Posted by u6795 on Mon, 16 Apr 2007 20:44:49 GMT

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http://www.cnn.com/2007/US/04/16/vtech.shooting/index.html

Jesus... The bastard got 31, then popped a cap into his own skull.

I wonder if this is terrorist related?

Edit: I believe I just heard on TV that there was 2 additional deaths.

Article excerpt-

Quote:

(CNN) -- A lone gunman is dead after officials said he killed at least 31 people Monday during shootings in a dorm and a building housing classrooms at Virginia Tech, making it the deadliest school attack in U.S. history.

Officials said the shooting incidents occurred two hours apart.

Attorney General Bob McDonnell confirmed the death toll and said, "That's the best information that I've got from the law enforcement officers who are on the scene."

It was not clear if the gunman was killed by police or if he took his own life.

"Some victims were shot in a classroom," university police Chief Wendell Flinchum said. (Watch the police chief explain where bodies were found Video)

Spokespersons for hospitals in Roanoke, Christiansburg, Blacksburg and Salem told CNN they were treating 29 people from the shootings.

Sharon Honaker with Carilion New River Medical Center in Christiansburg said one of the four gunshot victims being treated there was in critical condition.

Scott Hill, a spokesman for Montgomery Regional Hospital in Blacksburg, where 17 wounded students were taken, said he wasn't expecting any more victims.

"Today the university was struck with a tragedy that we consider of monumental proportions," said university President Charles Steger. "The university is shocked and indeed horrified." (Map of Blacksburg)

The killings mark the deadliest school shooting in U.S. history, surpassing attacks at Columbine High School in 1999 and at the University of Texas in 1966.

One person was killed and others were wounded at multiple locations inside a dormitory about 7:15 a.m., Flinchum said. Two hours later, another shooting at Norris Hall -- the engineering science and mechanics building -- resulted in multiple casualties, the university reported. (Campus map)

The first reported shooting occurred at West Ambler Johnston Hall, a coed dormitory that houses 895 students. The dormitory, one of the largest residence halls on the 2,600-acre campus, is located near the drill field and stadium.

Amie Steele, editor-in-chief of the campus newspaper, said one of her reporters at the dormitory reported "mass chaos."

The reporter said there were "lots of students running around, going crazy, and the police officers were trying to settle everyone down and keep everything under control," according to Steele. (Watch police, ambulances hustle to the scene Video)

Kristyn Heiser said she was in class about 9:30 a.m. when she and her classmates saw about six gun-wielding police officers run by a window.

"We were like, 'What's going on?' Because this definitely is a quaint town where stuff doesn't really happen. It's pretty boring here," said Heiser during a phone interview as she sat on her classroom floor.

Another student, Tiffany Otey, said she and her classmates initially thought the gunshots were construction noise until they heard screaming and police officers with bulletproof vests and machine guns entered her classroom.

"They were telling us to put our hands above our head and if we didn't cooperate and put our hands above our heads they would shoot," Otey said. "I guess they were afraid, like us, like the shooter was going to be among one of us."

Student reports 'mayhem'

Student Matt Waldron said he did not hear the gunshots because he was listening to music, but he heard police sirens and saw officers hiding behind trees with their guns drawn.

"They told us to get out of there so we ran across the drill field as quick as we could," he said.

Waldron described the scene on campus as "mayhem." (Watch a student's recording of police responding to loud bangs Video)

"It was kind of scary," he said. "These two kids I guess had panicked and jumped out of the top-story window and the one kid broke his ankle and the other girl was not in good shape just lying on the ground."

Madison Van Duyne said she and her classmates in a media writing class were on "lockdown" in their classrooms. They were huddled in the middle of the classroom, writing stories about the shootings and posting them online.

The university is updating its more than 26,000 students through e-mails, and an Internet webcam is broadcasting live pictures of the campus.

The shootings came three days after a bomb threat Friday forced the cancellation of classes in

three buildings, WDBJ in Roanoke reported. Also, the 100,000-square-foot Torgersen Hall was evacuated April 2 after police received a written bomb threat, The Roanoke Times reported.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by SlikRik on Mon, 16 Apr 2007 21:14:55 GMT

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Doubt it was terrorist. Probably just a deranged kid who was having problems.

