

The Patriots' Truth

Flint Hills T.E.A. Party News

For the time being we will NOT be holding the Saturday meetings. We may have Special Meetings when we have Special Guests, which will be publically announced in the paper, email, and word of mouth. Check for updates at flinthillsteaparty.com We are now posting news items, events & the newsletters both recent & archived issues at our website.

Weekly meetings are held at McAlister's, 5:30/6-10pm, Wed. evenings. They are come & go, at your convenience. Bring your concerns for discussion. Your concerns are important – they are why we exist. In this publication, what is in green is me (Sylva), other color is just for getting attention. Changes in font are for letting you know it is a new subject or person speaking. Help me include YOU!! What do you want to talk about?

GOD be with you now & always.

When a baby is born they are considered a live human being. Any individual harming, killing a baby at this time would be arrested for murder. During the 9 months before a baby is born they are called a fetus. In way too many places it is legal to stop the beating heart of a "fetus". When does the heart start beating? I just checked – a fetus' heart starts beating 17 days after conception. When does a fetus become a baby? If a heart is beating isn't it a living being? When one of these beings are aborted from the Mother's body that heart stops beating -- the fetus (baby) dies. When it happens on purpose at the hand of man tell me why it is not considered murder. Any other time man stops the heart of a human from beating it is considered murder, but it is NOT murder during the 9 months it is in the mother's womb. Explain this to me I do not understand. Tell me how that is not murder. If the baby's heart is stopped after birth it is murder. Explain to me how that is different from stopping the heart before birth during the 9 months of living within the mothers body. Why doesn't the beating heart of a baby in the Mother's womb constitute a living baby?? How is this heart so different from the one within the baby after birth?? STOPPING THE BEATING OF A HUMAN HEART IS MURDER REGARDLESS OF WHERE THE BABY IS --- IN THE WOMB OR OUT OF THE WOMB!!! WHEN WILL THIS LAW BE ENFORCED??? MURDER IS MURDER REGARDLESS OF WHERE IT IS COMMITTED!!!



To Prevent Mass School Shootings, It's Time To Fight Fire With Fire By Arming Teachers

The best way to prevent future mass school shootings is to harden these soft targets by allowing licensed and trained teachers to carry firearms on campus. By [Kyle Lamb](#) | Feb 16, 2018

In the wake of the recent Parkland Florida school shooting in which an evil and disturbed young man opened fire on innocent, unarmed students and teachers, it shocks me to see people suggest that the best way to prevent these attacks is by disarming even more innocent people.

The reality is true. The solution to preventing these types of mass shooting attacks is to increase the likelihood that a deranged killer will be neutralized by a lawfully armed citizen before he can wreak havoc. With 17 of our own dead, now is not the time to punish law-abiding citizens by taking away even more of their rights and making them more defenseless. Now is the time to fight back, to protect our communities, and to make sure no evil coward will ever again be able to walk into a school believing that nobody will be able to shoot back at him.

I ache for the police and school resource officers across America who can't be everywhere at one time. They bravely patrol these schools, but it's simply not feasible to expect one or two armed officers to be able to cover every inch of the premises at all times. So how can we prevent these tragedies? What can we do right now to prevent or at the very least mitigate these horrific attacks?

A coward who would enter a school and gun down innocents can be stopped. As a combat veteran who's been under fire, I know that the only answer is to go on offense. But in a school environment how can this be accomplished? The answer is simple: teachers, administrators, and office and support staff must have the right to be armed on campus, subject to certain conditions.

Here's how it could work. We already have teachers and staff members as well as parents who have concealed carry permits. Their states have already acknowledged their right to defend themselves and their families with force, if necessary. If they have been deemed by authorities to be responsible enough to defend themselves in a mall, at a restaurant, or a sporting event, there is no reason to deny them the ability to protect themselves and their community while they're at work at a school.

The number and placement of licensed concealed carriers is key. Having just one more teacher who is switched on and trained could make a difference, but a better plan is to have as many licensed and trained teachers as possible who volunteer to attend specific training that addresses the best ways to respond to live shooter situations in educational environments. While a concealed carry license should be a prerequisite to legally carrying in a school, it should not be the only requirement.

