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INFORMATION LETTER/UPDATE:

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Welcome to the New Year. I hope everyone is off to a good start.

TACTICAL CORNER:

Occasionally I piss off a few people in life and from time to time they vent on the internet. Critiques on the internet sometimes reflect this and other times people are just plain dumb. I try and take it in stride.

I did have a couple of negative comments reference my CRAS video on amazon and I thought I would share and answer here with a little "push back."

CRAS VIDEO REVIEW

What makes me give it only 2 stars is that I find some of the advice unrealistic or impractical in the real world, and the real world is where active shooters attack.

Howe advises against using a rifle (eg. AR-15) to hunt down an active shooter because the police and everyone else will assume you are a bad guy if they see a rifle. I can see his point but there are strong arguments in favor of a rifle over a pistol that he never mentions (range, stopping power, firepower, accuracy etc.).

His firing demonstrations with a pistol are so slow and deliberate that they look like recreational plinking.

He moves away from cover to shoot one target to avoid endangering the " innocent

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" target behind it . All very legal but impractical ; The longer an active shooter stays alive, the more people he kills so why wait until you are sure you won't shoot through him and hit someone else ?

You cannot swing a dead cat these days and not hit a tactical instructor, some with just an "NRA Instructor Certificate" to their credit. Some instructors are good, many are not. An old friend and mentor taught me that "homework must be accompanied by fieldwork." With that, the internet has allowed anyone with an opinion to voice their tactics/techniques with no repercussions. I figured I would respond to a few of their comments here.

As for a civilian running around with an AR in an active shooter situation, it is dumb. Scraggly looking LE narcotics officers from time to time get killed because they are not properly marked and show up without a raid vest. Officers have fratricide with other officers because they were not properly marked during day and low light situations. The same applies to the AR platform. It can be guilt by association. You have a good chance of being shot by the good guys. Of course there is also the problem of the sling and how to get it off your body once you are suspected of being a threat and they tell you to put your hands up. The rifle is still on your body.

Next, it looks like he is moving around and "plinking." Yes it does. I have plinked people to death in the real world. I have plinked them in the front, back, side, daytime and nighttime. I have done it under NVG's with a laser. Speed is relative to the shot required and the tactical situation. The commenter needs to go watch another Rambo movie to get their tactics down. Save your spastic running around and lack of discrimination for your weekend IPSC matches. In the real world you have to sort out a great deal of data under high stress, move efficiently and then make surgical shots. Suggesting you sling lead is ignorant and irresponsible.

The below photo of a target I pulled out of a stack of shot up bad guy targets after a recent CRAS class. We buy all targets with a purpose and this one is no exception. In the background of this target are five plus innocent people. One missed shot to the left is striking an innocent girl squarely in the back. Our solution is don't pull the trigger and move closer if you cannot make a solid hit. The commenter who suggested that you should shoot no matter the foreground and background is a dumb ass. I would not be happy if you shoot my daughter in the back during an active shooter incident and would deal with you accordingly after the fact. The commenter is probably another internet commando who does not practice, can't routinely hit shit and then makes a bad decision to shoot on top of it. Further, they probably don't even zero with their carry ammo and know where it strikes.



We train with targets that make you think and are realistic from our experience.

As for time of the videos, we only have a certain time to get the material out. The CRAS class is 24 hours. The video is two and that is what I am allotted. If you put techniques taught in other shooting videos with it, you have the answers to the test.

INSTRUCTOR NOTES:

Reference my combined Tac Pistol/Rifle Classes, you can certify in both weapons or just one or the other. My intent is to provide classes with more bang for the buck which includes both weapons. I will start to offer more two-day classes of either rifle or pistol in the future.

Further, I will be having staff teach more of the two day classes and I will mostly likely come to portions of them to shoot and maintain my own proficiency.

LE CORNER

Certain state and local law enforcement academies “center or rear load” firearms training in their curriculums.

To ensure a better proficiency and alignment with tactical portions, it is important to front load firearms in the first portion of the training. It allows more time during the academy to

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learn proper weapon handling and marksmanship skills that can be used during scenario based training later in the course.