All I can say is that it's a terrible tragedy.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Canadacdn on Mon. 16 Apr 2007 21:24:04 GMT

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Wow, Ol' Jack was quick to get on this to earn a little more hate and attention.

Seriously, though. It sucks that this happened.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by u6795 on Mon, 16 Apr 2007 21:36:13 GMT

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What a fucking prick. Those 29 or so in the hospital will probably mostly die, too.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Crusader on Mon, 16 Apr 2007 22:52:30 GMT

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The latest report says 32 deaths and 29 injured. I hope they identify the killer.

PS: What the hell is wrong with this idiot Jack? I thought he had a point but to make such blatant lies...especially when we don't even have the ID on the killer is plain arrogance.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Jecht on Mon, 16 Apr 2007 22:53:10 GMT

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I hope he's getting his just deserves in hell.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Nukelt15 on Tue, 17 Apr 2007 02:29:38 GMT

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That anyone would jump out and start leeching publicity off any tragedy, let alone one that has affected so many, at all- let alone mere hours afterwards- is disgusting. Making claims about the cause of today's shootings at this stage could prove extremely detrimental to the investigation-IMHO, Jack ought to be arrested on at least an obstruction charge, because he's doing nothing but harm by opening his foul maw.

I speak for the whole of Eckerd College in sending my condolences out to the friends and families of those who died. I hope that the truth is uncovered soon and that they will find some closure in it.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Nodbugger on Tue, 17 Apr 2007 04:25:02 GMT

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Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by cheesesoda on Tue, 17 Apr 2007 04:41:50 GMT

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Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Doitle on Tue, 17 Apr 2007 08:22:27 GMT

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Their thought that the students would be safer in the classes is just ridiculous. You put everyone in the dorms and you lock the doors. That's what you do. Had that been the case he would come on campus to a ghost town. And the police on site probably would have said, hey why is that

asian kid outside when everyone is locked inside? Searched him, bam.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Spoony on Tue, 17 Apr 2007 10:37:55 GMT

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Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Blazer on Tue, 17 Apr 2007 11:09:31 GMT

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Most people have a self preservation instinct that overrides logical judgement. If a guy has a gun in each hand and is killing people, you are going to be ducking and scrambling to get out of the way, and most probably scared shitless.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Crusader on Tue, 17 Apr 2007 12:47:34 GMT

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In all this, why did the moneymongers who run VA Tech NOT cancel classes?

A shooting, whether fatal or not, is a very serious issue.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by warranto on Tue, 17 Apr 2007 14:27:01 GMT

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Some good news though, ALL of the injured people are now listed in stable condition and are expected to survive.

(Last I heard on the radio)

Posted by Crusader on Tue, 17 Apr 2007 14:32:10 GMT

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And the shooter was a 23 year old South Korean guy who was studying English.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by PlastoJoe on Tue, 17 Apr 2007 16:28:30 GMT

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Quote: Officials thought first incident was isolated

Asked why the campus, which has more than 26,000 students, was not shut down after the first shooting, Flinchum responded that police determined "it was an isolated event to that building and the decision was made not to cancel classes at that time."

There's a fucking gunman running around! It doesn't matter if it's isolated to one building, you shut the whole campus down.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Creed3020 on Tue, 17 Apr 2007 17:54:18 GMT

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IronBalls wrote on Tue, 17 April 2007 08:47In all this, why did the moneymongers who run VA Tech NOT cancel classes?

A shooting, whether fatal or not, is a very serious issue.

That is still my strongest question....

I will say it again:

If a building can be emptied out in 5 minutes or less for a fire drill,

why can't a university campus be cleared or put into lockdown in 2 hours???

I am going back to school in about 2 weeks....I sure hope this has smartened up my school if they were lacking in regards to their policies regarding these sort of incidents.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by JPNOD on Tue, 17 Apr 2007 18:10:27 GMT

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sick..

Posted by Crimson on Tue, 17 Apr 2007 21:41:46 GMT

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It's a big stretch to believe the someone would kill two people in a dorm and then go randomly kill a shitload of students. If someone kills two people where they live and then leaves, it would be better to assume that the killer was getting the fuck out of town to avoid law enforcement, not that he was going to commit the biggest massacre of its kind in US history.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Jecht on Wed, 18 Apr 2007 01:16:38 GMT

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That's still no excuse. That campus should have been shut down at least for the day. A shooting anywhere on campus warrants cancellation. VT really dropped the ball.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Crusader on Wed, 18 Apr 2007 12:12:31 GMT

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gbull wrote on Tue, 17 April 2007 21:16VT really dropped the ball.

