



# IOWA FIREARMS COALITION

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**2nd QUARTER 2020 NEWSLETTER**



## FROM THE TOP

The last few months in America have been a striking illustration how quickly things can change. With the Covid-19 economic shutdown, the world attempted for the first time in history to stop the spread of a virus, not by isolating the sick, but instead, by isolating nearly everyone. History will eventually judge whether or not that attempt was successful, but one thing for sure is that Covid-19 brought out the inner dictator in many state and local officials. We saw across several states unconstitutional near total lockdowns, with overreaching and power hungry governors and mayors who applied rules by executive fiat to everyone but themselves and their cronies. Fortunately for Iowans, our Governor Reynolds, was far more measured in her response. Iowan's also did not see our firearms retailers and dealers ordered shut down in time of a national emergency. In the last month a record setting three million firearms were sold proving once again that American's understand the value our Framers saw in the possession of arms and ammunition for the defense of our communities and families that they enshrined our natural right to ensure that the government does not have a monopoly on power.

What better illustration of the aforementioned event than the in custody death of a Minnesota man in which four Minneapolis Police Officers have been criminally charged. We all know that justice will eventually prevail and the only comments I will add are the words of the former Mayor of Cincinnati Mr. Kenneth Blackwell spoke in a recent interview;

*"You had those who saw it as an opportunity to disrupt and destroy and divide. At a moment when we should have been turning to one another, these forces had us turning on one another, because what they want is a disruption of civil society so that they can advance their agenda."*

Iowa was not immune to those who would divide and destroy our Republic. Be careful out there.

Good news on the legislative front with the resumption of the legislative session as one of our two top priorities [HF2502](#) "A bill for an act relating to firearms and weapons, including the storage, carrying, possession, or transportation of weapons and the establishment, use, and maintenance of shooting ranges" has passed both houses and is on Governor Reynolds desk awaiting her signature.

With the recent economic calamity caused by the Covid-19 shutdown, the supply food production supply chain has been disrupted. Our unemployed neighbors, some of whom are IFC members, along with Iowa farmers, are hurting. Our IFC Chairman came up with the idea to purchase ten hogs from a local farmer and have a local butcher process those hogs for distribution to local food banks this summer. The first annual **IFC GUNS & BACON** initiative was launched by the IFC BOD on May 27th in our first [Online Town Hall](#). You can donate [here](#), and this will become an annual event. Any

donations over \$25 will bring you an IFC decal. (Life members have already received decals and will, therefore, be given membership stickers)

Iowa's Primary's are completed, and we have both a solid slate of pro-freedom and unfortunately many anti-freedom candidates on the ballot across the state. More information will be coming out about who IFC will be supporting and working for in the General Election come November. But you can always count on IFC and the NRA to lead in this fight.

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

Dave Funk, President, IFC

## IFC NEWS

**\*\*\*THE IOWA LEGISLATURE RECONVENED THIS SESSION ON JUNE 3RD.\*\*\***

### **Under the Golden Dome**



### **Bills Still Active:**

**HF2502** – A bill for an act relating to firearms and weapons, including the storage, carrying, possession, or transportation of weapons and the establishment, use, and maintenance of shooting ranges. (This bill was passed by a subcommittee on 2/10/2020 and referred to the House Public Safety Committee with Rep. Holt's closing remarks.) (This bill was passed by the House Public Safety Committee on 2/20/2020 with Rep. Holt's closing remarks.) (Formerly HSB615) – **PASSED by the Senate 6/3/2020 - 32-17 in party line vote. Next stop is the Governor's desk. Governor Reynolds is expected to sign the bill into law. If that occurs it will go into effect on 7/1/2020.**

**SF2224** – A bill for an act relating to going armed with, carrying, or transporting weapons on school district property. (Formerly SF 116, SSB 1017.) (Special Note – This bill passed Senate Judiciary Committee 10 – 3, with two Republican Senators absent. It is eligible for debate by the full Senate) **ALIVE - Waiting for House floor action**

SF2096 – A bill for an act allowing certain emergency medical care providers to obtain a professional permit to carry weapons. (Formerly SF 2006.) (Passed by Senate 2/10/2020 and referred to House Public Safety Committee) **ALIVE - Companion to HF2036 – waiting on House Floor Action of HF2036**

HF2036 – A bill for an act allowing certain emergency medical care providers to obtain a professional permit to carry weapons. (Companion bill to SF2096. Subcommittee passed, awaiting action by House Public Safety Committee) **ALIVE - waiting for House Floor Action**