Students can be properly taught to “dry practice” early on and this allows them to practice in their off time during the course. The same should apply to physical training. Students should be taught how to work out early on in the academy and then tested each month. I believe they should qualify once a month until they graduate.

If you do not front load firearms training, you should not have cadets perform any tactical scenarios until firearm training is completed, even with blue guns. Some academies do blue gun training before firearms and all you are doing is building training scars on the cadets and possibly reinforcing bad habits before they fire a live round.

Our local police department takes a new recruit that graduates the academy and put them through a 5 day, 40 hour firearms course, generally one-on-one, to get them up to speed for the street before they ride in a patrol car.

There have been instances where a cadet made it through the academy and could not qualify with their weapon. Even after a week of firearm training, they could not qualify and had to be let go from the department.

Firearms proficiency should be used to determine if an individual is suited for law enforcement or to carry a gun. This should not be a social experiment. Their lives and the lives of their fellow officers are on the line every day. If they cannot safely handle a firearm and demonstrate proficiency, they should not be allowed to carry a weapon and should find another profession.

MONTHLY INSPIRATION



MONTHLY PERSPECTIVE:



Much of the media is to blame for not remaining neutral and supporting the corruption. Instead of doing their jobs with accurate and detailed reporting, they have taken sides and noticeably weakened our country. They silently allow the weakening of our country to continue instead of holding our elected officials accountable.



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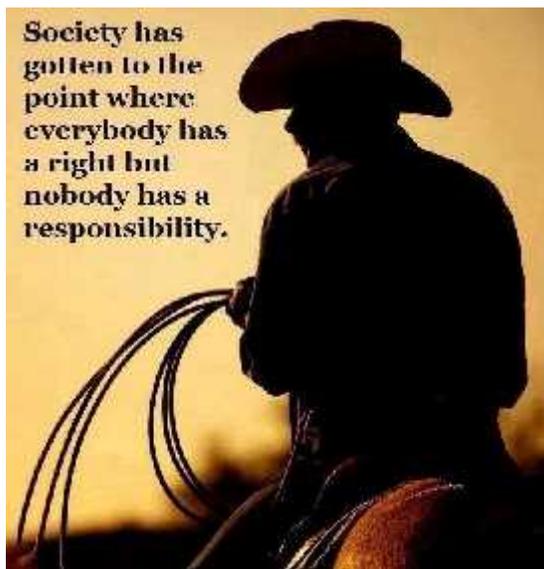
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This picture speaks volumes. Unless we take action on the voting front, we will be silently condoning these actions.

Further, it is a trickle down problem where many schools of higher learning are an extension of a welfare type system which enables professors to teach who have never had a real job, much less held a job in the subject they are teaching. "Professional" student professors who have fast tracked into academics and know nothing of the real world out there help shape the next generation. We have allowed colleges and universities to educate and mislead our youth. When we do not invest in proper education and hold educators accountable, we get shitheads like the one below.



Responsibility has been lost, along with accountability.



