

It is a good day for Liberty.

The 30th Anniversary of WMSA's founding was this September. There was a dinner on 27 September, 2019 at Bass Pro. There were elections for the Board of Directors, Bill Shelley, Bill Bland and Eric Burger were elected for a three year term.

A few Democratic senators have filed a brief with the US Supreme Court in the City of New York case. They call it a brief but it is more of a threat. It says that the court has been ruling wrong and if they don't get it right this time the court will be "modified." There have been calls from the left to increase the number of judges on the Court. This assumes, of course, that they can get a raving leftist elected president to appoint them.

I read "House to House" an account of the battle of Fallujah Iraq from the perspective of an Infantry squad leader. A couple of portions are of direct interest to us. One insurgent tried to climb the front of his Bradley fighting vehicle. The machine gunner kicked him off with a long burst; blowing off his legs and face and one arm. The squad emptied rifles into him until he stopped moving. The author checked the body, put two rounds in the stomach to be sure and marked the body for graves registration. When they carried him to the helicopter, he screamed at them. Some people are hard to kill, and the enemy was taking amphetamines. The author recounts the best close quarter fight I have ever read. He threw a grenade in a room, but the insurgent was still alive. He started to shoot, but smelled propane leaking from canisters. He clubbed the enemy, smashed him into the armor plate on his body armor. He hit him with his helmet, stabbed him strangled him. At one point the insurgent bit him. Ultimately, he prevailed.

A letter to the editor claimed to be written by a "registered" gun owner. He argues that the 4473 questions can be answered with lies. He demands that gun buyers must show ID. Of course, there is no such thing as registration in Missouri or Kansas. Buyers have been required to show ID since 1968, and their answers are checked by FBI computers. People tell these obvious lies and think we are stupid enough to believe them. Of course, we know they are lies, but the ignorant masses read these letters and believe that gun owners want gun control.

Shortly after two mass killings, one at a WalMart, a Springfield man put on body armor and web gear, slung an AR over his shoulder and went to a Walmart. He says that his intent was to see if his rights would be respected. If it had just been the rifle things might have been OK. He didn't threaten anyone; he didn't point the rifle at anyone. The military gear and body armor made it look like preparation for a gunfight. People saw him pushing a cart, mumbling into his phone (he was video recording the event) with an AR rifle over slung over his shoulder. There was panic; the manager pressed the fire alarm to let people flee. The man was held at gunpoint by a customer who was carrying concealed. He was arrested and charged with making a terrorist threat in the second degree. I doubt that they can make the charge stick. Unless there is a recording of him stating that he intends to terrify people I do not believe they have the evidence. He was perceived as a threat. In politics perception is often reality. During the fight for concealed carry we were often told that we don't need concealed carry because we can open carry. Now we see what can happen. Currently open carry is legal for the most part. Certain cities outlaw it unless the person has a license to carry concealed. I usually must repeat that: To carry openly, you must have a license to carry concealed. Shortly after the Springfield incident, two men openly carried handguns into a Kansas City area WalMart. They were buying ammunition. The police were called, determined that no law was broken, and everyone went on their way. One commentator said that is what we want. The police showing up and telling people that all is legal. People will then find that guns are good. If people act logically, that will happen. People have not acted logically. They have acted emotionally. That is what the usual suspects are counting on. Open carry sounds like a good idea but must be planned out to reach its goals and not the goals of the anti-gun crowd.

The open carry advocates believe that 1) it deters crime and 2) it makes people accustomed to guns. It may deter crime in some locations; it may also cause criminals to shoot the open carrier first. If it does deter crime it may be a matter of winning the battle and losing the war. People reacting emotionally to the sight of guns demand more restrictions which we must fight. We have enough on our plate. I am not sure that rubbing people's noses in openly carried guns will bring them over to our side. I have never heard of such a thing.

I am very concerned that the discussion over these incidents has become an exchange of insults between open carry advocates and concealed carry advocates. This helps the usual

suspects not us. We need to discuss open carry as a tactic. Exchanging insults prevents this. We need to stick together.

Someone in Hollywood came out with a movie called "The Hunt." It concerns liberal elites who kidnap and hunt right wing "deplorables." After adverse reaction the producers pulled the movie from release. They say they are astonished that we did not get the joke. This is what they think of us.

Federal prosecutors in Kansas have been caught listening in on attorney-client privileged calls. I have found that this happened in other jurisdictions as well. Do NOT talk about your case on jail phones. This is a burden for defense lawyers. The federal district court in Kansas has found the prosecutor's office to be in contempt, not just for violating the privilege, but for destroying evidence the court wanted for its investigation.

A creature in Jackson County, we cannot call him a man, killed a woman and severely injured three others. One of the women had a pistol but did not use it. Instead she ran until the creature shot her. Then he returned to his car and picked up an AK and continued shooting. Just having a gun doesn't make one a gunfighter. The lady was not ready to kill. The killer was. To carry a gun, you have to consider what it is for. Having a gun is not enough you must have the will to use it.

An arsonist in Japan killed 33 people. Ban matches, especially assault lighters.
Coffee is the most important meal of the day.

A Minnesota man was prosecuted for murder. The probable cause statement listed the man's bumper sticker. It said, "GUN CONTROL IS HITTING YOUR TARGET." The most innocuous things trigger people who have power.

A Chinese (Red) factory is making devices which turn Glock handguns into machine guns. They are illegal, yet they get through customs.

Rally Day has been changed to 7 April, 2020 still in the Capital Building in Jefferson City.
We shall overcome.