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Gun rights group sues to let Minnesota State Fair visitors be armed

Owners say fair lacks the legal authority to enforce ban on weapons.

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Gun rights advocates Tim Christopher, Rob Doar, Bryan Strawser and Sarah Cade Hauptman held a news conference outside the main entrance to the state fairgrounds Tuesday night. All four are plaintiffs in a lawsuit seeking to let State Fair

A gun owners advocacy group went to court Tuesday on behalf of a Twin Cities preacher and a longtime firearms advocate in hopes of forcing the Minnesota State Fair to allow permit-holding visitors onto its grounds while armed.

The Minnesota Gun Owners Caucus has sued Ramsey County Sheriff Bob Fletcher, whose agency is newly providing law enforcement to the 2021 fair, and the State Agricultural Society, which was organized as a public corporation by the Legislature in 1860 and puts on the Great Minnesota Get-Together.

At a news conference on Tuesday, the plaintiffs and representatives from the Gun Owners Caucus said their case doesn't argue whether it's a good or bad idea to carry a gun at the State Fair. Rather, they want to ensure that all permitted carriers have the opportunity to lawfully carry their firearms at the public, state-sponsored event.

"As an arm of state government, the Minnesota State Agricultural Society is preempted by multiple state statutes from prohibiting the lawful carry of firearms on the State Fairgrounds or during the Minnesota State Fair," said Bryan Strawser, caucus chairman.

Fletcher said he was surprised to be named as a defendant, given that his personnel are only responsible for enforcement inside the 11 gates to the fair, which runs from Aug. 26 to Sept. 6.

"Until today, we didn't anticipate this would be an issue," said the sheriff, who declined to comment on whether he's comfortable with fair visitors bringing in guns and was not ready to say how he will direct his deputies to enforce any ban should they see an armed visitor.

As for the State Patrol's role at the fair, Department of Public Safety spokesman Bruce Gordon said the agency will be "at the gates for a security presence [and] not in charge, nor do we have any jurisdiction over a decision



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about whether or not guns are allowed on State Fair property."



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Citing the U.S. Constitution's Second Amendment protecting the right to bear arms, the suit says the Rev. Tim Christopher, of Anoka, and Gun Owners Caucus member Sarah Cade Hauptman, of Maplewood, "wish to exercise their fundamental, constitutionally and statutorily protected right to carry loaded, operable handguns on their person, at the annual Minnesota State Fair, for lawful purposes including immediate self-defense.

"But they cannot because of the laws, regulations, policies, practices, and customs that [the] defendants have been enforcing and continue to actively enforce today."

The 56-year-old Christopher, who preaches and does mission outreach in north Minneapolis, is a regular fair attendee with his family who "has carried his pistol more or less daily for the past eight years [and] has seen a rise in crime, and for the work he does ... believes it's important to have a way to protect [himself]," according to the suit.

Hauptman, 39, a permit-to-carry holder starting in 2013, has been "a responsibly armed citizen ever since [who] wishes to carry at the State Fair for the purposes of self-defense," the suit explains.

Hauptman and Christopher said Tuesday that although they have great faith in law enforcement, both said they feel more at ease knowing that they have the ability to protect themselves even when police aren't around.



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As a woman with arthritis, Hauptman said, she feels justified in carrying a firearm for self-defense.

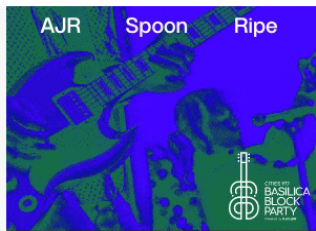
Christopher said he often feels like a "sitting duck" without his gun and doesn't walk down streets like Lyndale and Broadway avenues without it. When asked whether he felt it was fair to compare the streets of north Minneapolis and Uptown to the fairgrounds, he didn't hesitate before answering, "Yes." Crime can happen anywhere, he said, even in "safe neighborhoods" like the one near the fairgrounds. Christopher and his wife always take their grandson to the fair, and he wants to know he can protect himself and his loved ones from potential harm should the need arise.

The fair's website lists "weapons or objects that appear to be weapons" among a host of prohibited items. There will be walk-through metal detectors at all gates, and visitors have seen signs in past years at entry points reminding them that the "Minnesota State Fair bans guns in these premises."

However, the lawsuit contends, the fair lacks a written policy on regulating guns at the fairgrounds, and the notice on its website is no substitute for its statutory requirement to file such a prohibition with the secretary of the State Agricultural Society.

The suit is asking the Ramsey County District Court to step in and require the fair to allow entry to permit-holding visitors and their weapons. It also calls on the State Agricultural Society to codify a policy on weapons possession, provide the relevant training to fair workers and pay the plaintiffs' attorney fees and other related expenses in bringing the legal action.

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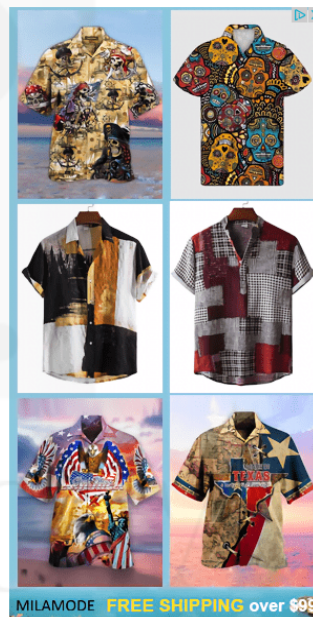
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INORRONI
40 MINUTES
AGO

Permit carriers have been carrying concealed to the fair all along and nobody was the wiser. And not one incident. Not one negligent discharge. No wild west shootings. Nothing. It's never been an issue. Up until now, the state fair has declared their "preference" that permit holders not carry guns onto fairgrounds during the fair. But it was never a rule and certainly not a law or even remotely compliant with the law. That was solely their preference. Under the statute, it has never been illegal to carry at the fair. But they decided to install metal detectors and impose that on all people going to the fair including those with legal permits. That is what is driving the lawsuit. It's public property and it's partly funded by the state. It is against statute for them to prohibit legal carry. Their own actions (installing the metal detectors) forced the issue. Had they left it alone, this wouldn't have been an issue.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

ECHO2003
12:57 PM

I have an idea! Let's have a day when only permit holders can come to the Fair. They can bring their guns and swagger around to their hearts' content. No one else allowed. And no guns on any other day at the Fair

iceman3
27 MINUTES
AGO

just boys, and their toys to compensate for minimal endowment.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

mettlerbull
10:24 AM

Good guys with guns are just that, right up until they're not. 😊

👍 LIKE 12 ↩️ REPLY

SteveL
10:23 AM

It makes no sense that they would allow people with permits to carry concealed guns into the State Fair because they ban ALL weapons from the Fair including knives. People have a constitutional right to carry knives. That doesn't mean that it makes sense to allow knives or guns into the State Fair.

👍 LIKE 16 ↩️ REPLY

iceman3
9:53 AM

Sure, start with 100,000 mouth-breathers, add 100 degree heat, 5 beers per person, some jostling to get in line for the Sweet Martha's cookies, and a couple dozen handguns. What could go wrong?

👍 LIKE 17 ↩️ REPLY

zywiecgirl
9:49 AM

On the fence about going due to crowds and COVID, but my family will not go if this lunacy prevails. Seriously...self defense? Can't imagine what would happen if some gun-toting licensee shoots someone in a crowded venue because they feel threatened. Have these people been to the state fair? Half the fair goers are children. Stay home if you are too scared to leave your house unarmed. Save lives.

👍 LIKE 21 ↩️ REPLY



1MnNice
9:43AM

Anyone who has a permit to carry knows that they are the ones that must walk away from a situation.

BUT they also know IF there is no other choice (1) They most likely are first to help (2) willing to pull trigger IF NEEDED (3) most likely a MUCH better shot than the perp

LIKE 3 REPLY

runnin1980
10:45AM

What fantasy world do you live in where permit to carry holders have enough training to make a fast decision whether to walk away or pull their pistol, much less be an accurate shot under pressure? As a conceal and carry holder who has gone through additional situational training, I can confidently say that the process for obtaining a permit in MN is disturbingly easy. I have zero doubt that the VAST majority of permit carriers have no additional training in how to respond to an actual live shooting situation. The conceal and carry "course" is basically a half-day long seminar that provides a pretty broad overview on how to "not shoot someone." The written exam is easily passable if you payed attention in the course. Skill on the range? Display basic weapon proficiency in a controlled environment and hit 7/10 targets at 21ft (no moving target requirement!). Coming from someone who regularly carries, guns at the fair is a recipe for disaster.

LIKE 13 REPLY

Hero612
11:14AM

I like you man. You're pretty cool and your words speak right to me. Thank U

LIKE 4 REPLY

geowhizgirl
10:46AM

No thank you. We don't need you. They have PROFESSIONAL security.

LIKE 8 REPLY

old_crayon
11:43AM

Isn't there really a step (O): Should I bring my gun to that location at that time, even if I have a permit?

Not everything that is allowed is a good idea.

LIKE 5 REPLY

sallygirl
12:34PM

It is not allowed and neither are any weapons. So, these gun fanatics need to stay home where they can feel safe and protected and can hold their gun close just in case someone storms their castle.

LIKE 5 REPLY

iceman3
25 MINUTES AGO

1MnNice.... of course what you wrote is complete and total b.s. We're all dumber for having read it.

LIKE REPLY

wxfreak
9:38AM

Bringing a gun to the Fair is a bit like going there when on a diet...makes so much sense!!!

LIKE 13 REPLY

izzy96
9:31AM

That's all we need. Hot. Crowd's. An argument erupts. Bullets fly. Innocent bystanders injured or killed. Sounds like a good idea. What the h### are these gun-toters thinking? Can't keep the gun at home for a few hours?

LIKE 20 REPLY

wxfreak
9:25AM

It's called the State Fair, not the Game Fair.

LIKE 14 REPLY

thundarfan
9:23AM

I'm a gun owner and a permit holder since forever. I cannot imagine why if everyone is unarmed that I would need to be. Just nonsense. Leave your weapon at home. Or else just stay home.

LIKE 24 REPLY

Jaka1000
9:21AM

A couple years ago I brought my worn out and dull Ginzu knife into the State Fair in a bag hoping to exchange it for a new one under warranty. I then learned that Ginzu was no longer in business, but came across a booth demonstrating knife sharpening tools. I pulled out my Ginzu to see if they would sharpen it and a few people laughed and were shocked I was able to get it thru security. They sharpened my knife, taught me how to sharpen a serrated blade and sold me a tool to sharpen it. Win-win.

 LIKE 1
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moonvalley
9:02AM



Are you kidding me . This isnuts

 LIKE 12
  REPLY
batko1994
8:48AM

People who possess a Minnesota Pistol Carry Permit are allowed to carry everywhere in the state with some exceptions including schools and federal buildings. A ban not allowing carry permit holders to be in possession of their firearm at the State Fair is arbitrary and doesn't make any sense from a law enforcement perspective.

Carry permit holders are the most law abiding demographic in the nation and have fewer brushes with the law than even police officers according to FBI and other data. These are NOT the people who are going to commit a crime or cause a problem. On the contrary, they are an asset to law enforcement.

With the huge rise in crime in the Twin Cities and the nation as a whole it makes sense for law abiding citizens to be prepared by taking advantage of their 2nd Amendment rights.

 LIKE 9
  REPLY
NoMasBS
9:47AM

HaHaHa!!! Yeah right...

 LIKE 15
  REPLY
twhmph42
10:46AM

I don't get what you are mocking. While i do not think guns should be allowed inside the Fair, batco os 100% in stating "Carry permit holders are the most law abiding demographic in the nation and have fewer brushes with the law than even police officers according to FBI and other data."

It is extremely rare that a permit holder is ever charged with a crime involving their gun. I can't recall the last time it occurred, and you can rest assured if and/or when it does ever happen every major left leaning media outlet will scream about it for weeks and it will be hard to forget.

 LIKE 2
  REPLY
NoMasBS
12:44PM

yeah... tell that to the lady in Big Lake whose neighbor came out with an AR15 just because she complained about his dog pooling in her yard. Yeah the Big Lake cops were proud of the fact that he had a permit to carry but I wonder how'd they feel if they had to tell her kids that, "well mom was shot by a guy with a permit to carry so all is good". Pathetic as usually in Big Lake.

 LIKE 3
  REPLY
twhmph42
2:10PM

did he shoot her? Did he shoot the dog? I know nothing of this incident so i must have missed it. And one does not need a permit to carry to openly carry a rifle in your own yard. Apples and oranges my friend.

I can give you hundreds of examples of criminals without permits who shoot and kill people every day. I can't think of one where a permit holder shot an innocent person though i am sure

innocent person, though I am sure it has happened on rare occasion. Your one example of poor judgment does not refute what batko says. But I would wager you do not live in Big Lake?

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

stone_age
9:53AM

"It makes sense for law abiding citizens to be prepared"
For WHAT, exactly!!

👍 LIKE 11 ↩️ REPLY

mjcmsp
10:04AM

People who feel the need to carry in every situation have a mental imbalance and are overly fearful. This is exactly the demographic who is most likely to overreact in a situation and insert deadly force or the threat of deadly force into an altercation. More guns = more people shot by guns (no matter who is carrying them). The stats and evidence back this up.

👍 LIKE 12 ↩️ REPLY

Boog_Powell
10:38AM

Not true. Every office building I've worked in during the last few decades had a sign on the front door to the effect of "guns are not allowed on this property". A business has every right to declare their property free of weapons.

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

geowhizgirl
10:48AM

No. It does not. The crime wave is dangerous because of the guns. With no guns, we can just have fistfights when boys get out of sorts.

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

sallygirl
12:36PM

Many businesses do not allow guns on their premises and they are allowed to ban guns on their premises. Do your homework. It is not illegal to ban guns from your business property.

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

haleybird
8:48AM

just because you can carry, doesn't mean you always should....

👍 LIKE 26 ↩️ REPLY

barrowbound
8:41AM

Not in MY state!

👍 LIKE 10 ↩️ REPLY

MNsotan1
8:37AM

Thanks for trying to wreck it fir everyone. Another case of the misguided self righteous impacting us all.

👍 LIKE 21 ↩️ REPLY

ccjockey
8:33AM

Hot, humid, over-crowded and excessive drinking (which gets worse as the day goes on) and now they want to throw guns onto the mix.

What could possibly go wrong?

👍 LIKE 27 ↩️ REPLY

EmiWer
8:30AM

So let's just play a scenario out here. Imagine that someone with a concealed weapon perceives a threat to themselves or their grandchildren. They decided this warrants taking the other persons life. They pull out a gun. Security is alerted. Maybe someone else with a conceal permit comes along and sees a drawn gun and they pull their gun. Security shows up. Who do they arrest? Who is the threat? How do you sort this out? Then imagine the concealed permit holder actually tries to fire a shot at the perceived threat. We have no idea what kind of firearms training or practice this person has aside from what's required to get a concealed carry license. Suddenly they have taking the law into their own hands. They have become judge and jury, and they have decided that the other person deserves death. It sounds like a nightmare. Do we really need vigilante justice at a crowded fair?!

👍 LIKE 22 ↩️ REPLY

mavkato
8:12AM

Anyone that wants to carry at the fair needs to remember that the legal BAC limit while carrying is .04, so they won't be able to enjoy a couple nice cold beers, otherwise they risk losing their beloved permit.

 LIKE 17
  REPLY
Puttingrad
8:11AM


"What do you mean you're out of mini-donuts?"

 LIKE 20
  REPLY
megraf8244
8:10AM

No way I am going to attend the fair if there are a bunch of unidentified people walking around with concealed guns. I have never felt threatened at the fair. These folks are going to keep many people from attending the fair, but then maybe that's their objective. And the people paying the price will be the vendors in lost sales. If it is so important for them to carry guns, then they should consider going into law enforcement. Go get the training, put on a badge, and then maybe the sheriff will invite you to work at the fair and you can attend with gun.

 LIKE 28
  REPLY
INORRONI
40 MINUTES
AGO

They've been there all along. You just never realized it.

 LIKE
  REPLY
my024u
7:58AM

They've confused the right to bear arms with the right to bare arms.

 LIKE 14
  REPLY
fastmode101
7:46AM


Regardless of viewpoint, whose life is so worryfree that they can spend months trying to get this approved vs like, doing something useful?

 LIKE 16
  REPLY
hindemith2
7:40AM

If they have to allow it, they can then charge anyone with a gun a fee to cover the liability insurance and FBI supervision and also red vest that reads "I have a loaded gun" so people know. Honestly, what is next? I am so tired of "2nd amendment" people bullying everyone and needing us to feel threatened so they can feel safe. There is now little difference between those who have guns legally and those that don't - both sets of gun users result in death and misery.

 LIKE 29
  REPLY
MrRobot
10:05AM

We tolerate ignorant protesters exercising their 1st amendment rights all the time, even when we don't agree with them. How is exercising our 2nd amendment rights "bullying" you?

 LIKE
  REPLY
geowhizgirl
10:51AM

Because this right includes a weapon designed, specifically, to kill humans.

 LIKE 8
  REPLY
old_crayon
11:56AM

The "bullying" happens in the blink of an eye when the weapon is removed from the holster. That's when. If your gun was locked in a heavy metal box strapped to you back that would be OK. You leave the keys at the gate.

 LIKE 3
  REPLY
birchtree
7:36AM

WWJD? Carry a gun? I don't think so, reverend.

 LIKE 32
  REPLY
effinheimer
7:31AM

Imagine a million drunken gun nuts in one place. Would be fun to watch from a safe distance.

 LIKE 17
  REPLY
wa0tda
7:23AM

The same folks who chide the rest of us for wearing masks because "we are afraid" are so scared of everyone around them that they have to own personal arsenals and carry firearms everywhere.

👍 LIKE 39 ↩️ REPLY

jsanti007
7:18AM

Wondering if he is so concerned about his safety, he wears a mask and gets vaccinated? Those are the 2 most important things to protect yours, and children under age of 12. No guns at state fair.

👍 LIKE 28 ↩️ REPLY

1paper
7:01AM

Why. Why do you feel you need to bring a gun to the State Fair ?

👍 LIKE 22 ↩️ REPLY

mmedia
6:32AM

The Fair: cancelled one year; drive through events to help the vendors; success for this year in question because of increasing case numbers, but these adolescents got to make it all about themselves and their wittle guns.

👍 LIKE 31 ↩️ REPLY

bfdingels
6:26AM

When was the last time a licensed gun owner murdered someone in public?

Libs need to stay in their lane and go worry about the homeboys in Minneapolis shooting people every day.

👍 LIKE 8 ↩️ REPLY

thedams
8:40AM

and that justifies coming packing heat in a FUN place ?