And paid for it with the lives of innocents.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Nodbugger on Wed, 18 Apr 2007 13:51:09 GMT

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j\_ball430 wrote on Tue, 17 April 2007 00:41Your first instinct is survival. Plus, the guy was obviously very accurate and lethal with his shots. It seems that he didn't fire too many rounds, but he did quite a bit of damage with just a couple of handguns.

Witnesses say he just randomly fired and was not aiming at all. The point is he had to have reloaded at least once and no one took the chance to jump him. If I heard guns shots in class I would immediately stick my head out of the door to see if it was in the hall way, if it wasn't I would get everyone out of the class and outside, if possible, other wise I would lock and barricade the door. If the shooter was in the immediate area I would close the door or watch him to wait for a

chance to take him down.

That is just how I think. I know what gun fire sounds like and I know how to react to it when in different places. At an FTX with ROTC I was one of the few people who didn't jump every time the people at the range started firing again.

Here is my list of who to blame.

- 1. The shooter.
- 2. The school.
- 3. The students in the immediate area.

The fact that he had to kill him self is the worst part about it.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Memphis on Wed, 18 Apr 2007 14:00:20 GMT

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Nodbugger wrote on Wed, 18 April 2007 09:51

If the shooter was in the immediate area I would close the door or watch him to wait for a chance to take him down.

Yeah, I would truly like to see you do that when he would have no problem with shooting you in the face once reloaded. How many people in the firing range were firing AT people?

I have also been at a firing range quite a bit but that doesn't mean anything when there is a madman about popping bullets at people. I am pretty sure you would close the door and wait until the shooter left the vicinity and not jump out and be the hero.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Jecht on Wed, 18 Apr 2007 14:03:36 GMT

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Look, when someone shoots a gun at you, you don't run at them. It's against human nature. Also, who is to say what the surroundings were like? You're presuming all of these people are cowards when I doubt you'd even practice what you preach in the given situation. Also, there are many other factors to consider even if you were thinking logically, which you wouldn't be:

Rush and Risk dying: Leave behind girlfriend/fiancee/wife Leave behind child

Not all people are without obligations. As a man I have a responsibility to:

A.)My Family

B.)My Country

C.)Myself

D.)Others

If my fiancee was with me, sure i'd try to stop him if I was thinking logically. Otherwise I'd be picking her up and hauling ass out of there.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by AoBfrost on Wed, 18 Apr 2007 14:14:33 GMT

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Actully he killed 32 students/teachers and himself making it 33 kills total. I feel really bad now, cause today theres a bomb threat in a building right next door to all the killings, but thats what you get when you suspect someone is insane but dont do much to help but reffer them, usually people insane think their ok and dont need help.....so someone needed to kinda push him to help, but not force....but then again, he chose to do this.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Crusader on Wed, 18 Apr 2007 14:31:47 GMT

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Actually he was aiming very well. Here is a quote from CNN:

"A doctor at a Blacksburg hospital described the injuries he saw Monday as "amazing" and the shooter as "brutal." "There wasn't a shooting victim that didn't have less than three bullet wounds in them," said Dr. Joseph Cacioppo of Montgomery Regional Hospital."

You can read more here: http://www.cnn.com/2007/US/04/17/vtech.wounded/index.html

PS: Hey, I don't disagree with your opinions. I am sure that I could have, just as you, maintained a cool head. But look at the facts: it was an engineering building with people studying German, French, Physics...they were NOT in an ROTC Leadership course.

AND YET, you MUST give credit to the student(s) who pressed themselves against the door. The scumbag shot through the door and left when he could not get in. So there you go: 4 lives saved.

The students CANNOT be blamed. They expect security to be provided by the campus police. They were there to study...not to hear a gun go off and stop a monster.

Also, you have to look at the human phychology. Like gbull clearly puts it, we humans have obligations...to ourselves and to our loved ones. So the first human (to most humans atleast) reaction would be to retreat to a safe zone.