SF2095 – A bill for an act allowing county attorneys and assistant county attorneys to obtain a professional permit to carry weapons. (Formerly SF 587, SSB 1007.) (Passed Senate 47-2 on Feb. 6, 2020 and was sent to the House.) **ALIVE - waiting on House Judiciary Committee Action**

HF716 – A bill for an act relating to firearms requirements for hunting deer. (Formerly HF 179.) **ALIVE - waiting for Senate Floor Action**

SF2184 – A bill for an act relating to peace officers, reserve peace officers, and federal officers going armed with, carrying, or transporting a firearm on school grounds. (Formerly SF 7 & SF115) **ALIVE**

SF2155 – A bill for an act establishing authority for school districts to impose additional property taxes and income surtaxes for certain school resource officer expenses under the instructional support program. (Formerly SF2065) (Senate Education Committee passed 13-0 on Feb. 5, 2020, and it is eligible for Senate debate) **ALIVE**

SF537 – A bill for an act relating to taking coyotes while using an artificial source of light. (Formerly SF 374.) (House subcommittee passed and referred to House Natural Resources Committee) **ALIVE - Returned from House to Senate – awaiting reconsideration in Senate**

**The following bills have been defeated:**

HF2025 – Criminalizes Permit to Carry holders lawfully carrying in the places they do business – **BILL**

HF2145 – Returning Iowa to “May Issue” state – **BILL**

HF2143 – Roll back the 2017 passage of Capitol Carry – **BILL**

HF2181 – Universal Background Checks – **BILL**

HF2180 – Red Flag/Extreme Risk Protection Orders – **BILL**

HF2179 – Criminal Penalties for gun owners who have their guns stolen – **BILL**

HF2075 – Bumpstock Ban – **BILL**

## **IFC’s 1st Annual Guns & Bacon**

Hog Farm / Food Bank initiative



## OVERVIEW

COVID-19 has made a mess across the nation unlike anything this century has seen. Many Iowans are struggling in various ways to make it through this difficult time. This is particularly true for Iowa's pork industry. This summer Iowa Firearms Coalition has launched a new initiative to help Iowa hog farmers by purchasing and processing 10 hogs from area farms across the state! The hogs will then be distributed to central Iowa food banks to help those in need of meat to feed their families. Please consider making a contribution to this initiative! While this event was IFC's response to this current pandemic and economic situation, we plan on making this annual event as a way to keep Iowa hog farmers cushioned during the good years and the bad while continuing to support food banks around the state. While the specifics of the event are likely to evolve over the coming years, we hope we can count on your continued support!

## How To Donate

To make a contribution to the Guns & Bacon initiative, go to our website:

<http://www.iowafc.org/>

1. Click Donate near the top of the page in the red bar.
2. Place a comment in the donation comment section that you are donating to this specific initiative. ("Guns & Bacon, "G&B", "hogs", etc.) Anything obvious here will do!
3. Consider making your donation at least **\$25** to receive a FREE IFC window decal! (Pictured at the top)

Thank you for your consideration!

## NRA NEWS

**CANADA** - Justin Trudeau, the Canadian Prime Minister, took advantage of the suspension of Parliament to declare a ban on what he described as "military grade assault weapons." The implementing regulations ("Orders in Council") apply to over 1,500 models and "variants" of guns that have been used for decades for lawful hunting, competitive shooting, and other recreational uses. Multiple legal actions to reverse the order have been initiated with more to follow.

<https://www.nraila.org/articles/20200602/lawsuits-begin-over-trudeau-s-assault-weapon-ban>

**JOE BIDEN'S BASEMENT** - Presumptive Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden said on Monday police should be trained to shoot assailants in the legs.

<https://freebeacon.com/2020-election/biden-calls-on-cops-to-shoot-to-wound-despite-safety-concerns>

**MISSOURI** – On May 30<sup>th</sup>, the Missouri Legislature adjourned sine die from its 2020 legislative session. Thanks to the efforts of law-abiding citizens and pro-Second Amendment lawmakers, extreme “red flag” gun seizure legislation did not make it out of committee. Unfortunately, the COVID-19 crisis stalled efforts to pass legislation to ensure citizens have the right to self-defense while on public transit.

<https://www.nraila.org/articles/20200531/missouri-legislature-adjourns-sine-die>

**CALIFORNIA** - On April 13, California Attorney General Xavier Becerra issued a guidance document on the procedures concerning certain types of restraining orders. Citing the ongoing COVID-19 panic, Becerra noted that all ex parte Gun Violence Restraining Orders (EGVROs) are to be extended 90 days past the statutory expiration date. California's latest attack on gun rights and due process should serve as a warning to gun owners across the country about the dangers inherent to "Red Flag" gun confiscation laws.