Training these volunteers to not only shoot better but also giving them additional tools, tactics, practice, and communications advice directly related to a school shooting situation would drastically alter the calculus for a potential killer who wanted the most carnage with the least amount of risk. Limited tactical training to teach these licensed carriers which walls will most likely stop bullets, which angles in the room would better protect students, and which routes might provide the quickest access to a shooter would give these school employees a much better chance of stopping a killer in his tracks.

In addition to allowing licensed and trained staff to carry on campus, broadcasting that a school is no longer a soft and defenseless target would also have a huge impact. Statistics show that mass killers overwhelmingly prefer gun-free zones. Why? Because these killers know that the longer it takes someone to shoot back, the easier it will be for them to kill at will.

Some might say that broadcasting a school's capacity to fight back is just asking for trouble, but in the end who are these school shooters? They are young, cowardly individuals who want to make a name for themselves by killing as many innocent people as possible. These individuals are not brave and confident; they are cowards who lust for violence against those who can't defend themselves. These individuals prey on the unarmed and the unprotected.

Public signage, backed by brave men and women who are eager to use their concealed carry rights and training to defend others, sends the right message, just as gun-free zone signs send the exact wrong one. Gun-free zone signs openly advertise that you are open and ready to be attacked, almost positively guaranteeing that no one will quickly respond with force to a would-be attacker.

Another area that must be addressed is proper medical training of school staff. This is required of military personnel who are headed into combat, and it has saved countless lives. Staff should know to apply a tourniquet, establish an airway, and use a clotting agent. By applying these simple techniques, trained staff can buy significant amounts of time for wounded as they wait to be treated by medical professionals in hospital environments. The school staff and volunteer parents aren't the only individuals who should be trained, however. Students who meet certain requirements should also be part of the team. Kids who are of the right age and temperament can make a huge difference in a school attack. Maybe that means student athletes, or those enrolled in Junior ROTC, or those with an interest in anatomy and medicine. Maybe it's a student whose mom or dad is a doctor or a nurse. These kids are incredible resources, and we should not discount their ability and desire to contribute when necessary. We must provide our schools with basic trauma kits and the training to use them, so that if tragedy does strike, they will at least

have a fighting chance to save anyone who is severely injured.

Using my years of experience in combat, I have trained thousands of citizens, soldiers, and law enforcement officers to respond to live shooter situations. Students in my courses are no different than the men, women, and children who walk onto a school campus each morning: they are individuals who want to protect their loved ones. It doesn't take a burly, 6-foot-tall Army soldier to eliminate a threat. All it takes is a person with the right training, the right tools, and the right mindset.

A young schoolteacher who desperately loves her students and co-workers just might be the next hero to prevent a mass shooting, if we would only allow her to do so.

Sergeant Major Kyle E. Lamb (retired) spent more than 21 years with the United States Army, most of those years with U.S. Army Special Operations. SGM Lamb has conducted combat operations in numerous theaters of operation, including Mogadishu, Somalia (Black Hawk Down), and has served numerous combat tours in Iraq. SGM Lamb is the author of several books including his latest, Leadership in the Shadows, available from [Viking Tactics, Inc.](#) and [Amazon.com](#). Teachers or anyone should only be armed IF & WHEN they choose to be armed & then have specific training!!!



SAD BUT TRUE!!

However, in the FLORIDA school shooting those that were hired to protect the school, teachers and the children DID NOT PROTECT THE STUDENTS, TEACHERS, OR SCHOOL. THEY FAILED ALL AROUND!! Was their FAILURE PLANNED?? They were UNRELIABLE GUYS WITH GUNS or did they ACTUALLY FOLLOW ORDERS??!! SEVENTEEN

CHILDREN and TEACHERS WERE SLAUGHTERED!! HONEST, RELIABLE "GOOD" GUYS WOULD HAVE STOPPED THE SHOOTER!! Is this how the LIBERALS PLANNED IT?? THEY NEEDED DEATHS TO PUSH CONGRESS INTO PASSING UNNECESSARY LAWS LIMITING THE SALE OF GUNS – Mainly to DESTROY THE 2ND ADMENDMENT!! DO WE HAVE CONNIVING LIBERALS TO THANK FOR THIS SLAUGHTER??? ARE THE LIBERALS WORKING TOWARD "AGENDA 21"?? "AGENDA 21" WOULD PUT THE LIBERALS "IN CHARGE" WITH THE REST OF US AS THEIR SLAVES!!! Literally, THEIR SLAVES!! You don't believe the Liberals would KILL to get what they want? Take a long, honest look at what the Clinton Foundation, who HEADS the Liberals, has done in the past!! WHO HEADS THE LIBERALS!! OH, THAT WOULD BE THE Clinton Foundation!! JUST GIVE IT SOME THOUGHT – HMMMM!! Let's NOT play games – NAIL THE KILLERS!!! Why aren't the Liberals arrested, prosecuted, and jailed just a quickly as anyone else? Think about it??



