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A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

Benjamin Franklin



Benjamin Franklin was born in Boston on January 17, 1706. He was the tenth son of soap maker, Josiah Franklin. Benjamin's mother was Abiah Folger, the second wife of Josiah. In all, Josiah would father 17 children. Josiah intended for Benjamin to enter into the clergy. However, Josiah could only afford to send his son to school for one year and clergymen needed years of schooling. But, as young Benjamin loved to read he had him apprenticed to his brother

James, who was a printer. After helping James compose pamphlets and set type which was grueling work, 12-year-old Benjamin would sell their products in the streets.

Apprentice Printer

When Benjamin was 15 his brother started *The New England Courant* the first "newspaper" in Boston. Though there were two papers in the city before James's *Courant*, they only reprinted news from abroad. James's paper carried articles, opinion pieces written by James's friends, advertisements, and news of ship schedules.

Benjamin wanted to write for the paper too, but he knew that James would never let him. After all, Benjamin was just a lowly apprentice. So Ben began writing letters at night and signing them with the name of a fictional widow, Silence Dogood. Dogood was filled with advice and very critical of the world around her, particularly concerning the issue of how women were treated. Ben would sneak the letters under the print shop door at night so no one knew who was writing the pieces. They were a smash hit, and everyone wanted to know who was the real "Silence Dogood."

After 14 letters, Ben confessed that he had been writing the letters all along. While James's friends thought Ben was quite precocious and funny, James scolded his brother and was very jealous of the attention paid to him.

Before long the Franklins found themselves at odds with Boston's powerful Puritan preachers, the Mathers. Smallpox was a deadly disease in those times, and the Mathers supported inoculation; the Franklins' believed inoculation only made people sicker. And while most Bostonians agreed with the Franklins, they did not like the way James made fun of the clergy, during the debate. Ultimately, James was thrown in jail for his views, and Benjamin was left to run the paper for several issues.

Upon release from jail, James was not grateful to Ben for keeping the paper going. Instead he kept harassing his younger brother and administering beatings from time to time. Ben could not take it and decided to run away in 1723.

Wake Up This Is Not a Drill

I am constantly amazed when I talk to people that I think are <u>Red Pilled</u> or should be and they do not understand that this country is finished.

The Pain Is Coming!

SACFLA has started to take action. Not all members have participated at this point. There is a core that now realizes that we must be self-reliant and we will have to create our own infrastructure if we are to survive. What does that mean "our own infrastructure?" Here are some of the elements that will have to be independent of the current systems:

- Communication
- Currency or forms of exchange
- Food and Water
- Medical and Medicine
- Government

There is no-one in our current government or any international agency that is looking out for us, in fact they are actively at war with us.

To defend ourselves we must neighbor up and network with likeminded individuals if we are going to survive.

David A. Wood Treasurer, Second Amendment Constitutionalist of Florida



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Liberty Resources Websites

http://www.campaignforliberty.com/ http://www.eagleforum.org/ http://gunowners.org/ http://www.jpfo.org/ http://www.jpfo.org/ http://www.usacarry.com/ http://www.usacarry.com/ http://www.usacarry.com/ http://www.orbettreport.com/ https://www.corbettreport.com/ http://www.ae911truth.org/ http://www.ae911truth.org/ http://www.infowars.com/ https://usawatchdog.com/ https://www.naturalnews.com/ https://www.theepochtimes.com/ https://jeffreyprather.com/ https://www.banned.video/

The Law, What Is Going On?

Florida State Level

The only significant thing that happened here on the State level this past Legislative session was the passage of <u>HB 543</u> which started out as a Bill which was touted as a Constitutional Carry Bill. In the process of going through various committees it was transformed into a bill that allowed permit less concealed carry. This bill was signed into law on April 3, 2023 by Governor Ron DeSantis.

Here is a good link to an article that explains what the bill means to you: <u>LINK</u>

National Level

On the National level there have been few things to be concerned about.

There is one bill of interest.

H.J.Res.44 - Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives relating to "Factoring Criteria for Firearms with Attached 'Stabilizing Braces'".

Has passed the House

Link to Bill

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At Our Meeting Held March 16th 2023

Call to Order at 7:00 PM

Invocation by Guest

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Agenda – Motion made by Fred Quan, Seconded by David Wood, Motion Carried Approval of the Minutes – Motion made by Kathy Clark, Seconded by David Wood, Motion Carried

Reports

Treasurer

The Gun Show finally allowed us to have the outdoor table that was stopped because of Covid. We sold forty-five NRA memberships on Saturday, but only two on Sunday because the Show shut us down – again.

We anticipate good results at the Outdoor Show in April.

Training

Had a group camp the previous weekend with several types of classes, the most notable being on trigger resets.