<https://www.nraila.org/articles/20200420/citing-covid-19-california-extends-ex-parte-red-flag-gun-confiscation-orders-to-110-days>

Keep informed on these and other national gun issues at [www.nraila.org](http://www.nraila.org).

## IOWA DNR NEWS

### **\*\*NOTE\*\***

**Some DNR events are still cancelled due to the Covid-19 outbreak. Safety of users, attendees, partners and staff is most important. When possible, events have been rescheduled and that information will be distributed accordingly. Please check this site frequently for the latest closures, postponements and updates:**

<https://www.iowadnr.gov/About-DNR/DNR-News-Releases>

### **Free fishing weekend**

Iowa residents can try fishing without buying a license on June 5, 6 and 7 as part of the Iowa Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) free fishing weekend. All other regulations remain in place.

<https://www.iowadnr.gov/About-DNR/DNR-News-Releases/ArticleID/3018/Join-in-on-the-family-fun-of-fishing-during-free-fishing-weekend>

### **Space available in upcoming hunter education classes**

Many classes are still cancelled. Check for current info at:

<https://www.iowadnr.gov/About-DNR/DNR-News-Releases/ArticleID/2852/Space-available-in-upcoming-hunter-education-classes>

For information about other Parks 2020 centennial events, visit: [www.iowadnr.org/parks2020](http://www.iowadnr.org/parks2020).

## AROUND THE STATE

*IFC members can submit stories and info from events around Iowa. Submit to [www.davelincoln@iowafc.org](mailto:www.davelincoln@iowafc.org). Please include a brief description of the event and a photo.*

### **By Governor's proclamation more facilities are open in Iowa State parks**

For more details on park alerts and updates, visit:

[www.iowadnr.gov/Places-to-Go/State-Parks/Alerts-and-Closures](http://www.iowadnr.gov/Places-to-Go/State-Parks/Alerts-and-Closures)

### **Whitetails Unlimited**

Whitetails Unlimited was forced to cancel more than 125 events because of COVID-19 and many members missed out on the chance to score on special event-only merchandise. If you would like to continue to support the mission of Whitetails Unlimited go to:

<https://www.whitetailsunlimited.com/support/donate-now/>

## FEATURED FIREARM

*IFC members can submit information and a pic for publication of one of their favorite firearms to: [www.davelincoln@iowafc.org](mailto:www.davelincoln@iowafc.org). Please include a brief description of the firearm with your photo.*

*Submitted by IFC Member Gordon Walters -*



Gordon tells me that many years ago he was a member of Iowa Carry, the forerunner of IFC. There was a membership meeting in Davenport that had a raffle for several prizes with a Les Baer Custom 1911 as the top prize. Due to a prior commitment Gordon wasn't able to attend the meeting but made arrangements with the then president to buy 2 tickets for him. Two days after the meeting Gordon received a phone call and was advised that he had won the big prize! After proper transfer Gordon picked up the 1911 and it has been a cherished possession ever since. He says he's only put about 250 rds downrange with it but, it is always close at hand. Thanks Gordon!

# LET'S EAT

***IFC members can submit a favorite recipe for publication in the newsletter to: [www.davelincoln@iowafc.org](mailto:www.davelincoln@iowafc.org).***

Recipe submitted by IFC member Ashley Mathews

## **SOUP**

1 onion, chopped  
1 green pepper, chopped  
1 poblano, chopped  
1 jalapeno pepper, chopped  
1 banana pepper, chopped  
3 celery stalks, chopped  
4 garlic cloves  
2-3 tbsp canola oil  
1 whole chicken, divided into 8 parts (make cooking part faster using 1 rotisserie chicken, shredded)  
salt  
6-8 tomatillos, husked and cut in half  
5 cups chicken stock  
2 cups canned hominy, drained and rinsed

## **GARNISH**

1/2 red onion, finely chopped  
1 avocado, sliced  
4 radishes, diced  
1 cup cilantro, chopped  
1 cup plain greek yogurt or sour cream

## **DIRECTIONS**

Place onion, peppers, celery, and garlic in a blender and pulse until smooth. Set aside

Set oven to broil.

Heat oil over medium-high in a heavy bottom pot or dutch oven.

Season chicken with salt. Place chicken parts in pot and brown, about two minutes per side. Work in batches to avoid crowding the pan.