👍 LIKE 11 ↩️ REPLY

frank60
8:57AM

Road rage confrontations, domestic violence, disgruntled employees...

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

mshadow
8:57AM

It doesn't matter. We don't want ANY guns at the state fair. And we are not all "Libs!"

👍 LIKE 12 ↩️ REPLY

oldadvisor
9:07AM

And when was the last time a licensed gun owner actually was a solution to some threat or crime. Don't give so much credit to someone who can fill out a form and load a gun. all the folks walking around with guns are fooling themselves that they make a difference in their or anyone else's lives.

👍 LIKE 8 ↩️ REPLY

andermacht1
9:15AM

What!?!?! Most of the mass shootings in the past couple years have been from licensed gun owners. Do a little research from a reputable source.

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

John E.
9:16AM

Who are you afraid of at the fair?

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

polkafan
9:17AM

I'm not sure of the "last time" but here are a few recent times:

3/22/21 Boulder, CO 10 people were murdered in a grocery store by a licensed gun owner

3/16/21 Atlanta, GA 8 people were murdered in 3 public locations by a licensed gun owner

8/4/19 Dayton, OH 9 people were murdered in a bar by a licensed gun owner

8/3/19 El Paso, TX 23 people were murdered in WalMart by a licensed gun owner

👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY

NoMasBS
9:51AM

Answer from prior comment, "There have been 117 mass shootings in America since 1982. 83 of those were with legally obtained guns. The clear majority and

since the NRA doesn't want to strengthen background checks, I say NO WAY".

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

juddanderson 6:17AM One more reason not to go the the fair.

👍 LIKE 21 ↩️ REPLY

haleybird 8:47AM the other 99,999 visitors will miss you....not.

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

Greenjeans5 6:14AM They should install metal detectors to keeps these people OUT of the Fair.

👍 LIKE 31 ↩️ REPLY

old_crayon 12:36PM My understanding is that the Fair is planning to add metal detectors at the entrance this year. That appears to be the reason for the lawsuit. Prior to this the 2A folks could just ignore the rules and hope not to get ejected.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

INORRONI 35 MINUTES AGO The metal detectors are the issue. Up until this point, hundreds if not thousands of people carried at the fair every single day without incident. Concealed, as it should be. Not one incident.

Breaking the rules, you say? The law says it's legal unless the place is posted according to statute at all entrances and only if it is detected (seen) and they are asked to leave and then only if they refuse to leave.

Preferences aren't laws. The state fair board can have a preference that permit holders don't carry, but it is not illegal for them to do so. It only becomes a misdemeanor if/when they are asked to leave and refuse to comply.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

CityofChaos 6:12AM Yes indeed! I hope they also make sure that youths 18-20 YOA can carry a gun at the fair. No doubt they are pushing for equity as well, so that POC are not left out.

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

mshpshadow 8:58AM Install metal detectors at the gates and keep ALL guns out!

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

YolandoSmith 6:12AM Violent criminals LOVE unarmed victims.

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

MNsoTan1 6:40AM Irrationality loves trivial thought.

👍 LIKE 19 ↩️ REPLY

md56482 6:40AM Name the last time an armed person was ready when a criminal attempted to rob them on the street. You can't. Because having a gun only makes you THINK you're protected. Criminals don't text you to announce their presence Yolando.

👍 LIKE 47 ↩️ REPLY

overthehump 9:13AM Everyone packing heat..."What a wonderful world it would be".

👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY

YolandoSmith 10:31AM Guns aren't the problem, dangerous violent criminals are.

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

stellarone 12:21 PM	so why do you want those violent criminals to be able to get guns in the open access market?	LIKE REPLY
stealurface 9:37 AM	Yolanda - your logic is so bad that it is funny. There are more guns in this country than any other, and violent crime is much higher here than other industrialized countries. If they violent criminals actually loved unarmed victims crime would be much higher in the rest of the world compared to here. The reality is access to guns creates more violent criminals.	LIKE 6 REPLY
mgalaforet 5:35 AM	Hmm...I guess that is one way to have social distancing, as more than just a few would not go to the fair with many feeling the need to pack heat. My wife loves going to the fair (full disclosure - I hate it). When I mentioned this article, she said she wouldn't go.	LIKE 19 REPLY
vakil1974 5:16 AM	There have been 117 mass shootings in America since 1982. 83 of those were with legally obtained guns. The clear majority and since the NRA doesn't want to strengthen background checks, I say NO WAY.	LIKE 37 REPLY
wilfcharity 8:43 AM	There is an equivalent to a mass shooting EVERY weekend in Chicago none committed by legal gun owners. Having guns at the State Fair just doesn't seem like a good idea given the shorter fuses of people nowadays.	LIKE 4 REPLY
stone_age 10:00 AM	The tragic and sad part of that story is that some 'legal' gun buyer sold those guns 'illegally', and with no background check. Criminals wouldn't have any guns if the straw man sellers were prosecuted.	LIKE 4 REPLY
ryanvondach 5:13 AM	Nothing like a setting where it would be impossible not to hit 50 bystanders with every shot to prove how insane the gun people have become.	LIKE 31 REPLY
Yarrow11 5:12 AM	We're currently fighting a deadly global pandemic, wrestling with economic uncertainly and dealing with increased gun violence. So, transforming a beloved, family-oriented tradition into a gun show should obviously be our number one priority. It's what Jesus would want!	LIKE 30 REPLY
vakil1974 4:58 AM	I'm sure whoever came up with this stupid lawsuit argues they need to protect yourself at sweat Martha's. Someone might run off with their cookies! Their will be a shooting guaranteed if we allow these crazies to have guns at the fair.	LIKE 17 REPLY
paulsvmax 4:30 AM	Lawful carriers have always been at the Fair since the law was passed. I guess I missed the news of all the wild shoot outs the naysayers say "will happen". The largest gun shows in the state have happened many times at the Fairgrounds. Nope, no incidents there either. Why, when a group is advocating that Minnesota authorities simply follow the law and allow lawful permitted carry on State fairgrounds, do you think there will suddenly be a wild and uncontrolled type of mayhem? History and facts have already shown this isn't the case. So what do the people here that are anti carry/anti gun base their fears on again?	LIKE 4 REPLY

useru4p
8:35AM

have you not been paying attention? Children are getting killed by stray bullets, road ragers shoot fathers in front of their sons, anger is at an all-time high and people with no impulse control run amok these days. These gotta-have-my-gun-babies are the same ones that whine about masks. And this is where they put their attention. Not to be trusted, not a single one of them.

LIKE 11 REPLY

mfredric
8:43AM

Get your facts straight. The State Fair event has always prohibited weapons to entrants. The idea that other events that occur on the same property may permit guns does nothing to prove your point about the State Fair event.

And the statute in MN clearly allows any property owner to prohibit guns regardless of licensure provided proper notices are posted at the entry points, and the Fair has always done so. This suit is frivolous and sanctions should be granted against these plaintiffs to pay the defendants for their costs.

LIKE 11 REPLY

morbathrmsnw
8:47AM

If it's concealed then I guess I don't know about it. But if someone has a gun on their hip it just seems like the Wild West and it's time to get away from those people. They are just trying to be a tough guy and intimidate everyone else. If you are so scared at the Fair that you need a gun then you need to stay home.

LIKE 8 REPLY

parameta
8:56AM

If you think the State Fair is so peaceful, why the need for guns? The data is clear: the presence of guns increases the possibility of gun violence. The USA leads Western Developed Nations in rate of gun violence. Why? One reason is the presence of 400 million guns. Let's have a gun free State Fair.

LIKE 7 REPLY

LunchMoney
9:27AM

I looked up one of your gun shows. Only law enforcement or security personnel are allowed to carry a loaded gun.

And seriously, are you trying to compare attendance at a gun show with the attendance of the state fair?

LIKE 6 REPLY

old_crayon
12:40PM

I don't see why your 2nd Amendment rights should allow you entrance to a facility that has said that they specifically prohibit firearms (weapons more broadly). What do you not understand about making you 2A rights secondary to the event organizers rights?

Do you expect to go to a Vikings game or a Twins game "packing heat"?

LIKE REPLY

Cola48
4:11AM

Guns, beer and the Delta variant. What could possibly go wrong?

LIKE 26 REPLY

truth2Btold
3:57AM

This is not what we need, the head of the NRA lives off shore on someone's yacht because he says it's not safe for him anymore. That's a statement. He helped create a world he now is afraid to live in. The well known NRA saying, "the only solution to a bad man with a gun is a good man with a gun" should have an added line, "but I am too afraid".

The last thing you want in a crowd is some well armed hero wannabes trying to make a statement. Someone sets off a firecracker and seconds later in a blaze of glory gun shots ring out from several directions by several people sure they see terrorists.

LIKE 24 REPLY

droofer
AUGUST
11

Anybody who thinks that it is a good idea to allow untrained armed people to walk around in an area with hordes of kids has proven that their judgement is so poor that they should not be

allowed to even own a gun, let alone carry one in public.

👍 LIKE 23 ↩️ REPLY

old_crayon
AUGUST 11

Maybe the Fair could have "Gun Day", a designated day when gown owners are welcome to carry whatever they want all day long. Probably a more patriotic name like "Second Amendment Day" or perhaps "Patriot Safety Day". Do that a few years in a row and see how it does in terms of attendance. If it's a big hit they could add a second day. If it is poorly attended then they could drop in the name of capitalism. Make sure it's clear what day is what and folks even if they aren't packing could go if they feel even more safe from the scary people that might be there on the other days.

This seems like a win-win for all parties and we could then see how it turns out.

👍 LIKE 11 ↩️ REPLY

morbathrmsnw
8:47AM

I agree and that should be the day after Labor Day.

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

22below
AUGUST 10

Quite a lot of chicken littles in the comments concerned about licensed gun carriers in a public setting.

I'm interested on their thoughts on the numerous killings committed by criminals unlicensed or even prohibited from carrying guns, many several times charged or convicted of violent crimes, across Mpls this year. Those people are not allowed to carry guns, yet somehow they do and cause the bulk of the gun related damage to the community.

👍 LIKE 27 ↩️ REPLY

jenn25
AUGUST 11

Show me the evidence of citizens that have been given legal permission to carry guns in public areas especially crowds, that has prevented mass shootings or other gun violence. I can't find any. I can find evidence of accidental shootings or confrontations escalated into a shooting by someone legally carrying.

👍 LIKE 24 ↩️ REPLY

dinovelvet
AUGUST 11

Person that's too afraid of going to the fair without a gun accuses others of being "chicken littles"
Irony is dead

👍 LIKE 62 ↩️ REPLY

bewyetcha
4:59AM

muh Freedom!

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

SLPMin
6:25AM

I guess what we're worried about is an unprecedented mass casualty event the likes of which is only possible in an extremely populated area- like the fair. Get it now?

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

windigolake
6:34AM

That is not the topic here. Stay on point.

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

tokyotim
6:59AM

What does this have to do with guns at the fair?
Deflection from the issue at hand since there aren't gun murders at the fair. Why let in guns when there is no purpose?

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

JKvam
7:27AM

As a matter of principle, carrying weapons is reasonable in some settings. Maybe you handle transport a lot of money or highly valuable often, maybe you live on a dead end road in a rural area rife with thefts, etc.. That said, if you think you are going to have to whip out your gun at the STATE FAIR, or the grocery store, or Target, or the movie theater, or

church, anywhere else in public for that matter, just stay home. Licensed or not carrying in these circumstances is little more than indulging a fantasy.

👍 LIKE 8 ↩️ REPLY

mnumber12
7:31AM

I'd like to hear all the stories about non-police gun carriers saving themselves and others from these criminals. Increasing the number of weapons in a public space is just asking for an accident, not a hero story.

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

John E.
9:39AM

Who are you afraid of at the State Fair?

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

stone_age
10:19AM

They have a gun because some 'legal' gun buyer sold it to them or it was stolen from them. They all start out 'legal'.

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

AlfStub2
AUGUST 10

Visitor guns at the fair? Nope, not going.

👍 LIKE 72 ↩️ REPLY

hershiser
8:50AM

not going to the grocery store either? or the gas station? b/c people are carrying in those places every day

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

old_crayon
12:42PM

Do they do so if the store prohibits guns? Just ignoring the wishes of the property owner?

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

ilumnh55410
AUGUST 10

There is security at the State Fair. And many undercover.

👍 LIKE 35 ↩️ REPLY

sherman22
8:35AM

There is no security just outside the State Fair. No one undercover to prevent the shooting of 3 individuals on Snelling and Fair Place West the last day of the fair in 2019.

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

hershiser
8:51AM

nobody can prevent all shootings. no law can prevent all shootings. protect yourself and your family, my friend.

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

touch128
AUGUST 10

Well does that mean that gun happy people will get a prize down at the Midway? See they can now shoot at the moving ducks with there own guns. Maybe even win big Teddy Bear.

America is going downhill fast. Guns at a fair. See Bullets don't stop till they hit something. That is all we need, a gun fight at a place were we bring our kids. Now what Preacher would advocate that? He or She is no Preacher. Time to put those people behind bars along with there God Trump.

👍 LIKE 69 ↩️ REPLY

Rossberg
AUGUST 10

Since in the past there was no checking done to see who was carrying a gun it's likely that there have always been hundreds, perhaps thousands of fairgoers carrying guns on the fairgrounds. The public just didn't think about it. I don't recall hearing about any gunfights during the fair - ever. The fairgrounds will never be as secure as an airport so checking people will probably only provide a false sense of security. Permit holders who are seeking to bring guns onto the grounds are statistically the least likely ones to cause a problem. It's groups who spontaneously start a fight and it gets out of hand. There have been a couple of occurrences of that at local/county fairs. That should be the bigger concern. Although the subject of permit holders induces a level of hysteria in some people it's really a non-issue.

👍 LIKE 16 ↩️ REPLY

jrgigler
6:18AM

There were signs posted at every entrance to the fair saying "No guns allowed". Gun rights activists who foolishly tried to open carry or made little effort to conceal were turned away, sometimes with the encouragement of a deputy.

With 100,000 people attending daily, tens of thousands packed on the street, how are all of you spray-and-pray-empty-the-magazine good guys with guns going to avoid killing innocent people behind the bad guys in a crowd/

👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY

eriksw
7:05AM

As a avid gun owner and supporter I respectfully disagree. We don't need armed citizens at a fair, especially with the beer flowing freely. Your point proves it. You don't need to carry at the State Fair. Already safe.

if you allow "good" people with guns, then you allow "bad" or incompetent people with guns. People who willfully carry where they shouldn't should have their right to own a gun removed and be charged with a crime.

👍 LIKE 8 ↩️ REPLY

md56482
8:57AM

If there's a fight at the fair, what are you going to do with your gun? Fire it into the crowd? Tell us what you'd do.

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

MrRobot
10:14AM

I'm not going to do anything. It's not my responsibility to involve myself in someone else's fight.

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

Gaffer2
9:39AM

So, Rossberg, according to you, "hundreds, perhaps thousands " have carried guns at the fairs. Well then statistics MUST show how many were criminals and that they did not harm anyone. AND, how many permit carriers thwarted a shooting at those fairs?

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

timmy99
AUGUST 10

Here's a novel idea:

How's 'bout the people who endlessly recite their rights, have someone teach them about their responsibilities?

👍 LIKE 101 ↩️ REPLY

BallFour
AUGUST 10

"The 56-year-old Christopher, who preaches and does mission outreach in north Minneapolis... believes it's important to have a way to protect [himself], according to the suit." Doesn't God protect him?

👍 LIKE 65 ↩️ REPLY

LaPuke
AUGUST 10

Kenyatta Buckles Target practice. Don't want to hit innocent bystanders.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

dogrsqr
AUGUST 10

I have no hope for this country.

👍 LIKE 44 ↩️ REPLY

postrickland
AUGUST 10

Guns at the fair?

I'll take "Worst Ideas in History" for \$500, Alex.

👍 LIKE 115 ↩️ REPLY

ellac

Hot, sticky, tired people people is close proximity to each other,

AUGUST
10

so lets add guns to the mix!

👍 LIKE 84 ↩️ REPLY

22below
AUGUST
10

Sounds unpleasant with or without allowed carry. I'll pass either way.

Allowing licensed gun carriers just the same as allowed on the streets directly outside the fairgrounds is really the least of my own objection to that hot August mess.

👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY

GVBORN
8:25AM

eillac don't forget the alcohol.

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

hershiser
8:51AM

they've been there every year, you just didn't realize it

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

stealurface
9:50AM

Not legally since the fair bans guns. If you carried on the fair grounds you were breaking the law, are now a criminal and should have your guns taken away from you.

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

hershiser
10:53AM

Not exactly... they may ban guns, but it's not against the law. It's against their rules, and they can make you leave. If you leave peacefully, then you have committed no crime.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

noggnbloggn
AUGUST 10

In case people have forgotten, the REASON for the metal detectors isn't to prevent permit holders from carrying their firearm, it is because of gang activity & shootings outside the Fairgrounds. They show up to intimidate the public, to make a statement, to kill their rivals. This is a much bigger problem than a citizen's Constitutional right to self defense (or is it?). So they want to keep the criminals with guns OUT.

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

touch128
AUGUST 10

Very OLD issue. Now let start with how many people, gang members or not have been shot at the fairgrounds? I am 78 years old, I can't think of any gang fights at all. Fights yes. They have a tendency to happen in large gatherings. If the people of Minnesota are so afraid of that. We PAY out taxes to the law enforcement AND, AND, the Army National Gard to take care of that kind of thing. If they need to be posted outside or inside , so be it.

👍 LIKE 14 ↩️ REPLY

Mnguy45
6:46AM

How about they just want to keep weapons out period. What gangs outside the fair? I have been going for decades security has never been a problem. With millions of visitors the fair is incredibly safe.

Stop with this gun nut agenda where we need guns everywhere. Try growing a set and not to be irrationally afraid of everything.

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

wxfreak
9:36AM

Yeah...cuz no white's shoot any people...see almost all mass murderers in history.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

polkafan
AUGUST 10

The MN State Fair isn't meant to be a family friendly event, is it?

Between the COVID risk for kids who want to start school after Labor Day and the gun nuts, it seems like it's no longer an appropriate place to bring kids.

Sad.

👍 LIKE 44 ↩️ REPLY

justicforall
AUGUST 10

The great Minnesota shootout! What could go wrong?

👍 LIKE 53 ↩️ REPLY

SouthernMN2
AUGUST 10

Forget guns, who will go to the fair wearing a mask, and don't forget the 6 foot social distancing. The fair is dead.

👍 LIKE 8 ↩️ REPLY

touch128
AUGUST 10

What is the matter with a little mask. You afraid of that?

