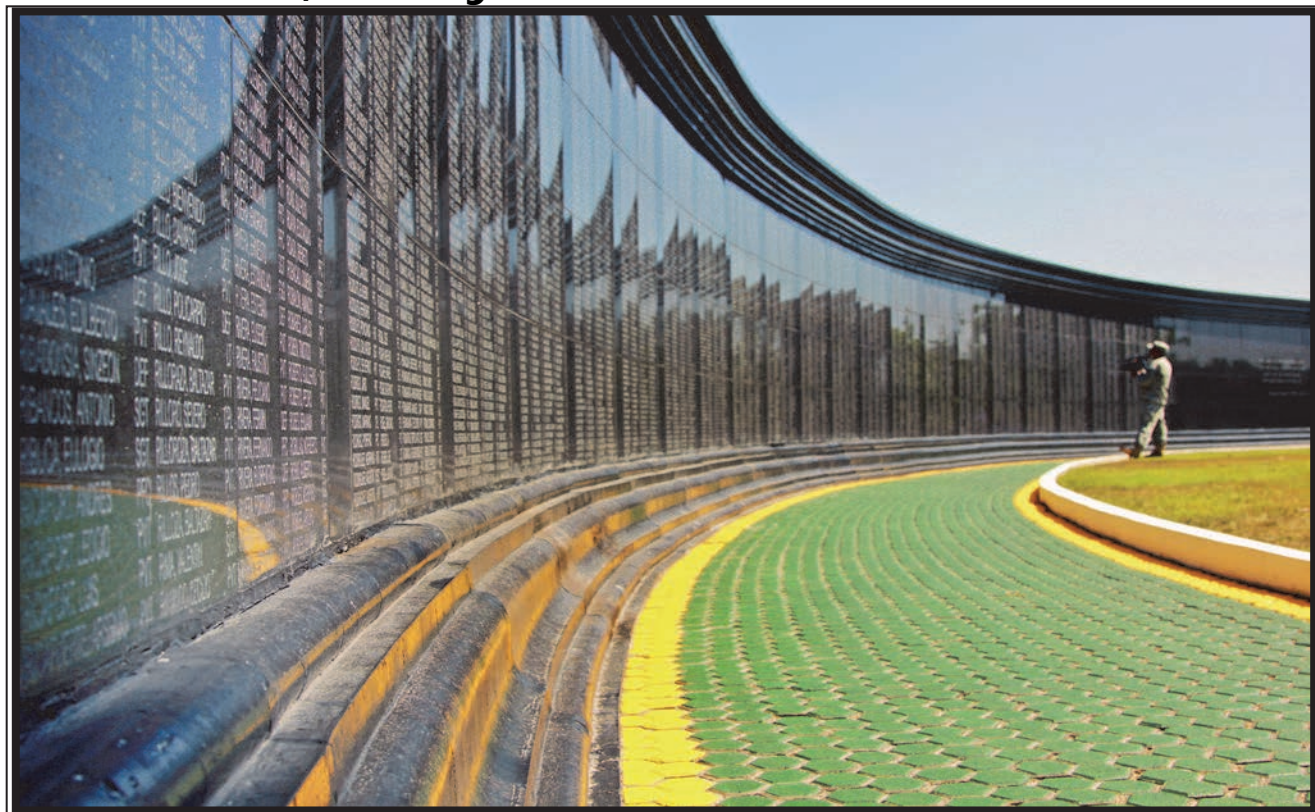


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Remember, Always Remember



U.S. Army Sgt. Jesse Untalan uses a camera to record his great-grandfather's name, Pedro Untalan, a survivor of the Bataan Death March, at the Capas National Shrine in Capas in Tarlac province, Philippines, April 14, 2013. Jesse Untalan participated in Balikatan 2013, an annual bilateral training exercise to increase interoperability between the Philippine armed forces and U.S. military when responding to future natural disasters. Untalan is assigned to the U.S. Pacific Army Command. U.S. Marine Corps photo by 1st Lt. Garth M. Langley.

Picture Perfect Landing



U.S. Navy Seaman Isia Washington directs an MH-60S Sea Hawk helicopter from Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron 8 to land on the flight deck aboard the aircraft carrier USS John C. Stennis underway in the Pacific Ocean, April 10, 2013. Washington is an aviation ordnanceman airman. U.S. Navy photo by Seaman Apprentice Ignacio D. Perez

Just Like Space – Dark, Cold, Lonely & Beautiful



U.S. Navy photo by Chief Petty Officer Shane Tuck poses for a photo during underwater photography training off the coast of Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, April 16, 2013. Tuck is a chief mass communication specialist.

U.S. Navy photo by Petty Officer 3rd Class Wyatt Huggett

A VETERAN is someone who, at one point in his or her life, Wrote a blank check made payable to the United States of America for an amount of "up to and including their life"! TC



Sniffing Out A Problem



Army Sgt. Nichole D. Sharp and her military working dog, Hatos, search a truck while assessing security in the new customs yard under construction near the Afghanistan-Pakistan border in the Spin Boldak district in Afghanistan's Kandahar province, April 8, 2013. Sharp, is an M.P. officer, is assigned to the 3rd Inf Division. U.S. Army photo by Staff Sgt. Shane Hamann.

Someone Has Too



U.S. Army Spc. Joseph Gonzalez provides rooftop security at a meeting with the Farah council in Farah City, Afghanistan, April 18, 2013. He's assigned to Provincial Reconstruction Team. U.S. Navy photo by Chief Petty Officer Josh Ives.

Building From The Ground Up



USMC LCpl. Joshua Rivera-Watson, right, & USAF SSgt. Jenna Rogers work construction at the Ladyville Tech HS in Ladyville, Belize, April 10, 2013, during New Horizons 2013. Rivera-Watson, a combat engineer, with the Engineer Co, Marine Wing Sup Sqd 472 and Rogers, a Med Tech, is assigned to the 823rd Rapid Eng Deployable Hvy Ops Repair Sqd Eng. U.S. Air Force photo by Capt. Holly Hess.

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Keeping The Brief, Brief



Army SSgt. William Russell, left, conducts a patrol brief before departing Forward Operating Base Farah for a meeting with the Farah provincial council in Farah City, Afghanistan, April 18, 2013. U.S. Navy photo by Chief Petty Officer Josh Ives

Damage Assessment



Army Capt. Jacob Estrada, left, and Navy Lt. Ronnie Mojzis in the Farah provincial gov's office building assessing damage during a meeting with the Farah council in Farah City, Afghanistan, April 11, 2013. Estrada, a security force commander, and Mojzis, an engineer, are assigned to Provincial Reconstruction Team Farah. U.S. Navy photo by Chief Petty Officer Josh Ives

No Purple Hearts for Fort Hood Victims?

The DoD made it clear, **on a piece of paper** that it opposes awarding the Purple Heart to the Victims of the Fort Hood Shootings.

However, there is NO Military Name attached to the **piece of paper** that denies this award. It is a nameless person who may or may not have ever worn the uniform in Service to this Nation and who may have Never been put in Harms way.

While stories more than abound that the Victims of the shootings at Fort Hood have been ignored, lied to, pushed to the side, forgotten...

Because the 'Victims' ARE Military (and their dependants) if they speak up directly they can be charged under the UCMJ, that would punish them for speaking out 'Against' an order.

Separate investigations by several news agencies like ABC, FOX, MSNBC and others, have shown that these 'Victims' are not getting the promised medical care they need, nor the assistance for adaptive housing, transportation, financial aid or ANY Other legal Resources that Normal Victims would get in a tragic event like this.

On The Other Hand... 'nidal hasan' is Protected Under Law as we must still use his title of rank as 'major', he is only an 'alleged' shooter, he is 'accused' of 'Murdering' 13 people, including a pregnant woman, he is only accused of providing multiple bullet wounds to 32 Other Human Beings...

Because it is ALL about a 'Fair Trial'. Where was the 'Fair Trial' for the 45 Other Human Beings and the Unborn Child?

While there 'Seems' to be some amateur video and multiple photos of the Events 'While They Were Happening' hasan has more rights than all his victims combined. hasan had better medical care, better prepared food, personal attendants and guards to watch over him and protect him, he gets the taxpayers to pay for a trial costing Tens of Thousands of Dollars to decide if he has to shave or not...

While the entire world watches our actions of how we handle this tragedy that occurred on American soil... Our True Allies like Great Britain, Canada, Australia & Israel, understand that very thin line between democracy and justice.

On the other hand, our tormentors around the globe watch in Total Amusement as Americans will 'Pay Out' MORE money to protect, feed, provide medical care and legal fees... Then it will EVER Pay Out to ALL The Victims Combined!

They already know what only few Americans DARE to speak out loud... There is No longer ANY Justice, in the American Judicial System.

Which ALLOWS Countries like Venezuela, China, North Korea, Iran, Turkey, Afghanistan, Pakistan, the Rest of the Middle East, Africa, South America, Drug Cartels, Gang Tri-Ads, Russian Mafia, Crips, Bloods not even the Dancing Pink Bears are Afraid of the American Judicial System.

The piece of paper also states, "The Govt has vigilantly tended to the needs of the victims and their families since the tragic events of Nov 5, 2009."

Attorney Reed Rubinstein, noting that a majority of the victims have joined the lawsuit alleging precisely the opposite, asked ABC News during one of the investigations, "Who are they kidding?"

Army officials declined to comment further for this report, saying they didn't want to jeopardize **the case**.

And so the final word is not about 'Fairness', 'Justice', 'Rights of Victims' or even 'Restitution', it is only about **the case**.

The American Judicial System is about **the case**, not the Constitution, the Citizens, the Safety of America... just **the case**.

Have **WE, The People...** Lost sight of what truly is important?

"The salary for the president, as with members of congress, is set by law and cannot be changed,"

As the very old saying goes... "Fool me once, shame, shame on you. Fool me twice, shame, shame on me!"

Okay, who set the law... congress did. Did the American people vote on it? NO.

Did the American people request it? NO.

Do Americans get the same raises as politicians who raise their own salary? NO.

During the first three years of Obama's first term, were raises 'Frozen' for Veterans, Military and Social Security pensions? YES.

During the first three years of Obama's first term, were raises 'Frozen' for politicians? NO.

Obama gets paid \$400,000 a year in salary... So how can he afford to take Six Vacations a Year costing over \$4 million dollars each? (Kerry was right, Americans have the right to be stupid!)

Love Letter Written During Korean War Returned To Sender - 60 Years Later



It was 1953 and then-Pvt. Bob Rodgers had just arrived at Fort Campbell, Ky., for basic training when he sat down to write a letter to his wife after the post's power went out. Sixty years later, that letter finally turned up, when the U.S. Postal Service gave it back to Rodgers, who's now living in Niles, in southwestern Michigan.

In the June 13, 1953, letter, the then-20-year-old told his wife, Jean, about the routines of life in boot camp. "All you do is march, KP, shine boots, shine boots and shine more boots and brass and more brass," he wrote.

On March 7, New Carlisle, Indiana, Postmaster Connie Tomaszewski hand-delivered the letter to Rodgers, now 79. She did so the same day it arrived at her office.

Rodgers was bemused by the return of the letter. "I asked if they had found the remains of the horse and rider and got the letter out of the saddle bag," he said, smiling. "She just shook her head."

Tomaszewski said it's hard to even guess what might have happened to the letter over six decades. "There are a million possibilities. It could have sat at Fort Campbell," she said. "The important part of it is it did get delivered."

Mary Dando, a spokeswoman for the Greater Indiana District of the U.S. Postal Service, said the letter may have actually been delivered, then ended up at a flea market or antique store where a collector latched onto it. In such cases, people sometimes put them back in the mail for reasons unknown, Dando said.

