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Remember Them All



A soldier from the 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment, known as "The Old Guard," leads a riderless horse during the Memorial Day parade in Washington, D.C., May 27, 2013. The riderless horse carries a soldier's boots reversed in the stirrups. U.S. Army photo by Staff Sgt. Teddy Wade

Paying Respects



Sniping Out The Snoops

A U.S. Special Forces team member pulls security during a meeting with an Afghan local police checkpoint commander in the Zharay district of Kandahar province, Afghanistan, May 21, 2013.

U.S. Army photo by Staff Sqt. Kaily Brown U.S. Marines Plan Ahead



U.S. Marines move into position as they conduct a mission rehearsal on Camp Bastion in Helmand province, Afghanistan, May 27, 2013. The Marines and sailors, assigned to Fox Company, 2nd Battalion, 8th Marines, Regimental Combat Team 7, conducted the rehearsal in preparation for a partnered operation with Afghan soldiers.

U.S. Marine Corps photo by Cpl. Kowshon Ye U.S. Army Keep 5 Meters Apart



U.S. Army SSgt Thomas Banner leads his squad on a dismounted presence patrol near Forward Operating Base Spin Boldak in Kandahar province, Afghanistan, June 2, 2013. Banner, a squad leader, is assigned to Company B, 2nd Battalion, 23rd Infantry Regiment. The soldiers were on patrol to meet area farmers and

project force posture U.S. Army photo by Staff Sqt. Shane Hamann

Air Force Master Sqt. Robert Lilly pays his respects to a fallen veteran at the Southern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Boulder City, Nev., May 25, 2013. Lilly, a joint tactical air controller assigned to the 57th Operations Group, and other airmen from Nellis Air Force Base, Nev., volunteered their time to place flags at U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Daniel Hughes araves for Memorial Dav weekend.

Securing The Road



U.S. soldiers discuss security in preparation for a traffic checkpoint in the Panjwai district of Afghanistan's Kandahar province, May 15, 2013. The soldiers are assigned to 2nd Infantry Division's 2nd Battalion, 23rd Infantry Division's 6th Squadron, 8th Cavalry Regiment, 4th Infantry U.S. Army photo by Staff Sgt. Shane Hamann Regiment.

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U.S. Army Staff Sgt. Ray Perez-Rosa jumps over a water-filled ditch while on a foot patrol to counteract indirect fire near Combat Outpost Baraki Barak, Logar province, Afghanistan, May 21, 2013. Perez-Rosa, a infantryman, is assigned to the 3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team.

U.S. Army National Guard photo by Sgt. Julieanne Morse

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So Long...

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News Of Interest

USS Nimitz Sailor Becomes A Navy First



An officer on board the aircraft carrier USS Nimitz (CVN 68) is the Navy's first female Aircraft (Bos'n).

Kimberlee D. Hazle, of Valley View, Texas, checked on board Nimitz in March 2013. Hazle joined the impose environmental costs, as well. Navy when she was 18 years old after she graduated from high school.

"I joined the Navy in 2001," said Hazle. "I undesignated airman and struck aviation boatswain's than cars. mate (equipment) (ABE) a year later.

After being an ABE for 12 years, Hazle put in IRS Officials Knew Of Tea Party Targeting her package for the limited duty officer (LDO) program and was commissioned as the Navy's first female ALRE boatswain in November 2012. "It was always my goal to become an ALRE and to do better for the Air Department and the ABEs," said Hazle. "I always wanted to be on top of the chain of command and to be a boatswain to improve processes, safety, qualifications and maintenance."

After becoming a commissioned officer, Hazle made her way to Nimitz in early 2013. "This is my third carrier. Previously, I was stationed on the Reagan and the Stennis. I will be on board Nimitz for about three more years."

Hazle comes from a long line of Veterans who served in all branches of the military and is the first female to serve. "My dad, uncle, both grandfathers. My uncle was actually a boatswain as well."

According to Hazle, the best part of being a boatswain is the launching and recovering of the aircraft from the flight deck. The main part of the ship that Hazle is in charge of is the catapults and arresting gear located on the flight deck, two of the main things necessary to launch and recover aircraft from an aircraft carrier. "Without those two things, there would be no fixed wing flight operations,"

presents lots of challenges; long hours, extreme weather conditions and being around equipment that can cause serious bodily harm or death if not used properly, but Hazle always looks on the bright side and keeps her attitude positive. For Hazle, being the Navy's first female detained for longer than 72 hours... boatswain is not something she feels is out of the ordinary and is something that comes naturally to her. criminal records from other states and Mexican or "As far as being the first female boatswain, I want to do well and have it be the norm and to not be the elephant in the room," said Hazle. "I feel very normal doing it and very supported by my division and my department."

What the VA is not telling you

If This Happened In California...

A Ghanaian immigrant in the northern Italian city of Milan killed one man and injured four others in a frenzied and apparently random attack with a pick axe today, police said. Witnesses said the man, who Italian media reports said was in Italy illegally, struck out at passers-by in a residential district of the city around 8 AM.

A 40-year-old unemployed man apparently on his way to a cafe died after being struck on the head and falling to the ground where the attacker continued to hit him.

Had this happened in Los Angeles... We would have a congressional hearing of why pick-axes are dangerous, federal and state investigators would seek out victims of pick axe assaults, local fact finding committees and public hot lines would be set up.

All this taking months to do and costing the FEW remaining American Taxpayers Tens of Millions of Dollars.

The real question to ask... How did the illegal get into the country in the first place? Why did we let him stay? Why was he receiving a housing allowance, food stamps and medical care?... AND Why for the cost of a .57 cent metal jacketed projectile... Could we not have stopped him at the border?

The TAX Everything Mentality

In March, Washington state Rep. Ed Orcutt, Launch and Recovery Equipment (ALRE) Boatswain apparently upset that bicyclists use the state's roads without paying the state gasoline tax for highway The Navy's first female ALRE Bos'n, Ens. maintenance, proposed a 5 percent tax on bicycles that cost more than \$500, pointing out that bicyclists

Since carbon dioxide is a major greenhouse gas, he wrote one constituent that bike riders' "increased heart rate and respiration" over car drivers creates additional thought it would give me good experiences and [help pollution. Days later, he apologized for the suggestion me] grow up." She came into the Navy as an that bicyclists actually were worse for the environment



A senior Internal Revenue Service (IRS) official knew in 2011 that IRS agents were giving extra scrutiny to conservative Tea Party groups, according to documents from a watchdog office obtained by Reuters.

In a scandal that has already embarrassed the IRS and become a distraction for the Obama for Tax Administration (TIGTA) was expected to be issued publicly next week on the IRS practice, who knew about it and when.

More Immigrant Felons Released Than **Originally Reported**



U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

Under pressure from lawmakers, the U.S. Being a boatswain on board an aircraft carrier Department of Homeland Security has disclosed new details about the criminal backgrounds of some of the approximately 2,200 immigration detainees let out of custody in February.

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Married Military Members Must Apply For Family SGLI



As of Jan. 2, military members who marry another member of the armed forces are no longer automatically covered under Family Servicemembers Group Life Insurance, Air Force Personnel Center officials have said.

Under SGLI, military members are automatically covered for \$400,000 unless they decline coverage or elect a reduced amount of coverage, said Susie Parson, the AFPC's casualty services branch. Under FSGLI, members' military spouses were automatically covered for an additional \$100,000, or less, depending on the amount of the member's election.

"The law change did not prohibit additional coverage for military spouses," Parson said. "It just repealed automatic enrollment, which means airmen are not enrolled or charged premiums automatically. Airmen will have a choice and those who want it will now be required to submit an election for the coverage."

Some military newlyweds, however, are paying premiums for FSGLI but are not actually covered. "If you married another military member on or after Jan. 2, you are affected. Defense Manpower Data Center and Defense Finance and Accounting Service updates are underway, and once they are complete, you will be refunded," Parson said. "However, you are not actually covered under the Family SGLI."

Affected members who do not want the additional coverage on their military spouse need do nothing. Once the data systems update, they will get their refunds. Members who want the additional coverage must elect coverage which will require that the spouse answer various health related questions. Premium rates vary depending on the member's age and desired coverage. For example, the premium for a 34-year-old is 50 cents per month for \$10,000 coverage or \$5 per month for \$100,000.

For more information about the FSGLI change, including how to elect coverage and premium information, go to myPers at https://mypers.af.mil and search for article "25004" or for "FSGLI."

Sequestration Devastates Our Military

By Cheryl Pellerin, American Forces Press Service



During a Senate hearing on Barack Obama's \$9.5 billion military construction budget request for fiscal 2014, Defense Department Comptroller Robert F. Hale said the severe and abrupt budget cuts imposed by sequestration are devastating the U.S. armed forces.

Hale and John Conger, acting deputy undersecretary of defense for installations and environment,

With sweeping orders from the White House to allow illegal immigrants to be released, after being

Federal agencies do not have enough time to get other nations about those being held. So in the month of February 2,200 felony offenders were released, before their records showed up.

Still feel safe in your neighborhood?

testified on military construction and family housing before the Senate Appropriations subcommittee on military construction, Veterans affairs and related agencies. The officials described for the panel the impact of sequestration on military construction, facilities sustainment, restoration, and on the services in the current year.

"While sequestration and related problems do not affect most military construction projects, they are devastating military readiness," Hale told the senators, adding, "I just can't believe what we're doing to the military right now."

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Two Volunteers At Penn VA Center Teamed Up To Save A Veteran's Life



When a Veteran's life hung in the balance at VA's Eire, PA, medical center, two volunteers Ron Lord (left) & Dick Irish, worked calmly and efficiently to render aid. Their actions may have made the difference between life and death.

On the morning of February 28, 2013, a Veteran experiencing extreme chest pains entered the lobby. Lord quickly took the Veteran over to a bench in the lobby to make him more comfortable. Irish called 911 for a Rapid Response Team.

Gun Control Fanatics... STILL WRONG!

Gun-related homicides and other crimes involving guns have fallen sharply over the last two decades in the United States, but most Americans believe firearms crime is higher now than 20 years ago, according to an analysis and a separate poll released May 8th. Some 11,101 gun-related homicides were reported in the United States in 2011, a figure that is down 39 percent from the 1993 peak, the U.S. Justice Department reported. Non-fatal firearm crimes declined by 69 percent to 467,300 in the same period.

Former Sun 'N Fun President Dies

Lyle Flagg, a past president of Sun 'n Fun, died at his home in Florida on May 21 at the age of 85. Flagg was a member of the Experimental Aircraft Assoc. (EAA), the Florida Air Museum. And the honorary aviation fraternity called the Quiet Birdmen.

General Suspended Over Adultery



The Army announced that it has suspended the top general at Fort Jackson in South Carolina over allegations of assault and adultery, the latest in a string of sex scandals to rock the military.

It was not clear whom Brig. Gen. Bryan Roberts struck or with whom he was involved. Fort Jackson conducts basic training for 60% of the Army's incoming women recruits.

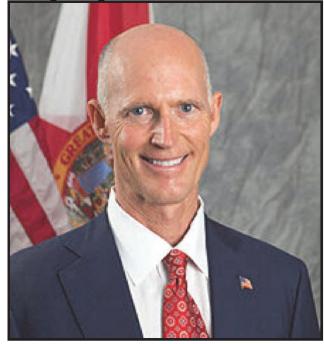
This is not a case of sexual assault or harassment among soldiers, says spokesman George Wright.

