

Howdy Folks,

Some of you have asked why I put a picture of myself wearing a gun, on the cover of 'Techniques That Work For Me' and why I wear a gun in the recent films we make.

Well, there are some reasons. Maybe I'm still stuck in the 1880's. But there are more, it is a matter of choice, it is part of my normal dress when going out. Some of you consider which suit and tie to wear, I consider which gun to wear. We all have a right to our opinions and maybe you don't believe in guns. Ok, I don't believe in suits and ties.

Over the years I have observed the actions of people. When I was younger and riding my horse, there was an element of people who sought entertainment by driving by close to my horse and banging on the car door, shooting out the window, throwing something or other actions to scare my horse, in hopes he would throw me and leave me in the ditch.

The day I buckled on my gun belt was the day that element of people became so polite that they waved when passing by. The transformation was remarkable. I truly feel that my efforts were rewarded in causing people to be more considerate.

At the age of 10 my motto was, "There is no substitute for Freedom." It's still my motto. Being able to defend one's self and family is necessary for Freedom. Otherwise, you are at the mercy, or lack thereof, of whoever might be inclined to harm you or your family.

Thomas Jefferson said, "Those who hammer their guns into plows will plow for those who do not."

As most of you know, there were 32 students killed by one crazy person at Virginia Tech a couple of years ago. If just one of the students had been allowed to be armed, the number would have been much lower.

My banker really doesn't have a problem with me wearing a gun in his bank, he knows no one will try to rob the place while I'm there.

The best opportunities for criminals are 'gun free zones.' Robbers and rapists don't attacked those who are known to be armed, at least they don't do it but once.

Why should good people live in fear of being molested by some low life? They shouldn't!!!! This is just one more reason I wear a gun-----it's my way of setting a good example.

The following was sent to me by my friend Faye, who sends out this newsletter and does our filming. I don't know Maj. Caudill nor do I know for sure that he wrote this, but it was just too good to delete so am passing it on to you and giving him the credit for his work.

The Gun is Civilization
By Maj. L. Caudill USMC (Ret)

Human beings only have two ways to deal with one another: reason and force. If you want me to do something for you, you have a choice of either convincing me via argument, or force me to do your bidding under threat of force. Every human interaction falls into one of those two categories, without exception. Reason or force, that's it.

In a truly moral and civilized society, people exclusively interact through persuasion. Force has no place as a valid method of social interaction, and the only thing that removes force from the menu is the personal firearm, as paradoxical as it may sound to some.

When I carry a gun, you cannot deal with me by force. You have to use reason and try to persuade me, because I have a way to negate your threat or employment of force.

The gun is the only personal weapon that puts a 100-pound woman on equal footing with a 220-pound mugger, a 75-year old retiree on equal footing with a 19-year old gang banger, and a single guy on equal footing with a carload of drunk guys with baseball bats. The gun removes the disparity in physical strength, size, or numbers between a potential attacker and a defender.

There are plenty of people who consider the gun as the source of bad force equations. These are the people who think that we'd be more civilized if all guns were removed from society, because a firearm makes it easier for a[armed] mugger to do his job. That, of course, is only true if the mugger's potential victims are mostly disarmed either by choice or by legislative fiat -- it has no validity when most of a mugger's potential marks are armed.

People who argue for the banning of arms ask for automatic rule by the young, the strong, and the many, and that's the exact opposite of a civilized society. A mugger, even an armed one, can only make a successful living in a society where the state has granted him a force monopoly.

Then there's the argument that the gun makes confrontations lethal that otherwise would only result in injury. This argument is fallacious in several ways. Without guns involved, confrontations are won by the physically superior party inflicting overwhelming injury on the loser. People who think that fists, bats, sticks or stones don't constitute lethal force watch too much TV, where people take beatings and come out of it with a bloody lip at worst. The

fact that the gun makes lethal force easier works solely in favor of the weaker defender, not the stronger attacker. If both are armed, the field is level.

The gun is the only weapon that's as lethal in the hands of an octogenarian as it is in the hands of a weight lifter. It simply wouldn't work as well as a force equalizer if it wasn't both lethal and easily employable.

When I carry a gun, I don't do so because I am looking for a fight, but because I'm looking to be left alone. The gun at my side means that I cannot be forced, only persuaded. I don't carry it because I'm afraid, but because it enables me to be unafraid. It doesn't limit the actions of those who would interact with me through reason, only the actions of those who would do so by force. It removes force from the equation... and that's why carrying a gun is a civilized act.

Well said Major. In closing may I add.

Samuel Colt was the founder of Colt Firearms who manufactured the Colt Peacemaker. It has been said that "God created man~~Samuel Colt made them equal."

It is that time of year again for the call to action! 8 pm your local time, wherever you are in the world, on Monday, June 21st. Please take a few minutes and join in, you DO make a difference and we appreciate you joining us. For full details, click here <http://www.raymongraceprojects.com/calltoaction.htm>.

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With joy and laughter,
Faye

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