Rodgers said even if his wife didn't get the letter, it wasn't a big deal. "She didn't miss it, and I didn't miss it, because I wrote her about every day," he said.

Jean Rodgers died of cancer eight years ago.

The letter bears a Fort Campbell postmark and the date June 15, 1953. It also features two 3-cent stamps.

Asked what her reaction would have been to the letter's final arrival had she still been alive to receive it, he said, "She'd have got a kick out of that."

'Taxpayer's... Good Sports'



In this June 2007 file photograph taken by the United States Army Corps of Engineers and released by the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction, the Khan Bani Saad Correctional Facility, about 20 kilometers (12 miles) northeast of Baghdad, is seen from the air.

Ten years and \$60 billion in taxpayer funds later, Iraq is still so unstable and broken that even its leaders question whether U.S. efforts to rebuild it were worth the cost.

Iraq's eastern Diyala province, a crossroads for Shiite militias, Sunni insurgents and Kurdish squatters, the U.S. began building a 3,600-bed prison in 2004 but abandoned the project after three years to flee a surge in violence.

The half-completed Khan Bani Sa'ad Correctional Facility cost American taxpayers \$40 million but sits in rubble, and Iraqi Justice Ministry officials say they have no plans to ever finish or use it. (AP Photo/Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction, File)

Bulgaria Won't Take The Lead In Blacklisting Hizbollah

By Lisa Levine, News of the Force Tel Aviv

Bulgaria's new interim prime minister said he would not initiate any move to impose E.U. sanctions on the Islamist group Hizbollah, even though the country had implicated the Islamist movement in a bombing at a Black Sea resort.

Marin Raikov did not give a reason for his decision, but it will likely be seen as a concession to Bulgarian opposition groups, who have argued the country could open itself up to more attacks if it takes the lead in blacklisting Hizbollah.

Clerk's Note: In other words, the threat of violence on Bulgaria by the muslim group hizbollah, will allow this terrorist group to show some favor to Bulgaria while it continues to murder Israeli's, Jews from any country and when those are not around, westerners!

Why Are WE In Afghanistan?

Afghan President Hamid Karzai said the people of Afghanistan "ask NATO to define the purpose and aim of the so-called war on terror."

He is calling the alliance's war on terrorism in Afghanistan "aimless and unwise." In the latest outburst of vitriol from the Afghan leadership deriding its Western allies.

Clerk's Note: Even the most liberal of American media has pointed out that Tens of Billions of America's Taxpayers money has gone missing into the corruption of the Afghan leadership. That cash does not take into account the Billions in supplies, construction of buildings, hospitals, schools, plumbing pipelines, donations of medical supplies, food, tanks, trucks, tires, spare parts and lots and lots of technology all covered by the American Taxpayer. They openly talk trash about us, they don't want us there and we all know that within a year of our leaving, the more violent of the 20 some odd muslim groups, will be murdering people in the streets, in their homes, where they work... In other words, things will go back to the way they were, because our political leaders, would not allow our Military leaders do their jobs. We kill ALL the bad guys. No second chance, no mercy, no do-overs and especially no 'Return Visits' by bad people we took out the year before.

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VA Expedites Disability Claims For Vets At Back Of The Line

Veterans who have waited a year or more for a decision on their disability claims are moving to the front of the line, under a new program.

The VA is finally responding to criticism about the soaring number of claims that have been pending for longer than 125 days that it told the president and congress it was doing.

The VA said that of the over 900,000 claims pending, some 250,000 are from Veterans who have been waiting at least a year for a decision.

Allison Hickey, who oversees VA Benefits says provisional decisions will be made on the oldest cases based on evidence currently in the Veteran's file. In some cases, medical exams will be required, and those will be expedited. Veterans whose claims are denied will have a year to submit more information before the VA makes a final decision.

The VA projected that it will take six months to complete the 250,000 claims being targeted.

Rep. Mike Michaud, D-Maine said that it doesn't resolve the systemic problems that the VA faces. "We will be monitoring it closely to make sure it's good policy rather than just good PR," said Rep. Jeff Miller, the Republican chairman of the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

The number of days claims are pending has grown over the past four years. It has gone from 161 in fiscal year 2009 to 286 currently.

What those days numbers mean, is that the VA Admin (Not the medical staff or hospital employees) kept the Veteran Waiting withholding funds and possibly care for the time period which they claimed were handled in 125 days (4 Months), but was 161 days (5 Months) in 2009 and was 286 days (9.5 Months) 2012... AND YET, More than 25% of a Million Backlogged Claims are over One Year Old, it means that A Veteran has been waiting Over 12 Months (1 Year) for Their Benefits.

Forget Veterans, what would waiting a year do to any person who needed assistance? Could you wait a year? Would you feel forgotten? Are you waiting for housing benefits? Can you wait twelve months?

"Now, it is an appropriate time for us to go and really tackle those folks who have more than patiently waited," Hickey said.

Most Veterans submitting claims are already receiving some disability compensation. They're citing new or aggravated conditions in an effort to get additional money. Which could be a reason they were put on a back burner and in a quarter of a million cases, forgotten about.

The VA has traditionally given top priority in resolving disability claims to certain categories of Veterans, such as the homeless, those who are terminally ill and those separating from the military for medical reasons. The Veterans in those particular categories will retain their top-priority status. However, many others filing claims can expect that it will take longer for the VA to resolve their cases.

"It's great to see the VA finally taking more immediate and aggressive action to address this important issue for our Veterans," said Paul Rieckhoff, the chief executive officer for Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America.

Clerk's Note: We agree with Ms. Hickey that now is an appropriate time to 'tackle' this situation, but we think it was just as appropriate back in 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012... We also remember that one time in the past, (maybe several) where some VA administrator, was pressured to do something about clearing the backlog, so they pulled lots (thousands) of old claims, stamped them 'Denied' and thus they were cleared! Maybe from their point of view the system is working just fine. What are your thoughts?

DHS Is Looking For A Few Good Hackers



DHS Secretary Janet Napolitano needs at least 600 of them, as foreign hackers have attacked Homeland Security's computer systems, stolen trade secrets and even have begun probing the nation's power grid.

Rentz, Jefferson City Deployments Canceled; Thach To Return Home Early



The U.S. Pacific Fleet formally has notified several Navy commands that the Secretary of Defense has approved cancellations of their upcoming deployments.

The April deployments of the San Diego-based **USS Rentz** (FFG 46) and **USS Jefferson City** (SSN 759) have been canceled due to budget limitations imposed by sequestration. Further, the San Diego-based **USS Thach** (FFG 43) will cut short her current deployment to the U.S. Southern Command's area of responsibility and return home in April.

Each respective chain of command has begun to notify the affected sailors of these cancellations. As the Secretary of the Navy stated in a message March 1, the Navy has been preparing to cancel some deployments in the month of April. While the final decision to cancel these deployments was deferred until the last possible moment, these commands had been previously directed to prepare for cancellation.

The Secretary of Defense has directed, and the U.S. Pacific Fleet is ensuring, that constrained resources are being prioritized to support forces operating forward, and to those being trained to relieve them. The U.S. Pacific Fleet formally notified several Navy commands in March that the Secretary of Defense approved cancellations of their upcoming deployments.

Clerk's Note: Well there you have it... The boss goes out on a spending spree first four years in office and now all the employees have to pay it back over the next 16 years. AND if they don't pay it back? Well only two options... Go like Twinkies and sell off our Military to the highest bidder... OR Sublet our Military to China or Israel.

Gen. Austin Takes Over At CENTCOM



U.S. Army Gen. Lloyd James Austin, III, who previously served as Army vice chief of staff, assumed command of the U.S. Central Command from Marine Corps Gen. Jim Mattis during a ceremony at MacDill AFB, Fla., on March 22.

Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel presided. Mattis, who is retiring from the military after 41 years of service, had led CENTCOM since August 2010, overseeing the U.S. military's activities in Afghanistan, Iraq, Central Asia, and the Middle East.

Austin said he was "honored" to lead CENTCOM and thanked the members of the command for their service. "I'm reminded of the courage, determination, and professionalism of the soldiers, sailors, airmen, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen, and their families," said Austin. "They are without question the reason why ours remains the finest and most capable military in the world."

Veterans: Come In From the Street



And a new VA program is sending teams of health care providers into the streets to find and help an invisible army of sick and discouraged veterans who spend their nights under bridges, on park benches, or on the sidewalks.

DoD Requires More Base Closings



The Defense Department possesses more real estate than it needs and is looking to close additional bases and installations in the United States and abroad, a senior DOD official told a House panel on March 14.

Air Force leaders agree, according to Kathleen I. Ferguson, acting assistant secretary of the Air Force for installations, environment and logistics. "While we have no recent excess infrastructure capacity analysis from which to draw, our capacity analysis from 2004 suggested that 24 percent of Air Force basing infrastructure was excess to our mission needs," Ferguson said.

Since 2005, the Air Force has reduced its force structure by more than 500 aircraft and active-duty end strength by nearly 8 percent. The U.S. Army is reducing its active-duty end strength from 570,000 to 490,000 by 2020, and the Marine Corps from about 202,000 to 182,000.

In 2005 by closing bases the govt has saved \$4 Billion in annual savings. That savings came from no more electric bills, no more buildings and grounds maintenance, no more civilian employees, no more schools for dependant children, no more help centers, no more shopping, etc.

Clerk's Note: The opening line of this article was that they had too much real estate. But what happens to that real estate once the base closes? Well only taking the facts from the govt records itself... Nothing happens for at least a decade or two. The base sits there, empty, becoming a haven for animals, birds, the homeless. Even the city, county or state where the base was, cannot get hold of the land for years, knowing just inside of that govt fencing, sits a literal city to help economically that local city, county and even the state. They could put in people needing homes, get a new tax base, jobs, schools... But not for Americans, but we can do it for foreign nations; When the DoD closed more than 100 sites in Europe, giving the base back to the host govt, it also gave back all the upgrades WE taxpayers made. We returned a once vacant piece of land now with paved roads, apartment housing units, individual homes, shopping areas, medical and office buildings, entertainment areas, community areas, miles of fencing, vehicle and aircraft maintenance buildings, street lighting, sidewalks, parking lots... We built them a small city and then we just cut our losses and run.

"Taxpayer's... Good Sports!"

Yeah, we've got your budget cutting sequester right here!

U.S. Vice President Joe Biden's one-day trips to Paris and London in February cost American taxpayers more than \$1 million, according to multiple reports.

Biden and his security detail rung up a \$585,000.50 tab for a single night on Feb. 4 at the Hotel Intercontinental Paris Le Grand, a luxurious five-star hotel near the Louvre Museum, **The Weekly Standard** reports.

Meanwhile, The Daily Mail, in London, reports that Biden's group spent \$459,388.65 for one night on Feb. 5 at the Hyatt Regency in London, where the vice president met with Prime Minister David Cameron.

The contract for the London trip specified that Biden's crew required 136 hotel rooms for that one-night stay, **The Daily Mail** reports. Biden's wife, Dr. Jill Biden, accompanied him to Paris on his European trip, which also included a stop in Germany.

The Daily Mail reports that Biden's entourage required more than 100 rooms at the Le Grand. One night in the presidential suite there costs more than \$3,800.

Here's how the Intercontinental Paris Le Grand is described on its web site: "With floodlit views of the Opera House, this superbly renovated luxury hotel is at the heart of Parisian society. Opened in 1862, it defines historical grandeur, from Cafe de la Paix to the La Verriere Restaurant, set in an 800 square meter winter garden. Elegantly appointed, the hotel's boutique-style suites overlook stunning landmarks. Located close to the Louvre Museum, shopping, theatre and banking districts, this luxury Paris hotel is an icon in the City of Light."

