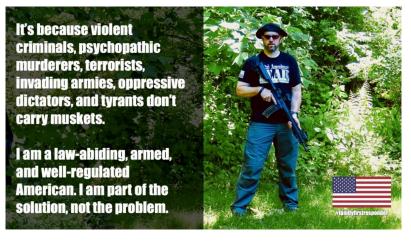
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Why does anyone need an AR15 and a standard capacity magazine?



How easily so many folks willingly hand over the rights of OTHER Americans!

What does Mathew McConaughey, Whoopi Goldberg and Joe Biden have in common? They all three often work in front of a camera. They all have people who do their hair and makeup. They often deliver dialog written by someone else. They are protected by armed people, gates, walls, security measures and deterrents. Based upon what they say, they don't want you to be able to freely exercise the rights guaranteed by the Bill of Rights and Article 1 Section 21 of the PA Constitution. They all want asterisks, caveats, exceptions, limitations, and abolishments.



The most recent push for gun control is just that... a push for CONTROL.... Not safety.

All three of these people and an army of other media pundits and elected officials are once more victimizing the memory of murdered children, preying upon the emotions of grief-stricken family members and parents to attack the rights of law-abiding citizens. Rather than advocate for undoing the wrongs of the government and empowering "The People", they all encourage others to gang up on people that did not do one damn thing wrong; except take on the responsibility to arm themselves to protect those that they love.

Why do I need an AR and a standard capacity magazine? It's because violent criminals, psychopathic murders, terrorists, invading armies, oppressive dictators, and tyrants don't carry muskets.

Never once (that I am aware) have Woopie, Matthew, or Joe advocated for hardening entry points of schools, having armed responders INSIDE of facilities, expanding security or police patrols, and encouraging adults to be leaders in the lives of problem children. NOPE... just limit or restrict the rights of YOU. That'll fix it!

Just *TRY* and walk onto a film set, the sound stage where "The View" is recorded, or onto the White House lawn. You will encounter security measures and personnel who WILL NOT LET YOU enter unless you are authorized, and if you are not, and you continue to try, they ultimately will use force to stop you. Mathew McConaughey, Joe Biden, and Whoopi Goldberg are regularly exposed to teams of security details and infrastructure that keeps THEM safe, but when they prey upon the emotion and horror of our "Country-people". They use another evil mass murder as an opportunity to advocate for the restriction of ALL AMERICANS.

Hollywood A-Listers and the Elected Class are much better protected than our children and this should be outrageous to ALL Americans.

I have trained hundreds of "former anti-gunners" over the last 2 years of lawlessness and governmental overreach. Once their neighborhood was burned, once their neighbor's house was vandalized, once they felt unsafe, these former "anti-gun Americans" all realized, "Hey, maybe this 2nd Amendment is for me too!" **Don't be so quick to hand over a right that you don't currently use, you might want it later!**

There is a lot talk of mental health and illness. As there should be!

If a "Billy" were to sit in a corner and cut himself with a razor blade, most rational people would agree that "Billy" is not mentally "healthy", Right? **Anyone that purposely hurts themselves is in need of help**. If when confronted, "Billy" says, "I'm fine, leave me alone", most rational people would view upon his statements with distrust, skepticism, and disbelief.

When Matthew, Woopie, and Joe, sit in their corners and cut up the Constitution with their "razor blades" and hurt THEIR OWN individual freedoms as well as yours, rational people should look at their statements with distrust, skepticism, and disbelief.

Why would ANYONE freely give up their own rights?

Unfortunately, we have seen over the last 2+ years of the "government overreach and lockdown phase" that MANY Americans WILL blindly hand over their Liberty for the promise of safety.

Here is the hard truth... THE GOVERNMENT IS NOT CAPABLE OF PROTECTING YOU... YOU MUST PROTECT YOURSELF.

How many people do you know that compliantly stayed home, lost income, wore masks, put up with fogged glasses and mask rash, got "the jab" because the government told them to do so, but STILL got the "Covid"? I do… I bet you do… probably more than one.

But who did the media and government demonize during the governmental overreach and lockdown phase?

How many of you made a choice to get "the jab" or not, wore a mask only if, and when it was appropriate, continued to live your life, continued to work, continued to worship, washed your hands a bit more often and made smart decisions about your actions?

HOWEVER, it was likely YOU that "the finger of righteous morality" was pointed at. It was YOU that put the world at risk... or at least that was "their" narrative.

Bottom line, the Covid is a virus. Virus's do what virus's do. It was likely spread partially as the result of failures of government across the globe, and the only real way to protect yourself from covid is to **protect yourself** from covid. The government's solution(s) only prolonged the crisis, caused many to contract the virus, and gave those in government more control over "The People".