According to his Army biography, Roberts is a 29-year veteran. Before assuming command in April 2012, he served in Iraq as head of a unit training Iraqi soldiers. Adultery is a crime under military law.

While the investigation is ongoing, Brig. Gen. Peggy C. Combs, Commandant of the U.S. Army Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear School, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., will serve as the interim commander until the investigation is complete and the issue resolved.

Adultery is punishable under Article 134 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, Army documents show, if three legal criteria are met. An Army member must have had sexual intercourse with someone and either the soldier or sexual partner had to be married to another person at the time. Finally, under the circumstances the conduct had to be determined to be counter to good order and discipline in the military or to bring discredit to the armed forces.

Florida's Governor Says Furloughs 'The Wrong Thing To Do'



Florida Gov. Rick Scott said furloughing air traffic controllers was "absolutely the wrong thing to do," and denounced the Obama administration and the FAA for furloughing rather than doing cuts that would have spared personnel. "This idea that we should furlough all these air traffic controllers, and have an impact both on our safety and on jobs, just doesn't make any sense," Scott said.

IRS Official Refuses To Answer Questions At Scandal Hearing

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) official at the center of a scandal about extra tax scrutiny of conservative groups told Congress she had done nothing wrong, but invoked her constitutional right not to answer questions.

Lois Lerner, who heads the IRS' tax-exempt unit, angered lawmakers by reading a statement before refusing to testify, but she was dismissed from the hearing with a warning that she could be called back for another appearance before the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee.

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Obama Makes US Marines... Butlers



May 16, 2013

The President unwittingly forced two U.S Marines to break protocol and regulations as he ordered them to use umbrellas.

Former United States Air Force Lieutenant Thomas McInerney criticized the President for making the officers look like butlers.

Obama showed a 'lack of respect' by making the soldier shelter him from a shower, General McInerney said.

Obama answered questions on Benghazi where no Marines guarded ambassador Chris Stevens despite his repeated requests for better protection, but Obama gets two Marines to act as umbrella bearers!

General McInerney continued; 'I think it's a lack of respect for the marine, that's what I think.'

'I don't understand why one of his aides could not have held the umbrella. The marine is a warrior but the aides are not.'

Lt Gen McInerney, 76, served in Vietnam and fought with NATO and was commander of the 11th Air Force in Alaska before retiring.

He said: 'If I was his (the marine's) commander... I'd say good job, you did what he wanted you to do but you can't, really he has to keep his comments to himself because if you say anything you're going to get in trouble.'

'Any time a marine has said something...one general who spoke out, he got fired, he got canned from his job.'

According to Marine Corps regulations, not even the President of the United States can request a Marine to carry an umbrella without the express permission of the Commandant of the Marine Corps.

The Marine Corp Manual, which is the bible for all soldiers serving, specifically states that a soldier's uniform dress code does not allow the carrying of an umbrella and 'no officer or official shall issue instructions which conflict with, alter, or amend any provision without the approval of the Commandant of the Marine Corps.'

Women In Combat



Each of the four DoD services submitted implementation plans to Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel detailing how to integrate women into combat roles, Defense Department spokesman Lt. Cmdr. Nate Christensen said yesterday.

Christensen said the DoD is "conducting a thorough review" of the plans, received on May 15, and anticipates submitting its proposal to Congress later this summer. "It would be inappropriate to discuss the content of those recommendations, or speculate on any decisions the Secretary may come to subsequent to the review," he said. "The successful integration of women into currently closed positions requires the department to be thoughtful and deliberate in determining the next steps," he said.

The Pentagon announced in late January plans to open more combat roles to women. Unlike the other services, most Air Force specialty codes already are open to women, except for some special operations positions.

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Russia Sends Assad 'Ship-Killer' Missiles By Lisa Levine, News of the Force Tel Aviv

Russia has sold advanced Yakhont anti-ship cruise missiles to Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, outfitted with an advanced guidance system that makes them more effective than the older version of the missile Russia previously sold to Syria.

President Obama and Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan say the U.S. and Turkey are determined to see Syrian President al-Assad leave to pave the way for a political transition.

Clerk's Note: So while Russia is selling more weapons to Syria... Obama, who is now 'Friends' with Russia, is trying to oust the guy Russia is selling the missiles too.

"Taxpayer's... Good Sports!"® How much \$Aid do we give Afghanistan?

Afghanistan's Parliament failed to pass a law banning violence against women, a severe blow to progress made in women's rights in the conservative Muslim country since the Islamist Taliban was toppled over a decade ago.

President Hamid Karzai approved the law by decree in 2009 and Parliament's endorsement was required, but a rift between conservative and more secular members of the assembly resulted in debate being deferred to a later date.

Clerk's Note: So right now, in Afghanistan, on the law books, there is no crime of violence against women. And yet our public servants in DC, has given Hundreds of Millions of OUR Tax Dollars to help support that nation. So while the White House says it promotes Human Rights... That does not also include Women's Rights!

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Indeed, male Marines are informed never to carry an umbrella from the earliest phases of training.

Clerk's Note: Any Questions?

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The 'Extortion 17' SEAL Team 6 Whistle-Blowers

By Nena Wiley, Pure Pursuit Intelligence Network



At a press conference on May 9, several families of U.S. Navy SEAL Team 6 (VI) special forces servicemen disclosed some stunning information about how and why their sons, along with 26 others, died in a fatal Chinook helicopter crash in Afghanistan on Aug. 6, 2011.

Respected retired military experts supported their accounts. Among them were Lt. Gen. Tom McInerney, USAF (Ret.); Lt. Gen Jerry Boykin, USA, Ret.); Lt. Gen. Paul Vallely, USA (Ret.); Admiral James "Ace" Lyons, USN (Ret.); Lt. Col. Allen West, USA (Ret.); and retired Navy SEALs Benjamin Smith and Larry Bailey. Also verifying their claims was Brigitte Gabriel.

The following points were some of many covered during the 3-hour conference:

- President Obama's and Vice President Biden's disclosure that Navy SEAL Team 6 had carried out the raid on bin Laden's compound had made the SEALs and their families prime retaliatory targets. Yet, three months later, the SEALs were ordered into a battle without proper or adequate air support; no fighter escorts, no pathfinders, no drones - nothing.

- There are military in-theater restrictions which keep our soldiers from engaging in timely return fire when fired upon. The denial of requested pre-assault fire contributed to the shoot-down of the Chinook one has to second-guess what your medical condition is helicopter.

- Afghan forces accompanying the SEALs on the helicopter were switched out at the last minute by an "out of theater" commander, without being vetted or put on a manifest. The whistle-blowers believe this is how classified information got to the Taliban, which resulted in the shoot-down.

- Unprecedented before, military brass (who now prohibit any mention of a Judeo-Christian God), invited a Muslim cleric to the funeral at Bagram Air Base for the fallen SEALs. In Arabic, this Cleric disparaged their memory by damning them as "infidels to Allah." A video of this clericâ€^{Ms} "prayer" with a certified translation by Brigitte Gabriel was shown.

The press conference, in its entirety, can be found here: Navy SEAL Team VI Families | The National Press Club. The military expert comments begin at 1:18 (1 minute and 18 seconds). It is long, but I urge you to listen to it.

(Ed. note: Nena says she's receiving e-mails advising that the link to the actual press conference she wrote about is not working. This may be to a wide "denial of service" attack that the FBI warned about last week.

There are many, many sites featuring the video if vou search for "video, press conference, extortion 17, whistle blowers." One such site is at:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player emb edded&v=rqtJrJ40Cio .)

Interesting Stuff

A Tattoo Can Save Your Life





For years many people used bracelets, necklaces and cards in their wallet to have some type of medical alert that can be recognized by medical professionals in case of an accident.

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First Russian Warship Docks In Israel



The Russians have come to Israel to mark the World War II victory over the Nazis, and to seek a new Middle East partner. Moscow now sees that Israel is the most stable and reliable potential ally in the region.

X-47B catapult launch from USS George H.W. Bush a pivotal moment in aviation



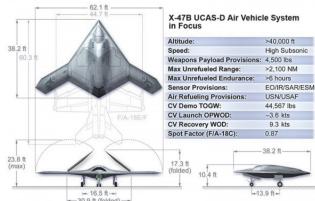
The X-47B Unmanned Combat Air System demonstrator (UCAS-D) completed its first ever carrierbased catapult launch from USS George H.W. Bush (CVN 77) off the coast of Virginia, May 14th.

"Today we saw a small, but significant pixel in the future picture of our Navy as we begin integration of unmanned systems into arguably the most complex warfighting environment that exists today: the flight deck of a nuclear-powered aircraft carrier," said Vice Adm. David Buss, commander, Naval Air Forces, the Navy's "air boss."

The unmanned aircraft launched from the deck of George H.W. Bush at 11:18 a.m., ET. It executed several planned low approaches to the carrier and safely transited across the Chesapeake Bay to land at Naval Air Station Patuxent River, Md., after a 65-minute flight.

Buss called the launch a "watershed event" in naval aviation and said he expects that decades from now, a future "air boss" will have a picture of the X-47B launching from **Bush** behind their desk just as he has a picture of aviation pioneer Eugene Ely's first-ever landing on a ship's deck in 1911 behind his desk now.

"This ship and crew continually meet the challenges placed before them," said the ship's commanding officer, Capt. Brian E. Luther. "The successful launch of the X-47B is yet another first on USS George H.W. Bush. We were excited to host the experimental aircraft, and are proud to know we have played a part in a significant milestone in naval aviation."



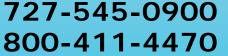
A Jackal In Charge Of The Hen House

world's sole multilateral disarmament forum after the tattoo at very low cost. United States announced that its ambassador to the U.N. Conference on Disarmament would boycott any meeting have also been seen on the hand, arm, and even the led by Tehran. The U.N. Conference on Disarmament has been deadlocked for about 15 years. While the chairmanship of the Geneva-based body is largely ceremonial, it is a high-profile position.

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he Small Print Where Are The Democrats?

By Phillip Meskin

With all the news agencies looking into the Benghazi terrorist attacks, they all say someone in the narrative; Republican accusations, Republicans want more information, Republicans want access to the survivors for how long the attack took, Republicans want to see the requests that were made for more security at the embassy, Republicans want to talk to part of a larger organization began selling off a the Military Commanders who were told to 'Stand Down' by presidential order, Republicans want to know why Military assistance which was 30 to 50 minutes away was NOT Given at the first call of violence, the second wave of attacks, the third wave... And the attacks and murders lasted ALMOST FIVE HOURS... The Republicans want to know, what punishment will be provided to those PAID 'Foreign Security Forces' that fled within seconds of the first attack?

OUR question is both pounding in our Heads and Hearts... Why Aren't The Democrats Asking These **Same Questions?**

Have Democrats become so afraid of not following the leader... That they leave the whole country and the world guessing what they are thinking?

Is there not one democrat who is appalled by the actions of the IRS going after conservative and Pro-Israel groups? OR is the entire democrat congress and senate in on this?

Was there one democrat that was outraged when the department of justice performed a massive cull of Associated Press phone records?

Show us one annoyed democrat when HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius solicited donations from companies HHS might regulate. The money would be used to help her sign up uninsured Americans for ObamaCare.

Was there even one irritated democrat when Attorney General Eric Holder told Congress in May 2011 that he had just recently heard about the Fast and Furious gun walking scheme when there is evidence he may have known much earlier?