Legislative

John Caola reported that the Capital Police have opened an office in Hernando County.

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Dean Walter opined that, even if Constitutional Carry is passed, having a CCW would be a huge benefit, especially if one is ever in a traffic stop. It shows the Officer that you are trained and responsible.

Old Business

Outdoor Show April 21-23. Volunteers Needed.

New Business

Next Gun Show March 18-19. Volunteers Needed. **Program**

"The Second Amendment Through the Eyes of Law Enforcement" presented by Lt. Ron Shearoeuse,

Lantana Police Department

Announcements - None

Next Meeting Date 04/20/23. Our featured speaker will be Robert Snider, former ADA of Sussex County, MA, who is a Constitutional Attorney.

Adjournment at 8:57 PM. Motion made by Ralph DiNicola, Seconded by David Wood, Motion Carried

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At Our Meeting Held April 20th 2023

Call to Order at 7:00 PM

Invocation by Diane Wagner Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Agenda – Motion made by David Wood, seconded by Fred Quan, motion carried Approval of the Minutes – Motion made by Ralph DiNicola, seconded by David Wood, motion carried

Candidate Time

Dan Franzese announced his candidacy for the U.S. House District 22

Ruth Field Beck spoke for Keith Feit, candidate for Florida State Representative District 90 Ruth Field Beck spoke for Nicolas Giacalone, also candidate for Florida State Representative District 90 Mike Gauger is running as the Republican challenger to Rick Bradshaw for Palm Beach County Sheriff Reports

Treasurer

We will now have a table on the outside of the Gun Show as well the one inside.

Volunteers for the Great Outdoor Show will receive badges allowing them entry to the Show for free. Training – No Report

Legislative – No Report

Old Business

SACFLA is declining to Sponsor the Friends of the NRA due to lack of manpower.

New Business

Our new Mission Statement approved by Board Next Gun Show May 6-7. Volunteers Needed.

Program

"Analyzing The Second Amendment" presented by Robert Snider, Esq. – former A.D.A. Suffolk County, MA (Boston)

Announcements - None Next Meeting Date 05/18/23

Adjournment at 8:05 – Motion made by David Wood, seconded by Ralph DiNicola, motion carried

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At Our Meeting Held May 18th 2023

Call to Order at 7:01PM

Invocation by Bill Rice

Pledge of Allegiance

Candidate Time – No Candidates

Approval of the Agenda – Motion made by David Wood, seconded by Fred Quan, motion carried Approval of the Minutes – Motion made by Dean Walter, seconded by Billy Rice, motion carried Reports

Treasurer –

Gun Show netted 61 NRA Memberships – biggest number in a long time

Donations totaled \$100.00

Training –

Dean and Commander M did Navy Seal Training at the beach

Basic training coming up

Temporary training location needed due to county re-zoning

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May 18th Meeting Cont. *from page 3* Legislative

Moment of Silent Prayer for Barbara Susco

Old Business

Volunteer turnout at the Great Outdoor Show was terrific

New Business

Met Shirley Watral, the Fl. State Dir. Of the "DC Project – Women for Gun Rights" at the Great Outdoor Show. Invited her to speak to us when she comes back to the east coast.

Next Gun Show June 10-11. Volunteers needed as we now having both an indoor and outdoor table. The FBI is knocking on doors looking for braces, suppressors, anything the ATF has unconstitutionally declared illegal. Recommended members who have them dispose of them now.

Program

The Critical Importance of communications when standard means are unavailable – presented by John Caola, Dean Walter and Boris Balaban. Various items such as walkie-talkies, ham radios and satellite phones were discussed. They are ready to help set members up with appropriate equipment and program same to allow for intra-organization communication.

Announcements - None Next Meeting Date 06/15/23

Adjournment at 8:55PM – Motion made by Gene Desantis, seconded by David Wood.

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At Our Meeting Held June 15th 2023

Call to Order at 7:00 PM

Invocation – Maddy Page Pledge of Allegiance

Candidate Time

Mike Gauger – Running for Sheriff against Rick Bradshaw

Approval of the Agenda – Motion made by David Wood, seconded by Fred Quan, motion carried Approval of the Minutes – Motion made by Maddy Page, seconded by Dean Walter, motion carried

Reports

Treasurer

Gun Show netted 45 new NRA memberships and 1 U.S. Law Shield membership

For the first time ever, our treasury has over \$12,000 David Wood and Dean Walter suggested buying some Conservative children's books and placing them in the "take one, leave one" boxes around Lake Worth

Legislative

David Wood expressed the need for a committee to research good gun laws in other states, and connect with Florida legislators to mirror them.

Training

There will be no formal training on Fathers Day, just having fun on the range

Recent training has focused on responding to threats in everyday situations, such as grocery stores, and tactical responses to frontal assaults.