Many people in positions of power and influence don't like it when those that they influence and have power over are also **empowered**. This minimizes their own "view" of themselves, especially if they are *actually* weak, vapid, meat puppets or maniacal tyrant-like beings. The truth is they have no power over FREE People. The People have the power. However, if the people are uneducated, misguided, and scared and relinquish their freedom, they empower those in government. This is NOT how our Constitutional Republic was intended to be practiced.

Hey, remember when Tom Wolf, Fetterman, Josh Shapiro, and so many others across the Commonwealth and nation made you stay home from work, loose your income, destroy your job, and prohibit you from exercising your religious customs? Remember what it felt like to look down at you scared child and say, "The government says that I am non-essential?"

Bottom line, criminals are criminals. Criminals do what criminals do. The only real way to protect yourself from criminals is to **protect yourself** from criminals. Some in government may not really care to protect you, and those that do are frankly overwhelmed. NOW in 2022, **there are more criminals in circulation because of the failing of government**. Remember in 2020 when many government officials let out inmates from jails and prisons because of covid? They just let them out. What about catch and release? **Catch and release just ain't for fishing derbies anymore.** I know cops that have told me they have arrested the *SAME CRIMINAL* three times in one shift. Each time they haul them in, the judge just lets them out. Remember when so many in government pounded their fists and said, "We need to defund the Police"? Because of THAT movement then, NOW there are agencies that only have enough staff to work two shifts rather than three. 911 calls are "triaged", and some crimes are not even responded to by LE and EMS.



Let's look at another "2022 thing". The United States is the closest it has been in decades to some type of armed conflict with Russia. Maybe not since the day Reagan got shot when we escalated our DEFCON level or during the Cuban Missile Crisis have we been this bad off with Russia. The current administration is sending crates and crates of small arms to Ukraine, they left crates and

crates of arms with the Taliban, but they are actively trying to disarm YOU.

Is Joe Biden and Nancy Pelosi sending the Ukrainians only 10 round magazines to keep the Ukrainian citizens "safe"?

The defensive strategy of the United States has ALWAYS considered that "American citizens" are armed. May of which are also well-regulated. The whole "well-regulated thing" was why Teddy Roosevelt started the National Matches in 1903. This is certainly *one* reason why we as a nation have not had to endure an invasion of a foreign army since 1814. Why would the current administration dismiss that? If a foreign army ever invades our country, it will be YOU that must protect yourself and your family. By that time, the government will have already failed, and it will be time for the citizens to make up the deficit. That is the state of things in Ukraine. I wonder, if we are disarmed, and Russia or any other Country ever invaded the USA, will Ukraine and the Taliban send back all of those small arms to the people of the United States?

Magazine restrictions for safety? This is the same as if during Hurricane Katrina

the government restricted boats to a one-man capacity or outlawed them all together. If the Bush administration had suggested that I think most rational folks would have viewed that suggestion with distrust, skepticism, and disbelief.



TODAY, when law-abiding Americans educate and empower themselves to take on the responsibility to become their OWN FAMILY FIRST RESPONDER, many in government and many with influence, advocate for the restriction, minimization, demonization, and abolishment of the individual Rights and Liberties of ALL AMERICANS... including themselves. Anyone that freely hurts their own liberty should be looked at with distrust, skepticism, and caution.

IF ANY elected official, government agent, or pundits advocates for the restriction and or abolishment of ANY American's rights and liberties, then that person is a threat to the liberty of ALL Americans, including themselves. That person should be viewed upon as someone who is mentally ill, misguided, or a tyrant.

Why do I need an AR and a standard capacity magazine? It's because violent criminals, psychopathic murders, terrorists, invading armies, oppressive dictators, and tyrants don't carry muskets. I am a law-abiding, armed, and well-regulated American. I am part of the solution not the problem.

A NOTE TO STEVE



By <u>Stephen LaSpina</u>, FOAC-ILLEA Board Member

State Senator Steve Santarsiero plans to introduce SB1300 to the Pennsylvania Senate, a bill that would effectively ban "assault weapons." It is purported that more than 150 firearm models would be impacted by the bill. The legislation reportedly would also ban the sale of guns with magazines accepting more than ten rounds, institute a permitting and registration of the

banned guns already owned, and prevent the transfer of ownership of any of these guns to other people.

It should be noted that there are persons exempt from the bill - those that would be tasked with its enforcement: police and various other law enforcement personnel.

