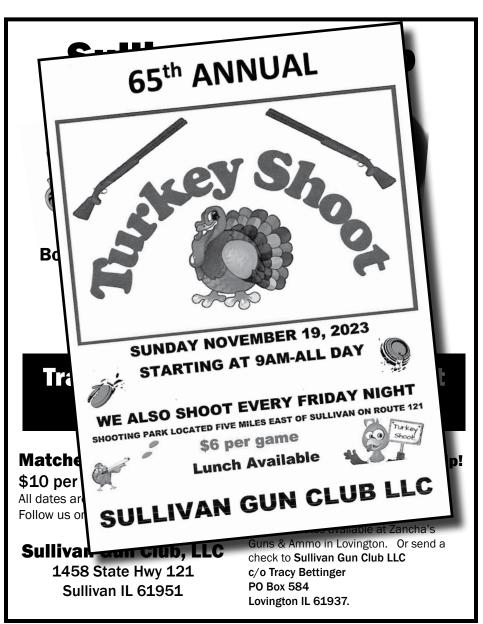
One thing that a lot of people do not know is that the ammunition business is a fear-driven market, not consumption driven. Fear leads to stockpiling and hoarding beyond manufacturing's capacity, which leads to shortages and price increases. This also strains capacity within the distribution system, and price increases are commonly used to slow down order volume while maintaining profitability.

The masses react to scares of various types, driving demand up quickly, sharply and almost instantly, within minutes to hours of a disaster, swarming ammo suppliers like us with abnormally large order volume. Such is the case this week in reaction to the Israel - Palestine conflict, where sales sky-

rocketed Saturday morning and remained at double to quadruple 'normal' order volume since then. How long this sort of elevation of demand lasts varies and depends greatly on 'aftershocks', as in shocking events that drive additional fear in the wake of what happened just before.

It take a series of events to drive the market way up like it was in 2013, or 2020 and 2021, and a single event typically will not do it alone. That said, should a series of shocking events unfold, this could drive the market up in a substantial way.

I have seen people on the gun forums often make fun of the people who 'panic buy' the day of the disaster, however in my observations over the years, the people that buy in the first hours or few days of the panic beat the potential price increases and almost always come out ahead of those that wait and buy later in the short term, especially if the market prices are down at the time of the panic like they are these days.







Bad touch Joe is asleep, America. You're on your own.

by Victoria Taft (PJ Media) - Hamas's attack on Israel should be a wake-up call for Sleepy Joe's America. Joe Biden, a man whose entire government apparatus has turned domestic political protesters into terrorists but who finances and arms real foreign terrorists, isn't on your side. A president who applauds releasing criminals early from jails and prisons in America — if they're even arrested in the first place — isn't on your side.

If he then leaves America's back door open to let in millions of strangers freed from the world's prisons so they can pour into your neighborhood, then he's *really* not on your side. A leader who does all of this and tries to keep you from defending yourself — well, you know whose side he's on. Not yours.

Half of America saw Hamas's butchery, immediately thought of America's open back door at the southern border, and bought more ammo. The other half donned their keffiyeh cloth, took selfies for TikTok, or considered making the Palestinian flag their social media avatars.

But a day and a half after Hamas invaded Israel and wantonly butchered babies, mamas, grandmas, and their dogs, all while taking hostages, Official Israel issued a safety statement that Americans should pay attention to. As IDF commandos targeted Gaza in retaliation, the government statement went something like this: yeah, guys, about the gun laws...

Color me embarrassed. I figured any country that had mandatory military service and was surrounded by countries that wish to exterminate them would require its citizens to carry firearms.

Israeli Minister of National Security and Chairman of Otzma Yehudit Itamar Ben-Gvir issued a statement on X, formerly Twitter, telling Israelis that he's ordered the Firearms Licensing Department to put it in gear and crank up the gun licensures "in order to allow as many citizens as possible to arm themselves..."

In other words, we trust you, Israelis, to defend yourselves. Well, up to 100 bullets worth of self-defense, anyway.

