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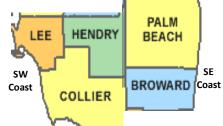
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HAPPY NEW YEAR 2013

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT SAM GOLDSTEIN

Many organizations have mottos to live by. The IPA NDC in conjunction with the 50th anniversary of the IPA United States Section held in Bethesda, Maryland from November 9th to November 11th,2012 had proven that our motto "Friendship Through Service" to be a truth. Eighteen foreign countries joined in the celebration. The visits to the museums of Crime and Punishment, The Spy Museum, the scheduled excursions to Fort McHenry and the Police Memorial were interesting as well as emotional. But holding true to our motto, it was the interactions with our brothers and sisters of the IPA that made that event such a memorable and successful one. Steve Livingston did one heck of a job organizing such a terrific event even though he is still recovering from his near fatal injury, sustained when he was struck by a DUI during a crash investigation. If you have never experienced an IPA NDC think about doing so. You will not regret it.

Congrats go to Milton Meadows the proud winner of the gun drawing at our November meeting. The meeting room was packed and overflowing with members of Region 11 as well as IPA members from Germany. Even though it was tight we all had a great time and I appreciate the overwhelming and unexpected attendance. Our next meeting on Feb 20th at Hurricane Wings in Wellington has a larger room where I hope we get the same response in members, friends and family in attendance.

Those who missed our Region 11 Holiday Party missed a fantastic event. A BIG thumbs up go to our secretary, Bob Hurley AKA Santa who brought cheer and smiles to many children and adults. It was a pleasure to meet IPA members from Great Britain. Food, Fun and Friendship what more can we ask for.

On behalf of my family and the IPA Region 11 Board, I wish everyone a Very Happy, Healthy, and Safe New Year!! Sam



MESSAGE FROM REGION 11 FIRST VICE PRESIDENT ROBERT KILLEN

Region 11 hosted a renewal of the Holiday/Christmas Picnic that was held on December 8th, 2012 at the Hillsboro Park in Deerfield Beach. This picnic used to be our Annual Party however, it was discontinued due to the lack of interest from our members in previous years. This one turned out to be a huge success since we had a very nice turnout with many members and guests. It was also shared by our visiting IPA friends from the United Kingdom, Melvyn Thorndyke and his wife. Dirk Lowry was a gracious host who picked up our guests from their Miami hotel so that they could attend the picnic.

The picnic was at no cost to its members and guest. The food included hamburgers, hotdogs, chicken and various salads. The chefs of the day were Region 11 President Sam Goldstein and Dave Lewis - our 2nd Vice President. Santa Claus, one of the highlights of the day, was played by our own Secretary Robert Hurley. Numerous children were delighted by the gifts given to them by Santa. Some of the photographs that were taken during the picnic are posted in this newsletter. The rest of the photos can be seen during our next General Meeting coming up on February 20th, 2013 at the Hurricane Grill and Wings in Wellington (Palm Beach). My many thanks go out to the board members, members and friends who made this picnic a success.

The region was visited by two German IPA members who participated in an internship for two weeks at the Miami Gardens Police Department (organized by Bob Killen). The visit was capped-off with a German-style barbeque at the Killen residence. Some photos of this event are posted in this newsletter and the entire display of photos taken can be seen at our next general meeting.

January will be a busy month for in-coming visitors. We have two internships again scheduled with the Miami Gardens Police Department. Read your newsletter for additional information of feel free to contact me at **B47irishnd@aol.com**.

The board attempted to organize a Saint Patrick's Day event but was unable to negotiate a better offer. There-fore, the event was scratched. Also, planning will soon be in progress for another "Doo-Wop Night" and keep reading your newsletter for updates. We are aiming for a day in April 2013.

I would like to encourage members to get actively involved on committees and/or offer some ideas for events or anything you may have in mind. Don't be afraid of speaking up at meetings to offer your ideas, criticisms, a desire to run for a board position, etc. Elections are coming up for a new board. They will be held in November of 2013. Please consider running for a Region 11 officer position.

I Wish for All of you to have a Happy and Healthy New Year !!

Bob Killen



President Sam Goldstein with Marcus Jahn and Isabel Miels





Soraya Killen with Marcus and Isabel



A great time had by all

Meeting and Raffle Drawing on 11/14/12



President Goldstein calling the meeting to order.



A little crowded with a great turnout! Just look at those happy faces! (look harder)



Duffy's waitress, Stephanie Anderson, pulls out the winning raffle ticket



Gun raffle winner, Milton Meadows, arm wrestles with Treasurer Rich Kreuter to receive his winning certificate.