👍 LIKE 28 ↩️ REPLY

geowhlzgirl
9:26AM

With Minnesota weather, we cover our faces to enjoy being outside many months of the year. We like snowflakes, but we aren't the snowflakes.

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

reader2580
AUGUST 10

What do you bet the plaintiffs in this lawsuit don't even intend to visit the State Fair?

👍 LIKE 29 ↩️ REPLY

BallFour
AUGUST 10

Let 'em all go to the shooting range.

👍 LIKE 16 ↩️ REPLY

LaPuke
AUGUST 10

I have often what changes could be made to make the State Fair to make it an even more pathetic event. This just might be it.

👍 LIKE 19 ↩️ REPLY

steve89
AUGUST 10

I've read the complaint and it's a hot mess. It should be dismissed on procedural grounds. Stay tuned.

👍 LIKE 46 ↩️ REPLY

touch128
AUGUST 10

Well put.

👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY

Teddy1235
AUGUST 10

Avoid the cheese curd booth after 7:00 pm. Lots of shady characters around there.

👍 LIKE 16 ↩️ REPLY

timmy99
AUGUST 10

LOL!

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

LaPuke
AUGUST 10

I used to be fun when I was thirteen. Now I realize it's just herds of gross people grazing from grease hole to grease hole.

👍 LIKE 18 ↩️ REPLY

SLPMIN
6:30AM

What a mean thing to say.

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

LaPuke
AUGUST 10

That's just crazy. Long swords, machetes, hatchets and machetes would be much better suited to this crowded situation. Crazy people would be much more effective to bring in a pressure cooker like the Boston Maraton 2013. What are people thinking anyhow?

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

COP101
AUGUST 10

Great now I have to worry about Covid now gangs with guns. I don't want to be in the cross fire.

👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY

LaPuke
AUGUST 10

What could no be more fun that sweating through a dusty crowd while eating greasy food and wearing an N95 mask? I'd rather shoot myself.

👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY

- geowhizgirl**
9:27AM
Another reason to not allow guns, I guess.
 LIKE 2 REPLY
-
- purlieu**
AUGUST 10
Lunacy! Why would anyone need to prance around the State Fair with a gun?
 LIKE 48 REPLY
-
- BallFour**
AUGUST 10
People who want to carry guns in public can move to Texas and shoot it out there.
 LIKE 37 REPLY
-
- Mnguy45**
6:50AM
Texas does not allow guns at their state fair. It is just too crazy even for Texas.
 LIKE 3 REPLY
-
- timmy99**
AUGUST 10
'MURKA!
 LIKE 7 REPLY
-
- mattie**
AUGUST 10
Oh good grief.... Wear a mask and you don't need to be packing heat at a family fun day. This isn't Gunsmoke.
 LIKE 43 REPLY
-
- Kathy_Brandt**
11:15AM
Even though James Arness was from Minnesota!
 LIKE REPLY
-
- jmeschaefer**
AUGUST 10
Sheriff Fletchers Live on Patrol from the great MN get together! Can things get any nuttier!
 LIKE 2 REPLY
-
- notsid2**
AUGUST 10
That is certainly an understandable request. I mean, what if such folks are going through the cattle barns and one of them gets hit with a wet and probably stinky tail from a cow. One has to always protect themselves from such disrespectful behavior and have the right to shoot the cow for her offense right there on the spot!
 LIKE 27 REPLY
-
- polkafan**
AUGUST 10
Well. COVID does kill more than guns. Allow guns but require vaccinations and masks.
 LIKE 7 REPLY
-
- notsid2**
AUGUST 10
Tell me again why you think that it is necessary to carry a gun to the state fair? To protect your self from mini-donut crazed junkie? A disrespectful cow? Just to get attention?
 LIKE 21 REPLY
-
- timmy99**
AUGUST 10
"Tell me again why you think that it is necessary to carry a gun to the state fair"

Because 'murka, that's why.

Again: 'murka.
 LIKE 11 REPLY
-
- alz**
AUGUST 10
Allowing armed citizens to carry, open or otherwise, at the State Fair is a sure way to keep me from attending.
 LIKE 50 REPLY
-
- notsid2**
AUGUST 10
You betcha as I want to be seen and paid attention to when striding around the fairgrounds with a holstered gun on my hip. Then people will notice and respect me!
 LIKE 35 REPLY
-
- guidera**
AUGUST 10
612 424 4032 is the number to the gun owners caucus. I just left my view on the machine, no guns at the state fair.
 LIKE 49 REPLY



celeb1999
AUGUST 10

What's the matter with people that think they should be able to carry guns to an event like the State Fair. What on earth do you need your guns for? Are you really that insecure that you can't go anywhere without a gun? Give me a break!

 LIKE 55  REPLY
JKvam
AUGUST 10

One thing I remember from watching countless Westerns with Dad as a kid was the Sherriff checking/confiscating guns at the edge of town, especially the evening of a town festival / party. Who thinks State Fair and evokes existential fear for their safety in their mind?



Anything that keeps these loons from attending, armed or unarmed in the end, is a good thing.

 LIKE 35  REPLY
MojoMe
AUGUST 10

Calling these 3 fanatics a "guns rights group" is a stretch.

 LIKE 35  REPLY
buffcoat
AUGUST 10

Just stay off the bullit, tilt-a-whirl, etc. and no beer gardens for you, but otherwise pack it and show your permit at the door.


 LIKE 5  REPLY
bwolson2004
AUGUST 10

The great Minnesota get together will no longer be if this goes through! Not risking my life for some thuds to open fire after they drank to much and think they are privileged.

 LIKE 49  REPLY
pragmatictaf
AUGUST 10

Hey, what livens up a party more than guns!

The Great Minnesota Get Together at the O.K. Corral!

 LIKE 30  REPLY
bri6546
AUGUST 10



I've always worried about a pandemic's origin occurring at our State Fair. It's ripe(like its attendees) for all sorts of disasters. Why not add another.

 LIKE 13  REPLY
shamby01
AUGUST 10

I'm a proud gun owner. But guns at the fair? Come on already! Its idiots like this who make honest and respectable gun owners look bad.

 LIKE 63  REPLY
SLPMIN
6:36AM

Genuinely curious- why are you proud of being a gun owner? I own all kinds of things and don't link my identity to any of them.

 LIKE  REPLY
letmetellu
AUGUST 10

The hordes are at the gates.

 LIKE 6  REPLY
ryannolan
AUGUST 10

As a practical matter why would someone want to tote around a 2-pound hunk of metal for hours on a sticky 85-degree day?

 LIKE 31  REPLY
timmy99
AUGUST 10

"As a practical matter why would someone want to tote around a 2-pound hunk of metal for hours on a sticky 85-degree day?"

Because 'merka!

 LIKE 11  REPLY
Unclebud
AUGUST 10

Insecurities in other areas of their lives?

 LIKE 25  REPLY
eberts1
AUGUST 10

To get a boost to their manhood? Just a hunch...

 LIKE 24  REPLY

-
- reimsl**
AUGUST 10
- And the women gun-toters want to boost their manhood as well.
- 👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY
-
- Mnguy45**
6:52AM
- Judging by the women I know that carry.... YES
- 👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY
-
- vjg**
AUGUST 10
- To compensate?
- 👍 LIKE 15 ↩️ REPLY
-
- noggnbloggn**
AUGUST 10
- MN State Fair was held inside the walled yard of Ft. Snelling at one time. Bet there were a few guns around then. After 1862, probably many people carried, it would be expected. That readiness was the undoing of Jesse James gang in 1876, still celebrated in Northfield, MN with the 'Defeat of Jesse James Days' on or near Sept 7th every year. Believe it or not, many Democrats carry. OMG.
- 👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY
-
- John E.**
AUGUST 10
- What are you afraid of at the State Fair? If you are so afraid that you need to be armed you need to simply stay home.
- 👍 LIKE 37 ↩️ REPLY
-
- mshpshadow**
AUGUST 10
- We're talking about the Minnesota State Fair and it's 2021. Btw...the guns in the Jesse James Days shows are fake.
- 👍 LIKE 19 ↩️ REPLY
-
- polkafan**
AUGUST 10
- Neat story. dude.
The state fair is in 2021 in Falcon Heights.
- 👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY
-
- grower181**
AUGUST 10
- Just look at the stats on anything gun related and ask yourself why the usa stands alone at the top of every category. Good or bad.
I am tired of being told to be afraid "very" afraid "!" For gods sake we live in some of the safest times right now! Be personally responsible and take care of yourself. My momma told me nothing good happens after 1:00 am. She also told me not to go to certain parties. We as an everyday jane or joe are not in any excess danger doing our everyday interactions.
Covid took almost a year from our life expectancy not antifa. Stop listening to the propaganda. Antifa is on the side of democracy not the other way around spouted by the MAGA networks.
- 👍 LIKE 19 ↩️ REPLY
-
- paramedicrn**
AUGUST 10
- About 45,000 auto deaths per year, for decades and decades. But, that is not a concern!
- 👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY
-
- John E.**
AUGUST 10
- You aren't allowed to drive your car while at the fair. You have to park it outside the fairgrounds.
- 👍 LIKE 28 ↩️ REPLY
-
- thedams**
AUGUST 10
- total nonsense... cars are made to get you from point A to point B... and sometimes accidents happen(unfortunately).
- A gun is design... to harm/injure/kill, period.
- 👍 LIKE 19 ↩️ REPLY
-
- dixiecorp**
AUGUST 10
- By all means let's let guns into a public event where people are on edge as it is. Let's invite the proud boys and all the other white supremacists to make things interesting.
- 👍 LIKE 26 ↩️ REPLY
-
- LaPuke**
AUGUST 10
- The shootings, car jacking and muggings outside the state fair are not perpetrated by white supremacists

but keep stroking you appendages in anticipation.

👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY

d139253
AUGUST 10

What if a rabid rabbit escapes its rancid hutch in the small animals exhibit? They're no ordinary rodent! They'll chew your leg off! I'd feel much safer if a raucous group of right-wing, gun-toting, second amendment bending militiamen were armed to the teeth and able to efficiently put that ravaging rodent down! Duck and cover!

👍 LIKE 17 ↩️ REPLY

dounto
AUGUST 10

Really kids !!!

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

MPLS_GUY
AUGUST 10

Leave your guns at home locked up in a gun safe.

👍 LIKE 23 ↩️ REPLY

march1944
AUGUST 10

Tell me just ONE good reason that any fairgoer needs to carry a gun???? Are they afraid that someone in a kiosk will shoot them? A child with cotton candy?? Someone guarding livestock? Someone in the parking lot upset that you took their spot??

Why on earth would anyone choose to carry a gun to a state fair?

👍 LIKE 26 ↩️ REPLY

timmy99
AUGUST 10

"Why on earth would anyone choose to carry a gun to a state fair?"

BECAUSE 'MURKA!

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

SLPMIN
8:37AM

Okay. Is it really necessary to copy and paste the same comment a million times? We get the joke already.

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

petersonl
AUGUST 10

The majority of US residents want tougher gun laws. But this doesn't happen because the vocal minority (GOP and NRA) play the 2A card and stoke the fears of Rambo wannabes.

The safety of the greater good should eclipse the rights of these gun-freaks. There is no reason to recreate the wild wild west on the Midway. Case closed.

This idea is dumb and dumber!! Guns at the Minnesota State Fair - count me out!!

👍 LIKE 37 ↩️ REPLY

LaPuke
AUGUST 10

The majority of US Citizens want Existing gun laws to be enforced. Not sure what the 30million undocumented criminals want.

👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY

Chicago2006
AUGUST 10

\$100 days Walz let's the fair go on and the following week start banning things.

with the delta variant there is no reason to have it

👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY

plyzowski
AUGUST 10

Scared of getting covid, don't go to the Fair. Simple as that.

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

jimbo7
AUGUST 10

I'm not.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

jenn25
AUGUST 10

"Just leave you guns at home son, don't bring your guns to town."...Johnny Cash lyrics

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

 LIKE 41  REPLY

derfolomew
AUGUST 10

Please, no.

 LIKE 26  REPLY



TenCJed
AUGUST 10

Cowards need to leave there guns at home.

 LIKE 20  REPLY

MommaKath
AUGUST 10

Hey! Why not? The Government is so effective in making sure only good, honest and sane citizens are the only ones who carry a gun. We can feel confident that only GOOD GUYS WITH A GUN are going to be there. Yes, I am being sarcastic.

 LIKE 10  REPLY

Rallen1225
AUGUST 10

Guess it's the "All Me, No We" decade of whining about personal "freedoms" at and "liberties" at the expense of the greater good. From vaccines that will allow the public to safely live their lives, and now... sigh... guns. The argument works both ways: people have the right to attend a gun-free fair without worry of being in the wrong place at the wrong time or worse -- another mass shooting. I rue the day that Minnesota became a conceal and carry state. This lawsuit will go exactly where it deserves to go: NOWHERE.

 LIKE 67  REPLY

startib1
AUGUST 10

And out of the thousands of permit holders in MN how many have committed acts of violence with their firearm?

Almost none.

Ruing the day MN passed CCW is ridiculous.

 LIKE 7  REPLY



bigwolf
AUGUST 10

They and their guns can take a long walk off a short pier. Enough with the guns already. I think many of these people are more in love with their guns then their spouses and children. My hunch is if it came down to guns or family most of them would take the guns

 LIKE 22  REPLY

LaPuke
AUGUST 10

I would take the guns every time..but then again I don't have any kids.

 LIKE  REPLY

bigwolf
AUGUST 10

Lol... well, at least you're honest about it

 LIKE 1  REPLY

MagBas
AUGUST 10

I don't have a carry permit but a friend got one and I asked about the process to qualify for one. The classroom training was very interesting. The instructor said to never raise your gun unless you plan to fire it. If you fire at someone, aim to kill and fire all the rounds in your weapon to insure that they die. Next, rush to the courthouse steps. Get out out in front and control the narrative surrounding the situation. It didn't sound like this was in the study guide, just some value added advice from a specific instructor. I hope that my actions are not misinterpreted by someone with a permit.

 LIKE 8  REPLY

Havinnunovit
AUGUST 10

I am all for people carrying guns anywhere I won't be going anyway!

 LIKE 2  REPLY

Beto2Dem
AUGUST 10

Love it. Those not going means less crowds. More enjoyable.

 LIKE 5  REPLY

polkafan
AUGUST 10

Bad for the unvaccinated, though.

 LIKE 3  REPLY

- m5psnaoow**
AUGUST 10 I want people at our state fair, not guns!
- 👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY
-
- LaPuke**
AUGUST 10 Uh...are guns allowed to attend unaccompanied by people? Just how exactly would that work? Looking to you for genius.
- 👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY
-
- LaPuke**
AUGUST 10 But I thought you all went there for the people, the food, the grease, the dust, germs and the summer smell of armpits?
- 👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY
-
- oldbeatnik**
AUGUST 10 Hot day, no wind, high humidity, sweaty, irritated, surrounded by 150,000 people. Carrying a gun. What could possibly go wrong?
- 👍 LIKE 106 ↩️ REPLY
-
- g1b123**
AUGUST 10 ...and after a few beers in the beer garden.
- 👍 LIKE 19 ↩️ REPLY
-
- JoeQuattro**
AUGUST 10 Glad to hear that everyone is going to have to go through metal detectors. That'll keep all guns out of the fairgrounds both legal and illegal.
- Time to have every gun registered to its owner just like we do our cars, trucks, boats, ATV's, snowmobiles, etc.
- 👍 LIKE 19 ↩️ REPLY
-
- oldbeatnik**
AUGUST 10 Forgot to add unknown number of cheap beers.
- 👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY
-
- sabrjay**
AUGUST 10 You forgot the alcohol.
- 👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY
-
- buffcoat**
AUGUST 10 Nothing for the permit to carry crowd, the rest you are on your own.
- 👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY
-
- LaPuke**
AUGUST 10 You forgot eating greasy food and wearing an N95 mask.
- 👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY
-
- pragmatictaf**
AUGUST 10 Just the idiotic idea that any pawn of the gun lobby would sue for this is proof that they don't possess the common sense to own a gun, or even appear in civilized society.
- 👍 LIKE 17 ↩️ REPLY
-
- eberts1**
AUGUST 10 That's the whole issue with guns...by and large, they end up in the hands not of "criminals", but folks who simply should never be allowed to carry around such lethal force...
- 👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY
-
- r3ader1**
AUGUST 10 Can't wait for Sack's cartoon about this one.
- Great Minnesota Die Together.
- 👍 LIKE 15 ↩️ REPLY
-
- LaPuke**
AUGUST 10 That was already taken by the Walz nursing home directives during the pandemic.
- 👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY
-
- tammydu**
AUGUST 10 Pass a mask mandate to enter. That will keep them away.
- 👍 LIKE 18 ↩️ REPLY
-
- gleasonage**
AUGUST 10 As a permit holder, there is no need for guns at the fair.

they have our protection taken care of.

👍 LIKE 13 ↩️ REPLY

manitou
AUGUST 10

Come to the fair with no vaccination but, by all means, bring a gun. Makes complete sense!

👍 LIKE 56 ↩️ REPLY

Savage12
AUGUST 10

It is my constitutional right and duty to carry every day, every place I go. I'm not a yahoo, Rambo, tough guy, or any other stupid name. I'm just a guy protecting me and my family if needed.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

mrhands
AUGUST 10

Metal detectors and Ramsey Sheriffs will keep it safe. No need for civilians to be packing heat. Pick your battles in a smarter way.

👍 LIKE 15 ↩️ REPLY

sallygirl
AUGUST 10

This is absolutely insane! I know my family will not attend the Fair if guns are allowed. I am confident that many, many others would not attend for the same reason.

👍 LIKE 38 ↩️ REPLY

franzej
AUGUST 10

good, too many people anyway

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

pepperj
AUGUST 10

Ok metal detectors at the gates. No reason to be carrying there we don't need drunk/ idiots who want to play GTA for real there

👍 LIKE 18 ↩️ REPLY

MNForsy
AUGUST 10

Count me out!

👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY

eckmans
AUGUST 10

No thanks. Please ban guns at the fair

👍 LIKE 17 ↩️ REPLY

toughfixes
AUGUST 10

If they do allow it most wont go and shouldn't. People have personal rights also to feel safe not worried about shooters.

👍 LIKE 13 ↩️ REPLY

22below
AUGUST 10

It's been happening in years past, but now it's bothersome enough to compel people to avoid the fair? Seems like most people aren't aware of how prevalent gun carriers are throughout their daily life.

I don't carry, but I'm far less concerned about licensed individuals than the unlicensed ones who aren't going to be swayed by this rule any more than the others they disregard.

👍 LIKE 19 ↩️ REPLY

wreckreation
AUGUST 10

Just before an errant bullet hits you when they start spraying hot lead at the fair I believe you might change your mind.