But of course, Joe and his leftists don't believe that Americans should own firearms besides a "shotgun, buy a shotgun." His political party has loosed a phalanx of lawfare lawyers to deprive Americans of their right to defend themselves one magazine, one plastic piece, one "scary looking" attachment at a time. They hope to bleed dry the resources of Second Amendment rights groups in lawsuit after lawsuit. They're not on your side.

I talked with Chuck Michel of the California Rifle and Pistol Association on my Adult in the Room Podcast; he says that Michael Bloomberg's Everytown organization is bankrolling these efforts to disarm law-abiding Americans.



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A word from my (soldier) son

(The Times of Israel) - I've been debating whether to discuss this topic, since the Israeli-Palestinian conflict is triggering for many people, but I do have something important to share, given my experience in the IDF (the Israeli army).

For those who don't know, I, like any 18-year-old in Israel, was recruited to the IDF. During my service, I spent a total of about a year guarding the border with Gaza inside a tank. A few months were spent in the exact spot Gilad Shalit's tank was attacked, the tank members were killed and he was kidnapped and held hostage for years by Hamas...

One last thing — I saw someone tweet something like "You can't tell an oppressed nation how to retaliate."

There is a pretty clear line (trigger warning — graphic descriptions of actual events from the past 4 days): Don't shoot babies in the head in front of their mothers. Don't rape women on the bodies of their friends they just partied with at a music festival. Don't murder parents who managed to save their 10-month-old twins (now orphans) only by hiding them in a last act of desperation. Don't parade naked dead bodies in the street. Don't send mothers a video of their son being murdered

from his own WhatsApp. Don't livestream killing an elderly grandmother from her own Facebook account for her granddaughter to see live. The list is way, WAY longer than this, and we are just finding out just how bad it is (as I'm writing this, they found 40 dead babies). Heartbreakingly, this is not based on stories, this is all documented, posted, and celebrated proudly by Hamas on social media.



I'll end this post by saying: Hamas has brainwashed some of the Palestinians in Gaza. Not all, but some. These terrorists are not looking for peace. They are looking to murder me, my family, and every single person in my country.

I'm not sure how your country's army would react, but I know that my army is in an impossible situation trying to keep the country safe while trying not to harm civilians. If you're not seeing it, consider diversifying your news sources

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Female and minority: America's newest gun owners aren't who you'd think

(CNN) — Several times a week you can hear gunfire echoing from Brandi Joseph's scenic Southern California property. A licensed firearms instructor and dealer, Joseph decided to open Fortune Firearms in December to serve a growing and rapidly changing clientele.

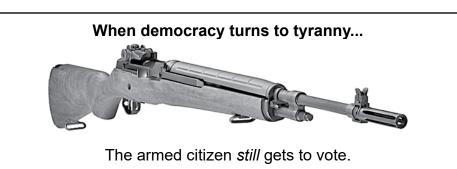
"There is a huge uptick in female owners," Joseph said. "Women are getting trained; women are carrying... liberal and conservative." A group of seven African American women stepped out of their cars seemingly eager to start their first firearms training session.

"Our society and climate is changing... it's just better to be prepared for your own safety and protection. That's how we feel," Laronya Day, who organized the outing, said.

Now in their early 50s, the women have been friends since they were kids in Los Angeles, about two and a half hours from Joseph's business. And most of them acknowledge they lean left politically.

"Do you have some friends who would be totally turned off by this?" we asked Charlean Ward. "Absolutely," she responded. "That's their choice; I'm exercising my choice..."

"I just feel liberated," Ward said. "I feel like, let's move to the next step: license to carry, get the concealed weapon."



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GUN SHOWS...

October

Oct 22: McHenry County Gun Show McHenry County Fairgrounds Woodstock, IL Donald Cichoski (815) 385-1982

Oct 28-29: Sauk Trail Gun Show, Bureau County Fairgrounds, Princeton, IL. Dan Fritz 309 689-1934.