IT – More information to come after upcoming Board meeting Communications

There has been one programming session for the several radio units already purchased, and will be another every couple of weeks.

Old Business

Need suggestions for venues for SACFLA table

New Business

Next Gun Show July 8-9. Volunteers needed as we now have both an indoor and outdoor table.

Program

Ballistics for Beginners – Presented by Fred Quan – was excellent and very well received Announcements - None

Next Meeting Date 07/20/23

Adjournment at 8:33 PM

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Gun Safety Rules

- 1. Always assume the gun is loaded
- 2. Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction
- 3. Never point a gun at anything you do not intend to destroy
- 4. Always keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot
- 5. Know your target and what is beyond it



Second Amendment and Gun Related Information &

News Digest

Second Federal Judge Temporarily Blocks ATF Pistol Brace Rule Ahead of Registration Deadline



Justin Barrett, owner of Barrett Outdoors in Durant, Okla., displays an AK pistol with a stabilizing brace. On the counter next to him is a similar brace for an AR15 pistol. (Michael Clements/The Epoch Times)

By <u>Michael Clements</u> May 26, 2023Updated: May 26, 2023

A second federal judge has issued a preliminary injunction against enforcement of a new Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) rule that makes pistol stabilizing braces subject to the National Firearms Act of 1934.

According to a statement on the Second Amendment Foundation website, U.S. District Judge Jane Boyle granted a preliminary injunction against the rule in the Foundation's lawsuit, SAF et al. v. ATF et al. The suit is filed in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas in Dallas.

Boyle put the case on hold pending action in a separate but related case, Mock v. Garland. The judge, in that case, denied plaintiffs an injunction on the ATF rule. But granted a partial

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injunction while they prepared an expedited appeal of that ruling. Lawyers for one of the plaintiffs, the Firearms Policy Coalition, have asked the court to clarify whether the injunction applies only to their case or if it is nationwide.

According to the FPC website, the court will hear oral arguments in Mock v. Garland on June 29, 2023. FPC did not return a call seeking comment.

Boyle decided to wait for that ruling.

"The Court grants in part the motion and issues a preliminary injunction as to Plaintiffs in this case (SAF et al. v ATF et al.) only, pending resolution of the expedited appeal in Mock v. Garland. Upon resolution of the appeal in Mock, the court will address the remaining relief plaintiffs request in their motion," Boyle's decision reads.

Joining the Foundation as plaintiffs are Samuel Walley, William Green, and Rainier Arms, LLC. They are suing the ATF, ATF Director Steve Dettelbach, the Department of Justice, and U.S. Attorney General Merrick Garland.

"This is a significant win. When Joe Biden took office, he immediately began weaponizing the ATF, and this new pistol brace rule is a result of that strategy. It amounts to a dramatic shift in policy," Second Amendment Foundation founder and Executive Vice President Alan M. Gottlieb wrote in a press release.

"In the process, they're turning millions of lawabiding citizens into criminals. We can't allow that without a fight."

The pistol-stabilizing brace was invented in 2012 to assist the disabled and others who may need help shooting large-format pistols built on the AR 15 and similar platforms. The stabilizing brace attaches to the rear of the pistol and the shooter's forearm. This allows the shooter a steadier aim while holding the pistol with one hand.

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The ATF issued several open letters stating the braces did not change pistols into short-barreled rifles (SBR). However, the rule published last January said that changes in the braces' design and videos on how to use them make clear that the items convert the large format pistols into prohibited SBRs.

Since then, owners of the devices have been advised to remove the braces and render them unusable, register them with the government as regulated firearms under the NFA, or convert the pistols into legal rifles.

On May 31, the ATF's 120-day amnesty period for owners of the braces will end. Pistol brace owners who don't destroy, register, or surrender the braces to the government by the deadline will possess contraband and be subject to arrest, according to the ATF.

The ATF has waived the \$200 tax for registering the weapons during the amnesty period. Estimates on how many gun owners are affected range from 3 million to 40 million.

Link to the Article



Biden Signs Executive Order to Ramp Up Gun Control

President Joe Biden delivers remarks at the Boys and Girls Club of West San Gabriel Valley in Monterey Park, Calif., on March 14, 2023. (Mario Tama/Getty Images)



By Michael Clements March 14, 2023Updated: March 14, 2023

President Joe Biden signed an executive order on March 14 to advance gun-control measures, including a step toward universal background checks, as much as current law will allow without requiring new legislation.

Biden announced the order in a speech at the site of a Jan. 21, 2023 mass shooting that killed 11 and wounded nine.

The order increases the number of background checks before firearm sales to get as close to universal background checks as possible without additional legislation.

The executive order promotes the expanded use of "red flag" laws, scrutiny of the gun industry, and the ability to identify and apprehend shooters. Biden will also ask the Federal Trade Commission to issue a report on the marketing of firearms to children.