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

22below
AUGUST 10

You must be influenced by the weekly news coming out of Mpls.

All that carnage isn't being caused by people licensed to carry, but rather criminals that will and do carry guns outside of any laws, restrictions, polite reminders or Pollyannaish hopes.

If you think restricting lawful carriers, anywhere, is going to protect you from harm, you have a warped understanding of the threats out there in public.

👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY

renfriend
AUGUST 10

If it has been happening for years why are you second amendment types making it a big deal this year? And

want the taxpayers to pay for your lawyers too.

👍 LIKE 44 ↩️ REPLY

nancy_leigh
AUGUST 10

Ren - you mean the bill of rights type? why do we bother to defend any of the rights in the bill of rights? I assume people are completely open to the police searching people going to the fair for whatever reason they see fit. Stop and Frisk is perfectly OK, right?

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

thorc1
AUGUST 10

Because this year isn't on the honor system...you'll have to go through a metal detector.

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

22below
AUGUST 10

This may be new information to you, but licensed carriers are all around you when you are out in public.

Unlicensed individuals are also circulating in open public with concealed guns as well. Many of them are legally prohibited from possessing a firearm, but they do anyway. Criminals do tend to disregard the law.

Who are you more worried about?

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

polkafan
AUGUST 10

If it has happened in years past, the people who have carried guns at the fair have done so illegally.

I thought legal gun owners always followed gun laws and only criminals violated gun laws.

👍 LIKE 11 ↩️ REPLY

polevault
AUGUST 10

I've got a safe full of guns so definitely have nothing against guns. But these gun nuts are off the tracks goofballs giving all gun owners a bad name. Leave the protection to the pro's in uniform.

👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY

chalankanoa
AUGUST 10

It appears that Sarah Cade Hauptman and her husband are gun instructors. Her husband has a gun-related business called PHLster Holsters. Are they using this lawsuit to promote their gun concealment holster business?

👍 LIKE 23 ↩️ REPLY

wickeywackey
AUGUST 10

Of course not :-)

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

MojoMe
AUGUST 10

Completely self serving couple with no regards towards those who prefer not to have idiots with guns at the fair.

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

bfjones
AUGUST 10

"The Anoka County Fair was shut down Saturday night, July 24, after two large fights broke out, according to the Anoka County Sheriff's Office." Yeah, sure, let's add guns to the mix.

👍 LIKE 45 ↩️ REPLY

wedgegirl
AUGUST 10

Not adding guns to my State Fair bingo card, thank you. We'll just stay home.

👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY

ncasey
AUGUST 10

Toting guns?? We'll stay home.

👍 LIKE 10 ↩️ REPLY

MPLS_GUY
AUGUST 10

If the Delta variant (I'm vaccinated) wasn't enough of a reason not to attend the fair this surely is. Keep your guns at home in a

not to attend the fair, and safety is. Keep your guns at home in a locked safe unless you are hunting legal game or target shooting.

👍 LIKE 11 ↩️ REPLY

NettyJr
AUGUST 10

If they allow this, I will not, ever, attend the fair again.

👍 LIKE 12 ↩️ REPLY

TempusFugit
AUGUST 10

We need to ask ourselves why this particular abomination now? Like the anti-mask/anti-vaccine rhetoric, the timing of this lawsuit suggests a continuing attempt at deliberate destabilization in the middle of a pandemic. Recognize it for what it is. Do not lose heart!

👍 LIKE 40 ↩️ REPLY

JoeQuattro
AUGUST 10

Want to bet that the guys bringing the case are Trump supporters as well?

👍 LIKE 11 ↩️ REPLY

peanutman
AUGUST 10

There is no valid reason for a fair attendee to have to carry a weapon.

👍 LIKE 87 ↩️ REPLY

startib1
AUGUST 10

Yeah.....only self-defense.

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

sandman111
AUGUST 10

What are you scared of bro? Carnies? Clowns?

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

plyzowski
AUGUST 10

Self defense from what? Are there gangs of senior citizens roving around the Fair beating people up?

👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY

domino03
AUGUST 10

If these gun nuts are so afraid of the fair they shouldn't go. On the other hand, if guns will be allowed it would be give me another reason not to go. If more guns made the country safer, the United States would be the safest country in the world.

👍 LIKE 51 ↩️ REPLY

JoeQuattro
AUGUST 10

The U.S. leads the civilized world in murders. I'm ready to move to a country with less stupid people as this country seems to just have more-and-more of them every year.

👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY

droofer
AUGUST 11

If I was younger and had the necessary skills I would have moved to Canada the day after trump was elected.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

jenn25
AUGUST 10

Exactly!

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

flogic
AUGUST 10

Best point ever!! Things have admittedly gotten worse, and they ask for more gun rights and things get admittedly worse and they ask for more gun rights and more mass shootings happen and it continues to get worse.

The abusers of rights have always been the right. They simply aim to continually look for new ways to try and intimidate because of their obscenely deep rooted fears of sharing.

Not a once have I seen a credible story about how a weapon stopped a crime from happening. A few cases where it may have stopped further bloodshed but at the cost of probably how the bloodshed was able to

come about in the first place.

And nearly always weapons legally carried or otherwise are used to kill, and typically on purpose when carried. I won't get into the countless children killed by weapons in their own home but let's sweat some poor low income child getting an abortion for the betterment of herself and that child's soul to be born elsewhere with a far better chance at life.

Funny how such things constantly conflict with the illogical and, now days, nearly always wrong Right Wing.

They consistently lose their minds when questioned or asked to obey laws and rules they didn't cherry pick to their personal satisfaction.

👍 LIKE 8 ↩️ REPLY

Unclebud
AUGUST 10

If they paid attention in their permit class, they would recall that the mere act of drawing the weapon is a serious matter, much less aiming and firing. Just leave it home.

👍 LIKE 30 ↩️ REPLY

fleetfoot
AUGUST 10

That does it. I am not going.

👍 LIKE 97 ↩️ REPLY

plyzowski
AUGUST 10

Let the lawsuit play through before making that decision.

👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY

nativesonzz
AUGUST 10

Disbelief and Dismay. The civilized world shakes its head in disbelief and dismay at Americans...and their guns. Disbelief and Dismay.

👍 LIKE 76 ↩️ REPLY

nancy_leigh
AUGUST 10

Native? Where are you at on your efforts to repeal the second amendment? Based on your comment I assume you are actively pursuing it.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

or_runner
AUGUST 10

Let's pretend for a moment that the "self-defense" argument holds water. Do you really want joe-six-pack or a Rambo wannabe defending himself with a loaded pistol surrounded by thousands of innocent by-standers?

👍 LIKE 75 ↩️ REPLY

Ferror
AUGUST 10

Totally against the spirit of the Fair. If you can't put down your weapons for a couple hours to enjoy Pronto Pups in peace with your fellow Minnesotans, then you shouldn't attend.

👍 LIKE 86 ↩️ REPLY

Steven
AUGUST 10

Why?

👍 LIKE 19 ↩️ REPLY

parlj
AUGUST 10

I don't want to spend family time around a bunch of yahoos with guns.

👍 LIKE 66 ↩️ REPLY

JoeQuattro
AUGUST 10

Just think, these yahoos are the same ones that tried to take over our country on January 6th. That should make one shutter for sure.

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

startib1
AUGUST 10

I'm assuming that all of the people fear mongering about lawful gun owners who statistically happen to some of the most, law abiding carrying guns at the fair would also not want someone to carry at every day places like movie theaters, the grocery store, and Target stores all places that had shootings there recently.

The whole "wild west" myth has quickly been dispelled in every state that has permits to carry and MN has had it for over a decade.

👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY

smbxyz
AUGUST 10

Just why does anyone need a gun at the Fair. I've managed to go through my entire life without ever feeling the need for a gun. Why do other countries that have much lower gun ownership rates also have much lower murder rates?

👍 LIKE 13 ↩️ REPLY

WWDJTD
AUGUST 10

All those shootings were committed by a person with a gun so not really a good argument.

👍 LIKE 8 ↩️ REPLY

march1944
AUGUST 10

Paint us a picture of how a person carrying a gun would need to use it at a state fair???? I'll wait.

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

ThankUNext
AUGUST 10

This is a lie.

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

alexanderlil
AUGUST 10

What about my constitutional right to go to the State Fair and be safe and not worry about gun toting crazies who may become enraged for whatever reason.

👍 LIKE 76 ↩️ REPLY

nancy_leigh
AUGUST 10

Alex, That isn't a constitutional right.

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

eberts1
AUGUST 10

Neither is the unfettered "right" to carry firearms...as clearly spelled out in the Constitution, the whole point was, lacking a standing army, we had militias. WELL REGULATED ones ready to come to defend the state. Today, what we have is militias hell bent on overthrowing the state every time they lose an election.

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

maudlovelace
AUGUST 10

Utter madness.

👍 LIKE 46 ↩️ REPLY

kpm155
AUGUST 10

This is fricking nuts. I would stay far away from the Fair if guns were allowed.

👍 LIKE 133 ↩️ REPLY

mplsmn22
AUGUST 10

I believe in the 2nd Amendment, but you don't need to be packing at the fair. Angry drunks with guns, what could go wrong?

👍 LIKE 155 ↩️ REPLY

Bigdrone
AUGUST 10

Or angry drunks that could take someone's gun. They don't belong there period.

👍 LIKE 105 ↩️ REPLY

PAGrant
AUGUST 10

What about criminals going to the fair for their fun? You know -find another gang member and start shooting? That's what will happen. Look at the county fairs throughout the state - they had to shut down their midways due to violence. Olmsted County - really?

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

laytonian2
AUGUST 10

Drunks with guns? Circular firing squads.

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

chalankanoa
AUGUST 10



We are already hesitant about going to the Fair this year because of the threat of the Delta Variant. Our family consists of young grandkids and older Seniors too.

We are skipping the State Fair this year with the crazy loonies insisting on carrying guns at the peril of the rest of the fairgoers. Are the courts going to give in to this fringe group(s)? That will be the end of our State Fair tradition.

Allowing guns can only lead to dangerous indiscriminate shootings in the crowded fairground. What about the police officers' safety? They are already thin in the ranks.

 LIKE 102  REPLY
AlanLipinski
AUGUST 10

Permitted gun owners yes - groups of youths with guns and without permits no

 LIKE 17  REPLY
cncody
AUGUST 10

How would you tell the difference?

 LIKE 29  REPLY
parlj
AUGUST 10

No guns period.

 LIKE 41  REPLY
mbspshadow
AUGUST 10

If there are metal detectors at the gates, we'll have neither!

 LIKE 3  REPLY
powwow71
AUGUST 10

No guns. Period.

 LIKE 6  REPLY
JoeQuattro
AUGUST 10

If you gun nuts are that afraid of your own shadow, just stay home and hide under your bed.

 LIKE 5  REPLY
polkafan
AUGUST 10

The 2021 Minnesota State Fair - the most dangerous twelve days of summer.

Between the COVID and the guns, leave your kids at home.

 LIKE 91  REPLY
stellarone
AUGUST 10

you stay home
unvaxed people stay home.
Life is for the responsible ones.

 LIKE 3  REPLY
JoeQuattro
AUGUST 10

I wish we could send all these gun nuts and anti vaxxers to one state, say Texas. The rest of us peaceful people won't miss you at all.

 LIKE 11  REPLY
mike080950
AUGUST 10

If common citizens are allowed to carry a concealed weapon at the State Fair, I will not attend.

 LIKE 111  REPLY
lagertha
AUGUST 10

A man of God? I think not. Just another huckster who is afraid of his shadow. There is no valid reason to bring a gun to the fair.

 LIKE 135  REPLY
macrosteles
AUGUST 10

Gun carrying at the State Fair. NO a thousand times no! What are these idiots afraid of a the State Fair - their shadows?

 LIKE 108  REPLY
del1217
AUGUST 10

Welcome to the great Minnesota shootout!

 LIKE 86  REPLY

tomwilson52
AUGUST 10

I believe the gun group will find out soon enough the the State Fair is an entity unto itself as I did a few years ago. Despite state laws allowing the resale of event tickets, I was not allowed to resell a concert ticket on the fairgrounds, even for face value. I ended up giving away for free the extra tickets we had (and this had to be done out of sight of the ticket office or I could have been arrested). In fact what I did was on the advice of a St. Paul police officer assigned to the ticket office, who told me I needed to dispose of the ticket after I was out of her sight. This is not in the Ag Society rules governing the fair either.

LIKE 16 REPLY

srlarson
AUGUST 10

am a CC holder...but see no reason to carry at the fair.....reason to go is to have a few beers and relax.....that would be a crime if Carrying....

If you must carry...better to stay home.....

LIKE 83 REPLY

startib1
AUGUST 10

So I suppose you wouldn't carry to a movie theater, a grocery store, or a Target....all common everyday places that have had shootings at them recently.

LIKE 13 REPLY

Edimom
AUGUST 10

Do you go to Target or the grocery store to drink beer?

LIKE 20 REPLY

mshpshadow
AUGUST 10

If there are metal detectors at the gates, no one with a gun can get in. Period!

LIKE 12 REPLY

wallinm
AUGUST 10

I believe Target and grocery stores in general "ban guns" on their premises so if you're carrying there aren't you breaking the rules you agreed to when granted your license?

LIKE 7 REPLY

march1944
AUGUST 10

Police simulations of a shooter result in only 5% of a shooter being killed. Put guns in the hands of untrained citizens and scores of innocent bystanders will die. Having a gun is absolutely no "protection" in a public setting.

LIKE 5 REPLY

srlarson
8:47AM

don't go to movies, or Target.....been 10 plus years since I have been in either....groceries do go there....50/50 if I am carrying...but if I am going out and plan to partake...no I do not carry.....

LIKE REPLY

r3ader1
AUGUST 10

Or move to Texas.

LIKE 1 REPLY

aonealpha
AUGUST 10

So pleased to see individuals work to protect their constitutional rights. Count me in!

LIKE 9 REPLY

guessagain
AUGUST 10

Please stay at home, gun-toter.

LIKE 78 REPLY

pepperj
AUGUST 10

Why do you need it there gun - toter? If you are afraid that is acceptable; please stay home them for everyone's sake

LIKE 3 REPLY

CU-MAN
AUGUST 10

I'm all for the State Fair not allowing guns on the fairgrounds. I enjoy going to the state fair two to three times each year it happens. I have always felt safe.

What ticks me off is they always say the people who squeal the most, always gets the grease. It simply should not be that way. Period.

👍 LIKE 47 ↩️ REPLY

JoeQuattro
AUGUST 10

If the cops see a bunch of gang members walking around, just have the gun sniffing dogs go up to them and if they're carrying the dogs will alert the police and the criminals will be arrested and hauled away.

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

northguy7
AUGUST 10

That's profiling. Not allowed anymore.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

mollyb
AUGUST 10

This is nuts. I would not attend the State Fair if guns are allowed.

👍 LIKE 70 ↩️ REPLY

tornado
AUGUST 10

These two should have just gone to WE Fest and called it good. Wait a minute. On second thought, even WE Fest bans weapons... Go figure.

👍 LIKE 69 ↩️ REPLY

march1944
AUGUST 10

I can't help but wonder about the record-setting Sturgis throngs?

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

nshore
AUGUST 10

Fist fights over mask wearing, everybody with a gun, National Guard snipers on the Space Tower, and tanks at every gate - you wouldn't need to go to a Midway ride to get the near death experience!

👍 LIKE 58 ↩️ REPLY

johno3
AUGUST 10

I worked at the fair in the '60's. I believe it was in 64 when the Hells Angels showed up and implied that there was going to be violence. Sheriffs deputies followed them everywhere they went and it was a peaceful event.

👍 LIKE 22 ↩️ REPLY

pepperj
AUGUST 10

Can you imagine the whining of law enforcement did that today?

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

konservativ
AUGUST 10

Some states allow it others dont. As a trained permit holder, I think it is the fair leadership's decision whether ban guns.

👍 LIKE 17 ↩️ REPLY

dan-6507
AUGUST 10

The irony of Jesus, a peace loving character of historical fiction, and his disciple, a non-fiction, gun totin', real life scared preacher man.

👍 LIKE 56 ↩️ REPLY

del1217
AUGUST 10

Why does anyone think they need to bring a gun to the state fair??

👍 LIKE 61 ↩️ REPLY

Andropogon
AUGUST 10

A gun is like a penis. It is something to be proud of and in the right situations should be put to good use. It is not, however, something that should be flaunted in public.

👍 LIKE 41 ↩️ REPLY

logician88
AUGUST 10

If they were proud of theirs they wouldn't be so excited about having all those guns.

👍 LIKE 43 ↩️ REPLY

pepperj
AUGUST 10

10.0 on each of these comments. Thank you for a good chuckle.

10

for a good chuckle

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

Mabel49
AUGUST
10

While not all 2nd Amendment people are insurrectionists, I think it's a fair assumption that most insurrectionists are 2nd Amendment people. I don't want to be anywhere near them. The events of January 6 were a group who was urged to take matters into their own hands. I certainly don't want that happening at the State Fair, of all places.

👍 LIKE 68 ↩️ REPLY

outoftime
AUGUST 10

That is just a fabulous idea - what could go wrong with that - especially by the beer garden. I am really tired of hearing about being denied their 2nd amendment rights. I really don't remember there being such an issue years ago (not sure how many years). Everyday there are more shootings - lot of times over nothing. I'm not talking about gang related shootings- that is a separate issue from this. Look what happened recently on 169 when a man was shot with his son having to see that. Images like that never go away. Nobody really knows what the shooters problem was - maybe he was upset because the man wasn't going fast enough. I think not wanting to get shot by someone because they can't seem to control their anger is a right we all should expect.

👍 LIKE 55 ↩️ REPLY

poonbear53
AUGUST 10

Perhaps the good reverend needs to reread the good book to see what Jesus actually says about using violence

👍 LIKE 48 ↩️ REPLY

MNUHSO10
AUGUST 10

The world is getting nutter every day. This all out obsession with guns is nuts. Absolutely nuts with zero to do with our Consitution's Framers' intent.

👍 LIKE 51 ↩️ REPLY

aris00
AUGUST
10

Leave your guns at home. Attend the Great Minnesota Get together in your wife-beater tee-sheet. After all, you have the right to bare arms.

👍 LIKE 55 ↩️ REPLY

tmox44
AUGUST
10

No masks but plenty of guns. Outstanding!!!!

👍 LIKE 38 ↩️ REPLY

gophergew
AUGUST 10

The fair's website lists "weapons or objects that appear to be weapons" as among a host of prohibited items...

Huh...there are many shooting games at the fair.

People will die from going to the fair this year from COVID. Still we don't need yahews totting loaded weapons.