Racism is not dead -- *but it is on life-support!!*

Racism is kept alive mainly by the people who use it for an excuse or to keep minority communities fearful or resentful enough to turn out as a voting block on Election! ~ Dr. Thomas Sowell



THE DISGRACEFUL MEMBERS OF CONGRESS...

THIS IS MIND BOGLING. This is sad, sad, sad, bad enough to see it with sports, but now it is in schools and even **our U.S. Congress ... SICK. If they won't stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance, they have NO PLACE IN OUR CONGRESS.** How many of those who refuse to stand are Republicans? If you said NONE, go to the head of the class. Might the Democrat's primary allegiance be to their party and their anti-American sentiments **instead of to their constituents and the USA?** I am just asking.

It's mind-boggling WHY the American voters continue keeping these people in office. Any member of the house or senate that refuses to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance in the Chambers should be escorted out by the Sergeant at Arms until they comply. If your allegiance is not with the country and our flag, just who is it with?

Do they have more Allegiance to the Liberal Party than they have to the United States of America???

Spread the word of this -- contact your Congressional Representative and Senator. Those who will NOT honor our flag need to be out of our Congress. I am not saying they must honor each other or our President if they don't want to, but to not honor our flag and the Pledge to our Country and Flag is enough to prevent them from being

members of the Congress of the USA. What will our GREAT Country come to if we continue to have these people and others like them in our Congress??

I received the following from John D'Aloia —

"Down in the catacombs, Michael Matt examines the fundamental cause of horrific realities such as school shootings in America. (SPOILER ALERT: It's not the guns). Michael also looks at the Catholic Church's unconditional surrender in the Culture war, and asks the question: What's the connection between moral chaos in society and the "Church of Accompaniment" of Vatican II. Plus, when it comes to Christophobic Hollywood, how did we get from Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop John Gregory Murray and Pope Pius XI-- to Deacon Steve Greydanus?"

<https://www.catholicfamilynews.org/blog/2018/2/16/drugs-guns-fake-news-and-christian-supremacy-the-school-shooting-in-parkland-florida>

"If you watch television news, or read the newspapers, you will have missed that the perpetrators of [38 of the most recent school shootings were on psychotropic drugs](#) (i.e. anti-depressants like Prozac and Zoloft, anxiolytics like Valium, Klonopin and other benzodiazepines, or stimulants like Vyvanse, Ritalin and Adderall). Even culprits older in age like Stephen Paddock, the man who fired on a crowd of concert-goers from the 32nd floor of the Mandalay Bay hotel in Las Vegas, was [found with anti-anxiety drugs in his system](#). Do drugs cause mass shootings? Obviously, not in all cases. But take a look at these side-effects: *Hostility Irritability Use of extreme physical or emotional force Thoughts of killing oneself Homicidal ideation.* With every mass shooting that occurs (apart from what is known to be Islamic Terrorism) the connection with psychotropic drugs becomes more and more pronounced. A full list of drugs for which homicidal ideation is a side effect can be [accessed here](#). **I AM NOT TELLING YOU TO STOP TAKING YOUR MEDS!** But, two points of this aspect of the problem cannot go without comment. First of all: We live in a society of immediate gratification. Hard work means nothing to someone who glorifies Ariana Grande, and made a small fortune in the crypto-currency market. Physical labor is frowned upon, while Hollywood and the music industry turn degenerates into rappers and demi-gods. And, since marriage has been all but destroyed by divorce, contraception, homosexuality and sex-ed, waiting for "the one" has been replaced by an app where you can swipe right for casual sexual encounters, practically on-demand.

This is only one of numerous articles on this subject. Drugs, legal and illegal must be controlled!!!

