



# WILL COUNTY GRASSROOTS DIVISION OF THE ILLINOIS STATE RIFLE ASSOCIATION

**NEXT MEETING - June 18, 2008 - 7:00 PM**

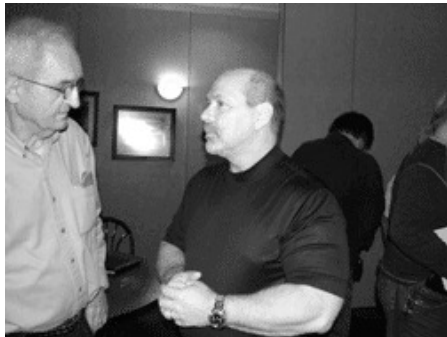
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**Fran Eaton**, a south suburban resident and conservative activist in state and national politics whose articles have been published in various publications, including the Southtown Star, will be our speaker for June. As always, we hope to see you there and don't forget to bring a friend!

Will County ISRA member, *Christopher S. McNeil*, was the name drawn for the WCGR Gun Giveaway last month. Unfortunately, Christopher was not present, so he missed out on the Mossberg 500 shotgun. Remember, the winner must be present, have a valid FOID and comply with all local, state and federal firearm laws.

## **Bruce Siddle**

The Will County Grassroots has had many speakers over the years. Our speakers have presented us with quite a range of subjects, given us many examples of their interests and have shared their experiences with us at our meetings. Historical presentations on firearms, world travels and home defense are but some of the many topics we have had to inform and entertain our members and guests. We have been honored to have members of our military speak to us on



various occasions and have had organizations, such as the USO, enlighten us about everything they do to support our troops and their families. The Will County Grassroots committee gathers ideas from all over and sharing them at our meetings is one of the ways this knowledge is passed along.

Bruce Siddle is known for his work as an authority in Combat Human Factors, which is about human behavior during the stress of combat what happens to motor skills as the heart rate increases. He has given presentations to law enforcement and the military in order to explain what can occur during stressful events and has provided ways to minimize some of the side

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effects. He is also an authority in counter-terrorism training and has been active in training elite counter-terrorism units across the globe since 1988.

Bruce began with his discussion on freedom and how it has been countered throughout history. He provided a compelling argument showing how "freedom and equality" are fundamental to a democratic society. Bruce also demonstrated how Creativity is the foundation for technological advances and we live during a period where creativity and technical advances are without precedent in history. The loss of freedom will reduce that creative force. Controlling a society's freedom is the goal of those that seek domination of that society and domination of society is best accomplished through terrorism.

Terrorism has been around for a long time. It has been documented in many religious sources, such as the bible, and is known throughout the world's history. Domination by force is not an isolated occurrence. It has existed since the beginning of man.

Today it is not much different than in times past. We are now engaged in a conflict with forces that are determined to dominate our way of life. The American society has always defended its rightful place as the beacon of freedom and hope in the



world. Our influence is felt throughout the world. Our motivation is to promote the philosophy of democracy and to establish a baseline for other societies to advance creatively

and philosophically.

Of all the adversaries out there today, Iran is the most dangerous. Their support for Al Qaeda and Qod forces, along with the radical ideology that drives them, makes Iran a serious threat to the free world. Iran, fighting against our Coalition Forces indirectly, supports the insurgent forces in Iraq with weapons and supplies. Iran has also sought to develop a nuclear arsenal. These weapons would have a devastating affect on the world, as Iran has made it clear that it desires to eliminate all of Israel and the world's democratic societies. The radical philosophy of Al Qaeda promotes the elimination of societies that do not believe in Islam. These lessons are taught to children, the future of any society, at a very young age.

Bruce stated that it would not be too long after an attack here or somewhere in the free world that our government would consider concealed carry for its citizenry and develop a national permit to carry. As with the attacks at Pearl Harbor, this country would cry out for the defense of this nation and its citizens. The security of the United States is paramount and any attack on our soil would certainly give the leaders in Washington, D.C. a reason to utilize its militia as the Founding Fathers intended. Those that have countered this debate

on the Second Amendment will either support the defense of the country or try to capitulate to the enemy.