German IPA visitors, Isabel Miels & Marcus Jahn with R-11 member Gerry Colbert



R-11 members (from left to right): Rose Murphy, Soraya Killen & Bob Killen

Holiday Picnic on 12/08/12













NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING WILL BE HELD ON: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH, 2013

TIME: 6:45 pm





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Private room (larger than the last one in Broward) Our Treasurer will have a few IPA supplies on –hand for sale. WELLINGTON 4075 STATE ROAD 7 (441) WELLINGTON, FL 33467 PHONE # (561) 318-6107

DID YOU WASH YOUR HANDS?

HAND-WASHING IS A SIMPLE AND EFFECTIVE WAY TO HELP PREVENT DISEASES, SUCH AS COLDS, FLU, AND FOOD POISONING.

When to wash your hands Washing hands:

Often, especially during cold and flu (influenza) season, can reduce your risk of catching or spreading a cold or the flu. Before and after preparing or serving food reduces your risk of catching or spreading bacteria that cause food poisoning. Be especially careful to wash before and after preparing poultry, raw eggs, meat, or seafood. After going to the bathroom or changing diapers reduces your risk of catching or spreading infectious diseases such as salmonella or hepatitis A.

Wash your hands after:

Touching parts of your body that are not clean.

Using the bathroom.

Coughing, sneezing, or using a handkerchief or disposable tissue.

Eating, drinking, or using tobacco (for example, smoking).

Handling soiled kitchen utensils or equipment.

Handling other soiled or contaminated utensils or equipment.

Handling or preparing foods, especially after touching raw meat, poultry, fish, shellfish, or eggs.

Changing diapers, handling garbage, using the phone, shaking hands, or playing with pets.

Proper hand-washing:

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend the following steps for hand-washing: Wash your hands with running water and soap.

Rub your hands together for at least 20 seconds.

Pay special attention to your wrists, the backs of your hands, between your fingers, and under your fingernails.

Leave the water running while you dry your hands on a paper towel.

Use the paper towel as a barrier between the faucet and your clean hands when you turn off the water.

If soap and water are not available, use gel hand sanitizers or alcohol-based hand wipes containing 60% to 90% ethyl alcohol or isopropanol. Most supermarkets and drugstores carry these products. Carry one or both with you when you travel, and keep them in your car or purse.

If using the gel sanitizer, rub your hands until the gel is dry. You don't need to use water. The alcohol in the gel kills the germs on your hands.

THOUGHT EVERYONE SHOULD KNOW THIS

8 Great 9mm Pocket Pistols for Personal Defense



Beretta Nano

The Nano is Beretta USA's first-ever striker-fired pistol. The name refers to "nanotechnology" (the science of the tiny) because it's so small, sleek, smooth and thin. The design utilizes a removable, serialized steel sub-chassis that can easily be swapped into replaceable complete grip frames to accommodate different hand sizes, simple to disassemble and maintain. The Nano's magazine-release button can be readily reversed to accommodate right- or left-handed use. There are no external safeties or slide-lock levers, making it extremely easy to carry and draw from concealment. The slide does remain open after the last cartridge but must be pulled to the rear for release. The Nano's low-profile, dovetail-mounted white-dot front and rear sights are adjustable (or replaceable) with a supplied 1.5mm hex wrench. Unique to the Nano is a built-in, recessed striker-deactivation button that allows you to deactivate the internal striker mechanism prior to disassembly so can disassemble the pistol without pulling the trigger. Trigger-pulling is de rigueur on many other popular modern striker-fired designs and has caused many unexpected kabooms among careless operators who can't seem to remember to remove a loaded magazine before clearing the chamber.

Kahr CM9

The Kahr CM9 employs value-priced features from Kahr's 3.6-inch CW Series pistols and puts them into a smaller, three-inch-barreled package, giving it the same external dimensions as the more expensive PM9 model. What are the differences between CM and PM models? The CM9 has a conventional rifled barrel instead of a match-grade polygonal barrel. The CM slide-stop lever is metal-injection molded instead of machined. The CM-series slide undergoes fewer machining operations and uses simple engraved markings instead of roll marking. Finally, the CM models are shipped with one flush-pad six-round magazine. (Sevenround extended-grip magazines are available.) A lot of originality is packed into the CM9. The black polymer frame features patented 4140 steel inserts molded into the front and back for added rigidity and strength. A patented "cocking cam" DAO trigger system unlocks the passive safety firing-pin block and completes cocking and releasing of the firing pin. The patented offset recoil lug and trigger-bar attachment allow the CM9 barrel to fit lower in the frame, and the striker-fired design positions the shooter's hand farther up the grip, reducing muzzle flip. The white bar-dot CM9 sights are drift adjustable in the rear, and the slide locks open after the last round.