They were only students...just as the businessmen/women/ordinary civilians in the First Class of the hijacked 9/11 aircraft. They were on the plane so they can go on their routine lives...not stop mad terrorists. Since they were surprised, they were overwhelmed...and yet there were acts of heroism in 9/11.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre Posted by Carrierll on Wed, 18 Apr 2007 15:46:41 GMT

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I agree, it's easy to say what you'd do with the benefit of hindsight.

R.I.P.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Crimson on Wed, 18 Apr 2007 16:26:39 GMT

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It would have been kind of cool if some student was packing heat and "took care" of the situation a little earlier.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by cheesesoda on Wed, 18 Apr 2007 17:15:41 GMT

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Yeah, that would have been nice. 15 students pull out their CCWs and end the gun fight several casualties less.

Posted by Spyder on Wed, 18 Apr 2007 17:19:44 GMT

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They told the guy to go to a psychiatrist already, but they never knew if he did it or not...And they could've expected it.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by puddle\_splasher on Wed, 18 Apr 2007 17:59:28 GMT

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Nodbugger wrote on Mon, 16 April 2007 23:25 There are people I know, including myself, who would instantly think to attack the guy shooting at us in any way possible. It takes time to kill 30 people.

This may be true, but I believe that the survival instinct kicks in, to protect you where possible from further harm.

Do you rush with no weapon and get shot, possibly fatally or hide and hope that he misses you?

In all honesty, no-one can tuly answer this until they have came face to face with any incident of this nature.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Crusader on Wed, 18 Apr 2007 18:11:17 GMT

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So true...even highly trained soldiers' perceptions of war change during/after their first combat engagement.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Sniper\_De7 on Wed, 18 Apr 2007 19:45:50 GMT

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Today or tommorow, you really can't put blame on the school. I mean, if anything, it would

probably be better that it happened after a shooting because response might be quicker. A guy who's got two guns probably didn't do this in the spur of the moment. I'm sure he could have easily waited a couple days 'til school was functioning. Like I said, you can't really blame the school for it, unless of course psychologically. I don't really think that's their job as opposed to his parents or whoever. However you can just shame the school for not following protocol just because it would be standard to close it down after a shooting. Just that it wouldn't have stopped what was going to happen eventually.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by MexPirate on Wed, 18 Apr 2007 23:27:26 GMT

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Ironically this was the view of the person who sold one of the guns used in the attack, he blamed the school for it's no gun policy and harsh punishments for being caught with one, saying that if there had been armed security or other students with guns the situation could have been handled. He also said he plans to continue trading - Americas gun laws are one of the problems, you shouldn't be able to buy guns and ammunition over the counter like that.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by cheesesoda on Thu, 19 Apr 2007 01:01:31 GMT

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I think that there should be some background checks, but I see no real issue with just being able to buy guns. Alcohol can be just as dangerous if a vehicle is involved.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Jecht on Thu, 19 Apr 2007 01:50:59 GMT

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There is an extensive waiting period already in place in order to buy a firearm. My mother(who

Posted by Canadacdn on Thu, 19 Apr 2007 02:17:20 GMT

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Wow, those assholes from the Westboro Baptist Church are going to picket the funerals of the poor kids that lost their lives at Virginia Tech. That's sickening.

I can say that I honestly would lose no sleep if I slit all of their throats with a rusty knife.

From their site "godhatesamerica.com"

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Why did this happen, you ask? It's simple. On April 16, 2007, this nation, through the offices of your military and conspirators therewith took a shot at the servants of God -- your marksman was limp and lame and he had terror all around, so he did a lousy job. But what you get for your trouble is that your God shot at you! The LORD your God sent a crazed madman to shoot at your children, and he didn't miss. Get this straight -- God sent this South Korean madman to kill 31 of your children at Virginia Tech. Was God asleep while this took place? Was He on vacation? Of course not. He willed this to happen to punish you for assailing His servants.

Someone run them all over. Please. Well, maybe not the kids. They don't know any better.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Nukelt15 on Thu, 19 Apr 2007 02:22:41 GMT

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And that's after acquiring a purchaser's permit, I'd wager. It can take months to legally acquire one of those, and you need one for every single handgun you buy in most places if not everywhere. You are not allowed to purchase any firearm if you have been convicted of a felony or a domestic violence charge, if you have a documented history of drinking, are taking medication or have been institutionalized for any sort of mental illness... the list goes on.