Bruce Sidle is not only a lecturer. He is also the author of "Sharpening the Warrior's Edge". This is the study of the relationship of hormonal-induced heart rate due to stress and its effects on the human mind and body. He is also the Chief Creative Officer and Owner of Detonics, a well-known manufacturer of quality handguns.

The Will County Grassroots Division of the ISRA sends our sincere thanks to Bruce for coming to our May meeting and for giving a very interesting and eye-opening presentation.

Al Tiscareno

**6th Annual  
ISRA Range Open House  
Saturday, June 21, 2008**

ISRA Range - Bonfield, IL  
10:00am - 4:00pm

All law-abiding citizens are invited...even those who do not own a firearm or have never shot before. Factory representatives from all the major manufacturers will be on hand to answer your questions.

- \* Free safety orientation \*
- \* Test-fire the firearms of your choice \*
- \* Try your hand at archery \*

A small fee for ammunition will be required.

- \* Covered firing points & picnic pavillion \*
- \* Indoor & outdoor bathroom facilities \*
- \* Food and beverages will be available \*

A BB gun and air rifle range will be set up for our younger guests—a great opportunity to get the whole family involved!

**FREE Admission! FREE Parking!**

**Phone: ISRA 815-635-3198    Visit: [www.isra.org](http://www.isra.org)**

**\*\*\* Political Disclaimer \*\*\***

The ISRA and the Will County Division of the ISRA **cannot** and **will not** endorse any candidate or party. We feature speakers to allow us to learn about the positions a candidate holds on the Second Amendment and welcome all candidates to speak to us. Only the **ISRA Political Victory Fund (ISRA-PVF)** can endorse candidates or donate to political campaigns.



## Chairman's Comments

Summer is fast approaching. The temperatures are rising, it is even staying warmer throughout the night and, hopefully, the rains will soon let up a little. The warm weather and longer days prompt us to do some spring-cleaning around the house and more importantly, allow us the opportunities to start enjoying our favorite outdoor activities.

High on the list of things to do is to revisit our local outside shooting ranges. For example, the ISRA has a great range that is conveniently located in Bonfield, near Kankakee. In addition to scheduled updates and maintenance of the facility, we have recently installed new baffles, made the parking areas larger and more user friendly, have added two archery towers and have cleared out the shotgun area and added a side berm in that area.

The ISRA is proud to announce its Sixth Annual Range Open House on Saturday, June 21, from 10:00AM until 4:00PM...rain or shine.

This year, we have teamed up with the NRA to make it even bigger and better and to bring in new people who may not know much about the ISRA or about our range. As in the past, we will be having various major firearm manufacturers displaying their goods, most of which will be available test firing. We will also be selling ISRA merchandise, memberships and upgrades. One exciting addition to this year's event will be a display of military vehicles and military re-enactors in period attire. Archery will be available again for those who wish to test their skill or try out something new. Food and beverages, provided by the Wilmington Lions Club, will be available for purchase.

This is a great opportunity for you to bring your friends and family to visit the range and allow them to try their hand at shooting. We encourage you to bring young people and those who may have

never used a firearm before. Shooting can be a great family sport. And, what a better time to introduce wives or girlfriends, many of which have heard from the media that guns are "scary," to the shooting sports? It will give them the opportunity to experience, first-hand, how enjoyable shooting can be and to see that firearm enthusiasts are, indeed, mainstream Americans. More and more females are getting into firearms, whether it is for self-protection, sport or even hunting. If you have never been to the ISRA range, the Open House is the perfect time to make a first visit. If you have been to the range or are already a member, it is an excellent time to return to see, touch and try out the latest equipment from the firearms' manufacturers. I hope to see you there.