Kel-Tec PF-9

The polymer-frame, seven-round, single-stack PF-9 has a Browning-type locked-breech mechanism and was developed as a hybrid of the Kel-Tec P-11 9mm double-stack and P-3AT .380 Auto single-stack, combining their features into the flattest and lightest single-stack 9mm on the market. The PF-9 barrel, locking system, slide stop, assembly pin, front sight, recoil springs, guide rod and exterior controls are adapted from the P-11, and it is nearly identical to the P-11 in length and height, although it's much narrower and lighter in weight. The shorter trigger system with integral hammer block and the extraction system are adapted from the P-3AT. The PF-9 is rated for +P ammunition, but not for continuous use. The rear sight is adjustable for windage with a supplied Allen wrench as well as for elevation with the use of shims (not included). The seven-round rectangular magazine is supplied with a finger-extension base plate and numbered holes. An under barrel mil-spec Picatinny accessory rail has one forward-positioned locking notch. The firing mechanism is DAO with an automatic hammer-block safety. The PF-9 is available in blued, Parkerized or hard-chrome metal finish, with black, gray or olive drab polymer grip frame.



Kimber Solo Carry

The aluminum-frame micro-compact Solo Carry may look and feel like a baby 1911, but it's not. It's a newly designed platform engineered to offer M1911 fans the ergonomic and functional benefits of an extremely small, all-metal Model 1911, while simultaneously providing other advantages commonly associated with polymer-frame DAO pistols. The Solo has a 2.67-inch barrel (shortest on the market) with an overall length of just 51/2 inches, and weighs only 17.3 ounces (which is a mere two-tenths of an ounce more than the similar-size polymer-frame Ruger LC9). It literally fits in the palm of your hand. The heart of the Solo Carry design is the design of its trigger/fire control mechanism. Kimber describes the Solo trigger as "a single-action strikerfired design with an even and smooth pull." Pull travel is about a half-inch and a smooth seven pounds all the way, with barely perceptible stacking just at the moment of a very crisp let off. Striker-fired pistols have an inherently lower axis of recoil than hammer-fired designs, which is an important consideration for an ultra-small 9mm. The trigger itself is satin-surfaced and relatively large for a pistol of this type, with an oversize trigger guard for easy access with gloves.



Ruger LC9

The LC9 is in many respects a slightly larger single-column twin to the wildly popular Ruger LCP .380. It's larger both because the 9mm cartridge is slightly longer than the .380 Auto and requires a deeper grip-frame and action cycle and because the 9mm's increased recoil requires more grasping surface (and weight) for controllability. The larger frame also allows the incorporation of a "full size" slide lock and external slide-lock latch. A single-sided manual safety and a magazine disconnect are additional features of the LC9, as is a loaded-chamber indicator atop the slide. Unlike most tiny .380 autoloaders, the LC9 goes naturally into my hand and is a true grab-and-shoot gun. In size it comes about midway between the LCP and the company's "midsize" double-column SR9 Compact-but closer to the LCP. It has a glassfilled nylon black polymer grip frame with an aluminum locking-block insert and a blued, alloysteel slide and barrel. Each gun comes with one seven-round, single-column magazine with a standard flat floor plate for maximum conceal ability, plus an interchangeable finger-grip extension floor plate accessory for shooters who prefer a longer grip surface with more handto-pistol contact.

SIG P938

The three-inch single-stack P938 is the most compact 9mm in the Sig-Sauer line and the only "true" M1911 design among current pocket-size 9mms. It is essentially a scaled-up version of the Sig P238 .380, weighing only 0.8 ounce more (and only 0.4 inch longer overall). In most versions Sig offers, it comes with a six-round flat-base magazine; the "Extreme" P938 version comes with an extended wraparound-base pad seven-round magazine, which is also available as an aftermarket accessory. Mechanically, the P938 is a recoil-operated, locked-breech single action with conventionally located M1911 operating features. The slide locks open after the last shot, the release button drops the magazine free, and it is equipped with an ambidextrous manual thumb safety (but no grip safety). The design features a full-length recoil-spring guide rod and bushing-less slide. The low-profile, yet highly visible Siglite Night Sights that come standard on several P938 versions may be the best "pocket gun" sights on the market. The P938's semi-beavertail, hammer-cupping frame, which eliminates hammer bite, is a real benefit. For committed fans of the 1911 design, the P938 is the only choice in the ultra-compact 9mm world.

Smith & Wesson M&P9 Shield

The M&P9 Shield is the most recent of the growing crop of palm-size single-stack 9mms covered here, and it's the lightest and smallest 9mm personal-defense pistol S&W has yet offered. It's based on the proven full-size S&W M&P design and comes with one semistaggered flat-base seven-round magazine and one extended-base eight-round magazine. The only real difference between the larger M&Ps and the Shield, other than scale, is the Shield's slimmer magazines and the fact that the Shield grip does not feature interchangeable differentsize back-straps, but the much smaller Shield still has the larger M&P's natural-pointing 18degree grip angle and hand-fitting contour. Also critical to the Shield's user-friendly shoot-ability is its short, crisp trigger pull, which again is the same mechanism found on full-size M&Ps. Extremely uniform shot-to-shot, the nominal trigger travel from rest is only .300 inch, and the reset stroke is only .140 inch. Nominal trigger-pull weight is just 61/2 pounds. This is one of the best DAO trigger pulls on the market, much different than the long-stroke pull and long-reset designs found on many other compact 9mms (and most ultra-small .380 DAOs).