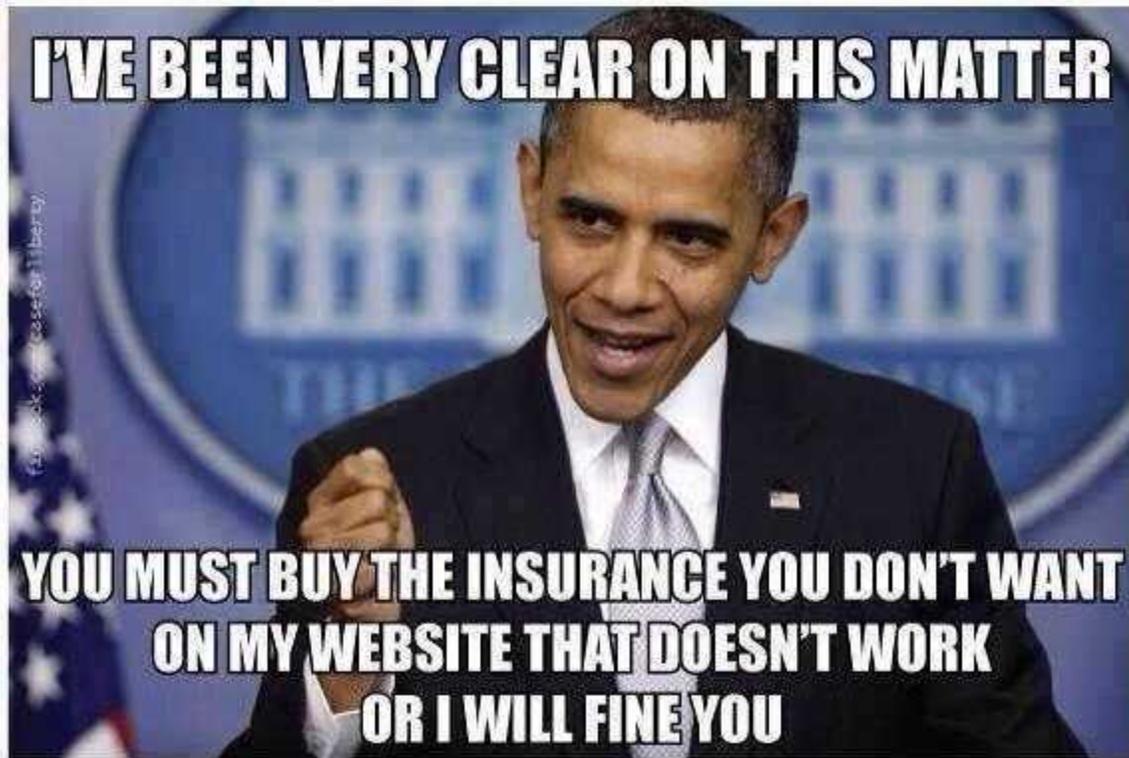
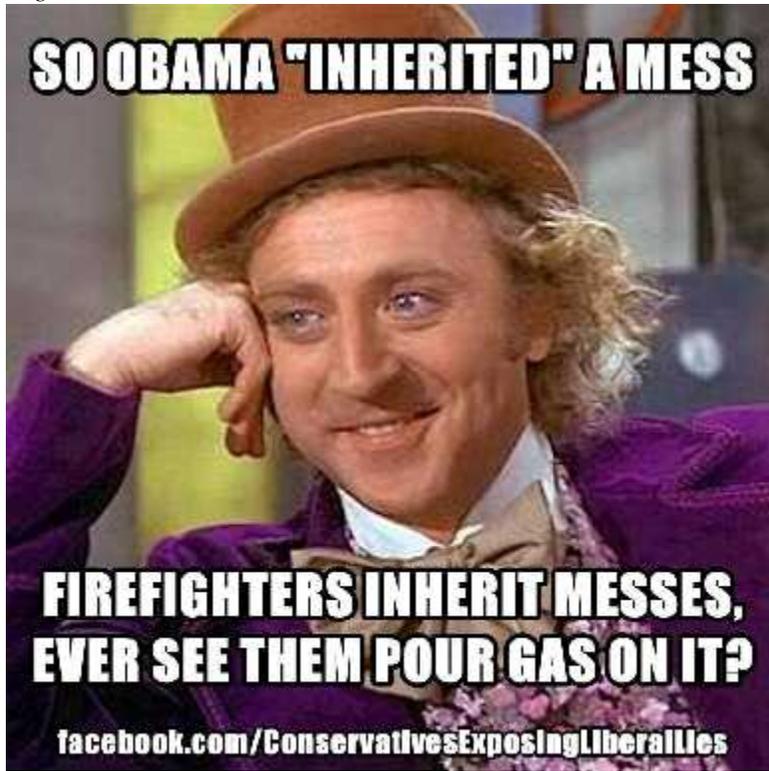
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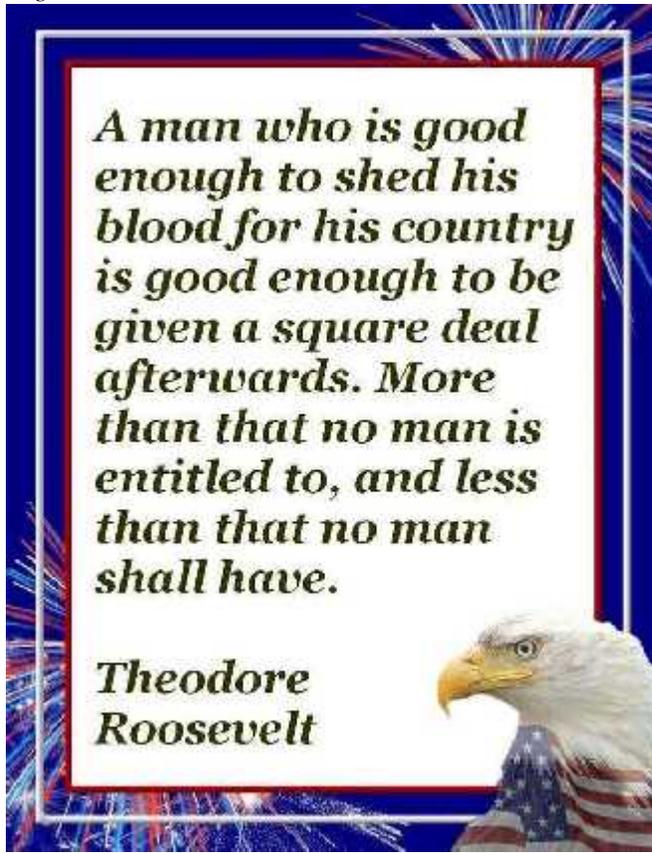
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As for the Marines being pressured to admit women to combat positions, it is another systemic problem of the liberal agenda. When the Olympics makes one category for its sports, not male, not female, then we can look at the military as having one standard. Not lower, but higher. Why weaken the entire system for a few snivelers. Combat is not a social experiment. Touchy feely standards will only cause more soldiers to die.



