



IOWA FIREARMS COALITION

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FROM THE TOP

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We are living in truly monumental times. We have a new Administration in Washington D.C. that is using its power to screw up everything it touches as it attempts to destroy our Constitutionally protected God given rights. As I'm writing these paragraphs, President Biden has just signed six additional executive orders trying to regulate our rights out of existence. It's an unbelievable power grab that will have to be litigated to stop, and clearly is bypassing Congress and the US Constitution. On top of that President Biden nominated to push through his anti-gun crusade is a former Bloomberg and Giffords gun-ban lobbyist to head the ATF. As the NRA-ILA has pointed out "[President] Biden's nominee David Chipman is a PROVEN LIAR who will say anything to help advance his radical, gun-ban agenda. He doesn't believe you have an *individual* right to own a firearm. He's called for massive, nationwide gun bans."

Then in Iowa there is this; for simply pointing out to the Monroe County Board of Supervisors that they are in violation of Iowa's firearms preemption law, they are suing IFC and one of our members! What do they want? They want us to sit down and shut up and Monroe County wants to be allowed to ignore the law. As our Chairman Michael Ware has said, "This aggression will not stand". As our attorney has pointed out, this is intended to cause a "chilling" effect, hopefully scaring every private citizen into not questioning the legality of local official's actions. IFC and its members will not be silenced or forced into submission by some local County Supervisors who are unhappy with Firearms Law Preemption in The Iowa Code. The very Iowa Code that IFC worked long and hard to get enacted in the first place.

Yet freedom is on the march at the state level all across the Country.

On February 25th our Events Director Eric and the entire IFC event crew put on a hugely successful and well attended 2A Day Rally at the Iowa State Capitol again this year with hundreds of members, other Pro 2A groups, and some legislators speaking. Pete Brownell gave the keynote address to a roaring crowd. It was the largest event at the Iowa Capitol this year.

The Freedom Amendment has passed through a second General Assembly and is on schedule to be on the Iowa ballot next November!

Governor Kim Reynolds has just signed into law both our long term legislative goal of Constitutional Carry ([HF756](#)) along with the Firearms Industry Protection Bill ([HF621](#))!

But we need your help. Litigation is going to be expensive and the campaign about to be waged by the opponents of liberty to ensure that the Freedom Amendment is defeated will be well funded by Nanny Bloomberg and his minions. Now more than ever, we need you to dig deep to defend freedom. Please donate to both IFC and the IFC Political Action Committee. As you have heard me say before, my commitment to you is to not waste any of our volunteer's time, or our donor's money.

Shoot Straight, speak the truth, and never surrender our liberties.

Dave Funk
President, Iowa Firearms Coalition

UNDER THE GOLDEN DOME



The 89th session of the Iowa General Assembly was gavelled into session on January 11, 2021. Their tentative schedule can be found here:

<https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/publications/SESTT/current.pdf>

FREEDOM AMENDMENT PASSES BOTH THE IOWA HOUSE AND SENATE! - Iowa is one of only six states that do not have wording in their state constitutions to protect our right to keep and bear arms. After years of hard, diligent work, IFC and its members have helped to move this amendment forward. The Freedom Amendment has been passed by both the Iowa House and Senate. That means it will be headed to the people of Iowa for a vote in 2022. We still need to keep our eye on the ball if we hope to get this passed. The light at the end of the tunnel is near, but this will NOT be an easy or inexpensive task to get completed. Outside forces are going to swarm the state with people and money to get this defeated. We cannot let this happen. As a team, we can get this done! Watch for future updates.