👍 LIKE 15 ↩️ REPLY

mark98
AUGUST
10

Jesus would carry a gun. Isn't one of the basic tenants of Christianity is shoot first?

👍 LIKE 12 ↩️ REPLY

Bipartisan
AUGUST 10

I thinking anti-abortion, anti-vax, pro-gun.

I wonder if the preacher says he's pro-life

👍 LIKE 39 ↩️ REPLY

snoebird
AUGUST 10

In the gun-loving state of Texas:

"No weapons of any kind are permitted on the fairgrounds. This includes guns, knives, clubs, tasers, etc. Also, all sharp metal objects, such as pocket knives, scissors, and other sharp implements, are strictly prohibited."

👍 LIKE 54 ↩️ REPLY

Bipartisan
AUGUST 10

Gun rights people believe their rights overrule everyone else rights

👍 LIKE 60 ↩️ REPLY


konservativ AUGUST 10	You have a right not to carry a gun.	LIKE	REPLY
skjohnso AUGUST 10	Kind of like your free speech	LIKE	REPLY
salliso AUGUST 10	Actually, I can say the same of the anti-gun people. I carry, don't drink, and don't see a need to carry at the fair. I would however, like no-one to drink, as this is a cause for potential violence as well. Good with that?	LIKE	REPLY
Junebug7 AUGUST 10	Well, suppose a couple of angry drunks start fighting. I doubt I'll get injured from a flying fist a half a block away. There is no rational argument for guns at a fair.	LIKE 4	REPLY
WWDJTD AUGUST 10	Must be great to have so much time and money on your hands you can take up something like this. Thankfully there are no other issues in the state right now that are more important!	LIKE 26	REPLY
saywhat567 AUGUST 10	These people make me sick. There's nothing in the world they won't ruin with their guns and paranoia. No surprise they are also supposedly religious. Love the fair but this could cause me not to go.	LIKE 50	REPLY
burbdweller AUGUST 10	Stupidest goddamn idea I've ever heard of.	LIKE 57	REPLY
slammer AUGUST 10	I can imagine the sermons: Blessed are the straight shooters, for they shall blast their way into the kingdom of heaven...	LIKE 32	REPLY
wmsweeney AUGUST 10	Great...after a few shootouts at the Fair maybe some of those foreigners will not want to move here while good God fearing . gun toting folks will see this is a great place to be!	LIKE	REPLY
brubu AUGUST 10	Oh what could go wrong? Couple hundred thousand people and ten percent armed, sitting in the beer garden. Keep the guns at home.	LIKE 28	REPLY
StOlaf92 AUGUST 10	Why in the world do you need to bring a gun to the state fair? Please stay away and take your insecurities elsewhere.	LIKE 48	REPLY
Broonie AUGUST 10	Frivolous lawsuit. The plaintiffs even ask for the respondents to pay attorneys fees and court costs! The audacity!	LIKE 21	REPLY
TACO_martin AUGUST 10	"Don't Take Your Guns To Town" -J. Cash	LIKE 16	REPLY
kboedy AUGUST 10	What about my right to not be surrounded by psycho gun nuts?	LIKE 38	REPLY
ag1395 AUGUST 10	Good Lord. What is wrong with these people? Seriously, what goes through their minds where they think they need to armed every single place they go? And don't tell me watch the news. This is some serious insecurity or the need to feel like a "man" and that their pistols provides. And this is coming from someone who has owned and still owns guns.	LIKE 70	REPLY

kshrewsbury
AUGUST 10

Must you paranoid gun owners (not the responsible ones) have your little friend with you at all times? What is wrong with you? And once you're allowed to bring handguns, how long until someone has a gun on them that can kill 20 people in a few seconds? THIS. IS. SICK.

You will make the Great Minnesota (family) Get-Together another place we'll fear to be. Not only because you winning this suit would mean BAD guys with guns will be there, but "good" guys with guns will accidentally shoot someone under the gondola or in front of Martha's Chocolate Chip Cookies because you THINK you saw them being threatening. And no one will ever want to go to the fair again. Isn't there a limit to where you bring your weapon?

We ordinary citizens are SICK of you imposing your paranoia on us. There is no escaping your bullets anywhere, is there?

 LIKE 43  REPLY
snarly_dog
AUGUST 10

What part of a nanosecond will it take a judge -- who, unlike these yahoos, knows the difference between what's constitutional and what's constipational -- to boot this buffoonery out of court? (BTW, are these some of Trump's lawyers left over from the election-challenge fiascos, who haven't been disbarred yet?)

 LIKE 30  REPLY
dknsspo
AUGUST 10

To snarly_dog-- Loved your pun: constitutional vs. constipational. Excellent phrasing!

 LIKE 5  REPLY
Jeanne_F
AUGUST 10

If they allow people to carry firearms into the Minnesota State Fair, I won't go to it. If you are so afraid of other people that you feel the need to bring weapons with you, maybe you should just stay home.

 LIKE 37  REPLY
aprilgirl
AUGUST 10

Remind me to stay away from the fair with the no mask, gun toting crowd walking around. What a shame this is the new normal.

 LIKE 26  REPLY
gonejohnson
AUGUST 10

September 2019 3 shot and one run over by a car at main entrance to state fair. Yup very peaceful area except for the exploding gang violence. Better yet forget the carry permit and arming yourself, just stay away!!!!

 LIKE 7  REPLY
Gazelle58
AUGUST 10

Here's a novel idea. Make it a requirement that in order to gain access to the fair you MUST be armed. That way all the gun nuts will be there and sane people will stay home. Then they all can have a Minnesota version of the gun fight at the OK Coral and kill each other off. Makes it safe for normal people next year. Win-win!

 LIKE 18  REPLY
nshore
AUGUST 10

"Show me your horses, hogs and chickens and there won't be any trouble."
If it wasn't such a deadly serious issue, all you could do is laugh at these people.

 LIKE 11  REPLY
lpeterz
AUGUST 10

One more good reason to not vote for any Republican or so called "Independent".

 LIKE 33  REPLY
eastvillage
AUGUST 10

Covid on a stick. Gun won't help.

 LIKE 10  REPLY
Otter_
AUGUST 10

It's seriously time to be done with these people. Repeal the 2nd Amendment. It's no longer relevant to 21st century America.

 LIKE 10  REPLY

 **LIKE** 34  **REPLY**

Luis-Tiant
AUGUST 10 Under which ride should stand to pocket fallen guns?

 **LIKE** 13  **REPLY**



johnmur
AUGUST 10 I honestly can not think of anything that could go wrong with armed visitors, drinking, and large crowds? JK

 **LIKE** 17  **REPLY**

wreckreation
AUGUST 10 And when you pullout the gun the cops won't be able to distinguish your from the "bad guys" so be prepared to take their fire too.

 **LIKE** 27  **REPLY**

CityofChaos
AUGUST 10 God forbid they make to wear a mask at the Fair....

 **LIKE** 13  **REPLY**

tjg1
AUGUST 10 I am a conceal and gun owner, how many State buildings and properties can you carry a weapon into other than state hunting land? I carry a lot but always respect the rules and laws allowing me to carry. I also understand 2 years ago there was a BIG uptick in crime around the outside of the fair grounds and getting to and from the fair was not always safe. So, I understand the push to allow, and just not ready to support it.

 **LIKE** 6  **REPLY**

Mtka
AUGUST 10 Why do you need a gun? Are you afraid someone will reach over your shoulder and steal a couple of fries out of the gallon bucket portion?
Just go away with these ridiculous lawsuits!

 **LIKE** 26  **REPLY**

Conn1e
AUGUST 10 These people fit the profile of shooters to watch out for.

 **LIKE** 15  **REPLY**

startib1
AUGUST 10 The State Fair has gotten more and more dangerous in recent times with shootings and fights.

10 years ago this stuff never happened at the State Fair.

No one is loser for wanting to protect themselves.

 **LIKE** 6  **REPLY**

nshore
AUGUST 10 Here's protection from the scary State Fair butter heads that works 100% of the time = stay home.

 **LIKE** 18  **REPLY**

sallygirl
AUGUST 10 Then stay home. I have never felt unsafe at the State Fair. I will not go if guns are allowed because that will scare me.

 **LIKE** 2  **REPLY**

SPURR76
AUGUST 10 Definitely would help in getting to the front of the line at a Tom Thumb donut stand..

 **LIKE** 3  **REPLY**

timothybond
AUGUST 10 I am an Army combat veteran and a retired cop. I am pro guns but not pro gun nuts. I am a fan of guns but not gun fanatics. Minnesota's gun carry laws are sufficiently liberal. The 2nd Amendment doe not provide for carte blanc carrying.

 **LIKE** 25  **REPLY**

ismellmusic
AUGUST 10 Breaking News: Pubs are afraid of the Fair. There's a shock.

 **LIKE** 23  **REPLY**

ghstrib
AUGUST 10 Do the people who want to bring a gun to the State Fair think it's going to protect them from COVID?

Strongly suspect these are people who also refuse to get vaccinated. And people who refuse to get vaccinated are nearly 100% of the people now contracting COVID, in a renewed surge happening because they refuse to get vaccinated.

Folks, get vaccinated, and leave your guns at home. No one is coming to take them away while you are at the fair.

👍 LIKE 19 ↩️ REPLY

Earlybird39
AUGUST 10

You've GOT to be kidding me. Why on earth would someone feel they need to bring a gun to the State Fair? Yes, we know that for them the gun mollifies the fear and weakness they wake up with everyday, but if they don't think it's safe at the fair - just don't go!

👍 LIKE 24 ↩️ REPLY

ThinkingMom
AUGUST 10

I agree with all the people who say they should just stay home. If they don't feel safe at the fair, then sit in front of your tv. We don't want people with weapons at the fair. It's crowded and hot. People have been drinking. We don't need to add guns to the mix. I'll never understand these idiots' love affair with guns...never.

👍 LIKE 22 ↩️ REPLY

TerryB78
AUGUST 10

This ridiculous lawsuit should be thrown out of court without wasting a minute of anyone's time to argue about it

👍 LIKE 16 ↩️ REPLY

sallygirl
AUGUST 10

The taxpayers' money is being wasted on court time for an absolutely insane law suit.

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

venom88
AUGUST 10

Leave your guns at home, my goodness. Are you that insecure you have to show how tough, strong and brave you are by bringing a weapon to a public festival? In addition, I'm sure its hard to wear a 1oz face mask but its totally fine to wear a holster with a 5 pound gun. People priorities are so messed up. Mask Up and leave your guns at home.

👍 LIKE 19 ↩️ REPLY

elind56
AUGUST 10

I can assure you that over the years, untold thousands have gone into the fair armed with the vast majority of them being exhibitors. If you were in a barn, you likely weren't too far from somebody with a gun...or quick access to one.

Will they be patting down the ranchers and farmers and searching their trucks and trailers when they pull in this year? I doubt it. That means the barns and surrounding areas will once again be the safest place to be at the fair.

👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY

polkafan
AUGUST 10

"Will they be patting down..."
Sounds like they should be.

👍 LIKE 13 ↩️ REPLY

John E.
AUGUST 10

If you are afraid for your safety at the State Fair stay home.

👍 LIKE 13 ↩️ REPLY

AlphaPup
AUGUST 10

Looking at a large chunk of comments below, maybe we should start an over/under on the number of gun incidents at the state fair regardless of success or failure of this lawsuit.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

rory1029
AUGUST 10

That's one way to get to the front of the line. Bring a gun to a food on a stick fight. I hope wiser heads and laws prevail.

👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY

slammer
AUGUST 10

I don't remember that beatitude from Sunday school.

👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY

felsite
AUGUST 10

Armed but likely not vaccinated, their looking towards the wrong type of protection.

👍 LIKE 11 ↩️ REPLY

mary2011
AUGUST 10

To all you gun owners who want to bring a firearm to the Fair -
This is nothing more than an excuse to shoot a gun in public. You
just can't wait, can you?

👍 LIKE 14 ↩️ REPLY

konservativ
AUGUST 10

I am a permit holder and that could not be further than
the truth.

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

Mnguy45
AUGUST 10

Every time I hear a gun nut cry about not being able to carry all I
see is a coward with a irrational fear.

They want a gun because they are afraid of guns but god forbid
you suggest maybe we should have less guns in America.

Why can't they see it's their behavior that puts them at greater
risk.

It is really hard to get shot if there are no guns around.
How many armed cops and security are at the fair?

How will a untrained halfwit with a permit to carry improve
safety? It wouldn't it would make everyone less safe.

👍 LIKE 17 ↩️ REPLY

LeMiserable
AUGUST 10

This isn't news. Plenty of Fair goers will already be illegally
carrying concealed weapons. A known gang member is not going
to go lighten up just to follow Stair Fair rules. This is just a push
for law abiding citizens to legally do what others are already
doing.

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

jmclean5439
AUGUST 10

Deny it if you will, but those same "law abiding citizens"
have been ignoring the signs and carrying for years at
the Fair, illegally.

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

dogrsqr
AUGUST 10

Great! Then maybe we should make taking drugs legal
at the Fair, too, 'cause I'm pretty sure a few folks will
lighting up, snorting, and/or shooting up while
attending.

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

jimcrue
AUGUST 10

Just another reason to avoid the State Fair

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

Bipartisan
AUGUST 10

A pro life preacher

No

👍 LIKE 10 ↩️ REPLY

kingsxman
AUGUST 10

I support the right to conceal and carry. But there is no reason
that the state fair needs to allow it.

That's the problem with the NRA: they and some of their
supporters have no common sense. They only want to push the
limit on everything because "any" pushback is "against their
constitutional rights". Puuhhhleease.

👍 LIKE 15 ↩️ REPLY

rms316
AUGUST 10

The State Fair is shaping up to a real fun atmosphere . Not.

👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY

randjrj
AUGUST 10

Anywhere alcohol is being served, guns are a bad idea. I'd rather
go to a fistfight than a gunfight.

👍 LIKE 10 ↩️ REPLY

Gunmen
AUGUST 10

Jesus never advocated violence, so the fact that these gun nuts
think they have a right to carry guns anywhere they like just

think they have a right to carry guns anywhere they like just proves they're extremists who are looking for a way to feel better about themselves and others.

They must feel very insecure if they think they need a gun for anything. And the 'Reverend' is not really a reverend when he's pushing for more guns everywhere; that's not what true Christians believe in.

👍 LIKE 15 ↩️ REPLY

mbender55438
AUGUST 10

I can see these nut jobs now, stepping up to the water squirt game on the Midway, pulling out their weapon and popping a few ducks to win the game and then demand to be awarded the 4 foot pink stuffed bunny for the win.

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

thefudge
AUGUST 10

Fortunately, the only people who want you carrying a gun at the fair less than me are law enforcement. This is going nowhere.

👍 LIKE 10 ↩️ REPLY

dinovelvet
AUGUST 10

It's funny, but the same people that want to carry a gun at the State Fair will be the first to accuse others of 'living in fear' over Covid.

👍 LIKE 22 ↩️ REPLY

aonealpha
AUGUST 10

Those fearing COVID and guns are probably not going to be at the state fair.

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

thefudge
AUGUST 10

Not gonna lie, I'd be downright embarrassed to admit I was this scared to be out in public. Perhaps the local county fair is more appropriate for you.

👍 LIKE 18 ↩️ REPLY

dleits
AUGUST 10

I'm very amused by the hysteria of some of the other comments posted about the possibility of people legally carrying firearms while at the State Fair. Here's a news flash for those posters - people who are illegally possessing and carrying guns are very, very rarely ever involved in crimes involving firearms. 96% of firearms related crimes are committed by people who do not legally possess or carry the firearms used in the crime, and those people are going to carry firearms into the fair whether it is allowed or not.

This is why stop and frisk was very successful when previously employed in New York City, Chicago and other large cities. The police were able to remove a lot of guns off the streets before they were used to injure and kill other people. Even though the biggest benefactor of this was overwhelming the law-abiding citizens in the inner city where the greatest amount of violent crime occurs, the social justice warriors did not like this and so now you see the surge in violent crime primarily afflicting these areas.

Many people today have the mindset that the problem is policing and people who legally carry firearms. Those are not at all the problems, and the failure to recognize and address the real problems only ensure that violent crime will only continue to worsen in the cities.

P.S. I live in a development where virtually all of the residents own multiple firearms, yet we somehow we seem to make it through each day without anyone shooting at each other. People who legally own and possess guns in accordance with our Second Amendment rights are not the problem folks.

👍 LIKE 12 ↩️ REPLY

chuckdancer
AUGUST 10

Well that is nice that people with guns are not the problem.
But for what purpose do these honest law abiding citizens carry guns then? Oh, they carry a gun for protection they tell us. Oh, then they must think that there are people with guns that are a problem and a danger. Oh, then there is a problem with guns and carrying a gun around bragging about being law abiding citizens doesn't address that problem at all.

👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY

- whpalmer4**
AUGUST 10
- How will they be getting by the metal detectors at every gate?
- 👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY
-
- JKvam**
AUGUST 10
- Most Minnesotans, especially those that grew up or live/lived outstate grew up in farm or hunting families. I never once saw my Grandfather or Uncles, all avid hunters and military vets and sportsmen, feel the need to be armed at a place selling cotton candy and ferris wheel rides. This obsession with militant readiness is the opposite of liberty. Carrying a gun at the State Fair, or at the grocery store, or movie theater, or to McDonalds or when going to Walgreens is not "recognizing and addressing the problems". It's creating all new ones.
- 👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY
-
- BallFour**
AUGUST 10
- Unmasked, armed Trump lovers need to move to Russia.
- 👍 LIKE 23 ↩️ REPLY
-
- aonealpha**
AUGUST 10
- Why must they move to Russia? The comment makes no sense.
- 👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY
-
- Mnguy45**
AUGUST 10
- How many people have been shot at the fair in the last decade? Is there a need to be armed? The answers are zero and no. I am sick and tired of these idiots and their guns. For me it's simple, if they allow guns at the fair I have gone to my last fair.
- Lets hope our legal system upholds reasonable limits on guns.
- 👍 LIKE 20 ↩️ REPLY
-
- ryannolan**
AUGUST 10
- "Mister, this here cheese curd stand ain't big enough for the both of us. Draw!"
- 👍 LIKE 11 ↩️ REPLY
-
- chuckdancer**
AUGUST 10
- Well yes lethal force is just what is required if someone gets in your whey.
- 👍 LIKE 11 ↩️ REPLY
-
- ryannolan**
AUGUST 10
- Nice!
- 👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY
-
- ryannolan**
AUGUST 10
- And if you pistol whip a guy with a Pronto Pup you get arrested for assault and batter.
- 👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY
-
- rschildk**
AUGUST 10
- OK, lets do a little mind experiment:
You are walking in the fairgrounds after dark and you hear a gun shot behind you.
You spin around pulling your gun and see; 5 people, all with guns pointing at each other as hundreds run screaming from the local: What do you do?
Who do you shoot? Everybody? or just the black people with guns?
Turns out one accidentally discharged their gun while digging in their pants for a wallet to pay for a corn dog. 3 of the others are off-duty police, and you and one other are the armed citizens "protecting your 2nd amendment right" to make a snap, uninformed, millisecond decision on who to shoot first (even though you have had 4 - 32 ounce beers in the last hour.)
I'm sure the Sheriff's officers who respond will immediately recognize your moral, mental, and 2nd amendment standing and not shoot you dead on the spot.
- 👍 LIKE 16 ↩️ REPLY
-
- CityofChaos**
AUGUST 10
- Earlier in the year, there were multiple people shot every day at the State Fair...with the vaccine.
- 👍 LIKE 11 ↩️ REPLY
-
- williadc**
AUGUST 10
- Where are all the dead state fair attendees during the previous years when permit holders carried concealed? I think the fear of permitted carrying of concealed weapons in the comments here

is much overblown.

