Subject: Re: RIP charleston heston Posted by cheesesoda on Sat, 26 Apr 2008 14:13:40 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Okay, so Goztow, you support people having alarm systems, instead?

Okay, let's compare pricing:

For a watered down alarm system: \$112 10 shot .40 S&W pistol: \$146

There were guns on that site for < \$100, but I really wouldn't feel safe wielding one of them. Though, I'd probably feel safer with a \$99 pistol than a \$112 alarm system.

Capabilities:

Now, what can you do with that shitty alarm system? Well, hope that it actually works because it doesn't look like it could protect your whole house. I don't know if it comes with stickers or not, which would help it, but it doesn't look like it.

What can you do with that \$34 more pistol (or even the \$13 cheaper)? You can protect your entire home with the pistol because it's mobile enough that you can grab it and hide (or confront the intruder). You can take the gun outside of your home (granting you can and do have a CCW permit) and protect you when you're on the go. You can use the gun for recreational purposes which, to me, would be fun.

Now the drawbacks to both of these available systems is that if you're away from your house, the protection is pretty much useless. Thankfully, you CAN have home security monitoring services and a better security system, but that's going to cost you considerably more, and if you do have a monitoring system, it'll cost you monthly. In America (at least), you can get ADT which looks to range from \$36 to \$49 dollars a month. As the monthly cost goes down, the installation cost goes up, too.

Even then, the ADT system doesn't provide you with mobile protection or the recreational abilities of a gun.

The logical thing for me would seem to be to purchase a gun.