Taurus PT709 Slim

First introduced in early 2008, the Taurus PT709 "Slim" was in many ways the progenitor of the modern surge in palm-size 9mms. The original PT709's striker-fired ignition system was completely reset by the action of the slide, making it technically a single-action design with no repeat-strike capability (meaning that the trigger pull did not, and could not, load the striker, but merely released the already cocked system). However, the trigger felt like a shortthrow DAO-type gun, firm and smooth, with a positive travel distance, returning to the same stroke length for every shot.

Current PT709s are quite different than those originals and employ Taurus' "Strike Two" design, which features a backup double-action pull if a cartridge does not fire on the first short, crisp pull. The slide does not have to cock the action before the trigger can be pulled again. There is also a manual safety that allows the pistol to be carried cocked and locked plus a Glock-like integral trigger safety and an internal firing-pin safety that blocks the striker from reaching a chambered cartridge unless the trigger is in a full rearward position. The PT709 is one of the few true pocket-size repeat-strike defense pistols on the market.

For More Information go to:

http://www.gunsandammo.com/2012/11/05/8-great-9mm-pocket-pistols-for-personal-defense/







This is for all the grandfathers out there.

Last week, I took my grandchildren to a restaurant. My six-year-old grand-son asked if he could say grace. As we bowed our heads he said, "God is good, God is great. Thank you for the food, and I would even thank you more if Grandpa gets us ice cream for dessert. And liberty and justice for all! Amen!"

Along with the laughter from the other customers nearby, I heard a woman remark, "That's what's wrong with this country. Kids today don't even know how to pray. Asking God for ice cream! Why, I never!"

Hearing this, my grand-son burst into tears and asked me, "Did I do it wrong? Is God mad at me?" As I held him and assured him that he had done a terrific job, and God was certainly not mad at him, an elderly gentleman approached the table. He winked at my grand-son and said, "I happen to know that God thought that was a great prayer." "Really?" my grand-son asked. "Cross my heart," the man replied.

Then, in a theatrical whisper, he added (indicating the woman whose remark had started this whole thing), "Too bad she never asks God for ice cream. A little ice cream is good for the soul sometimes."

Naturally, I bought my grand-children ice cream at the end of the meal. My grandson stared at his for a moment, and then did something I will remember the rest of my life. He picked up his sundae and, without a word, walked over and placed it in front of the woman. With a big smile he told her, "Here, this is for you. Now, shove it up your butt you grouchy old b**ch!"

Kind of touches the heart doesn't it?

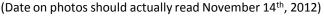
A FEDERAL OFFICER stopped at a ranch in Texas, and talked with an old rancher. He told the rancher, "I need to inspect your ranch for illegally grown drugs." The rancher said, "Okay, but don't go in that field over there.....", as he pointed out the location.

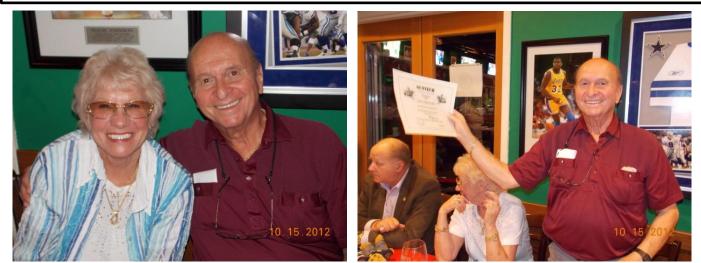
The Federal officer verbally exploded saying, "*Mister, I have the authority of the Federal Government with me !*" Reaching into his rear pants pocket, he removed his badge and proudly displayed it to the rancher. "See this badge?! This badge means I am allowed to go wherever I wish.... On <u>any</u> land !! No questions asked or answers given!! Have I made myself clear.....do you understand ?!!"

The rancher nodded politely, apologized, and went about his chores. A short time later, the old rancher heard loud screams, looked up, and saw the Federal officer running for his life, being chased by the rancher's big Santa Gertrudis bull. With every step the bull was gaining ground on the officer, and it seemed likely that he'd sure enough get gored before he reached safety. The officer was clearly terrified. The rancher threw down his tools, ran to the fence and yelled at the top of his lungs.....

"Your badge, show him your F'ING BADGE...... ! !"