Reaction was swift to Biden's lavish spending. "Still no White House tours, but VP Biden's recent trip to Europe racked up \$1 million in hotel room bills, said U.S. Rep. Randy Neugebauer (R-Texas), among dozens to vent outrage on Twitter.

Clerk's Note: The \$1 million in hotel room bills, did not include food drinks nor the transportation around each of those cities. And to top off the bill, don't forget the FOUR United States Air Force Jets that carried VP Biden and his crew. Yes FOUR... Two are like Air Force 2 for carrying the VP and his guests. You didn't think they were going to cram 136 people into a plane that normally us poor citizens get 260 into? Yes two of those and TWO Combat Aircraft that follow these Executive Office Holders around 24/7. So add another \$2 million in travel expenses for pilots, ground crews, fuel, etc.

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HSI Opens New Offices In Africa



U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

Homeland Security Investigations (HSI)'s Office of International Affairs (OIA) has expanded its footprint Africa by opening offices in Nairobi, Kenya, and Dakar, Senegal.

The OIA, said ICE on April 2, now has 75 offices in 48 countries around the world.

HSI Nairobi, opened in January 2013, said ICE, is located on the Horn of Africa, which is currently facing threats from terrorist groups. The terrorist activity in the region, said ICE, is affecting many countries in eastern Africa, but poses a challenge to nations on every continent. HSI Nairobi, said ICE, currently covers Brazzaville, Burundi, Cameroon, the Central African Republic, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Kenya, the Republic of Congo, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Somalia, Tanzania, and Uganda.

Clerk's Note: And you thought it was going to be just another American Agency... Guess What Taxpayers... It went Global. Homeland Security is now ten years old and had yet to protect America's borders. At our Southern border with Mexico, it is said that some 3,500 try to cross daily, but in reality about 600 get through each day. That's 6,000 every ten days and 18,000 a month. So while Homeland Security is lacking here at home, they are expanding to 48 countries... To Do What? Checking ID's before they sneak across the boarder? And as the famous quote goes; "I've Got A Real Bad Feeling About This"

Pentagon Looking To Cut 40,000 To 50,000 Civilians Over Five Years



The Pentagon is looking to reduce the size of its nearly 800,000 civilian work force by 40,000 to 50,000 employees over the next five years, mainly through attrition as it closes bases and consolidates health care facilities, the department's comptroller said yesterday. "I would hope that given the time to prepare, we could do this through attrition, but we aren't far enough along to really know for sure as to how we do it," said Undersecretary of Defense Robert Hale, the Pentagon's comptroller.

Clerk's Note: You read that right 800,000 civilian Employees... We think we understand why the USA is in debt.

Hagel: Sweeping Overhaul Of Military



Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel used his first major policy address to call for a sweeping overhaul of military structure.

During a speech at the National Defense University, near Washington, D.C., Hagel said the DoD must make sure it's "realistically confronting" its "strategic and fiscal challenges." That will require much more than "tweaking past practices," he said.

Hagel said any effort to "reform and reshape our defense enterprise," must first "confront the principal drivers of growth in the department's base budget - namely acquisitions, personnel costs, and overhead."

As Pentagon officials debate tough questions, such as the proper officer-to-enlisted ratio throughout the force, defense-watchers also can expect to see a "close scrutiny of the DOD's organizational chart and command structures, most of which date back to the early years of the Cold War," said Hagel. "The last major defense reorganization, Goldwater-Nichols, was drafted at the height of the Reagan defense build-up and focused on improving jointness and establishing clear operational chains of command. Cost and efficiency were not major considerations," he said during his speech.

Clerk's Note: Bottom line is... We cannot afford to run the Defense of our Nation and all the Freedoms we hold dear, because it costs too much of our budget. We need our National Budget spent on aid to Foreign Countries that hate us and would stab us in the back the moment we turn from them. We also need out National Budget spent on the Welfare and Wellbeing of those in our Nation that Don't work and REFUSE to Work, as they are so used to getting so many things for not doing anything except keep voting people into office who continue to give them freebies. We must spend our budget on pushing our Taxpaying Citizens, dogging them to continue to earn more money so they can pay more taxes so the rest of us can live the American Dream.

Back in 2008, the man currently in the white house said; "This is the greatest nation on Earth, elect me and help me change that." Now Hagel will do the same for the US Military. What Could Go Wrong?

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The Small Print

Obama Says 'Recovery'...

Facts Say Something Else

By Phillip Meskin

During the state of the union, we were informed the worse has passed things are looking up. The banks that were bailed out by taxpayers have been buying up AD space telling you of the great market there now is in Real Estate. Now is the time to buy while prices are low... HORSE SHED! Now Take a Bite of Reality!

Non-American Reuters News points to a Zombie properties market with almost one third million homes that have been foreclosed on and left vacant!

These are not homes foreclosed on with folks still in them, these are not rentals, leases or mobile homes, nor are they specialty market homes like gated communities or estates, mansions, celebrities or being held for auction by the IRS, etc. (Those would be another one million homes)

They are real homes in the \$100,000 + category that banks DON'T want to tell you they are available at way under the market value because that would destroy the real estate market that destroyed American home buyers, that destroyed the American Global Credit rating, that destroyed Forty Million American's credit ratings, that brought down America's financial market to its knees... Dragging the Entire American Economy With IT!!!

We are pretty sure that is why they are not saying much about it. News media is also not saying much because banks and realtors are spending millions in buying ads telling you what a great market it is... And no one wants to bite the hand that feeds you...? Maybe that is why we don't have any real estate ads?

For those of you living in Florida, the real estate information company in Irvine, California, RealtyTrac, said on March 28th, that almost a third of those zombie homes, over 90,000 are in Sunny Florida.

Another 10.9 million homeowners nationwide remain at risk because they owe more than their property is worth, according to company vice president Daren Blomquist.

Blomquist said the number of zombie properties could be higher than represented in the RealtyTrac report, which used a conservative methodology.

In Florida, for example, the company does not count any property that has been in foreclosure longer than the state average of 853 days and for which there has been no significant recent activity. The report also does not take into account cases in which a bank chose not to follow through on a foreclosure judgment, leaving the property in limbo.

In other words, your friendly banker filed for foreclosure people tried to fight back or at least continue to pay something... Banks would not hear it, families just walked away from their homes and the property was left to rot. Communities and neighborhoods were left with the mess, the banks were protected by feds and courts so towns nor persons could sue them to clean it up... Then costing taxpayers even more, spending public funds on securing, cleaning and stabilizing houses that generate no tax revenue.

Unsuspecting homeowners have had their wages garnished, their credit destroyed and their tax refunds seized. They've opened their mail to find bills for back taxes, graffiti-scrubbing services, demolition crews, trash removal, gutter repair, exterior cleaning and lawn clipping.

In some cities, people with zombie titles can be sentenced to probation, with the threat of jail if they don't bring their houses into compliance.

And throughout this shark infested Greed Feed, the bankers smiled, gave themselves Multi-million dollar bonus money all taken 'TWICE' from American Taxpayers.

Yes of course, there was fines levied against the banks and monies had to be repaid... HORSE SHED!

Do you remember the original Junk Bond Guy, Milken? Yeah, the feds fined him a record high of \$4.4 million and put him in Club Fed Prison for two years. When he got out he had to return another \$10 million... HE DID NOT CARE!!! According to the feds, he was accused of taking \$2.6 Billion!

The \$15 million they got from him was not even One Percent. Has Anyone heard from the guy again? After all, he was given a stern warning by the feds never to work in finance again. Why would he EVER have to Work at Anything Again???

Dear Company Clerk,

There are eleven states with more people on welfare than they have employed. The voters are in "La La" land and, of course, the number of states will continue to grow until the bubble bursts.

Surprise-Surprise, most of these eleven states vote a straight democratic ticket, living on the government plantation.

California, Hawaii, Mississippi, Alabama, South Carolina, New Mexico, Illinois, Ohio, Kentucky, New York & Maine.

This Just Proves that The Majority of Americans have No Intentions of Making a Better Independent Life for Themselves and their Families and are content Living on The Tax Payers Dime for Eternity!

Charles Graham
Pinellas Park, FL

Dear Company Clerk,

Please renew for another year... This is the only way I get the truth.

William Maurer
Brooksville, FL

And for those of you who believe by minding your own business, will save you...

"You can avoid evil, but you cannot avoid the consequences of avoiding evil."

The Small Print

Apathy, We Told You So...?

By Phillip Meskin

On March 30th, in DC - Veterans groups rallied to fight any proposal to change disability payments as the fed attempts to address its long-term debt problem. They say they've sacrificed already.

Benefits are adjusted according to inflation, and Obama has endorsed using a slightly different measure of inflation to calculate Social Security benefits, at a much slower rate.

Advocates for the nation's 22 million Veterans fear that the alternative inflation measure would also apply to disability payments to nearly 4 million Veterans as well as pension payments for an additional 500,000 low-income Veterans and surviving families.

"I think Veterans have already paid their fair share to support this nation," said the American Legion's Louis Celli. "They've paid it in lower wages while serving, they've paid it through their wounds and sacrifices on the battlefield and they're paying it now as they try to recover from those wounds."

Economists generally agree that projected long-term debt increases stemming largely from the growth in federal health care programs pose a threat to the country's economic competitiveness. Addressing the threat means difficult decisions for lawmakers and pain for many constituents in the decades ahead.

Veterans' groups point out that their members bore the burden of a decade of war in Iraq and Afghanistan. They've held news conferences on Capitol Hill and raised the issue with lawmakers and their staffs. They'll be closely watching the unveiling of Obama's budget to see whether he continues to recommend the change.

Under the current inflation update, monthly disability and pension payments increased 1.7% this year. Under the Obama plan, those payments would have increased 1.4%. During his first 3 years in office, the increase was frozen at Zero %.

The Congressional Budget Office projects that going to this lower increase would trim the deficit by nearly \$340 billion over the next decade. And additional revenue would come because new taxes on these pensions.

Isabel Sawhill, a senior fellow in economic studies at The Brookings Institution, understands why Veterans have come out against the change, but she believes it's necessary.

"We are in an era where benefits are going to be reduced and taxes are going to rise. There's just no way around that. We're on an unsustainable fiscal course," Sawhill said. "Dealing with it is going to be painful, and the American public has not yet accepted that." Sawhill argued that making changes now will actually make it easier for Veterans in the long run. The sooner they see less of their pension and the new taxes on top of it, the sooner they will adjust. "The longer we wait to make these changes, the worse the hole we'll be in." (Maybe if Obama did not give away \$8 Trillion during his first term to illegals and muslim nations, none of this would be happening now.)

"I don't believe the American people want to see our budget balanced on the backs of disabled Veterans. It's especially absurd for the White House, which has been quite generous in terms of funding for the VA," said Sen Bernie Sanders, I-Vt. "Why they now want to do this, I just don't understand."

Sanders succeeded in getting the Senate to approve an amendment last week against changing how the cost-of-living increases are calculated, but the vote was largely symbolic. Sanders' counterpart on the House side, Rep. Jeff Miller, R-Fla., the chairman of the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs, appears at least open to the idea of going to the Obama reduced pay plan for Veterans.

"My priority is ensuring that America's Veterans receive the care they have earned, but with a national debt fast approaching \$17 trillion, BECAUSE OF Washington's fiscal irresponsibility... It may threaten the ALL Veterans' benefits," Miller said.

Marshall Archer, 30, a former Marine who served two stints in Iraq, has a unique perspective about the impact of slowing the growth of Veterans' benefits. He collects disability payments for damaged knees and shoulders as well as post-traumatic stress disorder. He also works as a Veterans' liaison for the city of Portland, Maine, helping low-income Veterans find housing. On a personal level, the reduction in future disability payments would also be accompanied by a smaller Social Security check, that means he would take a double hit to his income.