According to Biden, this would be accomplished by increased enforcement of the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act (Act). The Act will be especially instrumental in implementing at least two of Biden's most controversial plans.

The Act would increase the number of required background checks by redefining the term "who is engaged in the business of dealing firearms." Currently, the law considers someone engaged in the business of dealing firearms if it is their "principal objective of livelihood and profit." The Act would change that to "predominately earn a profit."

Critics of the change say this would encompass most private sales between individuals, which currently do not require a background check.

The executive order will also instruct federal officials to promote so-called "Red Flag Laws." These laws have so far been adopted in 19 states and the District of Columbia. They allow for the confiscation of firearms from individuals determined to be dangerous by the court.

Biden claims such laws will prevent mass shootings like that in Monterey Park, Calif, on Jan. 21, 2023.

That shooting began in the Star Dance Studio and ended when an employee at another dance studio, Brandon Tsay, 26, took the shooter's rifle and turned it on him. The 72-year-old shooter was later found dead from an apparently self-inflicted gunshot.

Detractors say Red Flag Laws deny individuals their constitutional due process rights by confiscating their property before any crime has been committed.

The executive order also calls for the Federal Trade Commission to issue a report on how gun manufacturers market to children, requires federal officials to report on gun dealers who break the law, requires stricter reporting of firearms that are lost or stolen in shipping, and for the federal government to provide assistance after a shooting similar to the aid made available after a natural disaster.



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<u>WHITE HOUSE</u> Advocates, Biden mark anniversary of gun law, look to future

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President says he's 'optimistic' about continued efforts to control guns



Sen. Richard Blumenthal hugs gun control advocate and former Rep. Gabby Giffords after her address during the Nation Communities Summit at the University of Hartford on Friday. (John Moore/Getty Images)

By <u>Daniela Altimari</u> Posted June 16, 2023 at 5:58pm

WEST HARTFORD, Conn. — President Joe Biden told hundreds of activists from across the nation who came to Connecticut on Friday to celebrate the upcoming anniversary of a bipartisan law that more needs to be done to address gun violence.

"We will ban assault weapons in this country," Biden said as the crowd roared its approval. "We will ban multi-round magazines, we will hold gun makers liable."

The daylong National Safer Communities Summit at the University of Hartford, organized by Sen. <u>Chris Murphy</u>, D-Conn., brought together policymakers, grassroots groups, educators and public health officials. In recent weeks, Biden had addressed similar events focused on abortion rights and environmental protection, and the gathering was part rally and part strategy session as the Democratic president ramps up his reelection campaign.

"Some in this room have turned your pain into purpose," Biden said. "You're the reason why I'm so optimistic about the future. ... You're changing our culture. You're changing our politics." <u>Read more</u>



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It's a piece of Florida history that most people would rather forget.

Feb. 14, 2018, 19-year-old Nikolas Cruz walked into Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in the Miami suburban town of Parkland, and murdered 17 people. Seventeen others were injured before he dropped his gun and blended in with students who were evacuating the school. He was later found, arrested and has been sentenced to life in prison.

The uproar over what is the deadliest school shooting in America put Republican legislators — who historically refused to consider any gun legislation they and the National Rifle Association considered an infringement on second amendment rights — in a tight spot.

Gov. Rick Scott and a majority of the Legislature passed laws that included stopping the sale of rifles and long guns to anyone under the age of 21. It was landmark legislation at the time.

Legislators were attacked by the NRA, which sued to overturn the new law.

A Daily Sun story outlined how the Giffords Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence, March for Our Lives Action Fund and other groups seeking stricter gun-control measures filed a friend-of-the-court brief backing the state. The group Everytown for Gun Safety Support Fund and 16 states also filed briefs supporting the law.

A 52-page brief filed by Giffords Law Center said "18-to-20year-olds' brains are still developing, that they are at higher risk of using firearms to commit crime and attempt suicide, and that they are disproportionately likely to be victims of firearmrelated violence."

The brief also noted that in the 20 years following the Columbine High School massacre (the second deadliest school shooting), there were 486 incidents involving firearms at schools, including 68 incidents of an active shooter on school property during the school day.

The courts upheld the Legislature's law.

It was a small step in the right direction and a rare example of a Republican-dominated Legislature siding against the NRA.

That was then. This is now, and now the current Republicandominated Legislature is looking to take back what they apparently believe was a mistake.

The News Service of Florida reported recently that Rep. Bobby Payne, R-Palatka and Rep. Tyler Sirois, R-Merritt Island, have filed HB1543 that would lower the age to legally purchase a rifle or long gun to 18.

It's all but saying — OK, we did this for four years to make everyone happy, now we're going back to the way it should be. Read Full Text



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