Santarsiero said, "I'm sure the gun lobby will find this unacceptable. I really don't care because every one of us as citizens, when we are working together in concert, have more strength and power than they do."

Steve, the gun lobby is made up of citizens. Yes, we join formal groups to organize our efforts and be better informed. We collaborate and work together on public policy. But at the end of the day, each of us are the gun lobby, and you are right: we do find this bill unacceptable. We have no intention of surrendering or registering our firearms.

We, the gun lobby, are not ignorant of history. We know that dictators throughout time have disarmed their citizens through registries and then bans before subjecting them to terrible tyranny.

We, the gun lobby, know well that firearms are used frequently in a defensive capacity. The CDC has estimated the numbers to be between 500,000 and 2 million times per year.

We, the gun lobby, appreciate the role law enforcement plays in our communities. But we have watched too many in uniform stand by and allow looting and burning of cities. We have watched uncomfortably as others wearing badges have not promptly entered active killer events, even when the lives of children were in immediate jeopardy.

We, the gun lobby, watched for nearly two years as government officials shut down our businesses, told us when and where we could or could not go, and mandated experimental medical interventions on the populace.

Steve, in light of all these facts, we are NEVER submitting to the suggestions in your bill. These very ideas are a violation of the United States Constitution you swore an oath to protect and defend. Moreover, our Pennsylvania Constitution, in Article I, Section 21, states: "The right of the citizens to bear arms in defense of themselves and the State shall not be questioned."

The rights of citizens are not negated because criminals do evil things. Rather, it is because such evil exists in the hearts of men that we stand armed and equipped to confront it.

PREGNANT WOMAN USES AR-15 TO DROP ARMED ROBBER ATTACKING 11-YEAR OLD DAUGHTER

By Samantha Chang / Originally published in The Western Journal

As Democrats rabidly push for more "gun control" amid the terrifying crime waves ignited by their soft-on-crime policies, there are daily reminders of why our Second Amendment right to self-defense must never be infringed.

One of the most poignant examples involved an eight-month-pregnant woman who <u>used an AR-15 rifle</u> to defend her then 11-year-old daughter and injured husband during a violent home invasion three years ago in Lithia, Florida.

At the time, her husband, Jeremy King, was being pistol-whipped and kicked in the head by two masked burglars.

"Them guys came in with two normal pistols and my AR stopped it," King told <u>Bay News 9</u> in Tampa in 2019. "[My wife] evened the playing field and kept them from killing me."

He recounted how quickly the armed bandits turned violent.

"They came in heavily hooded and masked. As soon as they had got the back door opened, they had a pistol on me and was grabbing my 11-year-old daughter," King recalled.

"I'm telling them, 'I have nothing for you.' ... And they're like, 'Give me everything you got!' It became real violent, real fast," he said.

The burglars, who wore masks and hoods, pistol-whipped and repeatedly bashed King in the head. The commotion alarmed King's wife, who was in the back bedroom. One of the burglars saw her and shot at her.

That's when Mrs. King — who was in her third trimester — ran into a back room, grabbed an AR-15 rifle, and stormed into the living room like the members of <u>SEAL Team Six</u> who took out terrorist Osama bin Laden.

"When he came toward the back door in her line of sight, she clipped him," King said. "He made it from my back door to roughly 200 feet out in the front ditch before the AR did its thing."

Joseph Michael Baez, 27, was found dead in the ditch, according to the <u>Tampa</u> <u>Bay Times</u>.

King suffered a concussion, a fractured eye socket and a fractured sinus cavity. He required 20 stitches and three staples in his head.

He credited his wife's quick thinking and their AR-15 rifle for keeping their family alive. "She evened the playing field and kept them from killing me," he said.

While <u>Democrats</u> want to confiscate guns from legal firearm owners, this stunning incident is one of many where a "good guy with a gun" stopped an armed criminal from killing innocent people.

In 2017, a hero security guard <u>shot an armed serial robber</u> after he charged into an Illinois bank branch.

Security guard Brian Harrison whipped out his gun and shot the robber when he saw the perpetrator waving a gun around. The attempted robbery occurred while three bank employees were on duty. No one was hurt during the terrifying incident.

Last month, two <u>gunmen who invaded</u> a house in Alabama were shot dead by the armed homeowner. The homeowner, who was shot multiple times and injured when gunfire was exchanged during the burglary, is recovering after surgery.

Ironically, as crime surges, Democrats are <u>making an aggressive</u> <u>push</u> for more gun control.

All this does is erode the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding Americans. Criminals don't follow the law anyway and will find ways to get their hands on guns. If "gun control" were the solution, why are there so many <u>shootings</u> in Democrat-controlled Chicago, Philadelphia and New York, which boast the strictest gun-control laws in the country?