Where was the indignation from democrats when the General Services Administration in 2010 held an \$823,000 training conference in Las Vegas, featuring a clown and a mind reader?

Where were the righteous elected democrats when Attorney General Eric Holder told a Congressional Hearing that he had never been associated with "potential prosecution" of a journalist for perjury when in fact he signed the affidavit that termed Fox News Reporter James Rosen a potential criminal and subsequently monitored his phones and emails?

Where was the democrat's wrath when they heard that the Department of Veterans Affairs wasted more than \$6 million on two conferences at Disney World in Orlando, Florida?

Why did not one democrat raise a voice of fury when the Obama administration funded with a halfbillion dollars and promoted Solyndra Solar Panels its poster boy for green energy despite warning signs the company falsified its data to show it produced great amounts of energy and was headed for bankruptcy? The Obama administration also pressed Solyndra to delay layoff announcements until after the 2010 midterm elections. Which means they knew far in advance that the company had failed. When the election process was complete, it laid off 1,100 successful story of our Veterans Village.

he Small Print ... It's Been Good To Know You By Phillip Meskin

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Editorial

In November of 2010, we decided to change where our paper gets printed. We chose to go with the Tampa Tribune, it gave us an opportunity to change our layout to a larger size format and explore new variations in style.

By September of 2012, the Tampa Tribune being number of its assets. As most people in the Tampa Bay area know, they cut their workforce by more than 120 employees, gave their more senior staff early retirements, shuffled around their administration staff and then they were sold.

For the past year and a half, we have tried to push our e-mail edition of this publication. It has some major benefits over are printed copy. For example, most of those computer links you see in our articles are actually active in the e-mail edition. So if you wanted more information about VA benefits or more details of the story, all you had to do was click on it and your computer would take you to that site.

Another benefit is the quality of our publication on the web, you can blow up all the photos to greater Ensure that Veterans are not forgotten size and for us older folk you can enlarge all of the reading material to the size of your screen, so there would be no more squinting.

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While some of you may think that the hardcopy subscriptions make a profit we are here to tell you otherwise. It costs about \$1.37 for every copy we mail as First Class Postage. This allows the paper to be in the readers hands within a few days, as opposed to presorted mail which could take as long as seven working days.

This gives us a clear profit of \$1.56 per year per subscription, however, when a subscriber calls us and complains that the post office did not deliver their copy we sometimes send out another copy, bringing our profit for the year to \$0.19. And even if we added another 5000 paid hardcopy subscribers, the numbers would come out the same as we would have to add more labor, more time and more volunteers. So for now, we are no longer taking hardcopy subscriptions.

Yes we said volunteers, no one at the Veterans Post News gets a salary, or hourly wage and the usual compensation is either a meal, a drink or a thank you.

This newspaper has been profitable and the funds we raised were used to support Veterans in our area. Veterans of America, Paralyzed Veterans of America, allow them to understand the workings of the VA. Wounded Warriors Project, American diabetes Association, (Lou Gehrig's ALS organization, National Order of Trench Rats, 40/8, The Retired Enlisted Association (TREA), Hospice at Quote:

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me... It's because of them I did it myself.

employees and the American taxpayers are still out a	So why are we telling you all of this? Well, in the	-Albert Einstein
half-billion dollars.	last six months, the Tampa Tribune has gone through	
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War Powers Resolution by attacking Libya without	how it works The government spends too much	But because of the silence of good people."
Congressional approval.	money then it has to tax its citizens more to get it	-Napoleon Bonaparte
Did you know that are kindly VP Biden has bullied		
the American Free Press? Biden's office has repeatedly	For those of you who have served overseas and	"Every woman deserves a man who respects
interfered with coverage, including forcing a reporter	were able to read a copy of Stars & Stripes you	her. And Every man deserves a woman who
to wait in a closet, making a reporter delete photos, and	remember that you couldn't get it stateside, but now it	appreciates his effort."
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Are the democrats more interested in their party	which has a schedule to put it out weekly on	
line than the Citizens they are supposed to Serve? OR	Thursdays.	"We Americans are so tired of being thought
Do they have a separate agenda contrary to the	The Times is offering an introductory offer of	of as dumb-asses by the rest of the world that
Constitution and the Will of the Citizens of this Great		we went to the polls last November and
Nation?	comes to \$47.88 a year. Currently, the hardcopy is	removed all doubt." - Clint Eastwood
The question is not if you care, but how much you	free but like with so many things in this world that is	
don't care.	subject to change.	Some Syrian rebels say they no longer hate
Americans both Democrats and Republicans have	If you take a closer look at our masthead on the	Israel, and say the Jewish state has the
become so complacent that they just don't care that	front page you will notice that the word Veterans is	"balls" to do what other Arab states and the
much anymore. Would any of you be willing to ride or	blue with white stars and the word post has red	West won't.
fly to DC to protest what is going on?	stripes. We had hoped of a national publication with	
How about something easier but say writing a	the subliminal message of stars and stripes.	The Veterans Post News, is
letter or making a phone call, would you do that?	To all the naysayers that said we would not last a	
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computer go to a site and click a box? Just what would	past 23 years. If it was not for the fact that we had a	and Women of the United
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or you're in the bathroom with nothing else to read and	Leisse, thank you for keeping us almost afloat for the	would not have any of the
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Are you afraid that if you stood up to be counted	push whenever I got bogged down Has the	
that there could be repercussions to your actions?	expertise and knowledge in so many areas, that it	
That's the rub, isn't it?	would be hard to imagine what would have happened	
In the back of your mind, you already know that it	to this publication our Flag Display Unit and the	
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enforcement to catch you because they're only	Duane Reed, who has come to our rescue so	•
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Military/Veteran/Political

A Better Use Of An Umbrella... To Cover A Comrade In Need By Cpl. Bill Feidler, Port Arthur, TX



At the Golden Triangle Veterans Memorial park on Hwy 87 in Port Arthur, Texas on Monday May 28th (Memorial Day) 2012. My wife and I arrived at 2pm as the band began to play and the service started at 2:30pm.

When we got there the pavilion was full but we were able to squeeze into the back left hand corner under the roof in the shade.

While the program was going on I was listening to a friend of mine, retired Colonel Chris Lamson, with 25 years active duty in the Marines and I looked over my right shoulder and noticed the old Veteran setting on the wall. His wife had been holding the umbrella over his head and laid it down to stand up where she could see the speaker and hear what was being said.

When I turned to look the second time I noticed the Marine who had stepped forward, picked up the umbrella and was holding it over the older gentleman.

You can tell by the shadow that only the left shoulder and arm of the Marine was in the shade. Notice his right hand behind his back standing at parade rest in full dress blues. Not once did he flinch.

The temperature forecast that day was predicted to be 90 degrees or more in the shade. In Southeast Texas the humidity can also match the temperature.

If you have ever worn a set of dress blues you would understand how hot they are. He stood there until the service was over. When it was over I walked up to him and said "Thank you for such a kind act for the old Veteran" He just looked at me and nodded as if to say, "it was my duty".

As I walked away with a tear in my eye and my

At the Golden Triangle Veterans Memorial park WW-II Marine's Dying Wish Fulfilled-Almost

To Whom it May Concern,

Before he was killed by a Japanese sniper in 1944, U.S. Marine Corps Cpl. Thomas "Cotton" Jones wrote that he had one "last life request." He asked that whoever found his diary would deliver it to Laura Mae Davis, his high school sweetheart.

Davis didn't get to see the diary until almost 70 years later when she was shocked to find it on display at the National World War II Museum. The 90-year-old woman, now Laura Davis Burlingame, said she had no idea the diary even existed.

The curator of the museum let her have a closer look, saying it was the first time in his 17 years in the business that someone has found "themselves mentioned in an artifact in the museum." The museum later scanned the diary and sent Burlingame a copy.

Clerk's Note: So the national World War II Museum with all its resources available could not locate Ms. Laura Mae Davis, in Winslow, Indiana? The town has grown since the 1940's, as its 2011 total population was 863. While it was very nice of them to scan the entire diary, they still should have honored the dying man's wish, and given the original diary to the woman and kept a copy. They could have gotten a positive reaction if they had used it as a photo opportunity to present the diary to the woman and kept the copy at the museum. How hard would it have been to find one Laura Mae Davis in Winslow, Indiana back in the 1940s, or 1950s, or 1960s, etc. etc. the dignity, honor and respect of our nation has fallen to an all-time low.

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Report: DHS Spying On Veterans Who Speak Too Freely



In 2009, the FBI and Department of Homeland Security began a program to monitor white supremacists and militia/sovereign-citizen extremist groups for terrorist activities. Included among the suspected terrorists were Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans.

At the time it was revealed, the program called "Operation Vigilant Eagle" caused some controversy but was quickly forgotten and buried by the media.

For the DHS, Vigilant Eagle was the expression of the misdirected paranoia that exists at the agency's highest levels, which since President Obama stepped into office have issued multiple reports about a supposed wave of terrorism by American conservatives of various stripes (military & Veterans), from Tea Party members to off-duty cops.

At the time, Janet Napolitano, Homeland Security secretary and chief conspiracy theorist, told NBC that, "This is an assessment of things just to be wary of, not to infringe on constitutional rights, certainly not to malign our Veterans."

Tell that to Brandon Raub. Last year, Raub was arrested by a small mob of FBI and Secret Service agents and held for a week at a psychiatric facility, all because the Marine Corps Veteran likes to gripe in blogs and on Facebook about the federal government. According to **WorldNetDaily**, one sample of his posts reads, "The United States was meant to lead the charge against injustice, but through our example, not our force. People do not respond to having liberty and freedom forced on them."

He has filed a lawsuit against the federal government. Wonder if another visit to the psych ward is in order? He was only released last time after a judge stepped in and admonished the agencies holding him that the case was "devoid of any factual allegations."

Raub's attorneys claim that the arrest and forcible commitment were an attempt by the FBI and other officials with Operation Vigilant Eagle to silence Raub for his criticism of the government.

Documents about Operation Vigilant Eagle show the project idea was hatched in December 2008 as a joint operation of the FBI and the Defense Department, as the Bush administration was packing up and the Obama administration was moving in, according to the **Wall Street Journal**.

By February 2009, just weeks after Obama's DHS opened shop, a project memo stated that the purpose of Vigilant Eagle was to "share information regarding Iraqi and Afghanistan war Veterans whose involvement in white supremacy and/or militia sovereign citizen extremist groups poses a domestic terrorism threat."

Supposedly, this assessment of a suddenly "growing threat" was based on confidential information, under-

heart swelling it made me proud to know that the old traditions are still carried on. It was 57 years ago this summer that I joined the Marines.

Story Submitted by David Lawson

cover sources and "publicly available" information.

Thanks to the Obama administration, the freedoms our brave Veterans fought to protect are slipping away daily.



Military and Political

Raptors Pair With Japanese F-15s



F-22s deployed to Kadena AB, Japan, from JB Langley-Eustis, Va., earlier this month joined with F-15s of the Japan Air Self Defense Force for bilateral training, announced Kadena officials.

This marked the fourth time that the U.S. fifth generation fighters and Japanese fourth generation fighters have paired for air superiority drills since 2007, states Kadena's April 15 release, which came 10 days after the training took place.

The Japanese F-15s were from Naha Air Base, also on Okinawa. By training with the F-22s, and understanding their capabilities, the Japanese pilots are able to improve tactical skills, said Lt. Col. Hiroaki Murakami, the JASDF's 204th Tactical Fighter Squadron commander.

