Subject: Re: Gun control Posted by Starbuzzz on Fri, 27 Jun 2008 02:45:22 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Nukelt15 wrote on Thu, 26 June 2008 18:02Do us all a big favor and never go into politics. You clearly don't have the faintest fucking clue why government being able to dictate rights and needs to the people is a horrid idea, and I sincerely hope that you are never in a position for your ignorance to piss on my freedom.

HERE'S THE BOTTOM FUCKING LINE: NEITHER THE GOVERNMENT NOR ANY CITIZEN OR GROUP OF CITIZENS HAS ANY RIGHT WHATSOEVER TO TELL ANOTHER CITIZEN WHAT THEY MAY OR MAY NOT DO OR POSSESS, FOR ANY REASON, UNLESS THAT INDIVIDUAL IS CONVICTED OF A CRIME OR ADJUDICATED AS A DANGER TO THE REST OF SOCIETY. NOWHERE IN OUR CONSTITUTION DOES IT STATE THAT ANY CITIZEN MUST PROVIDE JUSTIFICATION FOR ANY ACTION, ANY PURCHASE, ANY DECISION THAT THEY MAKE AS A PREREQUISITE FOR MAKING IT. NEITHER THE GOVERNMENT NOR ANY OTHER ENTITY HAS THE RIGHT TO DENY ANYTHING AT ALL WHICH DOES NOT DIRECTLY HARM ANOTHER CITIZEN OR SOCIETY AS A WHOLE. ANYTHING, INCLUDING PARKING A TANK IN THEIR FUCKING DRIVEWAY OR PAINTING BIG SHINY RAINBOWS ON THEIR FRONT WALK. NOBODY HAS THE RIGHT TO TAKE ANY OF THAT AWAY UNLESS THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR IT CAUSES OR ALLOWS HARM TO BE DONE BY IT.

My apologies for shouting, but some people here really seem to be that dense.

I do not want Big Brother telling me what guns I may or may not own. Our Founding Fathers did not want Big Brother telling people what guns they may or may not own. When a government starts telling people what they may or may not own, unless someone else's rights are violated as a direct consequence of that ownership (as in slavery), it has overstepped its bounds. Laws requiring registration, authorization, or restriction violate the principle of Innocent Until Proven Guilty, and therefore violate the beliefs upon which our nation was founded. Government serves the people, it does not tell them what to do. It does not sacrifice freedom for security. I can't fathom how the fuck we ever forgot that.

That is the danger of excessive individuality and freedom. 100% freedom will lead only to more strife...in ALL things moderacy is required.

We are all god's creatures and with our given higher intelligence, we are complex beings capable of a wide range of thought and emotions...we are not robots.

The thing that bothers me the most about your post is the almost complete negligence of the neighbor. It is all about yourself and yourself and yourself? I thought humanity grew out of that mentality thousands of years ago with the dawn of civilization...I guess we want to go back?

You see, you CAN be a responsible man, you CAN be a intelligent man, you CAN be a man of understanding and all that by itself will ensure that you CAN be a man who can safely keep a nuclear warhead in his basement for "recreational" purposes or just because he can...but you think your neighbors will be able to sleep at night? This is the reason governments came into existence in the first place: to resolve the issue of fear in the people.

We will be all animals overnight if such massive amounts of freedoms are allowed. Men MUST be governed but in all things moderacy should be be the norm.

Having a government is like a tug of war. Both need to keep the other in perfect check and both need the other for survival. The people recognize the government for without recognition, the government is nothing. The government in turn, respects the people (as they ought to) to get respect from the people in return. Have no government to govern and there WILL be chaos. Having only people will be a greater strife.

You cannot support the Founding Fathers and the Constitution and yet demand more ridiculous individual liberties. You cannot apply late-1700 norms to that of today to further your cause. The Founding Fathers did not know what a 7.62 mm assault rifle was and they did not know what a .50 cal sniper rifle was...I bet my soul that if they foresaw the creation of those weapons and their incredible ability to kill several dozen people per minute, I am sure they would have put a limiting clause in the Constitution.

Regarding the red text, if you want to do whatever you want to do and yet live under the protective security and benefits of a united society, then I would say your best bet is to start your own society. The active nuclear warhead collector, the neighborhood tank-collecting freak, and the backyard sniper rifle shooter can all live in one place without anyone telling them what to do.

EDIT: I made small correction.