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

aonealpha
AUGUST 10

It is not a fear. It is a right.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

atfateshands
AUGUST 10

Glad to see all the anti-gun nuts come out of the woodwork making outrageous claims and ramping up the hyperbole.

I bet 99% of the people commenting here would never know the person right next them at the mall is carrying. Or the woman at a bar sitting next to them. I lived in North Dakota and all the people I lived with had CNC licenses and carried everywhere.

At no time did any of the scenarios purposed in these comments come even close to happening. That's a span of seven years, and thousands of hours being with people in various public places with people who were carrying.

Contrary to what all of the posters on here think, responsible gun owners don't have a few beers and then start whipping their guns out and shooting in the air like some cartoon. It is, in fact, against the law to carry while under the influence: Minnesota Statue: 624.7142 Carrying while under the influence of alcohol or controlled substance.

But hey, let's not let reality get in the way of your narrative.

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

sallygirl
AUGUST 10

Do I feel comfortable knowing that there are gun zealots carrying at the mall or where ever? No, I don't. Do I think I am overreacting to conceal and carry at the Fair. No, I don't. Do I think that you or anyone else obsessed with guns has the right to tell me that I am overreacting. No, I don't. Do I think my carrying a gun would make me safer. No, I don't. Guns are deadly weapons.

👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY

salliso
AUGUST 10

Well said.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

muckandgrind
AUGUST 10

Speaking as a gunowner who has his conceal/carry permit, I want to ask these people why they feel the need to pack heat at the State Fair??

I think it's completely appropriate for the State Fair operators to decide whether or not patrons in attendance should be armed.

👍 LIKE 20 ↩️ REPLY

polkafan
AUGUST 10

Between Covidiot and gun nuts, it sounds like the State Fair isn't any place for families with children any more.

👍 LIKE 17 ↩️ REPLY

Biscotti
AUGUST 10

Just another reason for me to stay clear of The Great Minnesota Get Together.

👍 LIKE 11 ↩️ REPLY

outdrs10
AUGUST 10

Same group that says 'people who masks are scared and should stay home' can't go anywhere without their guns because they are scared. How ironic.

👍 LIKE 17 ↩️ REPLY

lefowlermn
AUGUST 10

Will you be wearing a mask? Have you been vaccinated. People supporting this suit are seriously disturbed in their priority placement as to what constitutes safety.

👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY

fanofcaribou
AUGUST 10

The last thing I want is to be at the fair when some poorly trained hero wannabe with a brand new gun and permit starts defending himself in a crowd because someone bumped into them.

👍 LIKE 13 ↩️ REPLY

Jacob Kane
AUGUST 10

No one needs a gun. Ever.

👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY

outdrs10
AUGUST 10

If for some reason you need to fire your weapon, there is basically a 100% chance of an innocent bystander behind your intended target. Most definitely someone will be hit, but a decent chance it's not your intended target.

👍 LIKE 26 ↩️ REPLY

noggnbloggn
AUGUST 10

People commenting are entitled to their opinion — I understand that guns make the many people nervous. What they are ignoring is that the 2nd Amendment is a 'right' which people are guaranteed by our Constitution, even though most see it as a 'privilege' (like driving a car). Before condemning those who have taken the steps necessary to legally defend themselves (and only that), people should be asking why do permit holders feel the need to carry? It is because our society has not done enough to prohibit gang activity, violent individuals who are disenfranchised, are criminal, or have no regard for the rules of society, nor respect for law & order. They do not respect human life. They do not respect the right to freedom & liberty, nor the pursuit of happiness (meaning: a peaceful existence for everyone). Therefore, some permit holders do not wish to trust 'luck' for their continued good welfare, and they are more comfortable being able to react to a bad situation, should it develop. Personally, I would rather not carry, but I recognize that some people feel more strongly about it, & all permit holders have been screened by their County Sheriff. I have more faith in law-abiding permit holders, than I do in criminals who may choose to terrorize the public. It is a question of confidence, and what you do about it.

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

Bipartisan
AUGUST 10

Right to carry

Organizers of the event and property owners have the right to ban them

👍 LIKE 11 ↩️ REPLY

milija01
AUGUST 10

Thanks for that long and unnecessary bloviation on the 2nd amendment and of how poorly policed we are. To that end, when was the last time such an issue arose inside the state fair?

👍 LIKE 11 ↩️ REPLY

noggnbloggn
AUGUST 10

It is only 'long' to those with a short attention span. Violence & death can occur anywhere, not just inside the State Fair. One must travel outside the Fair in order to get into it. Danger is potentially present just by exposure to criminals & deranged people in a higher than normal density of the population. I'll have to look up 'bloviation', in order to determine if I should be offended or not. Sounds a little bovine, appropriate for the Fair. I like cows, so I'll let it go. For the record, I would not see the need for a gun at the Fair, but those who wish to dictate to permit holders, may not have the legal right to do so — to ban them. You would be surprised how many people legally carry, & how many are women. They are all around you on a daily basis, it isn't just at a Fair.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

chuckdancer
AUGUST 10

I don't have any confidence that trusting a gun to anybody that currently has a fairly clean record is making our communities safer. The record shows that guns are making our communities much less safe and it doesn't matter if any other particular person is law abiding.

👍 LIKE 8 ↩️ REPLY

sallygirl
AUGUST 10

I disagree. The 2nd amendment is no longer needed. We don't need an armed militia in this country. We have the army, navy, national guard, etc. We don't need

the average citizen to bear arms to protect our country from attack.

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

vjg
AUGUST 10

"What they are ignoring is the 2nd Amendment is a right".

Well that tells me a lot. The 2nd amendment was passed so the South could get armed groups to go after runaway slaves and be armed. It has morphed into what we have today, an unregulated mess of guns all over society to the point people are shot daily. And they will take it as far as the courts will allow and this lunacy is one of those steps.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

kinghibernia
AUGUST 10

There would be no need for C&C if they restricted or prevented all of the Thugs and gangbangers from entering! And, the VIOLENT "Peaceful" Protestors!!!! The Same?

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

jj55401
AUGUST 10

I really don't see the difference between the bike rally in SD and the Great MN Get Together. They will be a bunch of unvaccinated unmasked kids at the state fair.

👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY

mlilja01
AUGUST 10

What does your comment have to do with the handgun issue?

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

jacksoncage
AUGUST 10

Don't go to fair. I'm sure you're not vaccinated either, so you should just stay home.

👍 LIKE 12 ↩️ REPLY

wreckreation
AUGUST 10

If you want to drink beer at the fair, leave the heaters at home. You're just adding zeros onto the civil liability if you've been drinking and are carrying, not to mention if you use it.

👍 LIKE 14 ↩️ REPLY

guidera
AUGUST 10

Keep the guns out of the state fair.

👍 LIKE 24 ↩️ REPLY

MrRobot
AUGUST 10

A friend of mine was violently attacked at the state fair 3 years ago. They had to remove part of his skull due to the swelling of his brain. If he had been armed, the attack likely would never have happened. I hope this lawsuit prevails.

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

jj55401
AUGUST 10

I can imagine fights will break out because of face masks and social distancing. It's going to be a wild wild west. Midway games will be too lame.

👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY

plummpj
AUGUST 10

If these people succeed at allowing gun-toters at the state fair, this will be just another reason not to go. The other reason is the vaccine deniers who are way too prevalent.

👍 LIKE 18 ↩️ REPLY

bik4u62
AUGUST 10

With the crime stats that have plagued the Twin Cities over the last year, plenty of folks are already hesitant about attending - especially out-of-towners. Can you imagine the ticket drop if this lawsuit brings guns to the countless crowded beer gardens?

And then, the lawsuit also demands that the State pay the plaintiff's attorney fees (?/?). Seems created to fail.

👍 LIKE 12 ↩️ REPLY

grumpycow
AUGUST 10

Another reason to make those that bring frivolous lawsuits pay the costs of the state (or whomever they sue) if they lose.

👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY

dmulville72
AUGUST 10

It must be really awful living in such fear all the time. Why are all the churchies so darn scared?

👍 LIKE 15 ↩️ REPLY

biggusdoggus
AUGUST 10

I am a pro-Second Amendment as it gets, but at the State Fair? Who are you going to protect yourself from?

The most important rule of gun safety is to not put oneself in a situation where one needs to shoot. And at the State Fair, well, imagine the collateral damage. It would be even worse that just three little kids in north Minneapolis.

👍 LIKE 15 ↩️ REPLY

grumpycow
AUGUST 10

I get your point but that is a poor comparison. NOTHING worse than losing a child to unnecessary gun violence.

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

sabrjay
AUGUST 10

Just what we need, a bunch of exhausted, angry, drunks with guns in a very crowded situation. What could possibly go wrong? If you feel the need to carry a gun in public, you probably should just stay home.

👍 LIKE 14 ↩️ REPLY

srlarson
AUGUST 10

would not be drunks....if you are a CC holder and Carrying you cannot be under the influence of Alcohol....subjective under the Influence...but recognized as .04

👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY

mtkamac
AUGUST 10

allowing people to carry weapons at the state fair ensures there will be gun violence at the fair. This isn't a chicken and the egg thing - guns cause violence.

👍 LIKE 14 ↩️ REPLY

scorpio26
AUGUST 10

I believe there was a law passed several years ago that allows businesses and other entities to post signs saying "Name of Organization" Bans Guns on Premises or something along those lines. This provides the company or organization the authority to not allow guns.

👍 LIKE 12 ↩️ REPLY

fanofcaribou
AUGUST 10

Hauptman, 39, a permit to carry holder starting in 2013, has been "a responsibly armed citizen ever since [who] wishes to carry at the State Fair for the purposes of self-defense." Has she been attacked at the fair? Has she seen anybody attacked at the fair? Probably not on both questions. Leave the gun at home.

👍 LIKE 18 ↩️ REPLY

bsbsbs
AUGUST 10

Is this the first year metal detectors are being used? If not, when was the first year metal detectors were used for entry to the fair?

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

BobbyElliott
AUGUST 10

Laughably tone-deaf and immature in thought. If you feel society is so tenuous, look for a more constructive way to lift it up. All this does is enflame the rhetoric and fragment society more. Law enforcement will already be there, we don't need freelancers. Please find some common sense.

👍 LIKE 13 ↩️ REPLY

tccliffon
AUGUST 10

You can have a smooth bore muzzle loaded musket leaning against the door jam at your home in case you are asked by horse riding messenger to join the militia as you exit that home to get into your car to drive to the Fair. How's that? Because that's the most over the top generous reading of the Constitution there is on "the right to bear arms".

👍 LIKE 20 ↩️ REPLY

canardbuster
AUGUST 10

What could go wrong?

AUGUST 10

👍 LIKE 12 ↩️ REPLY

fanofcaribou
AUGUST 10

"The 56-year-old Christopher, who preaches and does mission outreach in north Minneapolis, is a regular fair attendee with his family who "has carried his pistol more or less daily for the past eight years [and] has seen a rise in crime, and for the work he does ... believes it's important to have a way to protect [himself]." according to the suit." Is he going to be working while he's at the fair? If not, leave the gun home.

👍 LIKE 8 ↩️ REPLY

Yabboy
AUGUST 10

Why does these gun nuts always live in fear? Why are they constantly scared?

👍 LIKE 31 ↩️ REPLY

minnley
AUGUST 10

I think you already answered your own question.

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

Vandy62
AUGUST 10

If you have a proper conceal and carry permit, and follow the rules... I've no concern whatsoever with this. I have a permit to carry, and will not be doing so myself.

👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY

twinkiesone
AUGUST 10

Oh, that could make for an interesting State Fair to attend. Especially at around High Noon.....

👍 LIKE 20 ↩️ REPLY

Packman_1
AUGUST 10

Pretty sad that there are certain people who only feel fulfilled when they're packing heat. Must have been a rough upbringing.....

👍 LIKE 37 ↩️ REPLY

AlphaPup
AUGUST 10

Are you talking about those that get a permit or those that are frequently shooting it up in MSPL/St Paul these days.

👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY

polkafan
AUGUST 10

Or compensating for their small hands

👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY

mlilja01
AUGUST 10

I agree. Psychological help is probably needed.

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

CranPuffs
AUGUST 10

Like we've all heard from the clown parade for 2 years... if you're so afraid, stay home.

👍 LIKE 23 ↩️ REPLY

brass0691
AUGUST 10

OOOoh, great response CranPuffs! Love it.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

liberal4ever
AUGUST 10

I am not surprised that those who are armed are also the least tolerant of people from other communities. Why even attend the State Fair, if you are that afraid?

👍 LIKE 36 ↩️ REPLY

gophergew
AUGUST 10

How so? And are you including the illegally armed gang members as well? The least tolerant people I know are the limo-liberal cancel-culture crowd.

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

bnovotney
AUGUST 10

If the fair decides to require masks indoors these folks will be mad so they will refuse to go to the fair. Please mandates masks indoors.

👍 LIKE 33 ↩️ REPLY

mlilja01
AUGUST 10

And outdoors. That should keep the gun crazies away

- AUGUST 10 for sure.
- 👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY
-
- ScottAZMN**
AUGUST 10
- I hope the judge throws this out as a frivolous lawsuit, which it is. This is about the stupidest thing I have seen in a long time. Good grief..
- 👍 LIKE 37 ↩️ REPLY
-
- DogLoverX2**
AUGUST 10
- I just called the state fair and spoke to a lovely well-informed woman about security. Although the fair police force has been disbanded, the responsibility has been taken over by Ramsey County Sheriff Fletcher. The budget for security has doubled for this year of so much unrest. There will be a very large police presence. Also, as the article above stated, there will be metal detectors.
- It's not nutty to worry about your security with all the craziness that is happening in our city right now (certainly no nuttier than people who have barely ventured out of their house since Covid hit as some friends of mine on the left are doing), but it sounds to me like we're in pretty good shape. Seeing guns on people out of uniform would be upsetting for a lot of people, and the need just doesn't seem to be there - so why push it?
- 👍 LIKE 16 ↩️ REPLY
-
- newvoice**
AUGUST 10
- I've stopped going to concerts, sporting events, some movies and other events with large crowds because of the likelihood that guns will be present. I love the Fair but would stop going if guns were allowed on the Fairgrounds. My thanks to the MN State Fair administration for banning guns and all other weapons on its grounds during Fair time.
- 👍 LIKE 37 ↩️ REPLY
-
- CarbonFrame**
AUGUST 10
- Absolutely terrific- go to the Fair with people armed with guns and people not wearing masks indoors. I will stay home.
- 👍 LIKE 21 ↩️ REPLY
-
- kattfood**
AUGUST 10
- No. Absolutely not. I have ZERO interest attending a state fair that allows guns on site, and I don't believe Christopher or Hauptman's motivations for wanting to carry are anything more than posturing.
- 👍 LIKE 25 ↩️ REPLY
-
- siber4**
AUGUST 10
- One more reason I WON'T be going to the Fair this year!
- 👍 LIKE 13 ↩️ REPLY
-
- MNUHSO10**
AUGUST 10
- You're not attending because someone filed a lawsuit they have zero chance of winning??
- 👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY
-
- woopdeedoo**
AUGUST 10
- Oh goodie, I'll just stay home from these "law abiders until not" idiots.
- 👍 LIKE 10 ↩️ REPLY
-
- timmy99**
AUGUST 10
- So parking your big four-wheeler trucks with twin trump flags on the back, gun rack in the back window, and "trump won" bumper stickers, at the state fair parking lot isn't enough to alert everyone that you're a lost soul?
- Gotta pack heat just incase your told you have to mask up after downing 6 beers?
- What could possibly go wrong?
- 👍 LIKE 36 ↩️ REPLY
-
- Mazurka**
AUGUST 10
- If they allow guns at the State Fair my family and I won't be going.
- 👍 LIKE 32 ↩️ REPLY
-
- CDnUSa**
AUGUST 10
- Give me a break! A gun toting preacher. So Jesus like. We don't need guns at the Fair.
- 👍 LIKE 35 ↩️ REPLY

Badger8
AUGUST
10

Some people dream of going back to the wild west. In the late 1800's a guy walked into a bar in Oklahoma, the only people there were 20 dead men laying on a floor. A shootout had started and everybody in the place died, including the bartender. They only had 6 shooters, now people pack semi-autos with 15 plus rounds.

Image what would happen if a shootout occurred with tens of thousands of people around at the fair.

LIKE 22 REPLY

reid
AUGUST
10

My profession, training and license allow me to do certain things under state law, but I do not insist on doing them, or even showing that I can, at a public gathering. I'm not sure that the folks running the Great Minnesota Get Together need to be considered under the purvey of the Second Amendment.

The state law gives private or public serving businesses to post a sign saying no lethal weapons (guns, knives, numchucks, etc) on premises.

Over in Wisconsin you can carry a gun into a bar (although some argue you can't read the fine print) but you cannot drink AT ALL. Not be drunk, but not let the beverage touch your lips.

If someone open carrying comes up to a vender selling alcohol, would they be refused under a similar Minnesota State law?

The concern about waiving your rights around in others' faces is something that should come with a wee bit of discretion; best not to do it. What purpose does screening for weapons have at the gate if you can be allowed to attend carrying heat if you have a permit?

LIKE 23 REPLY

ReelDonSteel
AUGUST 10

Too much gun violence? Answer = More Guns! (Too many car accidents due to speeding? Answer = Drive Faster!)

LIKE 34 REPLY

PWT
AUGUST
10

Not gonna happen. Can you imagine? There are enough wackos at the State Fair every year. Don't need to add armed gun nuts to the mix.