November

Nov 4-5: Belleville Gun & Knife Show, Belle-Clair Fairgrounds, Belleville, IL. ECA Hunting & Trade Shows. Jeff Edwards 618 367-3118. Nov 4-5: Decatur Gun & Knife Show.

Decatur Conference Center & Hotel, Decatur, IL. Pope Creek Shows. Mark Craft. 309 371-

Nov 4-5: Kankakee Gun Show, Kankakee County Fairgrounds Kankakee, IL. Mike (630) 363-3131

Nov 4-5: Crown Point Gun Show, Lake County Fairgrounds, Crown Point, IN. Central IN Gun Shows. (765) 855-3836.

Nov 12: Kane County Sportsman's Show, Kane County Fairgrounds, St Charles, IL Mick Stout (815) 217-2266

Nov 19: McHenry County Gun Show McHenry County Fairgrounds Woodstock, IL Donald Cichoski (815) 385-1982.

Nov 25-26: Central IL Gun Collectors New

Berlin. Sangamon County Fairgrounds, New Berlin, IL. Patrick Keen oldcarbines@gmail.

Nov 25-26: Sauk Trail Gun Show. Bureau County Fairgrounds, Princeton, IL. Dan Fritz

Nov 26: Lake County Gun & Sportsman Show. Antioch VFW, Antioch, IL. Mike Quist 847 548-0433.

December

Dec 2-3: Chillicothe Sportsman's Club, Chillecothe, IL. Steve Risinger (309) 208-

Dec 2-3: Will County Gun Show. Will County Fairgrounds. Peotone, IL. Mike 630 254-0221. Dec 9-10: Bloomington Gun & Knife Show. Interstate Center. Bloomington, IL. ECA Jeff Edwards (618) 367-3118

Dec 9-10: Peoria Gun & Knife Show, Peoria, IL (Exposition Gardens). Pope Creek Shows. Mark Craft 309 371-3593.

Dec 10: Kane County Sportsman's Show, Kane County Fairgrounds, St Charles, IL Mick Stout (815) 217-2266

Dec 16-17: Springfield Gun Show. The Illinois Building on State Fairgrounds, Springfield. ECA Jeff Edwards (618) 367-3118.

Dec 16-17: Kankakee Gun Show, Kankakee County Fairgrounds Kankakee, IL. Mike (630) 363-3131.

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Oct 28: River Bend, KC in Carrollton.

For more info, visit FriendsofNRA.org.





'I own nothing, have no privacy, and life has never been better.

No Privacy, No Property: The World in 2030 according to World Economic Forum

(ZeroHedge) - The World Economic Forum (WEF) was founded fifty years ago. It has gained more and more prominence over the decades and has become one of the leading platforms of futuristic thinking and planning. As a meeting place of the global elite, the WEF brings together the leaders in business and politics along with a few selected intellectuals. The main thrust of the forum is global control.

Free markets and individual choice do not stand as the top values, but state interventionism and collectivism. Individual liberty and private property are to disappear from this planet by 2030 according to the projections and scenarios coming from the World Economic Forum...

Who Will Be the Rulers?

The World Economic Forum is silent about the question of who will rule in this new world

Conclusion

The World Economic Forum and its related institutions in combination with a handful of governments and a few high-tech companies want to lead the world into a new era without property or privacy. Values like individualism, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness are at stake, to be repudiated in favor of collectivism and the imposition of a "common good" that is defined by the selfproclaimed elite of technocrats. What is sold to the public as the promise of equality and ecological sustainability is in fact a brutal assault on human dignity and liberty. Instead of using the new technologies as an instrument of betterment, the Great Reset seeks to use the technological possibilities as a tool of enslavement. In this new world order, the state is the single owner of everything. It is left to our imagination to figure out who will program the algorithms that manage the distribution of the goods and services.

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Physical attacks on women up 41% in NYC

NYC (GSL) - Physical attacks on women in New York City have jumped 41%. These exclude domestic violence, but do include subway shoves, sucker-punching, and vicious beatings. One 27-year-old woman told the New York Post, "It seemed like a while ago, it was old Asian people, and now it's young women."