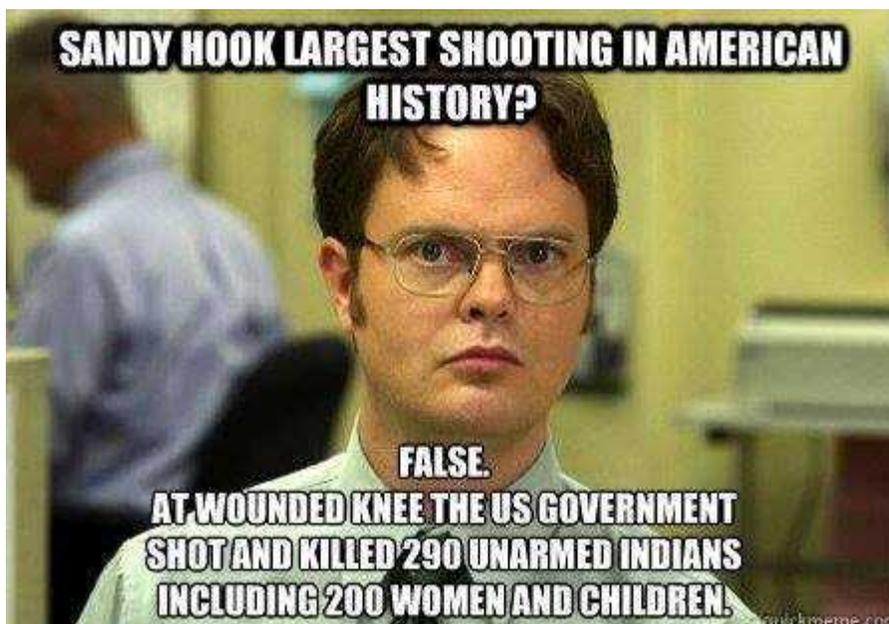
As for congress and cutting military benefits, you cannot un-ring a bell...