LIKE 26 REPLY

Fish66
AUGUST
10

There is little chance of using a gun to protect yourself at the state fair without hitting an innocent bystander.

LIKE 44 REPLY

MNUHSO10
AUGUST 10

Correction...there is little chance of needing to protect oneself with a gun while attending the State Fair.

LIKE 5 REPLY

linthalo
AUGUST
10

ABSOLUTELY TRUE!

LIKE 3 REPLY

minniey
AUGUST
10

Allowing individuals to carry firearms into the State Fair, to protect them against.....what?
We don't need a second Battle of the Midway in our country's history.

LIKE 37 REPLY

dirleton
AUGUST
10

State Fair. Battle of Midway. Bit of a stretch.

LIKE REPLY

stone_age
AUGUST 10

I got the humor.

LIKE 2 REPLY

or_runner
AUGUST 10

Crowds, heat, alcohol, patchwork security detail, divided political and social environment, and.....guns. Sounds great.

LIKE 40 REPLY

worker11811
AUGUST 10

OMG right...what can go wrong with this / Really people / No one other than authorized law enforcement needs to be carrying loaded firearms at the state fair.

 LIKE 34  REPLY
ryannolan
AUGUST 10


Self-defense purposes? For what? Dealing with those rowdies who jump the line at the deep-fried greaseball stand?

 LIKE 32  REPLY
Reddington
AUGUST 10

If this is a true statement:



"However, the lawsuit contends, the fair lacks a written policy on regulating guns at the fairgrounds, and the notice on its website is no substitute for its statutory requirement to file such a prohibition with the secretary of the State Agricultural Society."

Then how hard can that be? I can whip up a draft prohibition in 10 minutes.

 LIKE 19  REPLY
dreambbq
AUGUST 10

How do we know these people wouldn't turn out to be bad guys with guns themselves? Only asking cause the most ardent about the 2ed amendment tend to fall in with the types that participated in the Insurrection at the capital.

They've stood in the way of reforms or taking responsibility for decades, all the while people have been dying. There is no reason at this point trust them.

 LIKE 32  REPLY
raleighmama
AUGUST 10

So the "New Black Panthers", "Proud Boys" and other right wings militia can parade around the fairgrounds with their military style assault rifles and intimidate people? So much for the "Great Family Get together!

 LIKE 38  REPLY
tjg1
AUGUST 10

I thought the new Black Panthers was BLM...

 LIKE 1  REPLY
outoftime
AUGUST 10

wrong - do you even understand what they are trying to say?

 LIKE 4  REPLY
tjg1
5:43AM



Tell me on thing BLM has done to help black lives, scholarships, housing, rebuilding neighborhoods... Nope... Do you hear what they are saying or doing?

 LIKE  REPLY
renfriend
AUGUST 10

What is wrong with you gun nuts? If you are so afraid lock your doors and stay home.

 LIKE 42  REPLY
King Ulsrud
AUGUST 10

The only "gun nuts" I'm aware of commit crimes

 LIKE 2  REPLY
tylerisme
AUGUST 10

I love how big tough guys feel they must carry a gun.

 LIKE 44  REPLY
gonejohnson
AUGUST 10

I love how gun haters are so afraid of vetted, licensed, registered, trained individuals with a gun! Seems odd?

 LIKE 3  REPLY
tjg1
AUGUST 10

I hate to tell you this, but A LOT of women carry and shoot for sport.

 LIKE 2  REPLY
mlilja01
AUGUST 10

Fine. Shoot for sport at the gun range.

- 10 Don't need the gun at the fair.
- 👍 LIKE 8 ↩️ REPLY
-
- tjg1**
5:44AM
- LOL.... you didnt even get what I was saying.... I say stop being a sexist!!
- 👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY
-
- sciguy65**
AUGUST 10
- It must be a sad existence to constantly live in so much fear that you feel you need to carry a weapon to go to a fair.
- 👍 LIKE 46 ↩️ REPLY
-
- MNUHSO10**
AUGUST 10
- I, personally, think it's more about causing fear and intimidation (and attention grabbing) than actually protecting oneself.
- 👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY
-
- director373**
AUGUST 10
- Remember folks: the state fair is not a public place, it is a private venue- the fair is not owned or operated by the state of MN. Permits to carry are valid for 'in public'. Private venues and businesses have a right to ban firearms from their premises.
- 👍 LIKE 58 ↩️ REPLY
-
- qqq**
AUGUST 10
- Every property owner has the right to say NO to guns on their property.
- 👍 LIKE 43 ↩️ REPLY
-
- JJoker13**
AUGUST 10
- The Constitution also specifies a "well-regulated militia". This sounds like anything but. The gun nuts always forget that part.
- BTW, I own guns and hunt.
- 👍 LIKE 45 ↩️ REPLY
-
- Murphy56**
AUGUST 10
- The amendment was put in place at a time there were no organized military or police force. The theory was to allow for a formation of a citizens' militia in the event of an offensive against the newly formed country.
- 👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY
-
- JJoker13**
AUGUST 10
- The fair is a private nonprofit with its own land and buildings. It can set its own rules. Why is that so hard for people to understand?
- 👍 LIKE 48 ↩️ REPLY
-
- reader2580**
AUGUST 10
- The State Fair is run by the State Agricultural Society which is a state agency. All vehicles the State Fair owns have license plates that say "State Vehicle".
- 👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY
-
- mlilja01**
AUGUST 10
- See previous comments where "crazy", "crazies" or "nuts" were used. That pretty much explains everything.
- 👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY
-
- oldfriend**
AUGUST 10
- Imagine being so insecure that you feel the need to bring a handgun to the freaking Minnesota State Fair.
- 👍 LIKE 57 ↩️ REPLY
-
- Otter_**
AUGUST 10
- It must be so hard to be so frightened all the time. I can't begin to imagine. Counseling should be provided to these people.
- 👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY
-
- refinnej85**
AUGUST 10
- What losers, they're too afraid to go to the state fair without their guns
- 👍 LIKE 49 ↩️ REPLY
-
- privateeye**
AUGUST 10
- Get over yourselves. You don't need a gun everywhere. "oh, look at me I have a gun"

 LIKE 43  REPLY

yathinkso
AUGUST 10

I guess some must carry a gun in their pocket otherwise it just looks like vast empty space. Here is a solution...go to the pronto pup stand.

 LIKE 35  REPLY

reimsl
AUGUST 10



Well put, yoathinkso.

 LIKE 4  REPLY

kingsxman
AUGUST 10



Actually i dont agree with that. The last group I want to see in possession of a gun at the fair are the gangs that have been killing each other for the last year. These are generally teenagers with zero training and no concern for human life. At least the gun nuts had to go through training to get their conceal and carry permit.

That said...no to allowing it.

 LIKE  REPLY



buttles
AUGUST 10

I had a friend go through the conceal/carry training because he was curious about what it involved. He came away saying the first clue that you shouldn't be given a permit is the fact you think you need one.

 LIKE 1  REPLY

md56482
AUGUST 10

Mark it down Dirty Dogs...you and I actually agree on something.

 LIKE 3  REPLY

sodyupnorth
AUGUST 10

I own 2 gun safes, full of guns for hunting, and some handguns too. So I am obviously a gun rights supporter...but no public citizen needs to be armed at the State Fair. Only law enforcement. Period.

 LIKE 57  REPLY

bmmvk3
AUGUST 10

Thank you.

 LIKE 7  REPLY

kingsxman
AUGUST 10

SODYUPNOTH...as a gun rights supporter you should be working with your fellow gun owners to get them to realize that this kind of thing only hurts your cause. If your paying NRA dues you should put pressure on the NRA to put a lid on this kind of crap and start using some common sense.

 LIKE 9  REPLY

mnl Liberal68
AUGUST 10

Good grief!! You don't need to be packing heat at the state fair. Quit being so paranoid!

 LIKE 42  REPLY

mrmoderate
AUGUST 10

What the heck. This is just nuts. Who needs to carry a gun at the state fair?

 LIKE 38  REPLY

rempon
AUGUST 10

SERIOUSLY???? The MN State fair is no place for GUNS!

 LIKE 75  REPLY

rjford
AUGUST 10

Boy some people really feel unsafe getting fried food on a stick. "You'll have to pry that pronto pup from my cold dead hands". Insanity is the new normal.

 LIKE 99  REPLY

jfitz392
AUGUST 10

People arming themselves to go to the fair. Right. Bunch of idiots who are apparently afraid they'll be attacked by a wayward pork chop on a stick. Sheesh.

 LIKE 71  REPLY

jenn25
AUGUST 10

The sheriffs and local police and other security staff have enough to worry about without the addition of people carrying weapons on the fairgrounds. Another waste of our court resources by a conservative pro-gun group and attempting to legislate via the courts.

LIKE 73 REPLY

WWDJTD
AUGUST 10

Just heard they are being joined in their lawsuit by another group, the Underage Drinkers who want to be able to drink alcohol at the fair because they are victims of age discrimination.

LIKE 73 REPLY

MarkGee
AUGUST 10

They went to court on behalf of an evangelical preacher who needs to bring his gun to the fair. That right there speaks volumes about the state of so called "conservatives" in our country.

LIKE 82 REPLY

jlcrph1970
AUGUST 10

Unbelievable!! I feel like we are losing our collective minds!! Whatever could go wrong with guns at the State Fair??

LIKE 58 REPLY

ghstrib
AUGUST 10

Exactly. And a massive CDC study showed that a gun in the home is 20 times more likely to be used on a family member than an intruder or other threat.

But, then again, research and common sense mean nothing to people who think they need a gun to defend themselves from a mini donut.

LIKE 10 REPLY

jenn25
AUGUST 10

If you are that afraid that you believe you need to carry a gun to protect yourself at the State Fair then maybe you should consider just staying home.

LIKE 350 REPLY

TaxFreeTenn
AUGUST 10

If you are that afraid of trained people who have gone through serious background checks, and have zero history of illegally causing harm, maybe you should stay home.

LIKE 4 REPLY

RetiredAndHappy
AUGUST 10

I'm afraid of people who might drink too much, who might get mad if I don't look at them to their satisfaction as I perform my job duties at the Fair, who think someone is 'bothering' them, etcetera. Stay home. Don't bring your guns to the State Fair, please.

LIKE 20 REPLY

22below
AUGUST 10

Then you should be afraid of the untrained and unlicensed gun carriers in your midst, at the fair and everywhere else. You know, the people that are actually shooting up the city.

LIKE 1 REPLY

jenn25
AUGUST 10

I'm not the one claiming to be afraid to be at the fair without a gun.

LIKE 10 REPLY

happygaloot
AUGUST 10

Yup. Gun or no gun. Nobody is forcing anyone to go to the State Fair.

LIKE 17 REPLY

noggnbloggn
AUGUST 10

I am staying home because of the on-going pandemic, even though I have had both Moderna shots. I also stay away from areas where gang activity is prevalent, but I notice gang activity is beginning to enter my neighborhood, with strange cars cruising/casing the area, a murder by individuals from inner city Minneapolis, a car-jacking 4 blocks from my house, more break ins and vehicle theft I have firearms & a

permit to carry, but so far have chosen not to adopt that lifestyle (conceal carry, or open carry). But I am mindful, and wish to protect my rights, should I feel the need. The Twin Cities is no longer a safe community, if it ever really was.

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

Hosthumor
AUGUST 10

But it is very near a pretty bad part of town. Remember two years ago a bunch of gang members shot around at the close of the fair. Methinks they did not have a license to carry. But good thing they are pretty bad shots. One see that in the current reports around Mpls and St. Paul of shots fired and bullets hit!

Keep the gangs away. Then no need to carry.

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

crankynine
AUGUST 10

If you must be armed to attend the state fair then you shouldn't go.

I don't want a bunch of armed nut jobs opening up at the fair.

👍 LIKE 299 ↩️ REPLY

joejoe1
AUGUST 10

Finally! Some sane response to protect ourselves from the clear and pending tyranny of the federal government at a State Fair that promotes corn dogs, milkshakes, and butter effigies.

👍 LIKE 17 ↩️ REPLY

redeye12
AUGUST 10

Can you cite more than two cases in MN where people with a permit to carry "opened" up under any circumstances? Can you cite even one case where a permit holder opened up in a public gathering?

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

md56482
AUGUST 10

I wouldn't want to walk by the Republican Party tent and say, "Trump lost and he's telling a Big Lie" if this bunch of right wingers is carrying at the fair.

👍 LIKE 39 ↩️ REPLY

Andragogue
AUGUST 10

@redeye12

Even better, let's look at national results and "opened up" permit to carry. Let the preponderance of data across the country speak.

According to research by Florida State University found that laws allowing more people to carry guns in public are associated with a rise in gun violence. The results also showed that the higher a state's gun-ownership rate, the more likely a mass shooting is.

One can also look at gun violence per capita by state and find that those with the greatest casualties are those that have more guns owned per person and those that have "opened up" permit to carry.

What a surprise.

👍 LIKE 38 ↩️ REPLY

twinkiesone
AUGUST 10

.....with masks on?

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

sarahanne
AUGUST 10

Between all of the alcohol that is consumed at the state fair and add people having guns is lunacy. I definitely would not be at the State Fair at night. And that a reverend is leading this just gives religion another black eye.

👍 LIKE 246 ↩️ REPLY

boomerchick
AUGUST 10

Don't forget the dueling political groups.

👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY

UCantFindit
AUGUST 10

The legal BAC limit to carry a firearm concealed or open is 0.04%, HALF the legal limit to drive a car. These people already know they basically can't drink.

👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY

mlilja01
AUGUST 10

Quit with these are the rules crap. What they know and what they do, may not be the same thing. These are part of the same group of people who stormed the Capital on January 6th.

👍 LIKE 26 ↩️ REPLY

butties
AUGUST 10

Just like the drunk driving laws keep people from drinking & driving.

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

glork98
AUGUST 10

Gun nuts have rights, too, but the State Fair is no place for guns. That's why they've added metal detectors at the gates.

The sad fantasy of using a gun, in public, to stop "bad guys" has sold hundreds of millions of weapons. Picture some excited civilian using his gun on the fairgrounds. There are people everywhere.

The ban is hardest on the men who feel manly only when they are carrying.

👍 LIKE 232 ↩️ REPLY

wreckreation
AUGUST 10

It used be go out and buy a Corvette, not they need a gun to be a Big Man

👍 LIKE 19 ↩️ REPLY

scott4343
AUGUST 10

Did you really mean to say "mental detectors"?

👍 LIKE 11 ↩️ REPLY

tootzzmama
AUGUST 10

Oh great....another frivolous Lawsuit. Just was we need with all the wacko idiots who want to be important with their guns. There is no need for guns at a fair. ...what am I missing?

👍 LIKE 166 ↩️ REPLY

jmclean5439
AUGUST 10

Sarah Cade craves attention.

👍 LIKE 17 ↩️ REPLY

reimsl
AUGUST 10

And the preacher is trying to increase his collection plate totals.

👍 LIKE 14 ↩️ REPLY

old_crayon
AUGUST 10

Just what we need: Some cranky, hot and tired folks that are "packing heat" to be informed they need to wear a mask inside. What could possibly go wrong?

I truly hope that this is squashed in a hurry. Your Second Amendment rights don't extend to a place that you and I paid to enter. If this suit is upheld, then the Fair will likely suffer in terms of future attendance. How many times in the past was there an incident at the fair that somebody with a gun would have been helpful? I assume the Vikings and Twins games are "No Guns Allowed" so why not the Fair?

👍 LIKE 165 ↩️ REPLY

MrRobot
AUGUST 10

Actually your second amendment rights DO extend to a place we've both paid to enter.

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

plummpj
AUGUST 10

Good point. I will never go to a fair where people are allowed to carry guns.

👍 LIKE 16 ↩️ REPLY

inlandee

I don't know what the point of this lawsuit is. It's not like the fair is a public place.

minnusa
AUGUST 10

I don't know which is the greater threat to society.

** The COVID virus spread by those unvaccinated who complain about gov't overreach threatening their "rights"....or

** The gun nuts in this country who demand the right to parade around displaying their assault rifles or handguns to show their bravado and revel in the looks of intimidation from peaceful citizens..

Hmmm...why is it that one group of "Rugged Individualists" seems to fit in both categories??

That's all we need at the State Fair....a bunch of "patriots" who get a twitch that someone is attacking them and go off spraying the crowds with a hail of gunfire.

👍 LIKE 180 ↩️ REPLY

canadajay
AUGUST 10

Were turning into like Germany in early 1930's. The future is scary.

👍 LIKE 12 ↩️ REPLY

Breadboy
AUGUST 10

It's the Great Minnesota Get Together, not the Great Minnesota Shoot Together.

Who are these people afraid of - Mr. Corn Dog and his Scotch Egg Posse?

Get real, you gun toting wusses. If you feel that you're in fear at the Fair, stay home.

👍 LIKE 207 ↩️ REPLY

Bigdrone
AUGUST 10

Why the hell would you want to carry a gun at the State Fair? These people are really giving themselves a bad name. Better yet, there should be metal detectors for everyone entering to prevent exactly that.

👍 LIKE 146 ↩️ REPLY

PardonMe
AUGUST 10

Can't you guys enjoy one event without hauling around your guns?

👍 LIKE 200 ↩️ REPLY

rockdoc
AUGUST 10

The Rev sez no and he needs it for his "job." Yeah what would Jesus do?

👍 LIKE 24 ↩️ REPLY

af16971529
AUGUST 10

State Fairs shall have the right to armed militias eating corndogs. It's right there in the Constitution.

👍 LIKE 64 ↩️ REPLY

Circa1963
AUGUST 10

Well regulated armed militias, so they'd need to register their guns.

👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY

Weldy_MN
AUGUST 10

Just stay away from the Pronto Pup stands, please.

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

spindoc
AUGUST 10

Why stop at the State Fair?

Let's pack heat in church.
Let's pack heat at daycare.
Let's pack heat at school extracurricular events.
Let's pack heat at family gatherings.
Let's pack heat at sporting events.
Let's pack heat at the grocery store.
Let's pack heat at holiday parties.

Hey, why not just pack heat everywhere and anywhere, so we're all just looking like a collection of Old West gunslingers, all looking to get the drop on each other.

This is the universe in which some people live, where possession of the gun anywhere and everywhere is far more important than the purpose of the gun anywhere and everywhere.

A universe in which fear, loathing and paranoia reign supreme.