Lt. Col. Jason Hinds, who's leading Langley's 94th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron at Kadena, said training with the Japanese is an integral piece of the Air Force's mission in the Asia-Pacific region. Plus, the time spent on Okinawa gives Raptor pilots the opportunity to work with the assets of Kadena's 18th Wing, he said.

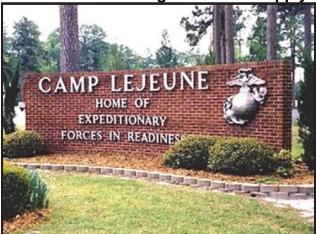
Among the aircraft that call Kadena home are F-15s, E-3 AWACS, and KC-135 tankers.

The F-22s are scheduled to return to Langley AFB later this spring.

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USMC Failed to Safeguard Water Supply



A simple test could have alerted officials that the drinking water at Camp Lejeune was contaminated, long before authorities determined that as many as a million Marines and their families were exposed to a witch's brew of cancer-causing chemicals.

But no one responsible for the lab at the base can Russia. recall that the procedure mandated by the Navy was ever conducted.

The U.S. Marine Corps maintains that the carbon chloroform extract (CCE) test would not have uncovered the carcinogens that fouled the southeastern North Carolina base's water system from at least the mid-1950s until wells were capped in the mid-1980s. But experts say even this "relatively primitive" test required by Navy health directives as early as 1963 would have told officials that something was terribly wrong beneath Lejeune's sandy soil.

A just-released study from the federal Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry cited a February 1985 level for trichloroethylene of 18,900 parts per billion in one Lejeune drinking water well nearly 4,000 times today's maximum allowed limit of 5 ppb. Given those kinds of numbers, environmental engineer Marco Kaltofen said even a testing method as inadequate as CCE should have raised some red flags with a "careful analyst."

Biochemist Michael Hargett agrees that CCE, while imperfect, would have been enough to prompt more specific testing in what is now recognized as the worst documented case of drinking-water contamination in the nation's history.

"I consider it disingenuous of the Corps to say, 'Well, it wouldn't have meant anything," said Hargett, co-owner of the private lab that tried to sound the alarm about the contamination in 1982. "The levels of chlorinated solvent that we discovered ... they would have gotten something that said, 'Whoops. I've got a problem.' They didn't do that."

Trichloroethylene (TCE), tetrachloroethylene (PCE), benzene and other toxic chemicals leeched into ground water from a poorly maintained fuel depot and indiscriminate dumping on the base, as well as from an off-base dry cleaner.

Nearly three decades after the first drinking-water wells were closed, victims are still awaiting a final better we can do with \$700 million? American federal health assessment â the original 1997 report having been withdrawn because faulty or hospitals and are being denied life saving treatment incomplete data. Results of a long-delayed study on birth defects and childhood cancers were only submitted for publication in late April.

DoD Ok's \$10 Billion Arms Deal to Arabs

Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel, this would result in the sale of V-22 Osprey aircraft, advanced refueling tankers, anti-air defense missiles, and 25 F-16 Desert Falcon jets - to two key Arab allies. We will also sell anti-air defense missiles to Israel. (just in case these Arab nations decides to attack Israel)

Clerk's Note: The question comes to mind if they will do background and mental health checks for all the people who will come into contact with these weapons? Or is that reserved just for American Citizens?

WE Buy Russian Gun Ships For Afghan's

Does anyone remember Barack Obama's great promise of the campaign of 2012? He did not make a promise to America nor to Americans. He did not make a promise to fellow politicians.

Unlike so many of his promises, he is keeping this one. His promise was to Vladimir Putin of

Everyone remembers the hot mike incident in 2012 when Obama pleaded with then-Russian President Dmitri Medvedyev to give him time until the election. After the election, he promised Vladimir Putin, through Medvedyev, he would be more "flexible." Now we have seen this flexibility.

Barack Obama is going to spend almost \$700 million dollars of U.S. taxpayers' money to buy Russian helicopters for the Afghan Air Force. But wait. Just like those TV commercials, this gets better.

When Congress passed the 2013 National Defense Authorization Act, it had an interesting provision. Congress included, as a part of that law a prohibition on the United States buying helicopters from Rosoboronexport, the Russian manufacturer of the Mi-17 helicopter. Unfortunately, as always happens when such laws are passed, Congress always gives the regime an escape hatch. The law stated that Obama could buy from Rosoboronexport if the Secretary of Defense certified it was in the interest of national security.

And of course, Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel, a man committed to destroying the U.S. military, immediately signed off on that certification. Where do we even start with this one?

Congress is outraged over this with senators and representatives from both parties writing letters about this. Of course, this is Congress' fault for allowing a law to be written with such an escape hatch.

More importantly, Americans need to be asking just what the hell the Obama regime is doing. Why are we spending \$700 million dollars with a Russian arms manufacturer? Why are we even giving the Afghans these helicopters? If we are going to give them helicopters, which we really shouldn't, then why not give them American-made helicopters and put Americans to work?

In the era of the sequester, isn't there something Medicare cancer patients are being turned away from because of budget cuts. The American military is being gutted to the point of ineffectiveness because of budget cuts.

Or A Nation That Forgets!

Many former Lejeune Marines and family not come clean about the situation, and the question of whether these tests were conducted is emblematic of the depth of that mistrust.

Or, consider this. The United States Air Force is members who lived there believe the Corps still has grounding 17 squadrons because of \$591 million dollars in budget cuts. Our Air Force is not able to do its mission because it lacks the money to fly, but we have the money to give Afghanistan \$700 million dollars in Russian helicopters.





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Where Does Carbon Really Come From? By Professor Ian Plimer



Okay, here's the bombshell. The volcanic eruption in Iceland, since its first spewing of volcanic ash has, in just FOUR DAYS, NEGATED EVERY SINGLE EFFORT you have made in the past five years to control CO₂emissions on our planet - all of you.

Of course you know about this evil carbon dioxide that we are trying to suppress - it's that vital chemical compound that every plant requires to live and grow and to synthesize into oxygen for us humans and all animal life.

I know, it's very disheartening to realize that all of the carbon emission savings you have accomplished while suffering the inconvenience and expense of: driving Prius hybrids, buying fabric grocery bags, sitting up till midnight to finish your kid's "The Green Revolution" science project, throwing out all of your non-green cleaning supplies, using only two squares of toilet paper, putting a brick in your toilet tank reservoir, selling your SUV and speedboat, vacationing at home instead of abroad, nearly getting hit every day on your bicycle, replacing all of your 50 cents light bulbs with \$10.00 light bulbs ...well, all of those things you have done have all gone down the tubes in just four days.

The volcanic ash emitted into the Earth's air in just four days - yes - FOUR DAYS ONLY by that volcano in Iceland, has totally erased every single effort you have made to reduce the evil beast, carbon. And there are around 200 active volcanoes on the planet spewing out this crud at any one time - EVERY DAY.

I don't really want to rain on your parade too much, but I should mention that when the volcano Mt Pinatubo erupted in the Philippines in 1991, it spewed out more greenhouse gases into the atmosphere than the entire human race had emitted in all its years on earth. Yes folks, Mt Pinatubo was active for over one year think about it.

I know I shouldn't spoil this touchy-feely moment to mention the effect of solar / cosmic activity and the well-recognized 800-year global heating and cooling cycle, which keep happening, despite our completely insignificant efforts to affect climate change.

And I do wish I had a silver lining to this volcanic ash cloud but the fact of the matter is that the bush fire season across the western USA and Australia this year alone will negate your efforts to reduce carbon in our world for the next two to three years. And it happens every year.

Just remember that your government just tried to impose a whopping carbon tax on you on the basis of the bogus "human-caused" climate change scenario.

Hey, isn't it interesting how they don't ntion "Global Warming" any more, but just "Climate Change" - you know why? It's because the planet has COOLED by 0.7 degrees in the past century and these global warming bull artists got caught with their pants down. And just keep in mind that you might yet have an Emissions Trading Scheme - that whopping new tax imposed on you, that will achieve absolutely nothing except make you poorer. It won't stop any volcanoes from erupting, that's for sure.

Be Careful Of What Your Children Wear Your Child Could Be Performing A Terrorist Act!

An 8th grade student from West Virginia has been arrested, suspended and faces charges for wearing an NRA T-shirt with the image of a firearm and the words "Protect Your Right" printed on it.

KOWK-TV reported Jared Marcum saying he never thought there would be a problem with his pro-Second Amendment apparel. I never thought it would be a problem with this.

Police confirmed that Marcum had been arrested and faced charges of obstruction and disturbing the education process after getting into an argument over the shirt with a teacher at Logan Middle School, which is south of Charleston.

The student's father, Allen Lardieri, told KOWK that the shirt didn't violate school policy, nor did his son become aggressive when confronted about it. "I will do everything in the legal realm to make sure this does not happen again," Lardieri said. AND

When 14-year-old Michael McIntyre wore a Tshirt to school in support of the U.S. Marines, he had no idea a national controversy would follow. But that's exactly what happened after the student at Genoa-Kingston Middle School, in Genoa, Illinois, was told to remove the shirt by a teacher who said that it violated the dress code.

According to Fox News, the student was even threatened with suspension if he refused to comply. Michael fulfilled the request by turning the shirt inside out, although he was confused, as he had reportedly worn it to school many times before without incident. The shirt, which simply said, Marines and had an image of two intersecting rifles. According to the boy's father, Daniel McIntyre, it was the guns that captured that teacher's attention.

Despite the teacher's actions, Superintendent Joe Burgess told the parent that the district would have overturned the decision had they known. While teacher Karen Deverell told the student to remove the shirt, protocol for staff members who are unsure if clothing violates policy is to send the student to the principal who then makes the final decision.

In the wake of the incident, district officials have been extremely supportive of the family. Rather than a violent symbol, Burgess noted that the rifles on the shirt are well-known as images associated with the Marines. He also reiterated that Michael didn't commit a dress-code violation.

Clerk's Note: Freedom of Speech... But Not In Our Schools!

How To Survive A Heart Attack When You Are Alone

Since many people are alone when they suffer a heart attack, without help, the person whose heart is beating improperly and who begins to feel faint, has only about 10 seconds left before losing consciousness.

However, these victims can help themselves by coughing repeatedly and very vigorously. A deep breath should be taken before each cough, and the cough must be deep and prolonged, as when producing sputum from deep inside the chest.

A breath and a cough must be repeated about every two seconds without let-up until help arrives, or until the heart is felt to be beating normally again.

Deep breaths get oxygen into the lungs and coughing movements squeeze the heart and keep the blood circulating. The squeezing pressure on he heart also helps it regain normal rhythm. In this way, heart attack victims can get to a hospital. Tell as many other people as possible about this. It could save their lives!

And We Help Afghanistan... WHY?

As many as 74 schoolgirls in Afghanistan's far north fell sick after smelling gas and were being examined for possible poisoning, local officials said today. While instances of poisoning are sometimes later found to be false alarms, there have been numerous substantiated cases of mass poisonings of schoolgirls by elements of Afghanistan's ultraconservative society that are opposed to female education. Local officials said the girls became ill after smelling gas at their school, Bibi Maryam, in Takhar Province's capital, Taluqan.

If Palestine Gets UN Recognition

A senior Palestinian Authority official has revealed that a Palestinian state will, as a first order of business, work to become strong enough to complete the destruction of Israel.