Marlene and Milton Meadows celebrate winning the Region 11 Gun Drawing during our last meeting of the year - held on 11/14/2012. CONGRATULATIONS! THE TICKET SALES ENABLED REGION 11 TO SEND A DELEGATE TO THE 2012 NDC CONFERENCE. A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who supported the drawing.





SEAL Code: a Warrior Creed

NavySEALs.com Editorials Source: Mark Divine, Founder, NavySEALs.com 11.28.07

Warrior creeds, such as the Ranger's famous creed, have been around for over a century to guide the actions of operators on and off the battlefield. The creed is a code of conduct and inspirational daily reminder of the "reason we train and fight" for the men and women of these units. Many outside observers point to the mission of the units and preparation of the teams when describing who these people are. Warriors know better. It is the Warrior Ethos that best describes who they are, an ethos that has been shared, albeit with different words, with the Samurai, the Spartans, the Marines and other Special Operations forces around the world. The SEAL Code was created just two years ago. Prior to this, the SEALs had an unspoken code defined by the culture, historical experience and training. "Leave no man behind" and "failure is not an option" are examples of cultural mantras that evolved as the unwritten "SEAL code" from the Teams battlefield experiences in WWII, Korea, Vietnam and elsewhere. We have held to this code, never leaving a teammate in the field, dead or alive. Recent experience in Afghanistan with Medal of Honor winner LT Murphy and his teammates exemplifies this code of conduct. The SEAL code, however, was not recorded or "written in stone" and as the community grew, it needed some grounding. Would it be more powerful if it were more than a few mantras like "leave no man behind" and "Failure is not an option?" It became clear to the SEALs that they needed a more comprehensive creed that was not subject to interpretation and erosion over time. In 2005 a cross-functional team from all ranks was brought together to ponder the issue and come up with a durable, written, code. The team took input from all quarters, and did some serious community soul searching to penetrate the essence of what it meant to be a SEAL. The results are nothing short of extraordinary. How do you think the SEAL Code stands up? Will it be powerful and durable enough to guide Naval Special Warfare operators into a chaotic future, much as the Ranger Creed has done for the Rangers? We at NavySEALs.com feel that the SEAL Code stands tall with the greatest creeds of martial history and is one of the most succinct articulations of how a warrior culture is to conduct themselves in war and peace. Read for yourself and decide: The SEAL Code:

- Loyalty to Country, Team and Teammate
- Serve with Honor and Integrity On and Off the Battlefield
- Ready to Lead, Ready to Follow, Never Quit
- Take responsibility for your actions and the actions of your teammates
- Excel as Warriors through Discipline and Innovation
- Train for War, Fight to Win, Defeat our Nation's Enemies
- Earn your Trident everyday

United States Navy SEAL: In times of war or uncertainty there is a special breed of warrior ready to answer our Nation's call. A common man with uncommon desire to succeed. Forged by adversity, he stands alongside America's finest special operations forces to serve his country, the American people, and protect their way of life. I am that man. My Trident is a symbol of honor and heritage. Bestowed upon me by the heroes that have gone before, it embodies the trust of those I have sworn to protect. By wearing the Trident I accept the responsibility of my chosen profession and way of life. It is a privilege that I must earn every day. My loyalty to Country and Team is beyond reproach. I humbly serve as a guardian to my fellow Americans always ready to defend those who are unable to defend themselves. I do not advertise the nature of my work, nor seek recognition for my actions. I voluntarily accept the inherent hazards of my profession, placing the welfare and security of others before my own. I serve with honor on and off the battlefield. The ability to control my emotions and my actions, regardless of circumstance, sets me apart from other men. Uncompromising integrity is my standard. My character and honor are steadfast. My word is my bond. We expect to lead and be led. In the absence of orders I will take charge, lead my teammates and accomplish the mission. I lead by example in all situations. I will never quit. I persevere and thrive on adversity. My Nation expects me to be physically harder and mentally stronger than my enemies. If knocked down, I will get back up, every time. I will draw on every remaining ounce of strength to protect my teammates and to accomplish our mission. I am never out of the fight. We demand discipline. We expect innovation. The lives of my teammates and the success of our mission depend on me - my technical skill, tactical proficiency, and attention to detail. My training is never complete. We train for war and fight to win. I stand ready to bring the full spectrum of combat power to bear in order to achieve my mission and the goals established by my country. The execution of my duties will be swift and violent when required yet guided by the very principles that I serve to defend. Brave men have fought and died building the proud tradition and feared reputation that I am bound to uphold. In the worst of conditions, the legacy of my teammates steadies my resolve and silently guides my every deed. I will not fail. Bravo! Let's all try to live up to this wonderful code of conduct in our daily pursuit of excellence. I believe you would see some serious results. Mark Divine, NavySEALs.com founder.