"We all volunteered to serve, so we all volunteered to sacrifice," he said. "I don't believe that you should ever ask those who have already volunteered to sacrifice to then sacrifice again."

He said he's more worried about the Veterans he's trying to help find a place to sleep. About a third of his clients rely on VA pension payments averaging just over \$1,000 a month. He said their VA pension allows them to pay rent, heat their home and buy groceries, but that's about it. "This policy, if it ever went into effect, would actually place those already in poverty in even more poverty," Archer said.

Dear Company Clerk,

How come the president IS ONLY TOO HAPPY to GIVE the Egyptian Brotherhood 200 Abram Tanks and 20 State of the Art F-16 Fighter Jets... But has no problem taking away guns and ammunition from law abiding AMERICAN CITIZENS?

How come Obama and the LEFT are so frightened of offending Islam, that they wouldn't even call a muslim American military officer a TERRORIST, even after he murdered THIRTEEN innocent people... And wounding more than 30 others while yelling Allah Akbar at the Fort Hood Base in Texas?

Howard Galganov
Via the Internet

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"There is all the difference in the world between treating people equally and attempting to make them equal.

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Friedrich August von Hayek

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Dear Company Clerk,

OK, the Boston Marathon bombing was tragic and awful. But as usual the media and Obama is over stimulating the fear with redundant and unnecessary coverage that plays right into the desires of the perpetrators.

I estimate the bombs might have cost \$200. A couple of pipes and caps, some sulfur and black powder. All not very sophisticated when with a bit of ingenuity one can buy or steal much more powerful commercial explosives.

So the police and the Feds probably have already spent \$25 million in the response and investigation. Very asymmetrical costs.

And for the ball bearings concept - consider the Travolta movie Swordfish. I'm sure the perpetrators got the ball bearing idea from the movie.

Then there is the rumor mongering of seven bombs, possible racial profiling of a Saudi man, Al Qaeda, Kim Jong Un, Iranians, etc., and more - all propagated by the media.

And, I'll bet you a Krispy Kreme that the perp is a disaffected, very troubled person. So what's next, requiring the registration of anyone that purchases a pipe at Home Depot to protect us? Or putting an electronic tracking device on the ankle of everyone that is on anti-depressants?

Now, I am very sorry for the three people that have died and those that have been injured. But consider this - every day 101 homeless Americans die on the streets (37,000/year). BTW, 45% of the homeless men are Vietnam era Veterans.

So where's the media coverage on a problem that's 10,000 times bigger. And why doesn't Bloomberg challenge David Cote and his band of wealthy CEOs that want to kill social Security and Medicare about the American homeless problem? Kind of puts things in perspective, doesn't it?

Dennis J Curcio
Clearwater FL

Veteran Athletes Prepare For National Veterans' Wheelchair Games



Across the nation, Veterans are preparing for the 33rd National Veterans Wheelchair Games. The Games, representing the largest annual wheelchair sports event in the world, are presented by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the Paralyzed Veterans of America. More than 500 Veterans from across the United States, Puerto Rico and Great Britain are expected to compete in the event, taking place July 13-18, in Tampa, Fla.

USAF Combat Talons Fly For Last Time
By TSgt Samuel King, Jr, 919th Spec Ops Wing PA



The U.S. Air Force's last four MC-130E Combat Talon I's spread their wings for a final mission from their home at Duke Field, Fla., on April 15.

The Talons will be officially retired in a ceremony at Duke Field on April 25 and the aircraft will then be flown to the "boneyard" at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz.

April 25th commemorates the 33rd anniversary of the Desert One mission to free the Iranian hostages - several of the MC-130E's at Duke Field took part in that mission.

"This is an emotional and historic day for the airmen of the 919th Special Operations Wing," said Col. Andy Comtois, the 919th SOW's commander. "Since our inception, the 919th SOW has primarily been a C-130 wing and, for almost 20 years, a Combat Talon wing. We will miss these great warbirds."

Remington 'Sells Out' To NY For \$80 Mill

Back in February, several gun manufacturers decided to boycott law enforcement in states that are hostile to the Second Amendment, states like New York, for instance. They would not be providing weapons or ammunition. Within a week that number had grown by over 700%.

Well, now we know where Remington stands. They stand on the side of government as they have let it be known that they will be staying in New York and they have now acquired a government contract worth \$80 million.

The word was that Remington had considered moving if New York implemented stricter gun control laws as they have in the NY SAFE Act. Remington had been approached by several states to move.

Many supporters of the 2nd Amendment will no longer purchase anything Remington, not guns, ammo, cases, belts, knives not even their t-shirts.

US Military Is WAY TOO BIG!

The spin doctors at the highest levels are trying to convince us to let down our guard and reduce our Military Forces down to a level which would allow our Once Great Nation, to be taken over, without much of a fight.

The DoD sent the following message out to prepare us for greater budget cuts to our military;



"The U.S. spends more on defense than the next ten countries combined, just its research budget alone is more than the U.K. spends on its entire military, and the U.S. Marine Corps is bigger and better equipped than most countries' entire defense forces."

The more they talk about it, the more they send out these memo's, the more the citizens of this country get used to it. Then when it happens, when the Military has brought down their numbers to a total combined force of under 250,000... Just enough to run the admin, doing away with pilots, infantry, ships... We will have a paper Military.

Regardless of who said the following statement, it is 100% true and since we catch our govt telling us things it wants us to hear every day of the week...

"If you tell a lie big enough and keep repeating it, people will eventually come to believe it. The lie can be maintained only for such time as the State can shield the people from the political, economic and/or military consequences of the lie. It thus becomes vitally important for the State to use all of its powers to repress dissent, for the truth is the mortal enemy of the lie, and thus by extension, the truth is the greatest enemy of the State."

Joseph Goebbels

It does not matter that Goebbels was a very evil man, he was still very intelligent and his words rang true over 70 years ago and are still true today. The fact that Goebbels was the minister of propaganda for his partner in crime, Hitler and that he was able to use this philosophy to further their cause worldwide only shows you that it does work.

"Taxpayers... Good Sports!"

Here They Come Again! Now From The Internet

Every 5 or 6 years in Florida someone at the state level wants to give away more hard-earned money from the Florida taxpayers and they propose a Florida State Income Tax.

They 'Always' say, "Don't Worry, This Is A Tax On The Rich." Because they tell everyone, that the state will only charge 1% of your income 'Above' \$1 Million dollars earned. Couples would be \$2 Million.

What they don't tell you is... Again, there is "NO State Income Tax In Florida" but only with the citizens voting for implementing a state income tax, it comes to be and you open a flood gate your 'Cannot' close!

Here is how; The first year they do exactly what they say. You earn \$1.2 million and your state income tax is 1% of \$200,000 which is \$2,000. This is NOT The Problem, here is the problem...

Remember, prior to this there was NO State Income Tax, now that there is, they can legislate the hell out of it! For your Second Year with a Florida State Income Tax in Place, they make some slight adjustments that YOU DO NOT CONTROL!

First thing they can change is the percent. Remember, they could not change that before because it did not exist. YOU Voted for a state income tax. So now they adjust the 1% to 5%, which means that those folks making over a million would now pay \$10,000.

The second item THEY CAN CHANGE is the amount of income level. So they lower the one million dollar start to tax point down to \$50,000. They could not change that before because it did not exist. YOU Voted for a state income tax!

Will they do that in the second year, probably not, but they will lower the million dollar level to say \$750,000, then \$500,000...

Now they are talking about the Internet, where \$226 Billion dollars worth of goods and services were sold and the govt wants a cut! **It's not their cut yet**, but if they pass a law that makes it so, then it becomes Their Cut!

They have already figured out that they COULD have taxed the \$226 Billion with an additional \$23 Billion in taxes. Some going to the state you live in and the rest going to the feds.

Once they get the Internet Sales Tax in place... They can start working On ALL Internet transactions, like your phone bill, water bill, ALL Banking transactions including your credit cards, mortgage payments... Anything you have on Auto-Pay... In Fact they can track and tax every credit card, debit card, Pay Pal, fund transfer and Craig's List purchase you do!

They are supposed to work for the Citizens, they are supposed to be Public Servant, they are supposed to be looking out for us and doing the right thing.

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Osan AB Cmdr Gets 3,000 Hours In F-16s

The commander of the 51st Fighter Wing, at Osan AB, South Korea, reached his 3,000th flight hour in the F-16, joining a group of some 200 pilots worldwide who have accumulated this many hours in the Viper cockpit, according to a base release.

"I feel very lucky to have been able to reach this feat," said Col. Patrick McKenzie, who reached the milestone during a March 28 sortie, states the release. "While I get to personally reach the milestone, it is not something that I accomplished myself. Many others to include maintainers, support personnel, and fellow fighter pilots have all made this milestone attainable," he added.

McKenzie has been an F-16 pilot for more than 22 years, according to the release. "This is a rare accomplishment for any fighter pilot; I have been blessed to fly the F-16 long enough to reach the mark," he said.

Border Patrol Stops Human Smuggling Attempts In Texas And California**U.S. Customs and Border Protection**

Within a few days in late March, Border agents working in Texas and California stopped two separate but potentially perilous attempts to smuggle people into the U.S. inside a locked railroad car and a refrigerated tractor trailer.

On March 27, Border Patrol agents assigned near Laredo, Texas, found 18 people hidden inside a trailer being transported on a flat railcar. The trailer was locked, said CBP, and the undocumented aliens couldn't have escaped without help from the outside. The CBP said although the trailer had a small vent, it wasn't big enough for people to pass through. They broke the lock on the trailer and the subjects inside were immediately evaluated by the agents.

But, the Homeland Security Department's plans to force furloughs and cut overtime are on hold, officials said. The furloughs were expected to begin as soon as April and would have meant the equivalent of losing about 5,000 Border Patrol agents.

Russia's 2012 Arms Exports Up 12 Percent Despite Its Libya Losses

Russia's weapons exports rose 12 percent in 2012 to a record \$15.2 billion, President Vladimir Putin said, despite losing billions of dollars in deals with Libya after the ouster of Moammar Gaddafi in 2011.

Russia, the second biggest arms exporter after the United States, said its largest clients were in Asia.

Putin, speaking in televised remarks during a meeting with senior Russian officials, said Russia supplied weapons to 66 countries but gave no breakdown for the 2012 exports.

Clerk's Note: So the Earth's biggest exporter of weapons to the rest of the world is the United States of America... Yet that very same country is trying to take them and keep them away from its citizens. The weapons exported from the USA go everywhere from our allies like Australia, to rebel forces like the former dictators Saddam Hussein and Moammar Gaddafi. Do you know what happens to those weapons in those third world nations when they former govt gets ousted? The new owners of that nation gets to keep, the thousands of weapons, millions of rounds of ammunition and parts. And you know what they do next... Don't you? They sell of their ill-gotten gains to 'ANYONE' they can, without a background check, without ID, without caring if that person is under the age of 12 or if they have a mental condition OR even if they pause to ask a question like, "How many assault rifles, grenade launchers or American Claymore Mines... 'Will I need to breach an American Embassy and murder everyone in it?' Go ahead and take your time, we want to get this right on the first try." But back here in America, you have to jump through hoops, and sometimes while buying through a reputable dealer... You have to have that weapon shipped or delivered to a registered and licensed dealer/agent, who will then question you, ask you details about your mother, and in the end report everything he learns to some govt file.

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AF Nurse To Serve In White House Clinic

By Steve Pivnick, 81st Medical Group Public Affairs



One 81st Medical Group nurse will soon join an elite medical staff when he becomes a member of the White House clinic.

Capt. Kyle Perry, a critical care nurse in the 81st Inpatient Operations Squadron's intensive care unit, at Keesler AFB, Miss., was notified of his selection for the post in February and reports there in October for the three-year assignment.