Possibility, we are talking “too late”. As is the case with many things, the possibility of the “good things” becoming out of control and becoming “bad things” happens all too often. It is “mans” way of doing things – and in the process man really messes things up. Treating mental disorders has become mainly treated with drugs and way too many times the drugs have effects worse than the original illness. What happened to our “mental hospitals”? What happened to our caring for individuals??



On February 20, 2018 a Kansas Legislature Senatorial Committee decided they wanted to send a plea to the US Congress to hold a “Convention of States”. This is perhaps better known as a “Con-Con”. It is when a group of Congressional members meet with the intent of **changing the United States Constitution**. We are of the opinion that our Constitution does NOT need changing; it needs to be followed and enforced. The following is an article from Richard Fry, Esq. (RIP) on this subject. Richard has been taken from us all too soon, but he left us the following:

"Defenders of the Constitution, Please Stop Using the Phrase "Convention of States" Incorrectly"

Richard states in this article:

In addition, the phrase "Convention of States" is simply misleading. As a matter of principle conservatives should never use untrue or misleading statements or phrases. There is no such thing as a "COS" under Article V. I dare you to find a reference to such in Article V. This assertion is as phony as the constitutional re-writers saying the states "call" an AVC.

Article V is a federal procedure controlled by federal law, i.e., the Constitution. Even when the states act under Article V they do so under authority delegated to them by the Constitution, not state authority and they are performing a "federal function" not a state function. Article V is short and clear in its meaning.

Silence is agreement. Don't be silent.
"Defend not amend"



During the Obama years I believe he purposely made the USA a zebra – we must work to once again become a porcupine.


Those who are intent on destroying the USA as the lion destroys the helpless zebra, we must join together and with the LORD's guidance be able to protect our great Country from those intent on its demise.

We have been the envy of the world because of our freedoms and can continue to be IF we have faith in the LORD and are willing to work with the LORD to keep the USA the GREATEST Country in the world. God helps those who help themselves. Please, GOD, be with us. Guide us to show the world what YOU want us to be.

GOD BLESS AMERICA!!



In reading many reports on the Florida school shooting I am getting more and more confused. Some reports are really scary. Some seem to believe this shooting was planned by leftists, and more are to come. If this is true, how do we stop it? What happened is unbelievable by some reports. Are the leftists so callous they would plan the murder of American high school students to further their cause? Considering the number of adults that have disappeared perhaps they would. It is hard to believe, but look at some of the things that we KNOW Hillary, Bill and their cronies have done – those they have sat back and watched murdered, those who have “disappeared”, the lies she has told, even when they could be proved to be lies. I don’t even find this hard to believe – the leftists will DO ANYTHING to further their cause of destroying the USA. If they can’t have it their way it should NOT EXIST. Hang in there Americans, fight, work, always vote! We will save our children as we save our Country from those who care only about themselves!!! GOD will be with us – we can’t lose with GOD, but it will take time!! GOD Bless Us!!!



Sarah Huckabee Sanders, Trump's Press Secretary, may be one of the sharper people in the current administration, and she also has a quick wit about her. If you have any doubts, then read on. It must be the answer of the year.

During a recent press conference, a reporter with MSNBC yelled from the press corps, "Where is President Trump hiding his tax returns?"

Press Secretary Sanders was unfazed and responded astutely, "We've found a very secure location, and I'm convinced that they won't be found." "And just where is that?" asked the reporter, sarcastically.

Mrs. Sanders just grinned and replied, "They are underneath Obama's college records, his passport application, his immigration status as a student, his funding sources to pay for college, his college records, and his Selective Service registration. Next question please?" **Ms Sanders is indeed quick as well as sharp. Three cheers for her!! Best answer she could have given. Maybe the President would reveal his tax records IF Obama revealed the documents she listed. I'm OK with the President's tax records being UNDER those undisclosed documents of Obama's; reveal them from the top down!!!!**



I am very proud to print this summary by our friend John D'Aloia of this year's "YES for Liberty" Scholarship.

Friends,

Yesterday JoAnn and I attended the 7th Annual YES for Liberty's Constitution Bee held at the KSU Alumni Center in Manhattan. The Bee is a project of the Flint Hills Tea Party Educational Fund, Inc., and is open to all Kansas high school students.