Basically, you have to be squeaky-clean if you want to buy a gun in this country unless you have a damned good excuse for whatever marks you've got on your record. Remember that we live in a

country that presumes innocence until a court of law proves guilt; that someone may at some time in the future commit a crime is not a valid reason to deny any right or privilege to a citizen or legal resident of the US.

If this fellow was institutionalized once before, as I've heard is true, then he shouldn't have been able to legally acquire those weapons in the first place. Either he bought them illegally or he somehow circumvented the system- which is the same thing, really. In other words, any argument for more gun control that rises from this is totally baseless, because lax enforcement of existing laws allowed him to get the weapons and not the lack of tougher laws.

I don't know what his status was as a resident, either- he was not born in the US- anyone know if he had legal resident status or just a student visa?

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Posted by Jecht on Thu, 19 Apr 2007 11:08:57 GMT

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I can't wait for something bad to happen to them. Then we can say: You did something terrible,

Posted by AoBfrost on Thu, 19 Apr 2007 14:34:58 GMT

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Thats exactally the type of crap that people do to make Christains look bad and all religious, they go out in the name of God and Jesus christ and blame everything on God and calling him asleep then go picket at funerals.......truley I myself am Christain and man, i feel terrible for these people, they didnt even know this guy and got shot, and these people who call themselves Christain and claim are going to picket at these funerals, they cannot truley be, they are following their own corrupt way which for even me makes no sense./.....why picket at funerals.....it isnt the dead students fault for ANYTHING....and Cho Seung, God did not send him, God gave all men free will to do anything, college/highschool classmates saw signs of him being crazy, even his OWN roomate said he was crazy, no one really helped or dared to push him a bit for help, I dont blame them for him planning a massacre, but all i can say is he chose to do this, not God.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Crimson on Fri, 20 Apr 2007 02:44:35 GMT

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He had a green card and had lived in the US from the age of 8.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by xptek on Fri, 20 Apr 2007 02:45:34 GMT

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I told my boss to "Make like a Virginia Tech student and die."

Too soon?

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Crusader on Fri, 20 Apr 2007 02:49:03 GMT

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Crimson wrote on Thu, 19 April 2007 22:44He had a green card and had lived in the US from the age of 8.

Fucking bastard. Here I am in America...I am also an immigrant and I can't wait for the day when I will get my Green card. And I am working hard to live here and go on and this scumbag just kill his benefactors brutally and throws away everything he was given by his hardworking-parents and America.

Posted by AoBfrost on Fri, 20 Apr 2007 12:27:21 GMT

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I think people needed to help him and maybe this wouldnt have happened, everyone that knew/saw him on a daily bases claimed he was weird, always looking down and seemingly angry, well, why doesnt anyone push like "I said hello, least you could do is be nice and say hello back" I mean sorta rude, but it would make a breakthrough of him interacting with others, and maybe after somemore interaction he'll hang out with someone...I dunno, i mean it's better than not talking to him and letting him go this far.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by cheesesoda on Fri, 20 Apr 2007 12:51:53 GMT

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He was a sociopath... there's not exactly much you can do.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by AoBfrost on Fri, 20 Apr 2007 16:57:22 GMT

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The doctors who observed him a few years ago said he was ok mentally but just a odd kid, I think they should have kept him in there, they let him go as long as he promissed to take his medicine...he probably didnt...so, if you think someone is crazy, they need to be locked up, not crazy like funny crazy, but crazy like their all dark and quiet and unresponsive, like he was.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by cheesesoda on Fri, 20 Apr 2007 19:21:43 GMT

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Being "dark, quiet, and unresponsive" is hardly a sign of mental disability.

You can't just lock someone up because you think they "may" be mentally ill. If he's mentally ill and a danger to himself (NOT suicidal... if they're of sound mind) and others, then he should be locked up. We're all capable of doing harm to others.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Jecht on Sat, 21 Apr 2007 04:11:59 GMT

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j\_ball430 wrote on Fri, 20 April 2007 14:21Being "dark, quiet, and unresponsive" is hardly a sign of mental disability.

If that were the case, there would be less emos running around. Might not be such a bad thing...