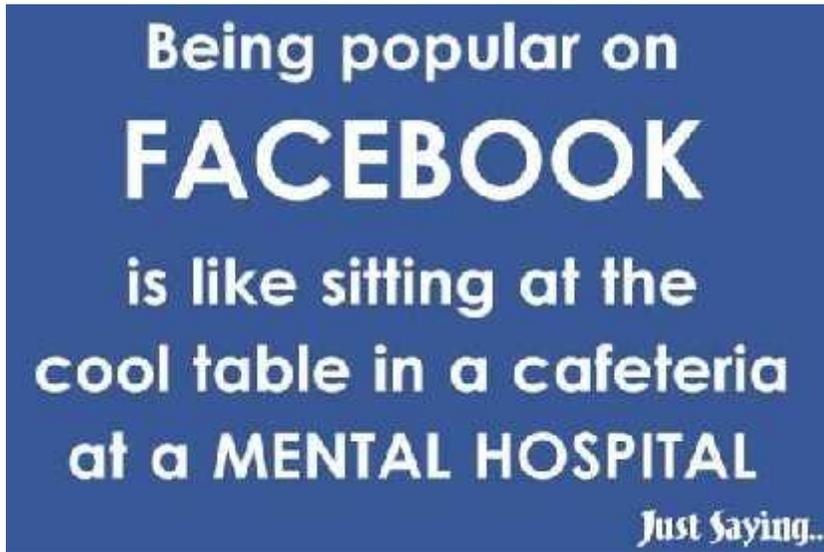
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ON A LIGHTER NOTE:



TRAINING:

In regards to my Long Range Hunter class, I suggest students maximize the training time by bringing a scope on their rifle that has vertical ranging lines, tic marks or mil-dots. On day two we shoot at to 800 yards. The system we use can be applied to any weapon system, but with standard crosshairs and an average caliber, you can only hold off and make routine hits to about 400 yards.

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RANGE UPDATE:

We moved an old sporting clay tower to the left side of sniper hill and will be attaching an overhead cover to it for the 800 yard steel.

CLASSROOM/ LODGE:

No Changes at this time....

EQUIPMENT:



Jeff from “Bush Monkey Knives” makes the “Mongrel” is made of O1 Tool Steel. He uses a squared butt on the larger knives and a round on the smaller.

To sharpen: **The Saber/Scandi bevel is a single bevel to zero of 12.5 degrees/side - 24 degrees inclusive. Lay the bevel flat against your stone or abrasive and the angle is set, you can feel it and do not need any jigs to maintain the original bevel geometry.**

The handle has a slight texture to it which provides a secure grip.

The sheath he made is designed to be carried inside of a jacket/vest/cargo pocket and tethered so when you draw the knife, the sheath stays put

The Mongrel retails for \$250 with kydex sheath - shipping CONUS included.

www.bushmonkeyknives.com

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HUNTING UPDATE:







DVD's, Leadership and Training For the Fight/The Tactical Trainer



TACTICAL DVD's OUT:

- **Tactical Pistol Operator**
- **Tactical Rifle Operator**
- **Advanced Tac Pistol/Rifle**
- **Tactical Drills**
- **Combat Mindset**
- **Black Hawk Down**
- **Civilian Response to Active Shooters**
- **Long Range Hunter**

Due Out:

- **Home Defense**
- **Vehicle Defense**

The book out and available from www.amazon.com It also contains the “**The Tactical Trainer.**”

The original “**Leadership and Training for the Fight**” will be available exclusively through www.authorshouse.com for those wishing to purchase it. As a side note, it just went into its second printing.

READING/MISC. INFORMATION

More books stacking up...

CLASS PAYMENTS

You will have a slot in the course when I receive payment for the class. In the case of an agency, when they officially request an invoice. I have had too many individuals not show up lately and I intend to put a stop to it.

I would prefer you send a check as the credit card costs for processing are substantial.

IN CLOSING

Thanks and we look forward to seeing you all soon.

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