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HTTP AND HTTPS-- GREAT INFORMATION !

Once in a while, there is something that comes down the pike that is of real importance. What is the difference between http and https? Don't know how many of you are aware of this difference, but it is worth sending to any who do not. The main difference between <u>http:///</u> and https:// is it's all about keeping you secure. HTTP stands for Hyper Text Transfer Protocol. The S (big surprise) stands for "Secure." If you visit a website or web page, and look at the address in the web browser, it will likely begin with the following: <u>http:///.</u> This means that the website is talking to your browser using the regular "unsecured" language. In other words, it is possible for someone to "eavesdrop" on your computer's conversation with the website. If you fill out a form on the website, someone might see the information you send to that site. This is why you <u>never ever</u> enter your credit card number in an http website! But if the web address begins with <u>https://,</u> that basically means you computer is talking to the website in a secure code that no one can eavesdrop on. If a website ever asks you to enter your credit card information, you should automatically look to see if the web address begins with <u>https://.</u> If it doesn't, you should NEVER enter sensitive information......such as a credit card number, SS #, etc.

(Get LIFELOCK..... http://www.lifelock.com/) (I have it and it is worth every penny! Editor)

STOLEN VALOR LAW 2.0 PASSES IN SENATE (DEC 04, 2012) MILITARY.COM BY BRYANT JORDAN

A law designed to punish those who boast battlefield medals for heroics they never performed passed the Senate on Monday, marking the second bid by Congress to outlaw lying about war records. The first so-called Stolen Valor Law was declared unconstitutional in June by the U.S. Supreme Court, which ruled that lying about military service was protected speech. This time around lawmakers have anchored the law on lying about awards and decorations for "tangible benefit or personal gain," not strictly lying for the sake of lying. The bill was filed by Sen. Jim Webb, D-Va., a Vietnam combat veteran, shortly after the high court knocked down the original 2006 law. "For someone who has not served to come in and get material benefit from something they did not do is just not right," Webb said in an interview with Norfolk TV station WTKR in July, when he filed the legislation that is now set to become part of the 2013 National Defense Authorization Act. The House of Representatives already passed its own version of the law, so final language has to be worked out before it can be signed. Under the Senate version anyone found guilty of violating the Stolen Valor law would be fined and possibly jailed for not more than 6 months, or both. The House version would put violators in jail for up to a year.

The new law states that benefits include any provided by the local, state or federal government for military service, earn a job, run for elective office, or attain an appointment to a board or position on a non-profit. Webb's bill was cosponsored by Sen. Scott Brown, R-Mass., and Joe Lieberman, I-Conn. The 2006 version of the Stolen Valor Act made it a crime to make any false statements claiming military awards and decorations. A California man, Xavier Alvarez, was convicted of violating the law for claiming to have earned the Medal of Honor. He was ordered to pay a \$5,000 fine but appealed the case up to the Supreme Court, which struck it down. Webb and others argued the law is necessary to protect the integrity of military decorations, since those who earn them are held in high regard by the public. False claims of receiving such medals or serving in the military, the bill language states, "are especially likely to be harmful and material to employers, voters in deciding to whom paid elective positions should be entrusted, and in the award of contracts." "Military service and military awards are held in such great respect that public and private decisions are correctly influenced by claims of heroism," the bill states, arguing that making false claims about military service and heroism are "an especially noxious means of obtaining something of value."

DID YOU KNOW?