"I didn't hear anything for three months, then I received an e-mail telling me I had been selected for an interview," Perry said. "I went to Washington for a two-day interview process in early February. Once completed, the entire staff (of 40-45 physicians, physician's assistants, nurses and medical technicians) votes and the next day the applicants were called to let them know whether they'd been chosen."

Three other nurses were competing for the three Air Force positions. "To say the least, I was pretty surprised that I got the job. When I left for the interview, I wasn't at all certain I would be selected. Everyone was very friendly and I'm excited about working with them. The entire staff is outstanding and they've been working together for some time. They truly rely on one another."

The staff is led by the president's physician, a Navy captain, and is comprised of medics from the Army, Navy and Air Force. The medical unit cares for the president, his family, the White House staff and visitors, and the job requires two to three weeks of travel each month. The clinic is located on the grounds adjacent to the White House and five to six staff members provide care in the clinic. "When the president travels, the clinic staff goes in advance to establish emergency medical services," Perry said.

Before leaving Keesler, Perry will attend flight nurse training at Wright-Patterson AFB, OH, and survival school at Fairchild AFB, WA. He anticipates further training after he begins his new duties.

Clerk's Note: Congrats to Capt Perry and for those that skipped over those numbers above... A 45 Member Medical Staff for the White House. We really love the part of 2 to 3 weeks travel each month.

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For more than two centuries, America's brave men and women have answered the call, defending the strength of this great nation. Through their selfless sacrifices, we continue to live in a country known as the land of the free and the home of the brave.

On Memorial Day, we reflect on the ideals our service men and women stand for and the values many died defending – God, country and family. It is also a day for us to restore our faith in country and trust in our fellow Americans.

America is a strong and resilient nation, and those who lay down their lives to protect it are no different. On this Memorial Day, as we pay tribute to those we have lost – whether it's through flags at gravesites, speeches and parades, or a gathering of friends and family – let us renew our pledge that their sacrifices may not be in vain.

Our nation's heroes have defined the meaning of patriotism and heroism, and they embody the American spirit that has forged a better and brighter future for our children and grandchildren. Therefore, let us continue to uphold the freedoms and values on which this great nation was built – those they so valiantly fought and died to defend.

Let us observe Memorial Day and every day forward with gratitude and reverence for the past, and with hope and optimism for the future. Let us continue to support those who continue to fight for our freedoms and celebrate the lives of those who have truly made America the country we can be so proud to call home.

We owe an enormous debt of gratitude for their service – one that words alone cannot repay. God Bless our nation's heroes and their families, and God Bless America.

TSA Extends Wounded Veterans' Eligibility For Expedited Screening



Transportation Security Administration

Wounded U.S. armed forces members are now eligible for the TSA's pre-approved Pre-check expedited screening at airport security checkpoints across the country. The agency said starting on March 27, at airports nationwide, that in addition to offering curbside service for Wounded Warriors, those individuals will also be eligible to move through security checkpoints without having to remove shoes, light outerwear jackets or hats.

The move follows an outcry in the media over the March 13 screening of a wounded Marine at the Phoenix, Ariz., airport. Rep. Duncan Hunter, (R-Calif.) alleged the Marine was "humiliated after TSA security officers asked him to stand up from his wheelchair and remove a prosthetic leg for inspection."

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New Navy Reserve Master Chief Named

The Chief of the Navy Reserve has announced the name of the 15th Force Master Chief. Ohio native Command Master Chief Clarence "CJ" Mitchell will replace Command Master Chief Chris Wheeler in October.

EOD Airman Receives 5th Bronze Star

By SrA Melanie Holochwost USAF SpOps Cmd PA



Tech. Sgt. Ronnie Brickey, an explosive Ord disposal technician assigned to Hurlburt Field, FL on March 22nd, received a Bronze Star with valor medal for his heroic actions in Afghanistan in 2011.

It was Brickey's fifth Bronze Star, placing him in a select group of airmen who have received so many of the medals, according to Hurlburt's release.

Lt. Gen. Eric File, the AFSOC's commander, presented Brickey with the medal during a March 22 ceremony. "Ronnie, your unmatched skills, courage, and selflessness epitomize what being a warrior is all about," said File.

Brickey's unit came under direct fire as he was eliminating several improvised explosive devices during a mission on June 1, 2011. Throughout the 40-minute firefight, he protected his comrades from an IED's accidental detonation, while exposing himself to direct fire. Because of his actions, his comrades were able to maneuver on the enemy.

"Knowing that a life is saved every time I remove an IED from the battlefield is one of the greatest feelings in the world," said Brickey, who is now the NCOIC of the Air Force Special Operations School's Force Protection Branch.

After The Rain, They'll Tax The Air

Maryland's Democratic Gov. Martin O'Malley has instituted a tax on citizens for the amount of rain that falls on their property. The tax, officially known as a "storm water management fee," will be enforced in nine of the state's counties. The state legislature passed it in 2012 purportedly to "raise revenue to clean-up the Chesapeake Bay," according to the MarylandReporter.com.

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Retired Special Forces Commander Says 'Constabulary Force' Coming

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The surge of bullet-buying confirmed by the federal government purchase estimates run into the billions of bullets even as the U.S. military scrimps to find training ammo, is raising lots of questions about the government's so-far unexplained actions.

But a video that has been around since last year is being forwarded across the Internet as an explanation.

The six minutes recorded by Lt. Gen. William G. "Jerry" Boykin, retired, warns that America is well along the pathway that other societies have used to bludgeon and beat their populations into submission to socialism.

Even to the point of establishing a "constabulary force" to control the people. Read more at: <http://www.wnd.com/2013/03/special-forces-commander-constabulary-force-coming/#cyeuYkGcrIQBOMfW.99>

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DHS Claims Authority To Inspect Safety Deposit Boxes Without Warrants



On March 29th, **Investment Watch Blog** revealed that in June of 2011, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security sent written messages to banks throughout the United States informing them that the agency has the authority, 'under the Patriot Act,' to inspect their safety deposit boxes without warrants.

Clerk's Note: We guess that 'Going To The Mattress' will no longer be a quote for the Mafia. Wasn't there a TV show called Mattress Wars? How is this all happening? Didn't we elect the congress to protect us? Don't they read this stuff? And if they did, why didn't they tell us about it in those taxpayer paid flyers they send us? Why did the public not get notified until almost two years later.

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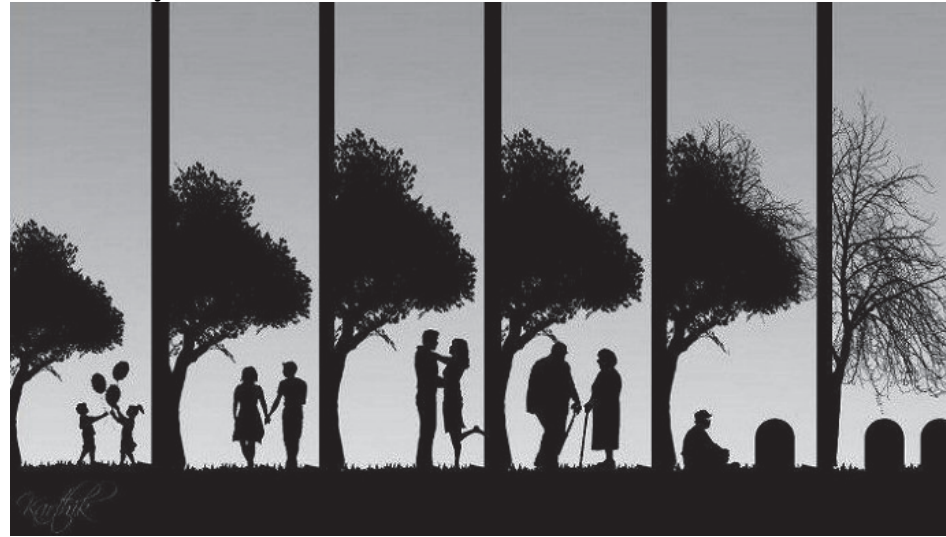
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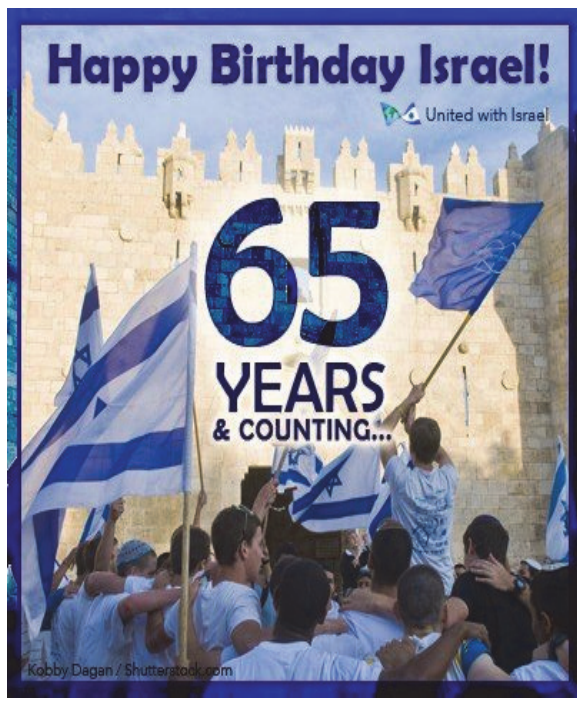
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The Life Cycle...



DOJ Sues Cook County On Behalf Of Reservist

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Letter From The White House

A letter from David Simas, Deputy Senior Advisor, The White House, requested us to press congress to **reduce gun violence** in the USA.

He further said; "It's been almost four months since the tragedy at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, thousands more Americans have died at the hands of gun violence, and time is on the side of those who would prefer that we do nothing."

The people he refers to as doing nothing, are the ones who want to put armed citizens at these schools. They want to be able to respond to an attack in seconds, NOT 8 to 12 Minutes!

We responded to this letter with the following reply;

To Stop Gun Violence: Can you please first disarm the robbers, muggers, thieves, drug dealers, rapists, smugglers, pedophiles, arsonists, muslim terrorists, American nazi party members, ku klux klan, ALL Felons, those with more than three misdemeanor charges, people with three or more DUI's, people with three or more drug use charges, the gang's known as the crips, bloods, outlaws, jacuza, triads, Mexican posse, latin lords, C13, AH-18...

Tell you what, if you can start small, lets say stop the violence in prisons, that could give you a handle on the real world.

Making it harder for law abiding citizens to get guns, is the same as making it harder for sober citizens to buy a car.

Why don't you work on the 'OFFENDERS'???

One Hundred Million American Legal Gun Owners killed no one yesterday... Over 5,000 people died yesterday in American hospitals under medical care.

About 69 die each day from guns in America.

About 110 die each day from vehicle accidents.

About 1,185 die each day from smoking in the USA.

About 6,700 Americans die every day.

Nintendo/Drone Medal Cancelled

The ten congressmen who co-sponsored legislation to oppose the precedence of the new Distinguished Warfare Medal for drone operators, previously approved by the Chairman of the Joint-Chiefs-of-Staff, Gen Martin E. Dempsey, for drone operators whose lives were not in any kind of danger, were successful in their opposition when Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel cancelled it.

The proposed medal was approved by Gen Dempsey and had a higher rank of precedence than Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart Medal, the Air Medal, and the Army, Air Force, & Navy/Marine Corps Commendation Medals for Valor.

The backlash from Capitol Hill had a great deal to do with having Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel, a Combat Veteran of the Vietnam conflict, tell Gen Dempsey to immediately stop production of the medal, and instead to develop a special pin or device that would be attached to already existing medals or ribbons when they were awarded one of the existing medals for making drone strikes.