Chicago shootings over the weekend left at least 28 shot, four fatally, this weekend, police said. <u>https://t.co/BSCaFTWjQP</u> — ABC 7 Chicago (@ABC7Chicago) June 6, 2022

At least three killed, 11 injured in mass shooting in Philadelphia <u>https://t.co/xnNYKAjpvf pic.twitter.com/VBGVXiEqZL</u> — New York Post (@nypost) <u>June 5, 2022</u>

BREAKING: Video of last night's shooting on South Street in Philadelphia <u>pic.twitter.com/6aJ5AXpn9c</u> – Jack Posobiec (@JackPosobiec) <u>June 5, 2022</u>

40 people shot. FORTY. In a city where handguns are illegal.

It's not about guns. Or the law-abiding. <u>https://t.co/Dy7eFeXd0M</u> — Sebastian Gorka DrG (@SebGorka) <u>May 30, 2022</u>

As always, Democrats offer no real solutions to the multiple problems their toxic policies create.

WE CARE FOR OUR OWN: GUN OWNERS CAN DO IT BETTER THAN THE GOVERNMENT



Mental health is a real concern when it comes to "doing something" to reducing violence in our Country. As family first responders, we must strive to be well regulated with our tools of defense, strive to be physically fit and mentally fit as well. When we recognize that we are ill for any reason, we must seek out treatment, help, or counsel. When it comes to red flag laws, and mental health stigma, many in the 2A community are hesitant to reach out for help because if the wrong person found out, then

government might be prompted to use that as an opportunity to remove their ability to protect themselves and those that they love by disarming them.

There are many organizations in the 2A community that address this problem without restricting the rights of Americans through toxic legislation or governmental inefficiencies.

<u>Hold My Guns</u> is an organization founded by Pennsylvanian, Sarah Joy Albrecht, to connect responsible firearm owners with voluntary, private, offsite storage and education, through their national network of partnering gun shops and FFLs. During times of mental health crisis or personal need, people can have these gun shops and FFL's "hold their guns".

<u>Walk The Talk America</u> Believes that by improving the quality and availability of mental health resources to gun owners we can reduce suicide by firearm. WTTA is paving the way by educating mental health professionals about gun culture and breaking negative stigmas around mental health for gun owners.

<u>GunPRO Pledge</u> is a decentralized, grassroots effort that provides gun owners the opportunity to show their dedication to responsibility and avoiding negative outcomes involving firearms. Through the leadership of retailers, ranges, organizations and prominent gun community voices, the goal is to make GunPRO Commitments the expected and expressed standard of gun ownership in the United States, particularly by introducing the obligations to new gun owners. Taking the GunPRO Pledge is strictly voluntary, intended to prevent negative outcomes without any restriction on Second Amendment Rights.

I took the GunPRO pledge on June 8th, 2022, with witnesses Gavin Glassenapp and Rob Pincus.

We can help our community much better than the Government can control our community.

DC PROJECT'S LUCRETIA HUGHES TESTIFIES AT "THE URGENT NEED TO ADDRESS THE GUN

FOAC-ILLEA Newsletter Week of June 13th, 2022 VIOLENCE EPIDEMIC" HEARING



Watch the video by clicking here or on the image above

FOAC-ILLEA EVENTS

Washington County Gun Show

Date: 06/18/2022 through 06/19/2022 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Location: Washington County Fairgrounds Address: 2151 North Main St Washington, PA 15301 more information

Firearms License to Carry Satellite Event

Date: 06/25/2022 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Location: South Park Community Center Address: 2575 Brownsville Rd., South Park, PA 15129 more information

FOAC-ILLEA Monthly Meeting - July

Date: 07/10/2022 10:00 am to 1:00 pm Location: South Fayette Township Municipal Bldg. Address: 515 Millers Run Road, Morgan, PA 15064 more information

Firearms License to Carry Satellite Event

Date: 07/16/2022 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Location: North Fayette Community Center Address: 580 Donaldson Rd., Oakdale, PA 15071 more information

Firearms License to Carry Satellite Event

Date: 08/6/2022 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Location: Allegheny Valley Volunteer Fire Company Address: 851 Parkway Dr., Harwick, PA 15049 more information

FOAC-ILLEA Monthly Meeting - August

Date: 08/14/2022 10:00 am to 1:00 pm Location: South Fayette Township Municipal Bldg. Address: 515 Millers Run Road, Morgan, PA 15064 more information