CONSTITUTIONAL CARRY BILL SIGNED BY GOVERNOR REYNOLDS - After several years of hard diligent work and cooperation between the legislature, IFC, and its members permitless carry will become the law of the state on July 1st, 2021. With the current atmosphere in Washington DC this was no easy task. IFC staff and volunteers worked countless hours with legislators to get this passed. That and all the IFC members who contacted their state reps and Governor Reynolds, urging them to support this bill is what got this done. Keep in mind that the other so called gun rights group here in Iowa is already taking credit for our hard work. Remember this, the Iowa Firearms Coalition is and always has been the premier 2A rights group in Iowa. We get things done. Not them. Read how this law will affect you here:

<https://iowafc.org/2021/04/07/effects-of-hf756-constitutional-carry-bill-you-need-to-understand/>

IFC AND ONE OF ITS MEMBERS SUED BY MONROE COUNTY - That's right. We're being sued by Monroe County Iowa, as is one of our members... Apparently, when you've got the resources of an entire county, you can bludgeon anyone you wish. Monroe County Iowa has taken this posture. We were neither looking for a squabble nor was JD. They chose us out of the blue after we had the audacity to point out Monroe County was willfully ignoring the law.

IFC is going to need your help to DEFEND FREEDOM in Iowa. We're seeing the State of New York bleed NRA dry as we speak. When the government shows up to sue you, they seem to have unlimited resources. You and I don't! We need your membership and your donations more than ever before. IFC didn't pick this fight – we were simply reminding the county to follow the law. Instead, Monroe County is going to use its power against the rights of Iowans, JD, and IFC.

READ MORE ABOUT IT AND HOW YOU CAN DONATE TO HELP IFC IN THIS FIGHT:

<https://iowafc.org/2021/03/26/ifc-sued-by-monroe-county/>

ARE YOU CURIOUS HOW YOUR IOWA HOUSE AND SENATE REPRESENTATIVES ARE VOTING? WELL, YOU SHOULD BE KEEPING TABS ON THEM. THAT AND A TON OF OTHER INFO CAN BE FOUND HERE:

<https://www.ifcpac.org/>

NRA/NATIONAL NEWS

POTUS CLAIMS THAT NO AMENDMENT IS ABSOLUTE..... - After claiming that no amendment is absolute and that nothing he is proposing will infringe on the 2 Amendment Uncle Joe lets us know what that really means. Read it here:

https://www.recoilweb.com/white-house-to-move-against-braces-80-lowers-166568.html?utm_source=bm23&utm_medium=email&utm_term=Read+Here&utm_content=Biden.+White+House+to+Punish+Gun+Owners.+&utm_campaign=Recoil+Newsletter+-+04/08/2021&_bta_tid=2407535764547640698916751211308441368176449869398214158369964816521009412413972498831365035206206584330

UNCLE JOE'S BASEMENT - Guess he forgot to tell us about this.

<https://www.nraila.org/articles/20210329/hunter-biden-s-involvement-in-firearm-incident-raises-important-legal-questions>

KAMALA SAYS - On the March 24, 2021 edition of CBS THIS MORNING our darling VPOTUS stated, "Stop pushing the false choice that this means everybody's trying to come after your guns. That is not what we're talking about." Makes you feel all warm and fuzzy doesn't it?

<https://www.nraila.org/articles/20210329/kamala-harris-is-lying-she-and-others-are-coming-after-your-guns>

JUST THE FACTS MA'AM - NRA has launched a new web page that deals specifically with the facts surrounding legal matters where the NRA is involved. As can be expected there are

numerous misleading reports being circulated pertaining to these issues. Read the facts here:

<https://www.nralegalfacts.org/>

Keep informed on these and other national gun issues at www.nraila.org.

NATIONAL SHOOTING SPORTS FEDERATION NEWS

CHUCKY SCHUMER SAYS THAT HOME-BUILT FIREARMS ARE LEGOS - He says they are easier to assemble than LEGOS too. Obviously he's never actually worked on either firearms or LEGOS himself. Read more about that and what he thinks of firearm manufacturers and dealers here:

https://www.nssf.org/gr-sen-schumer-arbiter-of-evil-hangs-sinful-label-on-firearm-retailers/?utm_source=bulletpoints

THINGS ARE ABOUT TO GO REALLY BAD FOR OUR NORTHERN NEIGHBORS - That nasty "C" word (confiscation) has reared its ugly head in Canada. Sweeping and horrific new laws have been promised by President Trudeau to come in a few months. It'll never happen here though.....right?