In 1933, a beautiful, young Austrian woman took off her clothes for a movie director. She ran through the woods, naked. She swam in a lake, naked. Pushing well beyond the social norms of the period, the movie also featured a simulated orgasm. To make the scene "vivid," the director reportedly stabbed the actress with a sharp pin just off-screen. The most popular movie in 1933 was King Kong. But everyone in Hollywood was talking about that scandalous movie with the gorgeous, young Austrian woman. Louis B. Mayer, of the giant studio MGM, said she was the most beautiful woman in the world. The film was banned practically everywhere, which of course made it even more popular and valuable. Mussolini reportedly refused to sell his copy at any price. The star of the film, called 'Ecstasy', was Hedwig Kiesler. She said the secret of her beauty was "to stand there and look stupid." In reality, Kiesler was anything but stupid. She was a genius. She'd grown up as the only child of a prominent Jewish banker. She was a math prodigy. She excelled at science. As she grew older, she became ruthless, using all the power her body and mind gave her. Between the sexual roles she played, her tremendous beauty, and the power of her intellect, Kiesler would confound the men in her life, including her six husbands, two of the most ruthless dictators of the 20th century, and one of the greatest movie producers in history. Her beauty made her rich for a time. She is said to have made - and spent - \$30 million in her life. But her greatest accomplishment resulted from her intellect, and her invention continues to shape the world we live in today. You see, this young Austrian starlet would take one of the most valuable technologies ever developed right from under Hitler's nose. After fleeing to America, she not only became a major Hollywood star, her name sits on one of the most important patents ever granted by the U.S. Patent Office. Today, when you use your cell phone or, over the next few years, as you experience super-fast wireless Internet access (via something called "long-term evolution" or "LTE" technology), you'll be using an extension of the technology a 20- year-old actress first conceived while sitting at dinner with Hitler. At the time she made Ecstasy, Kiesler was married to one of the richest men in Austria. Friedrich Mandl was Austria's leading arms maker. His firm would become a key supplier to the Nazis. Mandl used his beautiful young wife as a showpiece at important business dinners with representatives of the Austrian, Italian, and German fascist forces. One of Mandl's favorite topics at these gatherings - which included meals with Hitler and Mussolini - was the technology surrounding radio-controlled missiles and torpedoes. Wireless weapons offered far greater ranges than the wire-controlled alternatives that prevailed at the time. Kiesler sat through these dinners "looking stupid," while absorbing everything she heard. As a Jew, Kiesler hated the Nazis. She abhorred her husband's business ambitions. Mandl responded to his willful wife by imprisoning her in his castle, Schloss Schwarzenau. In 1937, she managed to escape. She drugged her maid, snuck out of the castle wearing the maid's clothes, and sold her jewelry to finance a trip to London. (She got out just in time. In 1938, Germany annexed Austria . The Nazis seized Mandl's factory. He was half Jewish. Mandl fled to Brazil. Later, he became an adviser to Argentina's iconic populist president, Juan Peron.) In London, Kiesler arranged a meeting with Louis B. Mayer. She signed a long-term contract with him, becoming one of MGM's biggest stars. She appeared in more than 20 films. She was a co-star to Clark Gable, Judy Garland, and even Bob Hope. Each of her first seven MGM movies was a blockbuster. But Kiesler cared far more about fighting the Nazis than about making movies. At the height of her fame, in 1942, she developed a new kind of communications system, optimized for sending coded messages that couldn't be "jammed." She was building a system that would allow torpedoes and guided bombs to always reach their targets. She was building a system to kill Nazis. By the 1940s, both the Nazis and the Allied forces were using the kind of single- frequency radio-controlled technology Kiesler's ex-husband had been peddling. The drawback of this technology was that the enemy could find the appropriate frequency and "jam" or intercept the signal, thereby interfering with the missile's intended path. Kiesler's key innovation was to "change the channel." It was a way of encoding a message across a broad area of the wireless spectrum. If one part of the spectrum was jammed, the message would still get through on one of the other frequencies being used. The problem was, she could not figure out how to synchronize the frequency changes on both the receiver and the transmitter. To solve the problem, she turned to perhaps the world's first techno-musician, George Anthiel. Anthiel was an acquaintance of Kiesler who achieved some notoriety for creating intricate musical compositions. He synchronized his melodies across twelve player pianos, producing stereophonic sounds no one had ever heard before. Kiesler incorporated Anthiel's technology for synchronizing his player pianos. Then, she was able to synchronize the frequency changes between a weapon's receiver and its transmitter. On August 11, 1942, U.S. Patent No. 2,292,387 was granted to Antheil and "Hedy Kiesler Markey," which was Kiesler's married name at the time. Most of you won't recognize the name Kiesler. And no one would remember the name Hedy Markey. But it's a fair bet than anyone reading this newsletter of a certain age will remember one of the great beauties of Hollywood's golden age ~ *Hedy Lamarr*. That's the name Louis B. Mayer gave to his prize actress. That's the name his movie company made famous. Meanwhile, almost no one knows Hedwig Kiesler - aka Hedy Lamarr- was one of the great pioneers of wireless communications. Her technology was developed by the U.S. Navy, which has used it ever since. You're probably using Lamarr's technology, too. Her patent sits at the foundation of "spread spectrum technology," which you use every day when you log on to a Wi-Fi network or make calls with your Bluetooth-enabled phone. It lies at the heart of the massive investments being made right now in socalled fourth-generation "LTE" wireless technology. This next generation of cell phones and cell towers will provide tremendous increases to wireless network speed and quality, by spreading wireless signals across the entire available spectrum. This kind of encoding is only possible using the kind of frequency switching that Hedwig Kiesler invented.

Why (Some) Cops are Assholes (don't get pissed at me just yet....keep reading....) by Lea Anne Weil 12/07/12

Anyone ever wonder why cops are such "assholes"? Every rotten, horrible, scary situation that exists in life, cops deal with it. Repeatedly. Every fracking day. Your 'worst day ever' is just another tour. Car accident, homicide, rape, robbery, baby mama drama, baby daddy drama, family dispute over who gets the last pork chop that winds up with a dinner guest sporting a steak knife in the chest, a kid that goes missing or runs away, a dad who gets tanked up and uses mom as a speed bag, a drug overdose, hostage situations..every despicable thing that one human being can do to another is what the police are immersed in every day.