Five of the Congressmen who co-sponsored the legislation, **Cong Duncan D. Hunter, Capt-USMCR (R-CA-52) http, Cong Michael Coffman, Maj-USMC (Ret) (R-CO-6), Cong Adam Kinzinger, Cpt-AFNG (R-IL-11), Cong Michael Grimm, USMC/FBI (R-NY-11), and Cong Joe Heck, Col-USAR (MC) (R-NV-3)** are endorsed and elected Combat Veterans For Congress.

The other 5 Congressmen who co-sponsored the legislation were Cong Thomas Rooney (R-FL), Cong Tim Murphy (R-PA), Cong C. W. Bill Young (R-FL), Cong Ken Calvert (R-CA), and Cong Steven M. Palazzo(R-MS).

Congressman Hunter had become very concerned by the insensitivity demonstrated by Gen Dempsey and the Pentagon chain of command that approved the proposed new Drone Medal; he drafted legislation in opposition to the approved rank of precedence of the drone medal and sought the support of the co-sponsors for his legislation.

Clerk's Note: How could a 4 star US Army General even consider doing what Dempsey did? And what is wrong with the pentagon staff that supported the original order of precedence for the medal? Does it take skill and training to be a drone pilot, hell yes, no argument, but a combat surgeon also has skill and training, which is why each branch has their own 'Commendation Medal' for jobs well done. Did you notice that not ONE democrat co-sponsored this bill to stop this?

Wonder Why Our Country Is In A Mess?

Submitted by Charles Graham

There are actually two messages here. The first is very interesting, but the second is absolutely astounding - and explains a lot.

A recent "Investor's Business Daily" article provided very interesting statistics from a survey by the United Nations International Health Organization.

Percentage of men and women who survived a cancer five years after diagnosis:

U.S. 65% England 46% Canada 42%

Percentage of patients diagnosed with diabetes who received treatment within six months:

U.S. 93% England 15% Canada 43%

Percentage of seniors needing hip replacement who received it within six months:

U.S. 90% England 15% Canada 43%

Percentage referred to a medical specialist who were seen one within one month:

U.S. 77% England 40% Canada 43%

Number of MRI scanners (a prime diagnostic tool) per million people:

U.S. 71 England 14 Canada 18

Percentage of seniors (65+), with low income, who say they are in "excellent health":

U.S. 12% England 2% Canada 6%

And now for the last statistic:

National Health Insurance?

U.S. NO England YES Canada YES

Check this last set of statistics!!

The percentage of each past president's cabinet who had worked in the private business sector prior to their appointment to the cabinet. You know what the private business sector is a real-life business, not a government job. Here are the percentages.

T. Roosevelt.....38%

Taft.....40%

Wilson52%

Harding.....49%

Coolidge.....48%

Hoover42%

F. Roosevelt.....50%

Truman.....50%

Eisenhower.....57%

Kennedy.....30%

Johnson.....47%

Nixon.....53%

Ford.....42%

Carter.....32%

Reagan.....56%

GH Bush.....51%

Clinton39%

GW Bush.....55%

Obama.....8%

This helps to explain the incompetence of this administration: only 8% of them have ever worked in private business!

That's right! Only eight percent---the least, by far, of the last 19 presidents! And these people are trying to tell our big corporations how to run their business?

How can the president of a major nation and society, the one with the most successful economic system in world history, stand and talk about business when he's never worked for one? Or about jobs when he has never really had one? And when it's the same for 92% of his senior staff and closest advisers? They've spent most of their time in academia, government and/or non-profit jobs or as "community organizers." They should have been in an employment line.

DHS Scrutinized For 'Bloated' Size



The U.S. Department of Homeland Security came under fire at a congressional hearing for its bloated payrolls, misleading statements about the sequestration, and failing to prepare adequately for the impending budget cuts.

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Guns & Polio, Did We Learn?

In the early portion of the 20th century, polio became the world's most feared disease. During the 1940's and 50's the disease claimed about a half million lives a year, yet leaving its crippling marks on Millions More.

Over Five Million People died from polio during the late 1940's and the early 1950's, can you wrap your head around that number?

In 1952, Jonas Salk started working on a vaccine to rid the world of polio. It took three years of trial and error lab experiments, lab animals and human testing before it was approved and given to the World in 1955.

There were of course countries that refused to accept the vaccine for political or religious reasoning, or the fear from muslim nations that it was just a ploy by the Jews...

By 1957 there were 58,000 cases of polio reported in the USA. In 1958, only 5,600 cases. The Vaccine was working. Another type of vaccine was needed so Albert Sabin created it.

In 1961 only 161 cases were recorded in the USA. The LAST cases of polio in the USA was in 1979 when there was an outbreak among the Amish.

In 2000, polio was officially eradicated in 36 Western Pacific Countries including China and Australia. All of Europe was polio-free in 2002 and since January 2011, there have been no reported cases in India.

Since both vaccines were created by Jews (Sabin & Salk) there are those cultures that still feel it is a Jewish Ploy to get them, which of course lists only three countries on the planet that still have outbreaks of polio; Afghanistan, Pakistan and Nigeria.

In Iraq, Iran, Turkey, Sudan, Egypt, etc, they just told the people that allah had sent the cure. (did they tell them allah was Jewish?)

While in the USA, they still administer the vaccine, many nations have cut back since they don't see a problem with polio anymore. And that has begun to create new cases of polio in places it was eradicated.

Now what the heck does this have to do with GUNS?

Using the same logic, Gun Control liberals are now saying that over the past two decades, crime has dropped dramatically in the USA... So the need to have Guns for self protection is no longer valid.

A federally funded 'Crime Victimization Survey' says that only 100,000 times a year, do people ever use their guns for self-defense.

Another liberal from Harvard University, David Hemenway, says that number should be 200,000... And Gary Kleck of Florida State University says that 2.5 million folks use a gun to protect themselves from violent crimes each year, which is only 3% of the Gun Owners.

The FBI said that violent crimes including murder, assault and burglary, has dropped by 41%, in the twenty year period 1992 - 2012.

So liberals think that American do not need to use their weapons as much for self protection since crime is down.

BUT What If... Crime is down 'Because' there are more than twice as many gun owners since 1992 when only 24% of Americans said they owned guns and 48% of Americans say they now own guns?

Could the fact that a 'victim' may have a concealed weapon, give a perpetrator, a slight hesitation in committing the crime? Do You Think?

And how many times do you think a night time parking lot encounter, for an assault, robbery or vehicle theft ended without a report, when one or two possible assailants decided to run away when the 'Potential' Victim pulled out a gun from pocket or purse? Could that scenario have happened a few times a week in ALL the United States?

You can read weekly where drivers who are stopped at traffic lights in 'Unregulated' neighborhoods, may have their driver's door pulled open to be 'Car-Jacked'... And when they point their weapon at the 'Suspected Car Jacker'... Well you can read all about it elsewhere.

Bottom Line; You Keep Giving Out the polio Vaccine to keep it from coming back. YOU Keep the 2nd Amendment Intact to keep crime from coming back.

Remember... When someone is breaking down the door to your home... OR

When your wife, daughter, sister, mother or girlfriend is about to be raped... OR

When your husband, son, brother, father or boyfriend is about to be mugged...

IF YOU CAN MAKE THE 911 CALL...

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Propeller Issue Led To Predator's Crash



A propeller malfunction on an MQ-1 Predator remotely-piloted aircraft, coupled with operator error, led to the platform's crash last October in Afghanistan, announced Air Combat Command officials. The Predator was about 10 hours into a surveillance mission out of Jalalabad Air Base on Oct. 26, 2012, when it developed a problem with its variable pitch propeller, according to the ACC's March 19 release that cites the newly released findings of the command's abbreviated accident investigation board report.

The remote pilot controlling the MQ-1 from Creech AFB, Nev., attempted to resolve the problem by adjusting the propeller's pitch, but this led to the loss of aircraft thrust, preventing its return to base, so the pilot had to bring it down in a non-residential area, states the release. "The cause of the mishap was a combination of mechanical failure of the propeller motor and unnecessary movements of the propeller pitch control lever by the mishap pilot," states the release. The loss of the Predator and the one Hellfire air-to-ground missile it was carrying is valued at some \$4.6 million.

AFB Commander Relieved For Waistline



The Air Mobility Command this week relieved Col. Tim Bush of command of the 319th Air Base Wing, at Grand Forks AFB, N.D., due to his failure to meet the service's physical fitness standards.

"Bush was not relieved for alleged misconduct or wrongdoing," states the March 20 release that came out the same day as his dismissal from the post, which he had held since July 2011. Instead, the reason was Bush's waist size, which exceeded "by inches" the Air Force's maximum-allowed girth of 39 inches for men, reported the *Grand Forks Herald*.

"I failed to meet the waist measurement component of the physical fitness standard," said Bush, 47, who stands six feet, one inch tall and weighs 227 pounds, according to the newspaper. He added, "That's the only component I failed."

DHS Questioned For Decision To Let Saudi Passengers Skip Airport Security



A Department of Homeland Security program intended to give "trusted traveler" status to low-risk airline passengers soon will be extended to Saudi travelers, opening the program to criticism for accommodating the country that produced 15 of the 19 Sept. 11, 2001, hijackers.

Marine Kills Two Hostages And Himself At Marine Corps Base Quantico



Marine Corps Base Quantico commander Col David W Maxwell receives a preliminary briefing from an NCIS special agent.

A Marine shot and killed two fellow Marines at a barracks near Washington, D.C., March 22, then took his own life, according to the commander of Marine Corps Base Quantico, Va.

All three, including a male and a female hostage, were active duty Marines assigned to the Officer Candidate School, according to Col. David W. Maxwell, the base commander. "This is truly a tragic loss again for the Marine Corps," he said.

Their identities were being withheld until after next of kin were notified. The investigation of the shooting is being conducted by the Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS).

The OCS is where Marines go to earn commission as second lieutenants. The base, which is about 37 miles south of Washington, is also home to the FBI's training academy.

U.S. State Dept. Offers \$5 Million For Al Shabaab Rap Artist And Combat Leader



A former Islamist rap artist from Alabama and a training instructor and foreign fighter leader who hails from San Diego, CA, but works for Al Shabaab in Somalia, are worth \$5 million each to the U.S.

The Dept of State added Jihad Serwan Mostafa and Omar Shafik Hammami to the list of terrorist names to the Rewards Program administered by its Bureau of Diplomatic Security. The two men are members of the Somalia-based terrorist organization Al Shabaab, according to the U.S. Justice Dept.

The State Dept list contains dozens of names of wanted terrorists, with rewards ranging from \$25 million (for al-Qaida leader Ayman al-Zawahiri) to \$500,000 (for Abu SayAAF moneymen Khair Mundos). Mostafa and Hammami are among almost 40 other names in the program's \$5 million category.

Clerk's Note: Ever wonder where they get the money for this program? Tipping the bank at more than a half Billion Dollars... They just throw it out the window to see where it lands. And thank you American Taxpayers so much for letting us do this.

"Taxpayers... Good Sports!"

Fourteen Members Of Congress Demand Investigation Of Obama's Ammo Horde



Speaking at CPAC with **Infowars** and **We Are Change** reporter Luke Rudkowski, congressman Timothy Huelskamp revealed this week that the Department of Homeland Security has refused to answer questions from multiple members of congress regarding its recent purchase of huge amounts of weapons and ammunition. "They have no answer for that question. They refuse to answer to answer that," Huelskamp said. "I've got a list of various questions of agencies about multiple things. Far from being the most transparent administration in the world, they are the most closed and opaque, the congressman added. "They refuse to let us know what is going on, so I don't really have an answer for that. Multiple members of congress are asking those questions," he added. "It comes down to during the budget process, during the appropriations process, are we willing to hold DHS' feet to the fire? We're going to find out. I say we don't fund them till we get an answer. Those type of things really challenge Americans. They are worried about this administration," Huelskamp said.