Doug Mayhall

### Glock Shooting Sport Foundation Illinois State Rifle Association League

June 29, July 27, August 31, 2008

ISRA Range, Bonfield, IL

Registration: 8:30am - 2:30pm

Registration fees applicable

For each different model of Glock pistol registered, you will be entered in a drawing for a new Glock pistol to be given away after the August 31, 2008 match.

For additional information or to register, contact:

ISRA (815) 635-3198

[www.isra.org](http://www.isra.org)

### ISRA/NRA YOUTH SHOOTING SPORTS CAMP

August 16, 2008

8am - 6pm

ISRA Range, Bonfield

Children ages 10-14 are invited to attend the 5th Annual ISRA/NRA Youth Shooting Sports Camp.

NRA certified instructors will be teaching firearm safety, basic firearm components and allow the kids hands-on experience with a variety of firearms including .22 pistol, .22 rifle and shotgun. The cost will be \$25 per child, which includes lunch, use of firearms, ammunition and a T-shirt to the first 40 applicants.

**Volunteers needed! Call ISRA 815-635-3198**

\*\*\* Please note \*\*\*

Articles in the WCGR newsletter contain information gathered and are of the specific viewpoint and beliefs of their authors and do not necessarily reflect the views of the ISRA.

## **Calendar of Events**

- June 20-21** SAFER USA Basic Pistol - Howell Shooting Club - Yorkville - David Lombardo - (815) 744-5487 - Early registration & fees applicable
- June 21** **ISRA Range Open House** - ISRA Range - Bonfield - *volunteers are needed* - ISRA office (815) 635-3198
- June 28** NRA First Steps Shotgun Orientation - Erienna Hunt Club - Morris - contact Kent at (815) 545-4872 or visit [www.firearmsafetytraining.com](http://www.firearmsafetytraining.com)
- June 29** GSSF/ISRA Glock League - ISRA Range - Bonfield - Terry Kreimeier - (815) 635-3198  
Note: Additional GSSF Matches will be held on July 27 & August 31, 2008
- July 11-12** SAFER USA Basic Shotgun - Howell Shooting Club - Yorkville - David Lombardo - (815) 744-5487 - Early registration & fees applicable
- July 12** Firearm Safety Training, Inc.-NRA First Steps Pistol Orientation-Mega Sports-Plainfield Kent (815) 545-4872 - Early registration is necessary!
- July 18-19** Firearm Safety Training, Inc.-NRA Personal Protection in the Home - Mega Sports-Plainfield - Kent (815) 545-4872 - Early registration is necessary!
- July 18 -19** SAFER USA Basic Pistol - Howell Shooting Club - Yorkville - David Lombardo - (815) 744-5487 - Early registration & fees applicable
- July 27** GSSF/ISRA Glock League - ISRA Range - Bonfield - Terry Kreimeier - (815) 635-3198  
Note: The third (and final) GSSF Match will be held on August 31, 2008
- August 2** Firearm Safety Training, Inc.-NRA First Steps Pistol Orientation-Mega Sports-Plainfield Kent (815) 545-4872 - Early registration is necessary!
- August 2** SAFER USA Personal Protection in the Home - Howell Shooting Club - Yorkville - David Lombardo - (815) 744-5487 - Early registration & fees applicable
- August 15-16** SAFER USA Basic Pistol - Howell Shooting Club - Yorkville - David Lombardo - (815) 744-5487 - Early registration & fees applicable
- August 16** **ISRA/NRA Youth Shooting Camp** - ISRA Range - Bonfield - *volunteers also needed* - ISRA office (815) 635-3198
- August 16** Firearm Safety Training, Inc.-NRA First Steps Rifle Orientation-Mega Sports-Plainfield Kent (815) 545-4872 - Early registration is necessary!

*\*\* Please use the above contact information for registration information (where applicable) and to confirm events as dates may change without notice \*\**

*Please contact Chairman, Doug Mayhall, or the ISRA office if you would like to volunteer at any of the **ISRA** events*

*E-mail us at [willcounty@isra.org](mailto:willcounty@isra.org) if you have any events you would like included in the monthly newsletter*

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