Concealed Carry Seminar - sponsored by Rep. Barb Gleim Date: 08/17/2022 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm Location: Carlisle Fire and Rescue Address: 117 Carlisle Springs Road, Carlisle, PA 17013 more information

FOAC Monthly Meeting - September

Date: 09/11/2022 10:00 am to 1:00 pm Location: South Fayette Township Municipal Bldg. Address: 515 Millers Run Road, Morgan, PA 15064 **more information**

Harrisburg 2A Rally

Date: 09/12/2022 Start time: 10:00 am Location: Pennsylvania Capitol Stairs Address: 501 N. Third St, Harrisburg, PA 17101 **more information**

Firearms License to Carry Satellite Event

Date: 09/17/2022 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Location: Forward Township Municipal Building Address: 1000 Golden Cir., Elizabeth, PA 15037 more information

Firearms License to Carry Satellite Event

Date: 10/1/2022 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Location: Crescent Township Municipal Building Address: 225 Spring Run Rd., Glen Willard, PA 15046 more information

FOAC-ILLEA Monthly Meeting - October

Date: 10/9/2022 10:00 am to 1:00 pm Location: South Fayette Township Municipal Bldg. Address: 515 Millers Run Road, Morgan, PA 15064 more information

FOAC-ILLEA Monthly Meeting - November

Date: 11/13/2022 10:00 am to 1:00 pm Location: South Fayette Township Municipal Bldg. Address: 515 Millers Run Road, Morgan, PA 15064 more information

FOAC-ILLEA Annual Meeting and Holiday Luncheon - December

Date: 12/11/2022 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Location: TBD Address: TBD 15064 more information

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

By Kim Stolfer, President of FOAC-ILLEA



House Bill 699 (Fitzgerald): An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, providing for safe storage of firearm when not in use. This is a Safe Storage bill and <u>FOAC-ILLEA</u> is completely 'OPPOSED'!

House Bill 770 (Gainey): An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, prohibiting certain assault weapons. This is an Assault Weapon Ban bill and FOAC-ILLEA is completely 'OPPOSED'!

House Bill 1538 (Frankel): An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles. This is a Preemption Law Violating bill and FOAC-ILLEA is completely 'OPPOSED'!

House Bill 1903 (Stephens): An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles. This is a Red Flag Law bill and FOAC-ILLEA is completely 'OPPOSED'!

SR152: Article V Constitutional Convention

This legislation is not dead and can still be voted upon in the month of June. An Article V Constitutional Convention is rife with risk to our Constitution and our 2nd Amendment. This is a Dangerous Resolution and FOAC-ILLEA is completely 'OPPOSED'! Click here to read a previous FOAC-ILLEA Newsletter to learn more.

Senate Bill 708 (Bartolotta): An Act amending the act of November 24, 1998 (P.L.882, No.111), known as the Crime Victims Act, in preliminary provisions. This is a Crime and Notification bill and FOAC-ILLEA is 'NEUTRAL'!

Senate Bill 1040 (Browne): An Act amending the act of November 24, 1998 (P.L.882, No.111), known as the Crime Victims Act, in crime victims. This is a ID and Notification bill and FOAC-ILLEA is 'NEUTRAL'!

Senate Bill 1179 (Baker): An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in domestic and sexual violence victim. This is a Kidnapping and Human Trafficking bill and FOAC-ILLEA is 'NEUTRAL'!

IN CONCLUSION

There is a bevy of activity in the halls of government in Washington D.C. and in Harrisburg. Much of that activity is geared towards the restriction of your Rights and Liberties. FOAC-ILLEA is closely monitoring this activity and is in constant contact with many elected officials advising them to the folly of these anti-Liberty efforts.

Many of the anti-gun / anti-Liberty bills are sponsored by the Pennsylvania "Who's Who" of anti-gun rhetoric. Are your elected officials on the list of those supporting the restriction of the Rights of all Pennsylvanians?

Stay vigilant.

Like no other time in my life have we been so vulnerable to the whims of criminals and tyrants.

Arm yourself, train to be well-regulated, and BE POLITICALLY ACTIVE. Know who represents you (or claims to) and make them aware of your thoughts and opinions. Remind them that free men and women hold to power in a Constitutional Republic. THEY serve the people... not the other way around.

Nobody is going to protect you and your family with as much love, dedication, and passion as YOU! When elected officials get in the way of you doing that, they are directly or indirectly aiding and abetting those that you are protecting against.

If you would like to volunteer your time, talents or treasure to the efforts of FOAC-ILLEA, please contact us TODAY!

Stay Armed and Be Well Regulated!

Yours in Liberty!

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