Several versions of their constitution have this pre-written when they become a state.

As a separate state, they will be entitled to receive funds from the UN to create a police force which will need weapons and advanced electronic equipment.

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Scheduled for September 11, 2013, the organizers at AMPAC (American Muslim Political Action Committee), are demanding that their civil rights be protected and that laws are enacted to protect their first amendment rights. So they want to be in DC on a date that all real Americans remember as a day that the Muslim world declared war on the United States of America.

They are demanding their religious freedom, which appears to be a reasonable request except for the fact, that they consider their religious freedom is to be able to use their Koran in their everyday lives, meaning if the Koran allows them to beat their wives mutilate their sisters and mothers, then that should be allowed in the USA.

They are using the premise in which another religious group uses marijuana for their religious beliefs. Since marijuana is against the law in the state where the group exists, the federal courts have allowed them legally use of marijuana for their religious ceremonies.

What they want is not to be judged by American standards, but by their own. And once they get this notion passed, it means if their book says that infidels must die, they would be within their religious rights to kill thy neighbor instead of love them.

Make no mistake, there is absolutely nothing in that book of theirs which brings brotherly love, or family values or love of nation or even love of any God.

Their profit demands only obedience, and those within their own sect, family, village or tribe, will be murdered just as quickly as any infidel. This is the way of their religious beliefs. And this is what they wish to continue to subscribe to and they want our legal system to allow them to do so.

Maybe we should start our own religion. We register as Caring About Women (CAW). Our belief will be that anyone who maims, mutilates, beats, bullies, rapes or murders a female, should have the exact same thing done to them, under our religious belief of an eye for an eye.

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News Of Interest

Navy Names Its Next Two Destroyers



Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus announced the next Arleigh Burke-class destroyers (DDG) will be named **USS Paul Ignatius** and **USS Daniel Inouye**.

"As secretary of the Navy it is my privilege to name these ships to honor a respected naval leader and a true American hero." Mabus said. "For decades to come, the future **USS Paul Ignatius** and **USS Daniel Inouye** will represent the United States and enable the building of partnerships and projection of power around the world."

The future **USS Paul Ignatius** (DDG 117) honors Paul Ignatius, who served as secretary of the Navy from 1967-1969 and as assistant secretary of defense under President Lyndon Johnson.

The future **USS Daniel Inouye** (DDG 118) is named to honor former Sen. Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii. Inouye was awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions in Tuscany, Italy, during World War II and later became a U.S. senator.

USS Paul Ignatius and **USS Daniel Inouye** will be the first naval ships to bear these names.

Arleigh Burke-class destroyers conduct a variety of operations from peacetime presence and crisis management to sea control and power projection. They are capable of fighting air, surface and subsurface battles simultaneously and contain a myriad of offensive and defensive weapons designed to support maritime warfare.

DDG 117 and DDG 118 are part of the DDG 51 multi-year procurement with the contract award to the building yard pending. The ships will be 509 feet long, have a beam length of 59 feet and be capable of operating at speeds in excess of 30 knots.

Pentagon Spends More Than \$53 Million On Missiles For The Army, Marines And Foreign Militaries



This contract, estimated at \$53.4 million in maximum value, pays for the supply of an unspecified number of Javelin Block I Tactical Missile rounds for the U.S. Army and U.S. Marine Corps, and also for supply to the militaries of Jordan and Indonesia.

Restored F-100 On Display At The Smithsonian



Child Porn Conviction ALL WRONG!

Passive possession of child pornography is not a victimless crime, authorities say, because by definition a child had been abused in the creation of the image, but that reasoning was no relief for New Zealander Ronald Clark, who was sentenced to three months in jail in Auckland in April for watching pornographic cartoon videos of short-statured elves and pixies.

A child-protection activist acknowledged that no child was harmed in the creation of the Japanese anime artwork but insisted that it was still injurious because "It's all part of that spectrum." Clark said he wondered if he might also be convicted for viewing sexual stick-figure drawings.

Clerk's Note: This has got to be the work of the 'Thought Police'.

Illinois Trying To Return 108 Forgotten War Medals

By Jim Corvey, News of the Force St. Louis

The state of Illinois is holding more than a 100 lost or forgotten military medals in its vaults under the capitol and is trying to return them to the families of Veterans.

State Treasurer Dan Rutherford is asking people to take a moment after Memorial Day weekend to see if they recognize the names on a list of Veterans whose military honors are held by the state.

The 108 medals span more than a century of conflicts with one dating back to the 1898 Spanish-American War. There are Purple Hearts, Bronze Stars and a Navy Cross. Many of the items come from safe deposit boxes that have been forgotten. Banks eventually transfer the contents to the treasurer's office.

The Veterans' names can be found at: www.treasurer.il.gov

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<u>America's Oldest Veteran</u>



for his 107th Memorial Day, Kichard Arvine Overton America's oldest veteran to spend quiet Memorial Day at Texas home he built after returning home from World War II

Seventy-one years ago, the U.S. Army's Richard Arvine Overton was fighting for his country in the South Pacific.

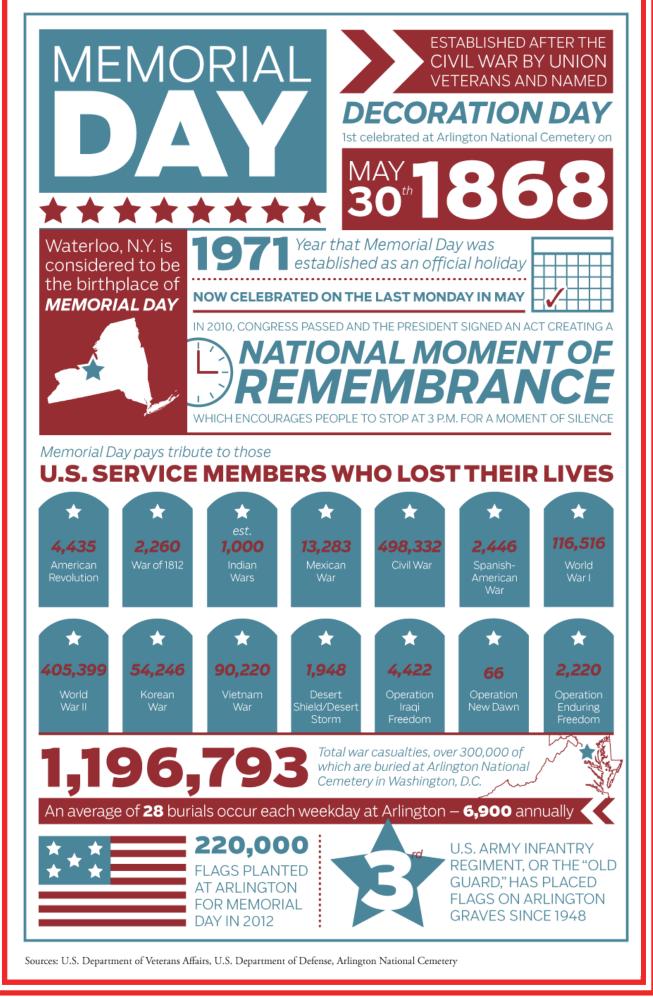
Now, at 107, the Austin, Texas, resident is reported to be the oldest living Veteran in the United States, and his plan for Memorial Day like every other day, include porching it with a cigar - he smokes up to 12 a day - and a morning mug of whiskey-laced coffee.

It's part of the routine for him, and apparently it's working. "Whiskey's a good medicine," said Overton. "It keeps your muscles tender."

As far as sharing war stories with comrades, however, those days are gone. "I know I had someone from my platoon until recently, but he passed so now I don't have anyone that I know," he said. "So I feel lonesome by myself sometimes. I would love to ask some of them some questions, but nobody is here. Everybody's passed."



Now that you celebrated Memorial Day, Here's The Numbers YOU Missed;





A newly restored Vietnam War-era F-100D Super Sabre is now on display at the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum's Udvar-Hazy Center in Chantilly, Va.

This particular air frame "participated throughout the Vietnam War and is currently in the markings it wore during the Tet Offensive in 1968," when it was at Bien Hoa Air Base, near Saigon, Robert van der Linden, the museum's aeronautics division chairman, said.

The restoration began last September; after 2,154 man-hours of work, the F-100 went on display on April 4. The Air Force had preserved the air frame at JB Andrews, Md., with wings and fluids removed, for more than 30 years, said van der Linden. "There was very little restoration" needed, he said, since the aircraft was already in good shape.

The original paint is still on the aircraft, but some of the fuselage markings needed a fresh coat of paint, he said.

In 2011, the AFA honored F-100 Misty pilots with a Lifetime Achievement Award for their heroism during the Vietnam War.

Unofficially, there are some 20 Super Sabres in museums around the United States, or on static display on military bases, said van der Linden.

Tough Prison Rules For Russian Women

A Russian court refused to grant parole to a member of Pussy Riot serving a two-year prison sentence for protesting in Moscow's main cathedral with a "punk prayer" against President Vladimir Putin. The judge ruled against Maria Alyokhina, supporters tweeted, saying she did not qualify for parole because she had violated prison rules, including by refusing to make her bed or to wear a head scarf while sewing and by writing letters during mealtimes.

Clerk's Note: Don't worry, Obama is now friends with the Russian President, he will make change...

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Muslim Mob Desecrates Graves Of Allied Soldiers



Armed vandals attacked and smashed the headstones of Allied and Italian service members laid to rest in a World War II cemetery in Benghazi and then posted video of their desecration online.

The U.K. Foreign Office said that on Feb. 24 and 26, hundreds of headstones in two British military cemeteries in Benghazi were vandalized. Markers identifying Christian or Jewish war dead were damaged or broken.

In video re-posted on YouTube the men (including the videographer) are seen kicking over or smashing headstones. One man takes a hammer to a ceremonial Cross of Remembrance. Men are heard saying of the dead, "They are dogs."

VA News 1-855-VA-WOMEN



The Department of Veterans Affairs has launched a new hotline, 1-855-VA-WOMEN, to receive and respond to questions from Veterans, their families and caregivers about the many VA services and resources available to women Veterans. The service

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VA To Expedite Claims Decisions For Veterans Who've Waited A Year Or More



The Department of Veterans Affairs announced that it is implementing an initiative to expedite compensation claims decisions for Veterans who have waited one year or longer.

Effective today, VA claims raters will make provisional decisions on the oldest claims in inventory, which will allow Veterans to begin collecting compensation benefits more quickly, if eligible. Veterans will be able to submit additional evidence for consideration a full year after the provisional rating, before VA issues a final decision.

"Too many Veterans wait too long for a decision, and this has never been acceptable," said VA Secretary Eric Shinseki. "That is why we are implementing an aggressive plan to eliminate the backlog in 2015. This initiative is the right thing to do now for Veterans who have waited the longest."

Provisional decisions will be based on all evidence provided to date by the Veteran or obtained on their behalf by VA. If a VA medical examination is needed to decide the claim, it will be ordered and expedited.

"Issuing provisional decisions not only provides Veterans with applicable benefits much more quickly, but also gives them an additional one-year safety net to submit further evidence should it become available. Our door will remain open and if a Veteran has additional evidence, their case will be fast-tracked," said Allison Hickey, VA's undersecretary for Benefits.

If any increase is determined to be warranted based on the additional evidence received, benefits will be retroactive to the date the claim was initially filed. The initiative protects the Veteran $\hat{a} \in \mathbb{M}_S$ right to appeal the decision. If no further evidence is received within that year, the VBA will inform the Veteran that their rating is final and provide information on the standard appeals process, which can be found at http://www.bva.va.gov/.