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by msgtpain on Sat, 21 Apr 2007 20:38:04 GMT

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Nukelt15 wrote on Wed, 18 April 2007 22:22And that's after acquiring a purchaser's permit, I'd wager. It can take months to legally acquire one of those, and you need one for every single handgun you buy in most places if not everywhere. You are not allowed to purchase any firearm if you have been convicted of a felony or a domestic violence charge, if you have a documented history of drinking, are taking medication or have been institutionalized for any sort of mental illness... the list goes on.

Basically, you have to be squeaky-clean if you want to buy a gun in this country unless you have a damned good excuse for whatever marks you've got on your record. Remember that we live in a country that presumes innocence until a court of law proves guilt; that someone may at some time in the future commit a crime is not a valid reason to deny any right or privilege to a citizen or legal resident of the US.

If this fellow was institutionalized once before, as I've heard is true, then he shouldn't have been able to legally acquire those weapons in the first place. Either he bought them illegally or he somehow circumvented the system- which is the same thing, really. In other words, any argument for more gun control that rises from this is totally baseless, because lax enforcement of existing laws allowed him to get the weapons and not the lack of tougher laws.

I don't know what his status was as a resident, either- he was not born in the US- anyone know if he had legal resident status or just a student visa?

You're joking, right? It's 2:35 on a Saturday.. I could head down to the sporting good store right now and be back with a new handgun in about 45 minutes...

All those ridiculous gun control laws expired years ago.. It's a one page application, a phone call to the FBI for a quick background check and you're on your way..

Because he was a resident alien, he may have had a 24 hour delay.. sometimes the FBI does that..

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Nukelt15 on Sun, 22 Apr 2007 01:39:48 GMT

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No, I'm actually not joking. Maybe it's easier in some states, but the process to acquire a gun can

be quite lengthy.

\*edit: especially so in the more heavily populated states, which tend to have ludicrously restrictive gun control in addition to what the federal government requires. I'm from NJ, see- it was three months between when I applied for my purchaser's ID card and when I actually got the thing, and that's just because my family knows the local police. Only then could I go to a store and buy the weapon itself, and I needed several forms of ID for that in addition to the FFIDC and filling out the usual paperwork. That's for a long gun, mind you- handguns each require a separate permit (which, by the way, expires if you don't buy the gun within a certain period after issue) and a wait period. NJ also has a lovely little bit of red tape which prevents the dealer from directly contacting the FPI for the NICS; you pay \$15 for the dealer to call the state police then they call the FBI.

Easy my ass. I'm gonna start the ball rolling on a handgun the day I turn 21- that's August 9thand I'll bet it will be at least until November or December before I can go and buy it.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by puddle\_splasher on Sun, 22 Apr 2007 10:19:28 GMT

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I will ask the obvious and reply later.

Why do you all need a gun if you are all law abiding citizens?

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by msgtpain on Sun, 22 Apr 2007 15:08:39 GMT

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Why would you rather only the non law abiding citizens have fire-arms?

Personally, I have them because they're "fun".. Sure, they could protect me or my family if needed, but I honestly don't ever expect to be in a scenario which would require that. No, I actually just like to go out to the woods and shoot them. I own three handguns: A S&W 9mm, a Stainless H&K USP 45, and a Sig Sauer P229 Equinox 40 cal.

You can say that there is no point, but unless you've actually done it, I would respond that it's just an ignorant comment. I have an Italian brother-in-law who had never held a handgun in his life. He used to make the same types of comments, ask the same "obvious" questions as to why American's needed to be "cowboys".. However, when he came to the States 2 years ago, we took him out for the day. After that, he was hooked. he had never imagined that shooting at a paper circle on a tree, or a pop can could actually be so much fun.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by cheesesoda on Sun, 22 Apr 2007 15:36:42 GMT

puddle\_splasher wrote on Sun, 22 April 2007 06:19I will ask the obvious and reply later.

Why do you all need a gun if you are all law abiding citizens? Uhh... I don't know. That's a really really goo- err fucking stupid question.

Like msgtpain said, he enjoys owning guns for the recreation. Shooting at targets can be stress relief or just a fun sport to you. Shooting at a target doesn't necessarily mean you're going to use a gun outside of range shooting.