Just this week, police in Newburgh, NY were at the scene where a wonderful upstanding citizen was holding others hostage. Earlier this year, this young man's brother charged the police with a knife (it was the last thing he did on this earth...) and the present hostage situation put the lives of 2 people in peril as the perpetrator ranted and raved. The police charged him and subdued him. What does his family do? Why, they charge the police of course! Listen, one family member was a savage who tried to kill the police and just a few months later his little brother is threatening the lives of others while he holds them hostage. Just after minimizing the threat from this psycho, they have to hold off his family who tried to rush the police. Just a little note, when your 'emotionally disturbed' family member is off his/her meds and is a danger to himself or to society and the police have to be called to the scene, try to remember they are the POLICE. If you wanted a social worker or a psychologist, you should have dialed one directly.

This past month, a young NYPD officer gained some notoriety when he bought a pair of boots for what appeared to be a homeless man down on his luck on the streets of Manhattan. It was a selfless gesture and the story went nationwide. It was an opportunity to see the police in a kinder, softer light and quite a human interest story. Of course the media wanted to know all about the recipient of the benevolence - who was he? What was his 'story'? Well, it was learned that Mr. Hillman was not (and is not) homeless. He has a nice apartment in the Bronx, he receives Social Security and Veteran's benefits and has a loving supportive family in Pennsylvania. When asked what he did with the boots, he claimed that he hid them because he didn't want to be robbed and that they were valuable (bullshit - he sold them). Mr. Hillman also claimed that he intends to sue the photographer because he didn't give permission for his picture to be taken and he wants a 'piece of the pie'. So Mr. Hillman is a straight up 'playa', yo. Officer DePrimo said that he was going to keep the receipt in his bulletproof vest as a reminder that no matter how hard a day he was having, he would know that someone else is having a harder time and that he would always be grateful. Officer DePrimo did an honorable thing, but the death of his innocence and naiveté has begun and in it's place, cynicism and disdain may have begun its germination.

Stuff like this happens all the time. You call, they come. When they come, it is likely that someone will be leaving in handcuffs. You cannot call the police to a violent situation and expect that in the end, everyone's tears will be dried, hot chocolate and cookies will be handed out to be enjoyed by all and "Kumbaya" will be heard in the background. They are law enforcement officers. They enforce the law. You do not get to determine how they execute their duties. If you could have handled the bag of shit you called them about, you would have. You couldn't, so just shut the hell up and deal with the fact that your husband/wife /brother/sister/baby mama/baby daddy/child/BFF could very well be spending time as a guest of the municipality who came to answer your call for help.

Cops hang out with other cops. They get each other; they don't have to explain themselves. They laugh at things other people think inappropriate. Their humor is dark, but they love to laugh. They work second jobs and they are Boy Scout Leaders, lacrosse, football, soccer, hockey and baseball coaches. The divorce rate in the United States is over 50%, for cops it is significantly higher, and with good reason. They spend twenty–plus years being tired and grumpy from the commute, the crazy hours, the job and pain in the butt bosses. When they walk in the door and the kids yell, "Daddy!" (or, "Mommy!") they 're ready with a big hug, a smile and a "What's up guys?" How, you ask, do I know these things? I have spent twenty seven years being married to one of them. He is one of those big-mouthed tough guys who know everything. He trusts no one. He is a cop's cop. He has an amazing memory and eye for detail that is astounding. Anyone who has ever worked with him will tell you he is probably a little crazy, but that he is the best cop they ever worked with. For twenty years, I watched him walk out the door and I always prayed that he would come back. There were some really close calls, but he always made it home. I have never taken that for granted, I know too well the ache and emptiness in the eyes of the survivors of the shield. For twenty years, I lent my husband to New York City to patrol the streets and to keep the wolves at bay so that the people of that city could live under the blanket of security and safety that his existence provided; all the while knowing that the very citizens he protected resented his presence. In 2010, our son took the oath of office and wears the shield his father wore before him. Again, I wait each night until I hear the key in the door before I fall into a deep sleep.

Cops are assholes. It's what keeps them alive and whole, because if they let all the crap they deal with actually sink in, it would destroy their souls. So they will deal with the things you don't want to believe really happen. They will be physically and emotionally bruised, battered and bloodied. And at the end of each tour when they take off the uniform and close their locker they say a brief prayer of thanks for making it through the day safely. There is one thing that a cop wants every day when he or she goes into work – just one thing. At the end of tour, they want to go home. That's it, just to make it home where things are normal, boring and safe. When all is said and done, that really is their job - to make it through the day and arrive home safe and sound.

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