Throughout this initiative, VA will continue to prioritize claims for homeless Veterans and those claiming financial hardship, the terminally ill, former prisoners of war, Medal of Honor recipients, and Veterans filing fully developed claims. More information about filing fully developed claims at: http://www.benefits.va.gov/transformation/fastclaims/

Claims for Wounded Warriors separating from the military for medical reasons will continue to be handled separately and on a priority basis with the Department of Defense through the Integrated Disability Evaluation System (IDES). Wounded Warriors separating through IDES currently receive VA compensation benefits in an average of 61 days following their separation from service. As a result of this initiative, metrics used to track benefits claims will experience significant fluctuations. The focus on processing the oldest claims will cause the overall measure of the average length of time to complete a claim - currently 286 days - to skew, rising significantly in the near term because of the number of old claims that will be completed. Over time, as the backlog of oldest claims is cleared and more of the incoming claims are processed electronically through VA's new paperless processing system, VA's average time to complete claims will significantly improve. In addition, the average days pending metric - or the average age of a claim in the inventory - will decrease, since the oldest claims will no longer be part of the inventory. While compensation claims are pending, eligible Veterans are able to receive health care and other benefits from VA. Veterans who have served in recent conflicts are eligible for 5 years of free health care from VA. Currently, over 55% of returning Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans are using VA health care, a rate of utilization greater than previous generations of Veterans. Veterans can learn more about disability benefits on the joint Department of Defense - VA web portal, eBenefits, at: https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefitsportal/ebenefits.portal

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Supreme Court Hears Case Claiming "Cradle To Grave" Congressional Power

"Cradle To Grave" Congressional Power By Joe Wolverton, II, J.D. Walaardan, Amil 17, the Summary Count has

Wednesday, April 17, the Supreme Court heard arguments in a case of extraordinary impact on the Constitution and the power of the federal government (FG) to control every aspect of citizens' lives. Not surprisingly, it's a case you've never heard of.

United States v. Kebodeaux is of such importance that if the Obama administration is victorious, it will, perhaps irreversibly, accelerate the consolidation of all power to DC. One analyst observed, should the court decide in favor of the president, he will have "gained total power to rule the lives of US citizens from cradle to grave."

How is this usurpation accomplished? By way of the assumption by the FG to take powers reserved to the states, specifically that spectrum of authority over the individual known as "police power."

The Constitution as drafted and ratified by the states granted to the FG a limited slate of powers (described by James Madison as "few and defined"), leaving the residue in the hands of the states.

Among the powers not delegated by the states to the FG in the Constitution is the "general power of governing," that is to say "police power." This direct influence over the life, liberty, and property of citizens is reserved by the state governments.

There are, admittedly, a couple of exceptions. For example, Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution places the military and obviously federal property within the jurisdiction of the federal govt. Also, the Interstate Commerce Act of 1887 expanded the scope of the FG, including the addition of a few "police powers" formerly restricted to the states.

An example of the practical execution of this power is the array of state laws governing abortion, voting eligibility, marriage, etc. Notably, in recent years, the federal govt has legislated in each of these areas, taking powers from the state.

Unfortunately, states have unwittingly participated in the centralization in DC of all power. According to the facts of the creation of the Constitution and the explicit text of the 10th Amendment, states may rightfully reject any federal act that exceeds the narrow range of powers granted to it in the Constitution. However, the FG has grown so powerful and the states proportionately have become so weak that the FG can now unconstitutionally compel obedience to its many mandates by withholding billions in grant money and "matching funds" from insubordinate states.

One recent example cited in the report mentioned above is the clash that occurred when the FG required that all cars be equipped with seat belts. Then, in an effort to force states to pass mandatory seat belt laws, the FG offered grant money and highway improvement money. States that refused to toe the federal line were kept away from the federal trough.

Presently, the relationship between federal and state power has become so imbalanced that states are so dependent on the FG that state lawmakers and governors are afraid to bite the hand that feeds them for fear of having to cut programs that are nearly fully funded by feds.

The New American has reported, every state depends in some degree on federal money for their budget.

For example, in Wisconsin, nearly 33% of the state budget comes from DC. Florida, almost 37%; Ohio, 39%. Utah 31.5% and Arizona's gets nearly 46% of its states funding. At the ends of the federal dependency spectrum are the states of Alaska at 24% and Mississippi at 49%.

Fed ascendancy will rocket toward absolutism should the Supreme Court rule against Anthony Kebodeaux.

A short case history will help one appreciate the historical significance of the federal power grab that would be strengthened by a favorable ruling. The follow procedural recitation is taken from Kebodeaux's brief in emposition to sending the aces to the Supreme Court

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445th Air Wing forced to close on Fridays



Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, will be forced to close the 445th Airlift Wing on Fridays. The move is a direct result of sequestration. Base leaders say the airlift wing relies on hundreds of civilian air reserve technicians who will now not be working on Fridays. opposition to sending the case to the Supreme Court:

In 2006, Congress enacted the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA), which imposes registration requirements on those convicted of sex offenses under state or federal law. Both classes of offenders are subject to criminal penalties if they cross state lines to avoid registration. A federal offender, however, may be punished even without interstate travel. Kebodeaux is a federal offender by virtue of his 1999 military conviction for having consensual sex with a 15year-old girl.

Additional background is provided on the case: Between the years 1999-2006 Kebodeaux lived trouble free in Texas until he failed to register as a "sex offender" during a short move and a time of great personal upheaval in his life. The State of Texas had no interest in prosecuting him, but the same could not be said of the Bush regime.

Arrested by the FG, not Texas, in 2006, Kebodeaux was charged under a Federal law recently enacted, and 7 years after he had been unconditionally released. Though he was tried and convicted by a Federal jury, and served 1-year and 1-day in Federal prison, his conviction was overturned upon appeal by the US Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit, in a unanimous decision, who ruled his arrest and prosecution were unconstitutional.

Enter the Supreme Court. The high court agreed to hear the Obama admin's appeal of the 5th Circuit Court's unanimous decision and has endowed itself, once again, as the ultimate arbiter of where to draw the line between state and federal authority.

If the FG is successful in its appeal, the Supreme Court will "give Congress nearly limitless power," continuing the trend it supported in its decision in the ObamaCare case *NFIB v. Sebelius*.

Should the Supreme Court continue along the path they set out on in *Sebelius*, the Cato Institute warns in an amicus brief that "the government's arguments [in *Kebodeaux*] would permit not just 'unending criminal authority' over Kebodeaux but unending authority over every American who was once in federal jurisdiction, which is, of course, every American."

Furthermore, Cato's argument written by Professor Ilya Somin of George Mason University School of Law explains the threat to liberty should the Supreme Court once again overturn a constitutionally sound ruling of a lower federal court. Somin writes: Stripped to its essence, the govt's argument would ultimately allow perpetual jurisdiction over *anyone* merely because they were *once* subject to federal jurisdiction and are now deemed to be dangerous to the public.

Moreover, the govt's theory cannot be limited to past federal criminals. After all, anyone who was once under Congress's jurisdiction for any reason may later pose a threat or an obstacle to a future congressional goal. To allow Congress to regulate any citizen who was ever in federal jurisdiction on this premise is to improperly give Congress a vast and unbounded power.

A decision on the *Kebodeaux* case is expected soon.

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Adult/Political Humor

25 Jokes Quickies

1. My husband and I divorced over religious differences. He thought he was God and I didn't.

- 2. I don't suffer from insanity -- I enjoy every minute of it!
- 3. I used to have a handle on life, but it broke.
- 4. Don't take life too seriously -- no one gets out alive.
- 5. You're just jealous because the voices only talk to me.
- 6. Beauty is in the eye of the beer holder.
- 7. Earth is the insane asylum for the universe.
- 8. I'm not a complete idiot -- some parts are missing!
- 9. Out of my mind. Back in five minutes.
- 10. God must love stupid people -- He made so many!
- 11. The gene pool could use a little chlorine.
- 12. Consciousness: that annoying time between naps.
- 13. Ever stop to think, and forget to start again?
- 14. Being "over the hill" is much better than being under it. 15. Wrinkled was not one of the things I wanted to be when I grew up.

16. Procrastinate now!

17. I have a degree in Liberal Arts -- do you want fries with that?

18. A hangover is the wrath of grapes.

19. A journey of a thousand miles begins with a cash advance

20. Stupidity is not a handicap. Park elsewhere!

21. He who dies with the most toys is nonetheless dead.. 22. A picture is worth a thousand words, but it uses up

three thousand times the memory.

23. Ham and eggs -- a day's work for a chicken, a lifetime commitment for a pig.

24. The trouble with life is there's no background music.

25. I smile because I don't know what the heck is going on.

If I sold my house, my car and everything I owned and gave all the money to the church, would I get into heaven the Sunday School Teacher asked her First Grade Students. NO! All the children shouted out. If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard and kept everything neat and tidy, would I get into heaven? Again the answer was a loud and resounding NO! Then how can I get into heaven? A five year old boy shouted out... "You gotta be dead!"

Blessed are those who can laugh at themselves; for they shall never cease to be amused.

Acting swiftly in response to the Boston Marathon bombings, New York Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York Legislature late last night passed emergency legislation making New York the first state to prohibit the sale of pressure cookers. Under the legislation, owners of pressure cookers with a capacity of more than 10 quarts will have one year to dispose of them, out-of-state. Owners of pressure cookers with capacities of 10 quarts or less may keep them, but may not fill them with more than 7 quarts unless on a gas range. In a widely anticipated technical amendment needed to correct an evident oversight in the haste to get the new law passed, it is expected that celebrity cook-offs held in connection with political fund-raisers will also be exempted from the assault cooker ban, which is now the strictest pot law in the nation. (Sadly, this is true)

I once lived in a town that was so small we didn't even have a village idiot. We had to take turns.

Two can live as cheaply as one, but only for half as long.

Someone stole all my credit cards, but I won't be reporting it. The thief spends less than my wife did.

The Irony of Being An Anti-Gun Liberal;

You may not like guns... That is your right.

You may not believe in God... That is your choice.

things you will do are...

- 1. Call someone with a gun
- 2. Pray they get there in time

I dream of a world where chickens can cross the road without having their motives questioned



A large company was having a password audit on its computers and asked all employees to update their passwords. The CEO of the company discovered that their blonde receptionist had the strongest, longest & secure password in the company. During a directors meeting, he invited her in to explain how this came about. The blonde rolled her eyes and said Duh, it has to be at least eight characters and include one capital. Her password was: "MickeyMinniePlutoHueyLouisDeweyDonaldGoofyAustin"

Military Slogans That Are Politically Incorrect

10. We don't like collateral damage, but it helps to stay the hell out of our way.

- 9. Total destruction and 30 min. or the next one is free.
- 8. We are often mistaken for God.
- 7. We kill terrorists so you don't have to.
- 6. If everything is exploding around you, that's probably us.
- 5. Dictator got you down? Ask about our new "regime A beautiful blonde woman loved growing tomatoes, but change" policy!
- 4. Just point at what you want dead.

them if necessary.

2. When it absolutely, positively has to be destroyed overnight, call the United States Marines.

1. We're from the government and we're here to kill you.

down and scream when some guy, you never met scores a No, she replied, but my cucumbers are enormous. touchdown," she replied.