The congressman's comments come in the wake of a demand for answers from New Jersey Congressman Leonard Lance on the same subject. "I would like a full explanation as to why that has been done and I have every confidence that the oversight committee should ask those questions," said Lance, adding that he shared a belief, "that Congress has a responsibility to ask Secretary Napolitano as to exactly why these purchases have occurred."

The DHS has purchased over 1.6 billion rounds of ammunition over the past year enough to wage a 20 year-plus war. Earlier this month, **Forbes** magazine called for a "national conversation" on the matter.

News From The National Guard



The Florida National Guard is about to face furlough days from sequestration. The Florida Air National Guard has a squadron at MacDill Air Force Base, in Tampa, and there is an Army National Guard Armory in Pinellas Park.

The suspension of the tuition assistance program took effect on March 5 - leaving 350 Oregon Army National Guard soldiers unable to apply for spring semester grants.

Despite Increase In Global Child Protection Laws, Many Countries Still Do Not Consider Child Porn A Crime

During the past seven years, 100 countries have enacted new laws to protect children from child pornography. However, according to the International Center for Missing & Exploited Children (ICMEC), 53 countries still have no law and do not consider child pornography a crime.

Clerk's Note: Fear not American Taxpayers! Our govt does not give hundreds of millions of dollars in aid to these 53 countries...

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Since it's the early worm that gets eaten by the early bird, shouldn't the worm sleep late.

I woke up this morning at 8, and could tell something was wrong. I got downstairs and found my spouse face down on the kitchen floor, not breathing! I panicked. I didn't know what to do. Then I remembered McDonald's serves breakfast until 10:30.

Some mistakes are too much fun to only make once.

For those who haven't heard, Washington State has passed two new laws - gay marriage and legalized marijuana. The fact that gay marriage and marijuana were legalized on the same day makes perfect biblical sense, because Leviticus 20:13 says "If a man lies with another man, they should be stoned."

Leaders of the ice-fishing community, aiming for official Olympics recognition as a sport, have begun the process by asking the World Anti-Doping Agency to random-test its "athletes" for performance-enhancing drugs, according to a February **New York Times** report. However, said the chairman of the U.S. Freshwater Fishing Association, "We do not test for beer," because, he added, "Everyone would fail." Ice-fishing is a lonely, frigid endeavor rarely employing strength but mostly requiring guile and strategy, as competitors who discover advantageous spots in the lake must surreptitiously upload the hauls lest competitors rush over to drill their own holes. Urine tests have also been run, in recent years, on competitors in darts, miniature golf, chess, and tug-of-war, and in 2011, one chess player, two mini-golfers, and one tugger tested positive.

India's annual "Rural Olympics" might be the cultural equivalent of several southern-U.S. "Redneck Olympics" - but taken somewhat more seriously, in that this year corporate sponsorships (Nokia and Suzuki) helped fund the equivalent of about \$66,000 in prize money for such events as competitive pulling using only one's ears, or teeth. "We do this for money, trophies, fame, and respect," one ear-puller told the **Wall Street Journal** in February. This year, in the four-day event in Punjab state, the 50,000 spectators could watch a teeth-lifter pull a 110-lb. sack upward for about 8 seconds and an ear-puller ease a car about 15 feet.

A man and wife were sitting in the living room discussing a living will. Man told his wife, "I never want to live in a vegetative state, dependent on some machine and fluids out of a bottle. If that ever happens, please, just pull the plug!" His wife got up from her chair, unplugged the TV and threw out all the beer!

A male patient is lying in bed in the hospital, wearing an oxygen mask over his mouth and nose. A young student nurse appears and gives him a partial sponge bath. "Nurse," he mumbles from behind the mask, "are my testicles black?" Embarrassed, the young nurse replies, "I don't know, Sir, I'm only here to wash your upper body and feet." He struggles to ask again, "Nurse, please check for me. Are my testicles black?" Concerned that he might elevate his blood pressure and heart rate from worrying about his testicles, she overcomes her embarrassment and pulls back the covers. She raise his gown, holds his manhood in one hand and his testicles gently in the other. She looks very closely and says, "There's nothing wrong with them, Sir. They look Fine." The man slowly pulls off his oxygen mask, smiles at her, and says very slowly, "Thank you very much. That was very nice of you. Now listen very, very closely... Are- my- test- results- back?"

Life Before The Computer;

Memory was something you lost with age.

An application was for employment.

A program was a TV show.

A curser used profanity.

A keyboard was a piano.

A web was a spider's home.

A virus was the flu.

A CD was in a bank account.

A hard drive was a long road trip.

A mouse pad was where a mouse lived.

And if you had a 3½ inch floppy, you just kept quite.

Don't feel bad if someone doesn't choose you... People usually reject expensive things because they can't afford them!!

A woman was talking to her 12 year old grandchild... "There are no grey hairs on my head, they are 'Wisdom Highlights'! I just happen to be extremely Wise!"

My mind says I'm in my thirties... But my body says, "Yeah, You Wish!"

Damn Right I'm Good In Bed! I can stay there All Day!

So let me get this straight... Women wear fake hair, nails, lashes, contacts, boobs, lips, butts, fill their face with botox then cover their face in makeup with highlights... And what they are asking for is a 'Real Man'?

Don't get confused between my Personality and my Attitude. My Personality is who I am, My Attitude depends on who You Are!

I try to take life one day at a time... But sometimes, several days attack me all at once!

Can you die from constipation? Because I am a little worried with how full of manure some people are.

We are best friends.

Where you go, I go.

When you cry, I cry.

When you laugh, I laugh.

When you fall down, I pick you up, after I stop laughing.

Every time I get angry at someone, I have to remind myself, Prison Orange is Not My Color, Prison Orange is Not My Color...

Men say that women should come with a book of instructions... What would be the point? Have you ever seen a man actually READ a book of instructions???

People say you don't know what you have until it's gone. Truth is, you knew what you had, you just never thought you would lose it!

When I no longer hear from friends or family... I just assume that they have a low tolerance for awesome!!!

If Walmart is lowering prices every day, how come nothing is free yet?

Ladies... When a woman steals your husband, there's no better revenge than to let her keep him.

When people rob banks, they go to prison. When they rob the U.S. taxpayer, they get re-elected.



What we say and what other people hear are rarely the same thing.

You can easily judge the character of a man by how he treats those who can do nothing for him.

If you live in my heart, you live rent-free.

All I ask is for the chance to prove that money can't make me happy.

People are always saying St. Louis citizens can't get along. Well, it's really not true. The last time I was on the way to the airport, I saw two men on the side of the road along the way, complete strangers, sharing a cab. One guy was taking the tires and the other guy was helping himself to the alternator, radio and battery.

Often people that criticize your life are usually the same people that don't know the price you paid to get where you are today.



Study Links 180,000 Global Deaths To Sugary Drinks

Researchers reported that they have linked 180,000 obesity-related deaths worldwide to sugary drinks, including about 25,000 adult Americans.

Overall, 1 in 100 deaths of obese people globally can be blamed on too many sweetened beverages, according to a study presented at an American Heart Association's scientific conference in New Orleans. Mexico leads the 35 largest nations in deaths attributable to over-consumption of sugary drinks, with the United States third. Japan, which has one of the lowest per-capita consumptions of sugary drinks, had the fewest sugar-related deaths.

Obama is preparing an executive order to ban this sweet killer of large people as statistics show that more people are murdered by sugar, than guns in the United States.

And believe it or not... the first two paragraphs are not humor... The third paragraph is a part of our humor page and shows that humor can be found anywhere you want to place the blame on something.

Regarding the retirement of Pope Benedict XVI: At 85 he didn't have the strength or energy to carry out his duties. A few months ago, at 86, Hugh Hefner married his 26-year-old girlfriend. Doesn't say much for a life of celibacy, does it?

Well here it is 2013 and still no flying cars, instead we have blankets with sleeves.

Ring bell for maid service, If no answer, do it yourself.

"America needs Obamacare like Nancy Pelosi needs a Halloween mask!" **Jay Leno**

Nostalgia isn't what it used to be.

Why do people say "tuna fish?" They don't say "beef mammal," or "chicken bird."

My wife speaks and I obey; she always lets me have her way.

I like Microsoft Windows because I never have to wash them.

You're never too old to learn something stupid.

Middle age is the awkward period in which Father Time starts catching up with Mother Nature.

Two Red Necks were sitting around talking one afternoon over a cold beer. After a while the first Red Neck says to the second, "If I was to sneak over to your house and make love to your wife while you was off huntin', and she got pregnant and had a baby, would that make us related?" The second Red Neck crooked his head sideways for a minute, scratched his head, and squinted his eyes thinking real hard about the question.

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Sequester May Cost The U.S. Southern Command Its JSTARS Capability



The U.S. Southern Command has come to rely on the E-8C JSTARS ground-surveillance platform to accomplish its counter-narcotics mission, but thanks to budget sequestration, it's "probably going to lose" that capability, Marine Corps Gen. John Kelly, SOUTHCOM's commander, told members of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

"JSTARS is very, very important to what we do in the counter-drug effort," especially in Columbia and Venezuela, said Kelly during an oversight hearing. He added, "If we lose that, it makes it harder. But that's the reality." In its place, he said the Air Force likely "will vector" bombers down toward the Caribbean area, allowing air crews to train and providing an extra set of eyes for the command. "They get their training, they get their flight time, and they will help us out," said Kelly.

Israel Will Help Protect The USA

The United States will be allowed to co-produce Israel's Iron Dome rocket interceptor so it can benefit from Israel's advanced technology of the Jewish state's defense programs, a senior Israeli military officer said.

Israel developed the Iron Dome to shoot down rockets launched from the Gaza Strip and it is the only system in the world to use radar-guided missiles for such short-range interceptions.

Retired AF General Driving Force Behind Women's Memorial

By Martha Lockwood, Air Force News Service



"Let the generations know that women in uniform also guaranteed their freedom. That our resolve was just as great as the brave men who stood among us. And with victory, our hearts were just as full and beat just as fast - that the tears fell just as hard for those we left behind."

Anne Sosh Brehm, 1LT, Army Nurse Corps, WWII "That," said retired Brig. Gen. Wilma L. Vaught, referring to the quote above, "is what the Women's Memorial is all about," using the more familiar term for the Women in Military Service For America Memorial. For years, no one knew who had written that quote in the registration book for visitors to the museum. Finally, Anne Sosh Brehm, an Army nurse, was found and recognized for her service and her writing.

Brehm had four brothers in the Navy during World War II, but she wanted to be "where the action was," so she joined the Army Nurse Corps, ultimately ending up in China. Hers is just one of the many, many stories about women in service to their country.

Currently, there are over a quarter of a million women registered with the Women's Memorial, and that's "probably less than 10 percent" of those who could and should register, according to Vaught, who is president of the Women in Military Service Foundation, the organization that is the driving force behind the memorial.

Not Just A Cold War Relic



U.S. European Command boss Adm. James Stavridis assured members of the Senate Armed Services Committee that America's European bases are much more than Cold War relics as some critics have suggested. "If I had one overriding message for the committee, I'd like to answer the question, 'Why Europe?'" said Stavridis. He then listed five reasons why the mission in Europe remains vital for the Defense Department. First, Europeans share America's values, such as freedom of speech, religion, and the press. Second is economics. While the United States represents one-fourth of the world's gross domestic product, Europe represents another quarter, he said. Third, "geography matters," said Stavridis. The European bases allow the United States not only to support EUCOM, but also the U.S. Africa Command and the U.S. Central Command, he said. Fourth is the NATO alliance. "We serve together around the world in a wide variety of missions," said Stavridis. Fifth is the capability the European allies provide. "Nowhere else in the world will we find such a complete and capable group of allies who have the technology, the training, the force levels to help us," he said.