New York's "bail reform" law strictly limits holding those arrested before trial.



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NM sheriff refuses to go after law-abiding gun owners

Albuquerque, NM (KUNM) - A federal judge in Albuquerque Wednesday ruled that Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham's temporary ban on carrying firearms at public parks and playgrounds can take effect. Despite that, the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department said it will not be enforcing it...

[W]hen asked last week whether a ban at playgrounds would be enforceable or effective at stemming gun violence, Bernalillo County Sheriff John Allen said "no and no."

"It wouldn't make a difference because, again, you're just going after law-abiding citizens with firearms," he said. "And it does nothing to drive down gun crime or any other crime — whether it's at a playground or somewhere else. It's not common sense to me at all."

They supply 30% of civilian market of 5.56

Lake City ammo plant cancels all civilian contracts

(Staple Defense) - According to multiple news sources, the Lake City ammo plant has cancelled all of its commercial contracts.

This means that stores will no longer be able to purchase ammo from Lake City, which currently supplies 30% of the civilian market for 5.56 ammunition.



Bringing jobs where they're welcomed

Thousands attend S&W grand opening in Tennessee

Two years after it was announced, Smith & Wesson has finally opened its headquarters in East Tennessee. The gun manufacturer hosted the grand opening of its Maryville headquarters Oct. 7, giving tours and showing off the facility...

The 650,000-square-foot headquarters building sits on 230 acres at 1852 Proffitt Springs Road in Maryville, southwest of McGhee Tyson Airport, according to Smith & Wesson spokesperson Dave O'Connor.

And two dozen protested it...





Another anti-gun pol indicted (again)

Moms Demand Action darling Bob Menendez indicted, again

(CNN) - Federal prosecutors on Thursday announced an additional charge against New Jersey Democratic Sen. Bob Menendez and his wife, alleging they conspired to have the senator act as a foreign agent of Egypt.

The superseding indictment filed against Menendez, who was chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee at the time of the alleged actions, adds a new dimension to the case by alleging a US senator was working on behalf of another country.

Menendez and his wife, Nadine Arslanian Menendez, were indicted last month on corruption-related offenses, and are accused of accepting "hundreds of thousands of dollars in bribes" in exchange for the senator's influence.

Biden signs law restoring funding to Hunter Safety, archery programs in schools

(The Reload) - Congress and President Joe Biden have undone a mess of their own making.

On Friday, Biden signed the Protecting Hunting Heritage and Education Act into law. Congress passed the law nearly unanimously. The legislation restores funding for school hunting and archery training courses...

The law stems from a dispute in the BSCA's language about whether federal funds can be spent on weapons training. In April, the Department of Education published an official guide that said it couldn't spend money on programs that provide "to any person a dangerous weapon or training in the use of a dangerous weapon."

Texans strangely unconcerned about 'Jihad'

Sweetwater, TX (Babylon Bee) — As the rest of the world sits on edge due to the leader of the terrorist organization Hamas calling for a global day of jihad, residents of the state of Texas seemed entirely unconcerned



"Global day of what now?" asked native Texan Barry Windham as he wiped his freshly oiled AR-15 with a rag. "Not sure I'm familiar with that term. Out here, we don't really listen to all the stuff going on everywhere else. We'll let everyone else get all wrapped up in that. Anyway...you ever see what happens to a cantaloupe when you hit it dead-on from about 10 yards away?"

Citizens throughout Texas towns were seen calmly going about their normal business, enjoying the early fall sun, and showing absolutely no worry about the threat of radical Islamic terrorists striking at any moment.

"Oh, I think they know better than that," said Stan Hansen with a smile as he loaded his 12-gauge shotgun with buckshot shells. "There's a reason you see that type of thing happen in places where folks aren't allowed to own massive arsenals that take up several rooms of their homes. Those terrorists may want to die, but they apparently don't want to die badly enough to come to Texas. We'll make it happen for 'em!"