Prepared In A Kitchen Not Subject To Regulation

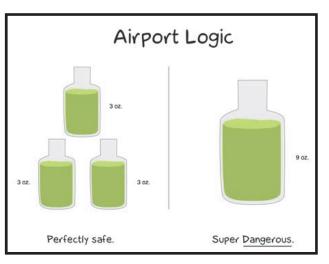
A Missouri state senator is taking aim at health inspectors who he says are blocking charitable chili suppers. Republican Sen. Mike Cunningham, of Rogersville, is sponsoring legislation that would let non-profit groups prepare food in private homes and bring it to charitable fund raisers. The groups would need to post signs saying the food was prepared in a kitchen not subject to regulation. Senators gave initial approval yesterday to Cunningham's bill after a Democratic senator attached an amendment exempting the St. Louis area from its provisions. Cunningham asserted that "rogue inspectors" are acting like "food Nazis" by shutting down charitable chili suppers. Democratic Sen. Ryan McKenna, of Crystal City, says he efforts. (Also True)



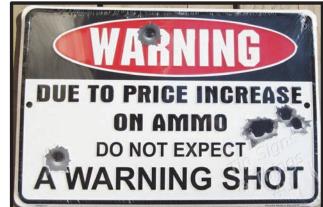
But if someone breaks into your home, the first Two I'm very good at opening child-proof caps, with a hammer.

If swimming is so good for you to slim your figure, how do you explain whales?

Three couples went to see a minister to find out how to become members of his church. The minister said that they would have to go without sex for two weeks and then come back and tell him how it went. Of the three couples one was retired. The second was middle-aged and the third were newlyweds. Two weeks went by and the couples returned to the minister. The retired couple said, no problem at all. The middle-aged couple said it was tough for the first week but after that not a problem. The newlyweds said it was fine until she dropped a can of paint. A can of paint? Asked the minister. Yup said the newlywed man. She dropped the can and when she bent over to pick it up, I had to have her right there and then, lust took over. The minister just shook his head and said that they will not be welcomed in the church. The bride spoke up and said that's okay, we are not I welcome back at Home Depot either.



couldn't seem to get her tomatoes to turn red. One day, while taking a stroll she came upon a gentleman neighbor 3. Trying to win hearts and minds, but willing to splatter who had the most beautiful garden full of huge red tomatoes. The woman asked the gentleman, "what do you do to get your tomatoes so red?" The gentleman responded, well, twice a day. I stand in front of my tomato garden and expose myself and my tomatoes turn red from blushing so much. Well, the woman was so impressed she decided to She was watching a TV soap opera, when a husband try doing the same thing to her tomato garden to see if it walked into the room and looked at his wife crying about would work. So, twice a day for two weeks she exposed what she was watching on TV. "How can you sit there and herself to her garden hoping for the best. One day the cry about the made-up troubles of people you never even gentleman was passing by and asked the woman, by the met?" He inquired. "The same way you can jump up and way, how did you make out? Did your tomatoes turn red?



No matter how little money you have and how few possessions you own, having a dog makes you rich.

Why is it that people say, "I slept like a baby," when babies wake up like, every two hours?

What if there were no hypothetical questions?

I believe five out of four persons have trouble with fractions.

Two young businessmen in Florida were sitting down for a break in their soon-to-be new store in a shopping mall. As vet, the store's merchandise wasn't in - only a few shelves and display racks set up. One said to the other, "I'll bet that any minute now some senior is going to walk by, put his face to the window, and ask what we're selling." Sure enough, just a moment later, a curious senior gentleman walked up to the window, looked around an rapped on the glass. Then, in a loud voice, he asked, "What are you selling here?" One of the men replied sarcastically, "We're selling ass-holes." Without skipping a beat, the old timer said, "You must be doing well. Only two left."

I make mistakes, and I'll be the second to admit it.

Every day I get up and look through the **Forbes** list of the richest people in America. If I'm not there, I go to work.

Is it just me, or do buffalo wings taste like chicken?

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If not for the "last minute," nothing would ever get done.

Memo To Terrorists; United States Federal Government Took 3,000 Days to Get Bin Laden...

Boston Took 4 Days to Get the Tsarnaev brothers...

Note: Stay Out Of Boston!



Remember when Playboy magazine reportedly offered Sarah Palin \$4,000,000 to pose nude in an upcoming issue? Then Michelle Obama was offered \$50 by National Geographic? And when KFC offered a "Hillary" meal, consisting of two small breasts and two large thighs? Now KFC is offering the "Obama Cabinet Bucket." It consists of nothing but left wings and chicken crap.

If you get an e-mail titled, "Nude photo of Nancy Pelosi," don't open it. It contains a nude photo of Nancy Pelosi.

I used to be indecisive. Now, I'm not so sure.

A clear conscience is a sign of a fuzzy memory.

A woman has the last word in any argument. Anything a man says after that is the beginning of a new argument.

Sign in mom's kitchen; Today's Menu, Take It or Leave It.

I'm beginning to realize that aging is not for wimps.

When I was a child, I remember my Mom telling me, "Son, when you grow up, you can marry any girl you please." When I became a young man, I learned the sad fact was that I could not please any of them.

At the Irish wedding reception the D.J. yelled ... "Would all married men please stand next to the one person who has made your life worth living." The bartender was almost crushed to death.

A preacher was walking down the street when he noticed has heard of no problems and supports the food safety a small boy sitting on the curb. The boy had a bottle of liquid and seemed fascinated with it. The preacher was curious as to what was in the bottle so he asked the boy about it. The little boy looked up to the preacher and said preacher what I have here is the most powerful liquid in the world, this is a bottle of turpentine! The preacher smiled and shook his head and said no, no, my child, you are wrong. The most powerful liquid in the world is holy water, for if you would rub the holy water on a pregnant woman's belly, she will pass a baby boy. The little boy just grinned and replied preacher that ain't nothing, if you was to rub a little of this turpentine on a cats ass it will pass a motorcycle!

> Condoms don't guarantee safe sex anymore. A friend of mine was wearing one when he was shot by the woman's husband.

> Two blond men find three grenades and decide to take them to a police station. One asks: "What if one explodes before we get there?" The other says: "We'll lie and say we only found two."

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And Again From Peace Loving muslims...

A senior Palestinian Authority official has revealed that when the United Nations formally recognizes a Palestinian state, it will, as a first order of business, work to become strong enough to complete the destruction of Israel.

The Jordanian Parliament has voted to expel its Israeli ambassador after the Jewish state dared to exercise sovereignty over Jerusalem's Temple Mount.

Navy Hazing Involved 'Embarrassment'



A U.S. Navy report says a commanding officer in Illinois was removed from the job after humiliating three reservists in front of other sailors.

Lt. Cmdr. Jack O'Neill was in charge of Navy Operational Support Center Rock Island until March 19. An investigative report released by the Navy Reserve Forces Command, in Norfolk, Va., says O'Neill was upset that several sailors missed physical training during a drill weekend. He ordered those sailors to perform a body-building exercise in front of others, with each saying, "I do what I want," after each repetition.

The report was obtained by The Associated Press through the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). The sailors said they were embarrassed and O'Neill later apologized.

The Navy considers the incident hazing. It happened just weeks after a hazing prevention office was created.

Clerk's Note: What really is embarrassing, is that three sailors should have been marked AWOL from duty instead of having to do a physical activity. Will the 'NAVY' be embarrassed if sailors are not fit enough to perform during actual combat? Will the NAVY file charges against a foreign nation when sailors are taken as POW's and they are called nasty names? Holy Dog Pile Batman... How sensitive has our military become? Will the Army & Marines do away with Drill Sergeants' and put in 'Life Coaches'?

Gen. Odierno; We'll Still Need An Army



Military/Political News

IRS Caught Laundering Veterans Disability Checks...

By Kevin E Lake

Recently, the IRS has come under attack for malicious treatment of certain U.S. citizens and groups by singling them out based upon their personal political preferences. At this time, it is still unclear where the direct orders came from to initiate such heinous activities, but what is crystal clear is that this type of activity is not new for the IRS.

The IRS has mastered the art of breaking their own laws, one case in particular; using banks to launder, then steal disabled Veterans' disability checks.

The Veterans Disability Act of 2010 is a Federal law which exempts VA disability from withholding of any sort. Actually, existing code USC, Title 38, §5301 already protected VA disability from withholding, but this provision was re-iterated and included in the newer legislation of 2010, because too many civil court judges were legislating from the bench and including Veterans' disability monies as earned income and granting it to exspouses (men and women) in divorce proceedings, at times, leaving disabled Veterans without any safety net for self-care.

However, the IRS is still figuring out ways to get to a Veteran's disability money. How do I know? Recently, it happened to me.

A couple of months ago, when I logged into my online bank account to make sure that my VA disability check had been deposited (I am a 60% disabled Veteran of the Iraq War) I saw red and a negative balance, beside which read the word "hold."

I called my bank and was informed that the IRS had sent a letter demanding that the bank take all of the available funds out of my account on the first day of the month and then wire them to them. The bank gave me a telephone number at which to call the IRS. After being placed on hold for a very long time- long as in a biblical age- I finally spoke with an agent.

Long story short; they claim I made \$157,000 in 2010 and that I owe them tons of money, and until I pay it, a lien will remain on my personal account.

Early in 2010, I was in the hospital recovering from injuries I'd sustained while serving in Iraq. I was released early in the year, but still did not find work until October, even then, it was only part time. I can assure you, as I did the IRS, I did not earn \$157,000. Actually, I earned less than \$10,000.00 in 2010.

I kindly read the federal code mentioned above to the lady I spoke with at the IRS, reminding her that VA disability money is 100% exempt. She placed me on hold for another age (I could see a man coming- bearing water- over the horizon) and then she came back on the line and told me, "We do not take Veterans' disability money. We wait until the funds are deposited from the VA and then we take all of the funds from your bank account."

Um. Isn't this called laundering?

I find it ironic, that only weeks before the IRS put this hold on my bank account, I'd been asked to be a contributing writer for key Tea Party personality "Joe the Plumber." I'd been writing freelance articles on Veterans affairs for some time, publishing them through Facebook, I viewed the personal call Joe made to me as one of the greatest compliments I'd been paid in regard to those articles. I jumped at the opportunity to join his team and give my work, such as this piece, a wider audience. I can't help but think that part of my decision to join Joe's team may have played a part in being singled out by the IRS and having my VA disability money taken from me in complete breach of federal law.

The good news is that through my persistence, and my refusal to accept their answer, that it is okay to launder VA disability money, I was able to get the IRS to refund all of the money they'd taken from my bank. I am working with the IRS to remedy their great misunderstanding of my earnings for 2010, and I am reaching out to all disabled Veterans to let them know that if this is happening to them, they do have rights, and they need to stand up for them. As many Veterans know, our war does not stop once we make it home. Often, new battles begin, such as battles for the rights our government promised they'd provide for us upon our return from war that they often turn around and attempt to take away. Currently in America, twenty two Veterans a day commit suicide. One of the biggest contributors to the suicide epidemic is our Veterans' inability to find suitable work after serving and the inability to take care of themselves and their families financially. This is why VA disability is sacred- except in the eyes of the IRS. Too many disabled Veterans in the U.S. are just a disability check away from being on the street and joining the already nearly 70,000 homeless Veterans in America. If you are a Veteran receiving disability from the VA and it is being garnished, withheld, or having a lien placed upon it for any reason, please contact the entity who is doing so and reference the federal code stated earlier in this article. You stood up for the rights of all people of a great nation in combat, but unfortunately, you must continue to stand up for yourselves to ensure that the promises of being taken care of upon your return are kept. But you can do it, because you are a warrior, and that's what warriors do.