The event was well organized and conducted in a fitting venue. George Washington, portrayed by John Ball, was the MC, did a good job. While it was not standing room only, there was a good sized audience, including lots of proud parents,

25 students were present to try to walk off with one of the three scholarships being offered.

One of the event's organizers told me that 37 high school students from across the state had registered for the Bee. Before the event program was printed, nine had dropped out for various reasons, then three of the students listed in the program had to drop out at the last minute, so 25 students actually participated.

St. Marys Academy had 13 participants. The other schools represented were: Medicine Lodge Jr./Sr. HS, Rock Creek Jr./Sr. HS, Quinter HS, Garden City Sr. HS, Wisdom Academy (a home school), Cheney HS, Shawnee Mission West HS, Cedar Hill School (a home school), Andover HS, Holton HS, and Ellsworth Jr./Sr. HS.

The students were presented with 10 T/F questions, 10 Multiple Choice questions, and several multiple choice questions after two short videos. Each question had to be answered within 20 seconds after it was read to them, using an electronic device that sent their answers to the three judges. The questions were displayed for the audience to view on two large screens. The top scoring three students were then given a topic about which they had to make an oral presentation. The three winners were: Emma Rose Bryan, St. Marys Academy; Madison Porter, Shawnee Mission West HS; and Anne Maria Serafin, St. Marys Academy.

After the oral presentations were made, the judges awarded the \$3,500 scholarship to Anne Maria Serafin, the \$1,500 scholarship to Madison Porter, and the \$750 scholarship to Emma Rose Bryan. Well done. All the participants were given a medal, a certificate, and a canvas bag with remembrance gifts, including a flag, a tee-shirt, and books/DVDs on the Constitution and the country's history.

The questions were not softballs - to have any chance, the student had to put in more than a little bit of study and thought on the Constitution and the Founding Era. YES for Liberty provided a list of reference documents on its website. Besides the Constitution itself, the list includes *The Federalist Papers* and Thomas Paine's *Common Sense* and many, many more documents dealing with the formation of our country.

The event's Keynote speech was given by Joseph Ashby, Wichita Talk Radio and "American Thinker" contributor. I was going to take JoAnn out for dinner after the Bee - the after-the-event reception refreshments' variety, quality, and quantity nixed that idea.

The YES For Liberty website is: <http://www.yesforliberty.org/> The Bee was videotaped which will soon be posted on the website.

Application for the 2019 Bee opens on September 17, 2018, closes on December 31, 2018.

The scholarships and Bee arrangements are entirely based on donations received. Donations are tax deductible. Those organizing and conducting the event are volunteers.

It is not too soon for students wanting to compete in the 2019 Bee to start to prepare.

JDA

I want to thank John for his summary of our "Scholarship Day". We work very hard all year long to make this yearly event a success. "Success" to us is not only awarding the Scholarship money to the winning contestants, but working with all of the contestants to learn about and improve their knowledge of the USA Constitution, and other related papers. Very few such classes are held in the public schools. The youth of our Country are going thru our schools ignorant of the way our Country works and the laws they are expected to live by. They have a RIGHT to be exposed to learning how the Country is intended to work and how that will influence their lives.

I want to be sure you have the needed information to contribute to the "YES for Liberty" Scholarship. You can send any and all donations to: Flint Hills Tea Party Educational Fund, Inc. via snail mail: Flint Hills TEA Party of KS, 1310-A Westloop Place, PMB #326, Manhattan, KS; or go in on the web site www.flinthillsteaparty.com, click on the "YES For Liberty" Link and follow instructions there for your donation.

You can also go to the "YES for Liberty".org web site and donate from there. GOD be with you!!



DEMOCRATS and REPUBLICANS

Someone please tell me what the H***'s wrong with all the people that run this country!!! Both Democrats and Republicans say "We're broke" and can't help our own seniors, veterans, orphans, homeless, etc.?? But, over the last several years THEY have provided direct cash aid to...