Meanwhile, place tomatillo halves cut side down in a cast-iron pan. Broil until skins are charred and tomatillos have released their juices, about 5 minutes.

Remove chicken from pot. Add in onion, pepper mixture to the pot. Reduce heat to medium and continue to cook until the mixture becomes golden, about 30 minutes stirring often.

Place the chicken pieces back in the pot along with the tomatillos and all the juices that were released in the pan.

Pour chicken stock into the pot and increase heat to high. Bring to an immediate boil then reduce heat to low and cover. Simmer until chicken is cooked through and tender, about 90 minutes.

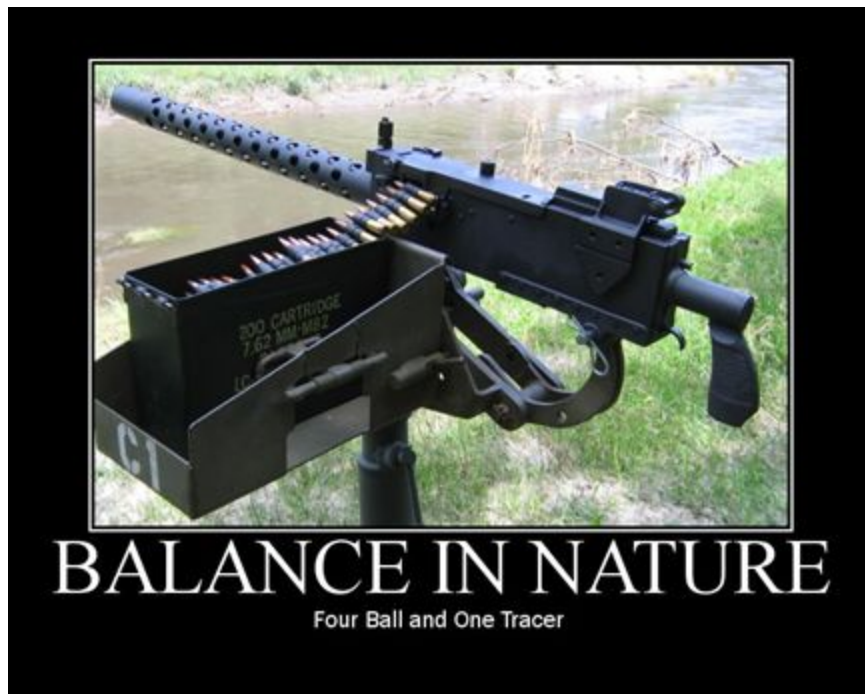
Season with salt and pepper. Pour in hominy and stir to warm through.

Divide into bowls and garnish with onion, avocado, radish, cilantro, and sour cream.



Recipe by Matty Matheson, Just a Dash

## ON A LIGHTER NOTE



## 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@iowafc.org](mailto:www.davelincoln@iowafc.org).*



## MEMBERS GALLERY

*IFC members can submit photos of themselves and family for publication in the newsletter to: [www.davelincoln@iowafc.org](mailto:www.davelincoln@iowafc.org). Please include names and a brief description of the activity in the photo.*



Nothing makes you grin quite like a belt fed machine gun. This photo was taken at a past IFC 2A rally and shoot at the Brownell's Big Springs range in Montezuma.

The gun pictured is a 1917A1 .30 cal. water cooled BMG.

IFC member Matt Lacey doing his part to manage the prairie dog population at a recent shoot near Kaycee, WY.

The rifle is a CCA Custom Shop AR15 in .223 cal. The suppressor is a YHM Phantom. He reports that it is very accurate and quiet!



## FAREWELL

*Info regarding the passing of an IFC member can be submitted for publication to: [www.davelincoln@iowafc.org](mailto:www.davelincoln@iowafc.org).*

## **ROUNDS DOWN RANGE**

*Information on shooting ranges operated by State, County or private entities can be submitted to: [www.davelincoln.iowafc.org](http://www.davelincoln.iowafc.org).*

*Shooting ranges operated by the Iowa DNR can be found at:*

<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:*

[www.davelincoln.iowafc.org](http://www.davelincoln.iowafc.org)

Due to ongoing issues with the COVID-19 virus many gun shows and other events are cancelled permanently while others have been rescheduled. Cancellations and rescheduling occur on a day to day basis, therefore you should always check with the promoters before attending.

Please remember, sadly, the machine gun shoot scheduled for June 13 and 14 at the Ankeny Iles is one of the events that was cancelled due to COVID-19.

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.iowafc.org](http://www.iowafc.org).*

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