Elon Musk melts down the Left: 'Armed citizens vital for democracy's defense'

(ZeroHedge) - Elon Musk most likely upset anti-gunners at Everytown and Giffords this weekend with his post on X, stating, "As tragic as the mass shootings are, armed citizens are essential to the defense of democracy."

Musk's comment was in response to an X user named "End Wokeness," who highlighted, "The past 3+ years have been one long infomercial for the 2nd amendment."



Rep. Mary Miller: 'Never give up your 2A rights'

(Breitbart) - As Israel fights back against Hamas terror attacks, Rep. Mary Miller (R-IL) reminded Americans the open southern border makes our nation susceptible to attacks as well and urged Americans to hold on to their Second Amendment rights. Miller wrote:

Americans must remain vigilant and prepared to defend ourselves and our families since Joe Biden has opened our southern border and we have no idea who has crossed into our country.

The Second Amendment is the great safeguard of liberty & security. Never give up your 2A rights.

[Editor's note: Congresswoman Mary Miller is a Guns Save Life member.]



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IS YOUR FAMILY SAFE? Israeli citizens were largely disarmed by gun control laws... before now.

Israel was invaded by Hamas, and disturbing videos show Hamas fighters going house to house looking for Israelis...

Without access to firearms, Israeli citizens -- including women and children -- are helpless to defend themselves against these heavily armed fighters as they drag them out of their homes, rape and murder them...



The thing is, most people are ignorant and think Israel is pro gun because all their citizens must serve in the military and you often see pictures of them carrying rifles around town...

But, they have no 2nd Amendment or any right to bear arms like America, and it's actually very difficult and you have to jump through a ton of hoops to own a gun over there...

And they have absolutely ridiculous restrictions on how much ammo you can have if you have a permit to carry a gun - only 50 rounds.

In fact, the National Security Minister of Israel just released a message Oct 8 after they were invaded "loosening" their restrictions, but it's way too little too

- 1. They're still requiring a ton of prerequisites, but instead of a normal in person interview they will allow telephone interviews to get their permit so they can get their gun license in a week instead of the normal months
- 2. If your original permit to buy a gun expired, but you already had one and failed to renew it, you can still buy a gun even though it's
- 3. If you gave up your gun because you didn't do their mandatory "refresher training" in the last 6 months, you can go get your gun back
- 4. If you already have a permit to carry a gun, you can now have a whopping 100 bullets instead of 50!

Imagine hearing your neighbors get cut down by automatic gunfire, screams of terror, and sitting down and calling a government office to try and get permission to buy a gun - and a mere 100 bullets - A WEEK later when you need a gun NOW!

Donald Trump Jr probably said it best on X recently:

"If anyone is still stupid enough to not understand why we have the 2nd amendment, have them watch any one of the hundreds of videos coming from Israel. Even the dumbest leftists watching women and children being dragged from their homes and cars to be raped and murdered in cold blood in the streets may finally get it.'

Anyways, this is why I'm so passionate about protecting and preserving the 2nd Amendment here in America..

To those that say "that could never happen here" regarding the United States... that we could never be invaded...

Be aware the ATF recently notified FFLs in border states warning firearms dealers about straw purchases of 50 caliber and belt-fed firearms.

Due to the border crisis, tons of terrorists are probably already inside our nation..

These threats are precisely why Americans have the right to own so-called "weapons of war" for self-defense.

Caleb Lee Fredericksburg, VA



Israel officially declares open-season on Hamas terrorists for its citizens

(Times of Israel) - National Security Minister as part of Ben Gvir's larger efforts to ensure Itamar Ben Gvir has agreed with police on a new policy toward civilians who shoot terrorists during attacks whereby their weapons will not be confiscated and they will not be interrogated under caution, according to a Saturday report.

The new guidelines are intended to encourage citizens to bear arms and use them when necessary, according to Channel 12,

a greater number of armed Israelis on the streets to tackle terror attacks...

The new policy will be used under the following conditions, the report said: that the incident is a nationalistic terror attack; that the shooter acted in self-defense; that only the attacker was hit or killed; and that the civilian stopped firing the moment the danger had passed.

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