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| • Hamas - \$351M | • Kenya - \$816M | • South Africa - \$566M |
| • Libya - \$1.45B | • Sudan - \$870M | • Senegal - \$698M |
| • Egypt - \$397M | • Nigeria - \$456M | • Mozambique - \$404M |
| • Mexico - \$622M | • Uganda - \$451M | • Zambia - \$331M |
| • Russia - \$380M | • Congo - \$359M | • Kazakhstan - \$304M |
| • Haiti - \$1.4B | • Ethiopia - \$981M | • Iraq - \$1.08B |
| • Jordan - \$463M | • Pakistan - \$2B | • Tanzania - \$554M ... |

Literally billions of dollars and they still HATE US!! But on the other hand, our retired seniors, living on a fixed income, receive NO aid! Nor do they get any breaks, while our government and religious organizations will pour Hundreds of Billions Of \$\$\$\$\$\$'s and tons of food to foreign countries! Someone needs to explain to them that charity BEGINS AT HOME!!!

And another atrocity... We have hundreds of adoptable American children who are shoved aside to make room for the adoption of foreign orphans. AMERICA, a country where we have countless homeless

without shelter, children going to bed hungry, elderly going without needed medication, and the mentally ill without treatment, etc.

YET... they will have a 'benefit' show for the people of Haiti, on 12 TV networks: ships and planes lining up with food, water, tents, clothes, bedding, doctors and medical supplies. Now just imagine if our own government gave 'US' the same support they give to foreign countries. I say, STOP FOREIGN AID AND PAY DOWN OUR NATIONAL DEBT!!

This is one of my most glaring "pet peeves"!! Why are the people and countries of the world MORE needy than our own unfortunate??? People around the world receive more from our Churches than our needy next-door neighbors. Look how we have neglected the children needing homes in the United States of America. Those that are supposed to be caring for them have no idea where 1000's, YES THOUSANDS, of them are – they are unaccounted for. Of course, we want to help everyone everywhere that needs our help, but let's take care of "home" first!! Don't we owe American's our tender loving care first???

FIREARMS REFRESHER COURSE

1. "THOSE WHO HAMMER THEIR GUNS INTO PLOWS WILL PLOW FOR THOSE WHO DO NOT."
~ THOMAS JEFFERSON
 2. "THOSE WHO TRADE LIBERTY FOR SECURITY HAVE NEIGHER". ~ JOHN ADAMS
 3. FREE MEN DO NOT ASK PERMISSION TO BEAR ARMS.
 4. AN ARMED MAN IS A CITIZEN. AN UNARMED MAN IS A SUBJECT.
 5. ONLY A GOVERNMENT THAT IS AFRAID OF ITS CITIZENS TRIES TO CONTROL THEM.
Hmmmmmm, that's the liberals' problem – they are afraid of the Conservatives!! I'll keep that in my pocket for future reference.
 6. GUN CONTROL IS NOT ABOUT GUNS; IT'S ABOUT CONTROL.
 7. YOU ONLY HAVE THE RIGHTS YOU ARE WILING TO FIGHT FOR.
 8. KNOW GUNS, KNOW PEACE, KNOW SAFETY. NO GUNS, NO PEACE, NO SAFETY
 9. YOU DON'T SHOOT TO KILL; YOU SHOOT TO STAY ALIVE.
 10. ASSAULT IS A BEHAVIOR, NOT A DEVICE.
 11. 64,999,987 FIREARMS OWNERS KILLED NO ONE YESTERDAY.
 12. THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION ©1791. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED. (*Editor Note: 1789 1st sitting congress*)
 13. THE SECOND AMENDMENT IS IN PLACE IN CASE THE POLITICIANS IGNORE THE OTHERS.
 14. WHAT PART OF 'SHALL NOT BE INFRINGED' DO YOU NOT UNDERSTAND?
 15. GUNS HAVE ONLY TWO ENEMIES; RUST AND POLITICIANS.
 16. WHEN YOU REMOVE THE PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS, YOU CREATE SLAVES.
 17. THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION WOULD NEVER HAVE HAPPENED WITH GUN CONTROL.
- IF YOU AGREE, PASS THIS 'REFRESHER' ON TO TEN FREE CITIZENS.

"I LOVE THIS COUNTRY, IT'S THE GOVERNMENT I'M AFRAID OF."