Others want to own a gun for protection. They feel more safe knowing that they have a way to fight back if someone attacks. Plus, if people know or think you have a gun, they're less likely to want to attack you. Unless you're suicidal, I'm pretty sure you'll stay away from someone if they're packing heat.

There are people who own guns for the joy of hunting. I don't think I have to explain the reason for that...

Then there are people who own guns for all or a mixture of the three reasons.

Why give up our liberties just because we're "law abiding citizens"? Sure, I'm not planning on building bombs and killing people with them, but I don't want the FBI to know what books I've checked out at the local library. I have no terrorist attacks in the making, but I don't want to have my conversations to be recorded.

I don't want to give up my right to bear arms because I don't have any plans to shoot people unless forced to by having my rights encroached on. I'm a citizen, and I own property. It's my right to protect myself and my property. Once I'm a home owner, you bet that I'll be owning a gun. I want it for safety, and I enjoy guns, so I'll probably use it for recreation.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre Posted by spazbeast on Sun, 22 Apr 2007 16:23:58 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

His homework...

Interesting story.

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Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Jecht on Sun, 22 Apr 2007 17:49:41 GMT

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It's hard to believe he was even in college. His writing sucks.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by PlastoJoe on Sun, 22 Apr 2007 18:56:49 GMT

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Well, he was a Korean-born student learning English. He's not going to be writing a non-native language at a college level.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by spazbeast on Sun, 22 Apr 2007 19:25:06 GMT

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True.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by msgtpain on Sun, 22 Apr 2007 19:26:39 GMT

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yea, I know that I wouldn't expect someone to actually be able to write College Level English as a College Senior; especially if they had only been in the country for 16 years...

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Ryu on Mon, 23 Apr 2007 03:02:46 GMT

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While on Holiday in the shop with my homie (haha, just a inside joke) I seen the news paper and the main headline was

"Virgina Tech Massacre, 33 DEAD." When I got back to our camper van I put the news on, Then seen more about it.

News paper said; "After being sacked off by his girl friend, He killed his ex-girlfriend then went on

to find her boy friend and killed him, Then made the peeps in the classroom stand up against the wall and executed them one by one."

I was like "What the fack! dude read this!" then put the tele on and seen it all, Tho the news on the tv told a different story, His room mates also said he was obsessed with some song, Didn't catch the name, Was a crappy song imo.

32 People, This guy must have been seriously pissed.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Blazer on Mon, 23 Apr 2007 03:54:23 GMT

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spazbeast wrote on Sun, 22 April 2007 09:23His homework..

Interesting story.

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That's one of the most fucked-up stories I have ever read.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by z310 on Mon, 23 Apr 2007 04:22:41 GMT

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Read the other: Mr. Brownstone.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by PlastoJoe on Mon, 23 Apr 2007 05:43:48 GMT

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msgtpain wrote on Sun, 22 April 2007 14:26yea, I know that I wouldn't expect someone to actually be able to write College Level English as a College Senior; especially if they had only been in the country for 16 years...

You mean like a 16-year-old American born here? You sure have high standards for kids.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre Posted by cheesesoda on Mon, 23 Apr 2007 11:06:09 GMT

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SpyGuy246 wrote on Mon, 23 April 2007 01:43msgtpain wrote on Sun, 22 April 2007 14:26yea, I know that I wouldn't expect someone to actually be able to write College Level English as a College Senior; especially if they had only been in the country for 16 years...

You mean like a 16-year-old American born here? You sure have high standards for kids.

Do you agree with signs being posted in several languages, too?

If he was in the country for 16 years, I don't see why it's such a stretch to think that one should have a good grasp on the language that country speaks. If you saw Cho's videos, you'd see that he didn't struggle speaking English. Personally, I think one would be fluent in the written language before they were with spoken.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Carrierll on Mon, 23 Apr 2007 11:55:44 GMT

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"mcbeef" is a play (I want to put that in inverted commas...) so it's possible that the language is like that to reflect the characters and image of the characters the audience is supposed to get, and not a reflection on his writing ability.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by Jecht on Mon, 23 Apr 2007 13:06:23 GMT

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In either scenario, his writing sucks.

Subject: Re: Virginia Tech Massacre

Posted by u6795 on Wed, 25 Apr 2007 23:20:10 GMT

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Mr. brownstone made me laugh. But yeah, this guy was pretty badly fucked up.