<https://www.nssf.org/canada-gun-confiscation-in-the-coming-months/>

IS HILLARY CLINTON STILL TALKING? - After being kicked to the curb in 2016 in large part due to gun owners voting in droves against her, old Hillary says that gun owners have an advantage because of our ".....shameless exploitation of people's unwarranted fears". She also thinks we live in a democracy. Sorry Hill, we live in a REPUBLIC. There is a difference. Read more of her ramblings here:

<https://www.nssf.org/what-hillary-gets-wrong-in-her-gun-control-push-again/>

IOWA DNR NEWS

****NOTE****

All DNR offices are still closed to the public except by appointment until further notice. Learn about the DNR's COVID-19 response and how the current health emergency is impacting DNR facilities, services and events at:

<https://www.iowadnr.gov/About-DNR/Covid-19>

SPRING HAS SPRUNG - Spring is upon us and hunting seasons are now open. Check here to get info on what seasons have been announced with their dates.

<https://www.iowadnr.gov/Hunting/Hunting-Season-Dates>

SPRING FISHING - With most of the State's COVID restrictions being relaxed, spring is a great time to get a line wet in many of Iowa's lakes and waterways. For current forecasts and other information: <https://www.iowadnr.gov/Fishing>

BECOME A CAMPGROUND HOST - The DNR is again looking for individuals who would like to volunteer to be campground hosts to live in one of the state's parks during the months of April – October helping DNR staff with light maintenance duties, checking in campers, and being a resource for visitors enjoying our state parks and forests. More info here: <https://www.iowadnr.gov/About-DNR/Volunteer-Opportunities>

GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING HUNTING, FISHING, AND OTHER ACTIVITIES-
<http://publications.iowa.gov/33942/1/Oct.%206%20Iowa%20Outdoors.pdf>

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT IOWA'S STATE PARKS, VISIT -
www.iowadnr.org/parks2020.

AROUND THE STATE

IFC members can submit stories and info from events around Iowa. Submit to www.davelincoln@iowaafc.org. Please include a brief description of the event and a photo.

IFC MEDIC MINUTE (VOL. 1)

IFC MEDIC MINUTE is a recurring article by IFC member Josh Bennett. He has experience as a critical care paramedic and is the founder of the emergency response training company, IOWA AMERICAN RESCUE.



Greetings and welcome to the first installment of the "Medic Minute". My name is Josh Bennett, and I primarily enjoy firearms through IDPA, and USPSA shooting sports (largely since before my kids started eating all my time!). I am always thankful for the work of the Iowa Firearms Coalition, and look forward to sharing some information with you all based on my experience as a Critical Care Paramedic, and founder of the emergency response training company Iowa American Rescue.

One of the ways we as firearm owners display our professionalism and responsibility is by understanding how to respond to traumatic emergencies. We have a saying at IAR that encourages us to view the threats around as being from "box cutter to bad guy". A responsible firearm owner should be able to immediately respond to an accidental, or malicious firearms discharge. In addition to ballistic injuries, we should be an asset in any type of traumatic emergency. The same compassion we have for our friends and

neighbors that compels us to carry a firearm for defense should also instill in us the desire to seek medical and trauma response training.

What is my first piece of advice? Be a CHEATER! Wait... What?

One of the topics we specialize in at IAR is how to minimize the emotional response to an emergency. In stressful situations we use acronyms, cheat sheets, and easy to read protocol charts. Do decades of experience help? Absolutely, but we recognize our human nature and set ourselves up for success by removing emotional variables when possible. In the next edition of this newsletter, we will go into greater detail on the acronym MARCH. This easy to remember series of letters is a basic guideline for how to initiate care, and what needs attention first.

M- Massive Hemorrhage can be arterial, evidenced by bright red pulsatile bleeding. Venous bleeding can also be deadly and is darker in color with more of an oozing release.

A- Airway Management can be very simple if no neck or back injury is suspected. Leave the surgical cricothyrotomy to paramedics and movie stars.

R- Respiratory Management is important if the chest cavity is involved and a sucking chest wound is evident. Sealing the chest cavity is an important early intervention.

C- Circulation is how oxygenated blood moves through the body, and shock makes this difficult. It may be wise to elevate the legs to improve blood supply to the vital organs.

H- Hypothermia Prevention At the risk of oversimplifying this, understand that warm blood clots better!