*Don't confuse my personality with my attitude...
My Personality is who I am. My attitude depends on who you are!*

- I've learned... that the best classroom in the world is at the feet of an elderly person
- I've learned... that when you're in love, it shows.
- I've learned... that just one person saying to me, 'You've made my day!' makes my day.
- I've learned... that having a child fall asleep in your arms is one of the most peaceful feelings in the world

- I've learned... that being kind is more important than being right.
- I've learned... that you should never say no to a gift from a child.
- I've learned... that I can always pray for someone when I don't have the strength to help him in any other way.
- I've learned... that no matter how serious your life requires you to be, everyone needs a friend to act goofy with.
- I've learned... that sometimes all a person needs is a hand to hold and a heart to understand.
- I've learned... that simple walks with my father around the block on summer nights when I was a child did wonders for me as an adult.
- I've learned... that life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer it gets to the end, the faster it goes.
- I've learned... that money doesn't buy class.
- I've learned... that it's those small daily happenings that make life so spectacular.
- I've learned... that under everyone's hard shell is someone who wants to be appreciated and loved.
- I've learned... that to ignore the facts does not change the facts.
- I've learned... that when you plan to get even with someone, you are only letting that person continue to hurt you.
- I've learned... that love, not time, heals all wounds.
- I've learned... that the easiest way for me to grow as a person is to surround myself with people smarter than I am.
- I've learned... that everyone you meet deserves to be greeted with a smile.
- I've learned... that no one is perfect until you fall in love with them.
- I've learned... that life is tough, but I'm tougher.
- I've learned... that opportunities are never lost; someone will take the ones you miss.
- I've learned... that when you harbor bitterness, happiness will dock elsewhere.
- I've learned... that I wish I could have told my Mom that I love her one more time before she passed away.
- I've learned... that one should keep his words both soft and tender, because tomorrow he may have to eat them.
- I've learned... that a smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks.
- I've learned... that when your newly born grandchild holds your little finger in his little fist, you're hooked for life.
- I've learned... that everyone wants to live on top of the mountain, but all the happiness and growth occurs while you're climbing it.
- I've learned... that the less time I have to work with, the more things I get done.

MARYLAND SCHOOL SHOOTING -- GUNMAN AT MARYLAND HIGH SCHOOL DIES AFTER ARMED OFFICER INTERVENES; TWO OTHERS INJURED

by John Bacon, USA TODAY

A Maryland Sheriff says the gunman at Great Mills High School is dead after he shot two students and a school resource officer fired at him. Sheriff Tim Cameron said a female student and male student were also injured. (March 20) AP.

A student gunman opened fire Tuesday at a high school in southern Maryland, injuring two students before an armed school resources officer intervened, authorities said.

The gunman, identified as Austin Wyatt Rollins, 17, was killed. But St. Mary's County Sheriff Tim Cameron said it was not immediately clear whether the school officer fired the fatal shot or whether the

gunman killed himself.

The attack began shortly before classes were scheduled to start at Great Mills High, a 1,500-student school 65 miles south of Washington, D.C. Cameron said Rollins was armed with a Glock semi-automatic handgun when he shot a 16-year-old female student in a hallway. A 14-year-old male student also was shot.

"Our school resource officer was alerted to the events," Cameron said. "He engaged the shooter and fired a round; subsequently the shooter fired a round as well."

Cameron said it was not clear whether the gunman shot himself or fired at the resource officer, identified as Deputy First Class Blaine Gaskill.

The female student was hospitalized in critical condition, and the male student was in stable condition, Cameron said. Gaskill, who was not injured, followed protocol, Cameron added.

"This is what we prepare for, this is what we pray we will never have to do," Cameron said. "The notion that this can't happen here is no longer a notion."

More: 'We deserve better': Students nationwide walk out

More: Nikolas Cruz's brother arrested at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High

Cameron said the shooter and the female victim had a prior relationship. Authorities were reviewing social media posts to "piece together" a possible motive for the shooting, he said. He asked that no one jump to conclusions until the investigation is concluded.

"We are a very tight-knit community," Cameron said. "So now what I would ask our community to do is pray for the victims."

The shooting took place less than a week after some Great Mills students joined tens of thousands of students across the nation in a walkout to protest gun violence. The walkout was spearheaded by survivors of the Valentine's Day rampage at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland FL, that killed 17 students and faculty.

Parkland teens expressed solidarity Tuesday with the students at Great Mills on Twitter.

"Less than a WEEK ago Great Mills High School students walked out with us to protest gun violence... now they're experiencing it for themselves," tweeted Jaclyn Corin. "The state of our country is disgusting - I'm so sorry, Great Mills."