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William (Bill) Clinton's Military Career

Commander Hamilton McWhorter USN (Ret)

Oh! You didn't know he had a military career?

Bill & Hillary got about \$12 million for their to-be written memoirs. Here's some help for them since their memories are getting old.

Bill Clinton registers for the draft on September 1964, accepting all contractual conditions of 08. registering for the draft. Selective Service Number is 326 46 228.

Bill Clinton classified 2-S on November 17, 1964.

Bill Clinton reclassified 1-A on March 20, 1968.

Bill Clinton ordered to report for induction on July 28, 1969.

Bill Clinton refuses to report and is not inducted into the military.

Bill Clinton reclassified 1-D after enlisting in the United States Army Reserves on August 07, 1969, under authority of COL. E. Holmes.

Clinton signs enlistment papers and takes oath of enlistment.

Bill Clinton fails to report to his duty station at the University of Arkansas ROTC, September 1969.

Bill Clinton reclassified 1-A on October 30, 1969, as enlistment with Army Reserves is revoked by Colonel E. Holmes and Clinton now AWOL and subject to arrest under Public Law 90-40 (2) (a) registrant who has failed to report... remain liable for

induction. Bill Clinton's birth date lottery number is 311, drawn December 1, 1969, but anyone who has already been ordered to report for induction is INELIGIBLE!

Bill Clinton runs for Congress (1974), while a fugitive from justice under Public Law 90-40.

Bill Clinton runs for Arkansas Attorney General (1976), while a fugitive from justice.

Bill Clinton receives pardon on January 21, 1977, from *President* Carter.

Bill Clinton becomes the FIRST PARDONED FEDERAL FELON ever to serve as President of the United States.

All these facts come from Freedom of Information requests, public laws, and various books that have been published, and have not been refuted by Clinton.

After the 1993 World Trade Center bombing, President Clinton promised that those responsible would be hunted down and punished.

After the 1995 bombing in Saudi Arabia which killed five U.S. military personnel, Clinton promised that those responsible would be hunted down and punished.

After the 1996 Khobar Towers bombing in Saudi Arabia, which killed 19 and injured 200 U.S. military personnel, Clinton promised that those responsible would be hunted down and punished.

After the 1998 bombing of U.S. embassies in Africa, which killed 224 and injured 5,000, Clinton promised that those responsible would be hunted down and punished.

After the 2000 bombing of the USS Cole, which killed 17 and injured 39 U.S. sailors, Clinton promised that those responsible be hunted down and punished.

Maybe if Clinton had kept those promises, an estimated 3,000 people in New York and DC, who are now dead, would be alive today.

THINK ABOUT IT! It is a strange turn of events. Hillary gets \$8 Million for her forthcoming memoir.

Bill gets about \$12 Million for his memoir yet to be written. This from two people who spent 8 years being unable to recall anything about past events while under oath.

There are plenty of potential wars around the world after Afghanistan that would require a fully manned and capable Army, said the land service's Chief of Staff Gen. Ray Odierno.

Speaking with defense reporters in Washington, D.C., on May 7, Odierno rattled off "North Korea, the Middle East, Syria, Iran, and a possible failed Pakistani state" as just a few of the places where large numbers of American ground troops might be needed. However, the Army needs to train up: "We have not done high-end combined-arms training" for about 10 years, he said, and as a result of sequestration, "80 percent of the Army will only train to very low levels at home station."

The Army has cut flying hours, canceled exercises, and "We have had to degrade services that we provide at our installations," said Odierno. He said he hopes to step up the Army's military-to-military exchanges with countries in the Pacific, since most of those countries' largest armed services are their armies, but funds for joint exercises are needed to make that work, he said.

DoD Civilians Get Unpaid Leave: 11 Days



U.S. Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel will announce that most of the Defense Department's 800,000 civilian employees will be placed on unpaid leave for 11 days, as the military scrambles to comply with budget cutting targets by the end of September. Hagel will announce the decision at a town hall meeting with Defense Department employees scheduled for 2:30 p.m., EDT. The furlough is shorter than the earlier estimates of 14 days issued in March and 22 days in February, but is still going to be deeply unpopular among the Pentagon's work force.



Kevin E Lake is an author and an Iraq War Veteran. His recent novel, "Off Switch" was written to raise awareness of the suicide epidemic in the U.S. among our soldiers and Veterans. He lives in the Philippine Islands where he writes full time and eats fish and rice. Lots of rice.

P.S. Please talk to as many people as you can: We don't want this woman to even THINK of running for president!

Syria's Govt Prevents Over-Population

At least 94,000 people have been killed during Syria's two-year conflict, but the death toll is likely to be as high as 120,000, the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said.

The group said that at least 41,000 of those confirmed killed were Alawites, the sect of President Bashar al-Assad.

Clerk's Note: Yeah, but let Israel kill one small 23 year old child holding a rocket launcher and the entire muslim religion goes nuts.

More Peace Loving muslims In Syria

Syrian soldiers slowly stab a man to death, puncturing his back dozens of times. A rebel commander bites an organ ripped out of an enemy combatant. A young boy hacks the head off a prisoner. A soldier mutilates the genitals of a corpse.

These are the images of Syrian conflict, the first war in which the prevalence of camera phones and Internet access has allowed hundreds of gruesome war crimes to be broadcast, spreading hatred and fear.

They are defining the war that is spilling across Syria's borders and making reconciliation an ever more distant prospect.

Clerk's Note: The current administration in the White House, is providing hundreds of millions of dollars of weapons to the Syrian govt, but it may reconsider and instead provide these same weapons to the Syrian opposition. Now the only people who have to worry are the Israelis, American citizens and Jews who live on the rest of the planet.



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Kathleen Sebelius' Health Fundraising Being Probed By Lawmakers



The U.S. health secretary's effort to raise money to promote the Affordable Care Act is drawing the attention of Republican lawmakers who want to know whether she solicited companies regulated by her agency.

Japan Says: "U.S. Marines Need Sex"



Toru Hashimoto, co-leader of the Japan Restoration Party, stunned and flustered a U.S. military commander in Okinawa earlier this month with a suggestion that legalized sexual services be used to keep U.S. Marines sexual appetites under control.

The disclosure came on the evening of May 13, hours after he said 'comfort women' or those forced to provide sex to Japanese soldiers during World War II, were a necessary part of war. Hashimoto, also Osaka's mayor, told reporters in the city hall that he made the proposal when he visited U.S. Marine Corps Air Station Futenma, in Okinawa Prefecture, in early May.

Hashimoto told reporters, "The sex industry, if not the comfort women system, is necessary." He said he told the commander that "Japan has places where sexual energy can be released within the law. It is impossible to control the sexual energy of hot-blooded Marines properly unless such places are officially made use of. Principles aside, I ask you to make good use of such places." Hashimoto also told reporters, "Soldiers are put in extreme situations in which they can lose their lives. They are overflowing with energy. We have to think about the way they can let it out somewhere."

"There is no problem in the U.S. military using Japan's legalized sex industry," he said. In response to criticism from the Pentagon spokesman, Hashimoto said, "The United States is not being truthful. It has consistently denied a licensed prostitution system.

But history shows that there was a thriving sex industry around U.S. bases. Rejecting the legalized sex industry in Japan amounts to discrimination against women who voluntarily chose the profession."

Politically Speaking

Looking For Just ONE Democrat To Speak The Truth?

Benghazi probe co-chair subpoenaed

The head of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee has subpoenaed the co-chairman of the independent review board that investigated last year's attack on the U.S. diplomatic mission in Benghazi, Libya, to answer questions about the panel's findings behind closed doors.

IRS chief declines to identify employees involved in scandal

The outgoing head of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS) angered Republican lawmakers yesterday by resisting their demands that he identify who at the tax-collection agency had inappropriately targeted conservative groups for extra scrutiny. But during the first hearing into a growing IRS scandal that could preoccupy Washington for months, Republicans did learn that a top official in President Obama's administration knew that the IRS was looking into targeting by the tax agency nearly a year ago.

Man accused of rape and murder released

South African prosecutors dropped charges against one of the two men charged with raping, mutilating and killing a teenage girl in a crime that outraged a country hardened by some of the world's highest rates of sexual violence.

Prosecution spokesman Eric Ntabazalila said the man had been released from custody because there was not enough evidence to take him to trial.

Clerk's Note: How many Billion\$ does the current administration 'GIVE' to South Africa?

Kerry visits Oman for arms deal and talks

Secretary of State John Kerry flew to Oman for Raytheon Co.'s signing of an estimated \$2.1 billion arms deal and to consult on Syria and Iran, U.S. officials said. Oman is expected to sign a letter of intent to purchase a ground-based air defense system that would help protect it against cruise missile, drone or fighter aircraft attacks, a senior U.S. State Department official told reporters aboard Kerry's plane. Part of the sale has been previously disclosed.

Clerk's Note: Again... The White House is allowing Enemies of the USA to purchase \$2.1 Billion in weapons... But that very same White House is trying to take away weapons from the Free Citizens of the United States of America.

Iceland's Government Freezes E.U. Talks And Sends Democrats Packing

Iceland's center-right Progressive and Independence parties agreed on a coalition government and said they would freeze talks on entering the European Union until a referendum on whether or not to continue the process.

Both parties made big gains in elections last month where voters, fed up with years of austerity and rising debts, handed the incumbent Social Democrats their worst defeat of any ruling party since independence from Denmark in 1944.

Georgia Physician Returns To Army Service At Age 55



BSA Votes To End Ban On Gay Scouts

The Boy Scouts of America (BSA) voted to lift a century-old ban on openly gay Scouts in a major victory for gay rights activists, but the decision means a sea of change for an organization that depends heavily on faith-based groups.

In Georgia, Ohio, Kentucky, Alabama, North & South Carolina, Florida & Texas, Baptist's and other churches, have advised more than 100 Scout Troops that their church will no longer sponsor them.

Clerk's Note: Now we wait to see how many gay and lesbian organizations take in the scouting groups, by providing them with a place to meet, leadership and financial support.

Veterans Exposed To AO Have Greater Risk Of 'Aggressive' Prostate Cancer



Leaking AO Barrels at Johnston Atoll, circa 1973

Millions of Vietnam War veterans were exposed to Agent Orange, an herbicide that contained dioxin and other dangerous toxins and potential cancercausing agents. Throughout the 1960s until 1971, in Vietnam (as well as in the Korean Demilitarized Zone and, until 1975, in some parts of Thailand), the military used the herbicide to wipe out the foliage and trees to impede the enemy's ability to hide.

Full story: <u>Veterans exposed to Agent Orange</u> have an increased risk of aggressive prostate cancer, analysis finds | cleveland.com

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3338 4[™] Street North **727-895-9274** Saint Petersburg FL 33704 RLane@MarinerCarWash.com Nearly two decades after he left the U.S. Army to pursue private medical practice, Dr. Clark Cobb is ready to get back in uniform.

"There are parts of it that I missed," said Cobb, a Family Practice physician. "I miss the structure, discipline and camaraderie of uniformed service."

Now, at age 55, Cobb recently commissioned as a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army Reserve. He will serve approximately one weekend each month and two weeks every year with the 1207th U.S. Army Hospital, at Fort Benning, Ga.





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