We will cover each of these components in detail in future newsletters, but if you do not want to wait feel free to follow Iowa American Rescue on Facebook and Instagram and see free training videos on our YouTube page! Josh can be reached at info@iarescue.com or via the website iarescue.com Thanks!

FEATURED FIREARM

IFC members can submit information and a pic for publication of one of their favorite firearms to www.davelincoln@iowaafc.org. Please include a brief description of the firearm with your photo.



This newsletter's featured firearm is a BRN-180S. It was built utilizing 10.5" barrelled upper and a matching BRN-180 lower receiver from Brownell's. Other parts include a BCM mod 3 gunfighter grip, an Elftmann fire control group, and an SB Tactical FS 1913 folding wrist brace. A SIG Romeo 5 red dot sight sits on top and an Omega 36M suppressor keeps the decibel levels manageable. Sweet rig!

LET'S EAT

IFC members can submit a favorite recipe for publication in the newsletter to www.davelincoln@iowafc.org.

Submitted by IFC member Jennifer Lacek

Tater Tot Chili Dog Casserole

10 Hot Dogs (Sliced)

2- 15 oz cans of your favorite brand of beanless chili (I use Wolf brand)

2- cups cheddar cheese

1- pkg frozen tater tots

1. Preheat your oven to 350 degrees
2. In a large bowl mix together the sliced hot dogs, and both cans of chili
3. Pour the mixture into a 9x13 casserole dish, and top with ONE cup of the cheddar cheese
4. Top the mixture with an even layer of tater tots
5. Bake uncovered for 45 minutes
6. Top with remaining cup of cheddar cheese, and bake for 5 more minutes to melt the cheese
7. ENJOY!!!

I DID NOT KNOW THAT

THE BATTLE OF ATHENS, TN - Not many people have heard or know about this battle that occurred in August of 1946. It was fought due to government corruption, overreach and election fraud. Sound familiar? Read about a small group of WW2 veterans that put a stop to it.

<https://www.thefirearmblog.com/blog/2021/04/20/battle-of-athens-breakdown/>

ON A LIGHTER NOTE



A cop tells his sergeant, "Wow, a woman shot her husband for walking on the floor she just mopped!"

"Oh, so you have arrested her then?" The sergeant asked.

"No, not yet. The floor is still wet!!!!!"

IN UNIFORM

Info and picture of an IFC member or one of their family serving in the military, LE or FD can be submitted for publication to www.davelincoln@iowaafc.org.

MEMBERS GALLERY

IFC members can submit photos of themselves and their family for publication in the newsletter to www.davelincoln@iowaafc.org. Please include names and a brief description of the activity in the photo.



Here's IFC member Pat Tapscott reaching out and touching some prairie dogs on a recent shoot out west. Pat is shooting one of his favorite rifles, a Thompson Center Encore Pro Hunter in .22-250 cal. Pat likes the rifle because of its versatility and accuracy. When not shooting grass rats with the T/C he converts it to a muzzle loader and keeps the freezer full of deer steaks.

FAREWELL

Info regarding the passing of an IFC member can be submitted for publication to www.davelincoln@iowaafc.org.

ROUNDS DOWN RANGE

Information on shooting ranges operated by State, County, or private entities can be submitted to www.davelincoln.iowaafc.org.

SHOOTING RANGES OPERATED BY THE IOWA DNR CAN BE FOUND HERE:
<https://www.iowadnr.gov/Hunting/Places-to-Hunt-Shoot/Iowa-Shooting-Ranges>

UPCOMING EVENTS

IFC Members can submit upcoming events for publication in the next newsletter. All events submitted should include the event name, event date, where the event is taking place, and event contact info. All events should be submitted to:

Cancellations and rescheduling occur on a day to day basis, therefore you should always check with the promoters before attending. Many events and gun shows are now open but are requiring attendees to wear proper protective gear such as face masks.

GUN SHOWS AND OTHER EVENT INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND HERE:

<https://www.gunshowminute.com/gunshows/iowa/>

DONORS

The following individuals have made monetary donations to IFC above their membership dues. If you would like to donate to IFC and help to strengthen our cause please visit our website at www.iowaafc.org.

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