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Obama Appoints Julia Pierson, First Female Director Of The U.S. Secret Service



Obama on March 26th, chose veteran agent Julia Pierson as Secret Service director, the first woman to lead the male-dominated agency...



NATO Air Strike Kills 2 Children, 9 Taliban

A NATO helicopter supporting Afghan security forces killed two children and nine suspected Taliban fighters, officials said...

The deaths re-open an often heated debate between those who blame NATO air strikes for civilian deaths and others who argue that NATO air support is vital for protecting vulnerable Afghan security forces.

Clerk's Note: We have an even better idea, which we hope will catch on not only in Afghanistan but in Iraq, China, North Korea, Somalia, Pakistan, Turkey, Syria, Iran, India, Nigeria, Congo, Chile, Columbia, Cape Town, Egypt, Gaza, Palestine, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Myanmar, ...

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U.N. Closes Offices In The Gaza Strip

By Lisa Levine, News of the Force Tel Aviv The Islamist group Hamas urged a UN agency to resume its operations in the Gaza Strip, accusing the world body of over-reacting by shutting down after its headquarters was stormed by demonstrators.

The main U.N. humanitarian agency for Palestinians closed all its offices in the Gaza Strip after protesters stormed its headquarters to demand it reverse a decision to cut an annual \$40 handout to the poorest Gazans.

Clerk's Note: So... When the ONLY agency in the world that will help the peace loving muslims of Palestine, come up short of funds, the people they have been helping decide to repay their kindness, their offerings and their money, by storming their HQ threatening violence...

Retired Marine Corps Colonel Helping Service Members' Children



Pilot and retired Marine Corps Col. Jack Howell wanted to help the children of military personnel who had been wounded or killed in action, so he created the foundation Teens-In-Flight.

Reserve-To-Active Duty Program



Under the new Enlisted Reserve to Active Component Augmentation Program, the U.S. Navy doesn't need a presidential wartime mobilization or even require a sailor to visit a recruiting station...

What The Services Cost To Run



The entire U.S. Marine Corps costs about \$28 billion a year to maintain.

For some perspective: the Navy costs \$150 billion; the Army costs \$244 billion; and the Air Force costs \$170 billion.

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USAF Museum Feels The Sequestration



On May 1, the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force will shutter its Presidential Gallery and its Research and Development Gallery "until further notice" due to the budget cutbacks resulting from sequestration...

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Sunday Laws are Coming! On Friday, June 15, 2007 in the Weekend Edition Opinion Journal page W-11 of the *Wall Street Journal* appeared an article by Mollie Ziegler Hemingway entitled: "The decline of the Sabbath in America: Less praying, more working and playing." This article was circulated worldwide to over 2 million people promoting Sunday-keeping and Sunday closing laws as necessary for saving our culture. The *Wall Street Journal's* editorial perspective is one sided. The *USA Today* endorsed Sunday observance in an article written by Gladys Edmunds on Oct. 24, 2007 entitled: "Better Take a Break, Or You'll Break Down."

Similar articles have appeared in daily newspapers across America and the rest of the world: *Associated Press*, July 15, 2008 "Sunday Shopping banned in Croatia," *Associated Press*, May 27, 2008 "Louisiana Barber Ticketed for Working on Sunday," *Time Magazine*, Dec. 17, 2008 "Sunday Shopping? France Says No," *CBS News Sunday Morning*, Feb. 1 2009, "A History of Sunday," *Associated Press*, December 5, 2008 "Auto Dealers to ask Legislature for Sunday Sales Ban." These are just a few headlines from different publications who have recently been endorsing Sunday observance. We should welcome an intelligent, healthy discussion on issues that will affect both the morality and economy of our nation.

These are just a few examples of how the Sunday movement is gaining momentum around the world. Many more examples can be cited. History tells us that Sunday legislation, regardless of how sincere it may appear, always brings persecution to small minorities. Prophecy declares that such religious intolerance will again be revived to the point that "no man might buy or sell, save he that had the **MARK***, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name." Rev. 13:17. From this prophetic insight we can see that church and state will unite and all of our most cherished liberties will be lost. God have mercy on us all when these days shall "come to pass" John 14:29.

Sabbath from the Biblical Perspective

Jesus — "And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up; and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up for to read." Luke 4:16.

Jesus declared — "...The sabbath was made for man*." Mark 2:27 The word for *man* in this verse is the Greek word "anthropos," meaning mankind *and not just the Jews*. See also Isa 56:2-6. "The Son of man is Lord even of the sabbath day." Matthew 12:8. Many say Revelation 1:10 is used to designate Sunday as the Lord's day: "I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day." The Greek word is *Kuriake (Lord's hemera (day))*. So what is the day of the Lord's. Jesus answers this question himself: "The Son of man is Lord (Kurios) even of the Sabbath day" (Matt. 12:8). Lord's day is just another way of saying the day of the Lord. All through scriptures the seventh-day Sabbath is the Lord's "own day" (Isa. 58:13, Gen. 2:2-3, Exo. 20:8-11).

God commanded — "But the *seventh day* is the sabbath of the LORD thy God." Exodus 20:10.

Paul — "And Paul, as his manner was, went in unto them, and three Sabbath days reasoned with them out of the Scriptures." Acts 17:2, 3.

"And he reasoned in the synagogue every Sabbath, and persuaded the Jews and the Greeks." Acts 18:4.

Paul declared — "There remaineth therefore a *rest** [*Greek: "sabbatismos" or "Sabbath-keeping"*] to the people of God. For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from His." Hebrews 4:9, 10.

"For he spake in a certain place of the seventh day...And God did rest the seventh day from all his works," "and blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it." Hebrews 4:4.

Paul and the Gentiles — "And when the Jews were gone out of the synagogue, the Gentiles besought that these words might be preached to them the next Sabbath. And the next Sabbath came almost the whole city together to hear the Word of God." Acts 13:42, 44. The book of Acts records 84 Sabbaths on which the Apostle Paul and his associates held religious services (Acts 18:4, 11). Yet there is not ONE word in the entire Bible authorizing Sunday keeping in place of the Seventh-day Sabbath.

Disciples — "And that day was the preparation and the sabbath drew on. And the women also, which came with him from Galilee, followed after, and beheld the sepulcher, and how His body was laid. And they returned and prepared spices and ointments; *and rested the sabbath day according to the commandment*" (Luke 23:54-56).

Notice that Luke, a non-Jewish biblical writer, approximately 37 years AFTER the resurrection of Christ, still called the Sabbath (the seventh day of the week) a Commandment of God.

"And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James...very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulcher at the rising of the sun... And entering into the sepulcher, they saw a young man...And he saith unto them, be not affrighted; Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: He is risen." (Mark 16:1-6). It is well known that Sunday was the resurrection day. "*The Sabbath was past*" when it dawned. Thus, it is evident that the Sabbath is Saturday, the day before Sunday.

"Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill". "For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled" (Matthew 5:17, 18). Throughout the New Testament, there are no fewer than 59 references to the Sabbath.

Sabbath in the New Earth — "For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, saith the LORD, so shall your seed and your name remain; and it shall come to pass, that from one new moon to another, and from one sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before Me, saith the LORD" (Isaiah 66:22, 23). According to Colossians 2:14-17, the sacrifices with the 7 annual festivals, or ceremonial sabbaths

[plural] as registered in Leviticus 23 and other texts, were nailed [*abolished*] on the cross, as Christ's life and work fulfilled the meaning of these annual Sabbaths. But not the Sabbath of the Fourth Commandment that is Eternal, because it was given to man at Creation, even before sin was introduced into this earth (Gen. 2:2-3).

"Sunday in the Bible"

Millions of faithful Christians attend church each Sunday, the first day of the week. They do this thinking that somehow there was a change in the day of worship. Others keep Sunday because they are not conscious that God set apart the seventh-day as His holy day and not the first day of the week. It is true that there has been a change but by who? There are only 8 Bible texts in the New Testament that speak about the first day: (1) Matt. 28:1, (2) Mark 16:1-2, (3) Mark 16:9, (4) Luke 24:1, (5) John 20:1, (6) John 20:19, (7) Acts 20:7-8, (8) 1 Cor. 16:1-2.

The first five texts simply mention that the women went to the sepulcher early in the morning of the resurrection (Sunday) and that Jesus had resurrected. The sixth text reveals that they were gathered together "for fear of the Jews" not knowing if they would also be crucified as was their Savior. They were hiding Sunday morning, they were not having a worship service nor is there any mention of any change of the Sabbath. The seventh text is Acts 20:7-8: "And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight. And there were many lights in the upper chamber, where they were gathered together."

This was a Saturday night meeting—the dark part of the first day of the week. Remember, according to Biblical time, the day begins at evening. "And the evening and the morning were the first day." Gen. 1:5. In other words, at sunset (evening) is when the next day begins, not at midnight as we calculate today. The Bible registers the days from sunset to sunset. The Seventh-day, Saturday begins Friday evening at sunset. The first day of the week actually begins at Saturday evening at sunset. Paul was meeting on the first day of the week during the dark part of the day, which was actually Saturday night. Remember, Acts 20:7-8 speaks about how "there were many lights." Paul spent Sunday morning traveling to Assos. We do not see any change or command to keep Sunday holy.

The New World Translation says, "On *Saturday night*, in our assembling for the breaking of bread, Paul, who was to leave next day." Acts 20:7. The last text that mentions Sunday is found in 1 Cor. 16:1-2: "Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given order to the churches of Galatia, even so do ye. Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come." This verse does not speak about a worship service in the church. Notice how the International Standard Versions translates the verse: "After the Sabbath ends, each of you should set aside and save something from your surplus in proportion to what you have, so that no collections will have to be made when I arrive."

After the 7th-day Sabbath is over the first day of the week is the best time to start saving your money so as not to spend it during the rest of the week. Paul told the church to do this so that when he came, which was always on the Seventh-day Sabbath (Acts 13:42, 44), the church wouldn't have to try to collect everything at once.

The argument is made that we should keep Sunday holy in honor of the resurrection of Jesus, yet this custom is based on man's tradition (Eze. 8:15, 16; Matt. 15:9, 14). However, the Bible commands us to commemorate His death, burial, and resurrection through baptism [immersion, not by sprinkling]. Please read Rom. 6:4, 5.

The Encyclopedia Britannica — "There is no evidence that in the earliest years of Christianity there was any formal observance of Sunday as a day of rest or any general cessation of work." 1911 Edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica, Article: Sunday (www.1911encyclopedia.org).

Baptist: "Of course I quite well know that Sunday did come into use in early Christian history as a religious day, as we learn from the Christian Fathers and other sources. But what a pity that it comes branded with the mark of Paganism, and christened with the name of the sun-god, then adopted as sanctified by the Papal apostasy, and bequeathed as a sacred legacy to Protestantism." Dr. E.T. Hiscox, author of the Baptist Manual, from a photostatic copy of a notarized statement by Dr. Hiscox.

Roman Catholic: "Question: Which is the Sabbath day? Answer: Saturday is the Sabbath day. Question: Why do we observe Sunday instead of Saturday? Answer: We observe Sunday instead of Saturday because the Catholic Church transferred the solemnity from Saturday to Sunday." Peter Geiermann, The Convert's Catechism of Catholic Doctrine, 1957 edition.

Roman Catholic: "Of course the Catholic Church claims that the change was her act... And the act is a **MARK*** of her ecclesiastical authority in religious things." H.F. Thomas, Chancellor of Cardinal Gibbons. Nov 11, 1895.

While we are "saved by grace through faith" (Eph. 2:8), Jesus also said, "If you love me keep my commandments (John 14:15). God also says, "He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, *is a liar*, and the truth is not in him." (1 John 2:4, 5). God means all 10, not just nine (James 2:10). **Call for your free book!**

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