Tweeted Emma González: "We are here for you, students of Great Mills. Together we can stop this from ever happening again."

The shooting also took place less than a month after Great Mills High School Principal Jake Heibel told parents that officials had investigated threats of a possible shooting. Law enforcement was contacted, and the threat was "not validated," Heibel told parents.

On Tuesday, the school was placed on lockdown immediately following the shooting. "There has been a shooting at Great Mills High School," the school district said in a statement on its website. "The school is on lockdown (and) the event is contained. The Sheriff's office is on the scene, additional information to follow."

Dozens of law enforcement vehicles surrounded the school on a cold, rainy day. The St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office urged parents to gather at another school in the county to reunite with their children.

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms said special agents from Baltimore and Hyattsville joined the investigation. Gov. Larry Hogan said state police were ready to provide support and that his office was monitoring the situation. "Our prayers are with students, school personnel and first responders," he said.

Jill Morris, president of the county education association, called the shooting "devastating" for the state.

"We are resolved to provide all the support and comfort we can to our colleagues and neighbors... while we work together toward a day when no school community ever has to experience this type of tragedy," she said.

Here we are at the end of another "Patriot's Truth". There is so much I would like to say; so much we

all need to understand. It seems just when I think “things” are beginning to straighten out and make sense another “load of problems” is dumped in our laps. Each “load” must be carefully thought thru. Which one do we start with? The more I hear about and from our schools the more scared for our youth and therefore our Nation, I get. Our schools are in trouble from Preschool to after college graduation classes. School **administration** is vastly OVER PAID and those doing the work get little. Our youth are under the teaching of LIBERALS and that is NOT good. How do we get out of this mess. Can we back off and start over?? And that is only the beginning!!! How do we undo all of Obama’s crap??? Can his stupidity be undone?? I shouldn’t say “stupidity” – Obama was purposely working to destroy the USA. Wouldn’t it be nice if we could just UNDO Obama as if he had never existed? Anyone who supports Obama and his workings is an enemy of the USA. Obama did more to destroy our Country than any other one person I can think of. Oh, WHOA!! I didn’t start this paragraph to give my opinion of Obama. I want to ask all of you what do YOU consider our greatest problem?? How do YOU think we should approach it to solve it?? What can YOU and I do to make our Great Country even greater??

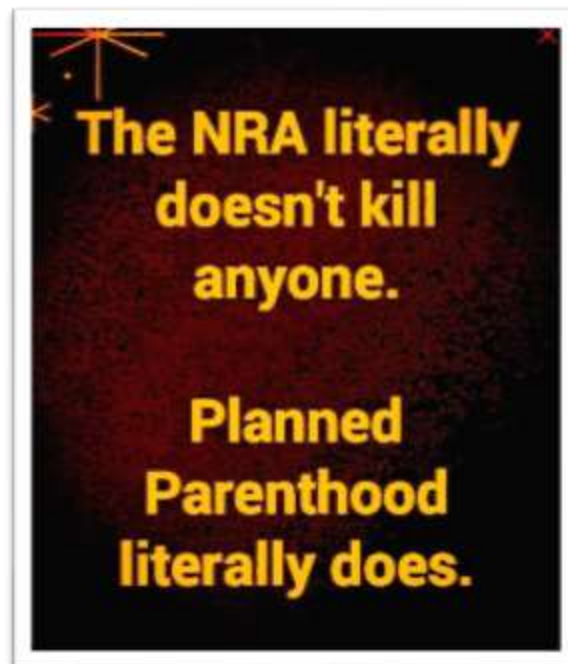
Have a Great Easter and remember – “HE LIVES!! HE LIVES IN US TODAY!”

Thoughts for Consideration:

Isn’t it amazing that a SRO (Security Resource Officer) took down someone shooting up a school! Where in the national press are the left talking points now that that school is it no longer a soft target for deranged people intent on harm?

Striking teachers...Dare I ask exactly how does your pay, your benefits, compare to that of our soldiers who risk their lives to protect your right to strike?

Striking teachers...Dare I ask exactly how is it your pay should be raised on the backs of working families, single parents, senior citizens who have incomes less than what you are demanding forcing them to pay your wages, your guaranteed retirement packages, your nine month work schedules while providing for their own needs.



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