👍 LIKE 141 ↩️ REPLY

- unclephen**
AUGUST 10 You forgot airplanes
- 👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY
-
- brianstr**
AUGUST 10 And banks.
- 👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY
-
- chalankanoa**
AUGUST 10 Crazy loonies are taking over the silent majority. This is the world that we live in today.
- 👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY
-
- Murphy56**
AUGUST 10 Haven't we had enough death and misery from the use of guns? What could go wrong with a bunch of gun-toting people in a heavily crowded venue that perceive a sudden "threat"?
- 👍 LIKE 116 ↩️ REPLY
-
- logician88**
AUGUST 10 And you know what the perceived sudden "threat" is going to be: One of these guys is going to feel threatened by a black person wearing a mask.
- 👍 LIKE 11 ↩️ REPLY
-
- Waldomommom**
AUGUST 10 Ummm, two of those cited in this article are Black.
- 👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY
-
- sportz58**
AUGUST 10 Crazy...What could possibly go wrong.
- 👍 LIKE 95 ↩️ REPLY
-
- OldGuildGuy**
AUGUST 10 Just no. If you are so afraid at the Fair that you have to have your gun, just stay home.
- 👍 LIKE 112 ↩️ REPLY
-
- lauraea**
AUGUST 10 I have a right not to be around armed individuals, since their mere presence is an unnecessary escalation and danger in and of itself. There is no legitimate right for citizens to be armed anywhere and everywhere they would like.
- Endangering others is not a "right". Toss the suit.
- 👍 LIKE 125 ↩️ REPLY
-
- redeye12**
AUGUST 10 No such right exists.
- 👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY
-
- whpalmer4**
AUGUST 10 If you're so worried about the State Fair being unsafe that you need to bring a gun, do everyone a favor and stay home!
- 👍 LIKE 101 ↩️ REPLY
-
- Nameuser**
AUGUST 10 It's simple: If you're too scared to go to the fair without your gun, then don't go. Just stay home in your bunker and away from the "big city"... Im sure your local Casey's General Store can whip up some cheese curds for you and you can see plenty of tractors and farm animals right out your front door.
- 👍 LIKE 105 ↩️ REPLY
-
- jimh54321**
AUGUST 10 I think if this succeeded it could end the Fair. Apparently that would be ok with these jerks, they'll just look for other public places in which to strut around playing cowboy.
- 👍 LIKE 100 ↩️ REPLY
-
- dmulville72**
AUGUST 10 It would. Out in Idaho where I lived briefly the gun huggers fought for their right to carry at city sponsored festivals and won. The events were all cancelled permanently because no insurer will cover the event. If these scared little brats win it will effectively end the fair.
- 👍 LIKE 21 ↩️ REPLY
-
- dw55406**
AUGUST 10 Are you kidding me? There are enough shootings in Mpls & St

AUGUST 10 Paul from nuts with guns. The fair is not a place for nut jobs with their guns to be roaming around in crowds. The law allows guns but not every public place does nor should they!

👍 LIKE 93 ↩️ REPLY

Eleanore
AUGUST 10 I wouldn't go to the fair, or Minneapolis/St. Paul, without being as heavily armed as possible given the criminal insanity there.

👍 LIKE 10 ↩️ REPLY

MarkGee
AUGUST 10 Yeah, I mean the bloodshed, the rapes and murders occurring on a daily basis at the state fair. Give me a break. Stay home if you're so terrified of the outside world.

👍 LIKE 54 ↩️ REPLY

larrymick
AUGUST 10 Stay home if you are to scared to go outside your home without a gun.

👍 LIKE 10 ↩️ REPLY

mamazog
AUGUST 10 Perhaps you should just end that thought with the comma.

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

chop1234
AUGUST 10 Then don't go Eleanore. I don't want to be there with you.

👍 LIKE 26 ↩️ REPLY

DufferH
AUGUST 10 Your presence would add another one to the mix.

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

worker11811
AUGUST 10 What are you talking about? Most of us that live, work and shop in the metro area every day do not feel the need to run around with a gun. Yes, I own guns. No I do not drag them around with me around town. There are certain area's that have higher crime, this is known and when it happens is known. It really isn't that hard to avoid problems.

👍 LIKE 12 ↩️ REPLY

stellarone
AUGUST 10 you really are showing how afraid you are. best you stay home then.

👍 LIKE 12 ↩️ REPLY

CDnUSa
AUGUST 10 Then Stay home. everyday hundreds of thousands of people in both cities go about their lives peacefully and safely with owning gun.

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

oldfriend
AUGUST 10 Well good news for you and your fellow bedwetters, the State Fair is held in Falcon Heights.

👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY

bjdiamond
AUGUST 10 Then please stay home.

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

patpat24
AUGUST 10 Just stay home !

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

aarons612
AUGUST 10 As an unarmed Minneapolitan I agree you should stay home.

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

jacksoncage
AUGUST 10 You and your kind will really be missed

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

old_crayon
AUGUST 10 So maybe just don't go? Doesn't that keep you even more safe with your guns at home?

👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY

Mnguy45
AUGUST 10

Good stay home in your bunker

👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY

northguy7
AUGUST 10

Totally agree with the criminal insanity part. I mean, who in their right mind would attempt to eat a bucket of chocolate chip cookies after a tub of garlic French fries followed by a dozen pronto pups!? Just kidding. As others have said, just stay home and let the rest of us enjoy this once a year experience.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

stone_age
AUGUST 10

What could go right!?
#gunnutz

👍 LIKE 49 ↩️ REPLY

billamyj
AUGUST 10

The last thing needed at the State Fair are a bunch of gun-toting vigilantes looking for a reason to be the "good guy with a gun".

👍 LIKE 105 ↩️ REPLY

logician88
AUGUST 10

This is a great idea. It will keep the fair from becoming a superspreader by keeping all the sane people from attending. Unfortunately, everyone there will be unvaccinated.

👍 LIKE 77 ↩️ REPLY

vicvegas
AUGUST 10

I'm vaccinated and carry a weapon legally as well. I have as much right to attend the fair any you who are afraid of guns but do nothing to stop the illegal guns in your neighborhoods.

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

butties
AUGUST 10

Better to be afraid of guns than so afraid of life I think I need a gun with me at all times.

BTW, the fair has a right to ban guns on the premises..

👍 LIKE 13 ↩️ REPLY

fanofcaribou
AUGUST 10

And what exactly are you doing to the keep the illegal guns from your neighborhood? Walking squinty eyed down the street waiting to have a shoot out?

👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY

frankjack
AUGUST 10

logician--"Unfortunately, everyone there will be unvaccinated." Which makes it even better. If they don't kill each other with guns, they'll do it with the virus.

👍 LIKE 10 ↩️ REPLY

logician88
AUGUST 10

And if they could somehow keep the virus to themselves without spreading it to innocent victims and letting it mutate so that it gets around vaccines I would be fine with that.

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

skicat
AUGUST 10

Always somebody to keep the lawyers busy. Yesteryear seemed so much simpler. Cops had guns that seemed to be all the protection we needed.

👍 LIKE 58 ↩️ REPLY

MN_chick
AUGUST 10

Conveniently they've ignored the part of the 2nd amendment about the well-regulated militia. Seriously, I can't imagine being such a gun-loving nut that I can't handle going to the state fair without one. If you don't feel safe, just stay home.

👍 LIKE 134 ↩️ REPLY

tomstromie
AUGUST 10

The Supreme court does not agree with your interpretation of the 2nd Amendment. I trust them

more than you.

👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY

radarman
AUGUST 10

You mean we need militias in the state fair in case civil war breaks out over the perennial conflict between pronto pups and corn dogs.

👍 LIKE 49 ↩️ REPLY

jufjuf62
AUGUST 10

Corn dogs!

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

chop1234
AUGUST 10

And I trust MN_chick more while I'm at the fair than an armed 2nd Amendment nut.

👍 LIKE 24 ↩️ REPLY

jmclean5439
AUGUST 10

Scalia's opinion, in the end, was simply historic tit for tat over his resentment with Roe v Wade. It was forced and didn't accomplish what the firearms industry and the Federalists hoped it would. State laws still serve as back stops to the 2nd Amendment. It is not an unlimited right.

As a jurist, Scalia was praised as an originalist. In writing Heller, he abruptly ignored evidence of original intent contained in constitutional convention records, state house notes, representative letters, and historic state and federal firearm laws. He ignored the preparatory clause - "A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State" and instead obsessed with parsing three words contained in the second.

👍 LIKE 20 ↩️ REPLY

stellarone
AUGUST 10

SCOTUS doesn't agree with your, tommy, interpretation.
GRAMMAR rules even over the SCOTUS or you.
the main noun is the 'militia'. no interpretation to that.
and USCode militia 246 defines that as the National Guard, very clearly.

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

JohnAk99
8:35AM

Oh Stella....You are certainly a passionate woman unfortunately many of your gun related posts are littered with misinformation and untruths. Whatever the outcome of the lawsuit is, I'm guessing that most if not all law abiding permit holders will leave their weapons at home. I don't like carrying a cellphone around and I certainly wouldn't carry 2 pounds of steel on my hip all day! Take a break, let Sweet Martha bake the cookies, just know that we WILL pass the 2A onto the next generation!

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

CDnUSa
AUGUST 10

Oh yes, Amy Barret, Brett, and let's not forget good old sexual harasser Clarence, him and Brett have bragging rights of who harassed more woman. I definitely have faith in those three.

👍 LIKE 8 ↩️ REPLY

Circa1963
AUGUST 10

Most of us do not agree with the Columbia v Heller decision, and it is patently the opposite of the constitution. SCOTUS is made up of flawed humans, who are

increasingly not even competent.

👍 LIKE 8 ↩️ REPLY

whpalmer4
AUGUST 10

Yes, you do trust them more than we do. But until the Heller decision a few years ago, they did not agree with you.

👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY

slammer
AUGUST 10

And I trust them less

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

blue128
AUGUST 10

For well over 200 years the 2nd Amendment was interpreted and recognized a certain way. Only the Supreme Court's Heller decision in 2010 - a mere 11 years ago - radically changed that in a 5-4 decision...a decision in which even the Justice behind the swing vote says he got it wrong and regretted his decision.

It's perhaps how we were able to operate as a civilized society for so long. Since Heller, is it coincidence gun violence in this country has become epidemic? The correlation seems pretty convincing to me.

I trust 200+ years of history more than I trust a highly-suspect NRA-backed decision from a few years ago.

👍 LIKE 15 ↩️ REPLY

bteichr
AUGUST 10

The Supreme Court has been wrong before. See Plessy v Ferguson, as one example.

👍 LIKE 8 ↩️ REPLY

whpalmer4
AUGUST 10

For most of its existence, until the Heller decision, the Supremes had a different interpretation. Then an activist judge named Scalia screwed things up.

👍 LIKE 11 ↩️ REPLY

buttles
AUGUST 10

Read the Federalist Papers, the Supreme Court doesn't agree with the Founders' intent for the 2nd Amendment either. And we're always told that the conservatives are "originalists" when it comes to the Constitution.

👍 LIKE 8 ↩️ REPLY

FakeOrange
AUGUST 10

The Supreme Court is focused on the theory of law, and largely ignored the real-life negative impacts of their decisions on the population. The Supreme Court was intended to be above politics, and the recent McConnell dirty games prove that it is very political indeed...and therefore not worthy of blind trust. The "well-regulated militia" phrase was borne out of the desire to avoid a standing military, and since we now have just that, the notion of a "militia" of any sort is obsolete. If the Supreme Court disagrees, it merely shows that illogical thinking can reside in any court in the land...

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

wedgegirl
AUGUST 10

Oh good. Do you trust them on Roe v. Wade too?

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

hank-moody
AUGUST 10

this country has gone insane. It was a good run America.

👍 LIKE 104 ↩️ REPLY

hawkeye56379
AUGUST 10

It isn't the end of the country just because some nutcase files a lawsuit.

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

adamskoglund
AUGUST 10 See Trump, Donald for a boatload of examples to the contrary.

👍 LIKE 16 ↩️ REPLY

hawkeye56379
AUGUST 10 Filing a lawsuit means nothing if you lose. That's the time to be concerned.

👍 LIKE 1 ↩️ REPLY

markhf
AUGUST 10 Not a good idea to allow guns except for law enforcement

👍 LIKE 90 ↩️ REPLY

Magnum500
AUGUST 10 "In Minnesota, individuals who wish to carry a concealed or unconcealed handgun in public must possess a permit to carry and display it upon request by a law enforcement officer." Not True. You do not need a permit to carry unconcealed.

👍 LIKE 2 ↩️ REPLY

jmclean5439
AUGUST 10 Wrong. 624.714 CARRYING OF WEAPONS WITHOUT PERMIT; PENALTIES. Subdivision 1. [Repealed, 2003 c 28 art 2 s 35; 2005 c 83 s 1] Subd. 1a. Permit required: penalty. A person, other than a peace officer, as defined in section 626.84, subdivision 1, who carries, holds, or possesses a pistol in a motor vehicle, snowmobile, or boat, or on or about the person's clothes or the person, or otherwise in possession or control in a public place, as defined in section 624.7181, subdivision 1, paragraph (c), without first having obtained a permit to carry the pistol is guilty of a gross misdemeanor. A person who is convicted a second or subsequent time is guilty of a felony.

👍 LIKE 71 ↩️ REPLY

stellarone
AUGUST 10 sounds like magnum is a non law abiding person

👍 LIKE 15 ↩️ REPLY

fanofcaribou
AUGUST 10 I guess only criminals and the unknowing carry guns.

👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY

MarkGee
AUGUST 10 I prefer to see people with unconcealed weapons. That way I know which crazy, fearful people to avoid.

👍 LIKE 15 ↩️ REPLY

wreckreation
AUGUST 10 You need to be the test case...go for it, good luck.

👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY

Djpinguino
AUGUST 10 What is wrong with these people?? If you don't feel safe at the State Fair without a weapon, just stay home. You are not a good neighbor.

👍 LIKE 122 ↩️ REPLY

johno3
AUGUST 10 One more reason to never go to the fair again. A bunch of wannabes with chips on their shoulders carrying a gun in a crowded place. What could go wrong?

👍 LIKE 105 ↩️ REPLY

lbp3232
AUGUST 10 wannabe, and "never were"

👍 LIKE 62 ↩️ REPLY

johno3
AUGUST 10 And never will be

👍 LIKE 17 ↩️ REPLY

DogLoverX2
AUGUST 10 If there are metal detectors, what is the need for guns? On the face of it, I'm against weaponry being carried by anyone but the police.

👍 LIKE 97 ↩️ REPLY

skokie
AUGUST 10 you cannot make this stuff up!

👍 LIKE 73 ↩️ REPLY

leftwingnews
AUGUST 10 Now only the bad people will have guns.
Remember the crime two years ago?

👍 LIKE 5 ↩️ REPLY

danoj
AUGUST 10 Crime two years ago was same as it was most years.
No need for anyone but police to carry a gun at the fair.
If you don't feel safe, stay home.

👍 LIKE 81 ↩️ REPLY

logician88
AUGUST 10 And they belong to the Proud Boys and Qanonsense.

👍 LIKE 8 ↩️ REPLY

patpat24
AUGUST 10 And all the gun toters are 'good' people who are stable,
mature, tolerant, use good judgment, patient, kind, etc.
..... yeah, right !

👍 LIKE 14 ↩️ REPLY

franknjack
AUGUST 10 letfwing--You mean the shootings that took place
outside of the fairgrounds? Yes, I do remember them,
apparently better than you do.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

showbizkid
AUGUST 10 Great, let's take a bunch of whackos and send them to the State
Fair with guns. That would end badly.

👍 LIKE 96 ↩️ REPLY

AshAshMoo
AUGUST 10 The criminals are armed. Why shouldn't the ticket paying law
abiding owners be allowed to carry? I don't want to be fodder at
the gates for felons and perverts the courts let free. And yes...it
has happened before.

👍 LIKE 8 ↩️ REPLY

ancientbeast
AUGUST 10 Do you mean that the white supremists are armed?

👍 LIKE 97 ↩️ REPLY

AshAshMoo
AUGUST 10 2019 - Three people shot, one run over
outside front gate as Minnesota State Fair
ends. It wasn't white supremacists.

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

riundi02
AUGUST 10 If you're scared of the Big Evil City, stay home in
whatever peaceful Utopia you live.

👍 LIKE 99 ↩️ REPLY

Bigdrone
AUGUST 10 Fun fact: even during the Wild Wild West days in places
like Dodge City, people were required to check their
guns at the door to the saloon.

👍 LIKE 107 ↩️ REPLY

fanofcaribou
AUGUST 10 Probably because if you have a gun, you're
going to use a gun.

👍 LIKE 12 ↩️ REPLY

Breadboy
AUGUST 10 It happened OUTSIDE the fair, Einstein.

👍 LIKE 59 ↩️ REPLY

AshAshMoo
AUGUST 10 Just a few feet outside the gates as innocent
fairgoers were exiting.

👍 LIKE 3 ↩️ REPLY

waterdogz
AUGUST 10

Oooh not just the felons but the perverts, too? You better just not go to the fair.

👍 LIKE 22 ↩️ REPLY

logician88
AUGUST 10

Yes - the criminals are armed. Like the ones who were trying to kidnap the Michigan governor and the ones who stormed the capitol.

👍 LIKE 21 ↩️ REPLY

stellarone
AUGUST 10

all the more real good reason to eliminate the availability of guns to the criminals. then, your example of happening is moot

👍 LIKE 9 ↩️ REPLY

CityofChaos
AUGUST 10

It's only the young urban disenfranchised independent pharmaceutical entrepreneurs who have had business disagreements outside of the fair.

Surely, a perceptive shape eyed fellow such as you can see them coming from a mile away.

Instead, get your Covid shot.

👍 LIKE 10 ↩️ REPLY

patpat24
AUGUST 10

Every fair goer passes through a metal detector so the criminals at the fair are not armed. Can you imagine being a police officer and having so many people around you and the rest of the fair goers and 'carrying' ... and not knowing which ones are criminal or suffer from some degree of insanity?

👍 LIKE 11 ↩️ REPLY

AshAshMoo
AUGUST 10

Sorry to hear of your ailment.

👍 LIKE ↩️ REPLY

fanofcaribou
AUGUST 10

Making sure that the next coup attempt is a success.

👍 LIKE 4 ↩️ REPLY

whpalmer4
AUGUST 10

We don't want anyone who thinks they need to bring a gun to buy a ticket. Stay home and the only perverts and felons you'll have to worry about are the ones you allow in your home.

👍 LIKE 6 ↩️ REPLY

Mnguy45
AUGUST 10

Stay at home if you think you need a gun. Simple

How many people have been shot at the fair in the last decade?

These scared little boys need to play cowboy elsewhere

👍 LIKE 16 ↩️ REPLY

butties
AUGUST 10

Any criminals going to the fair will go through the same screening everyone else does. Get a grip.

👍 LIKE 7 ↩️ REPLY

Pluttb
AUGUST 10

AshAshMoo, help me follow your logic. You need to carry a gun at the state fair because of perverts? Please expand.



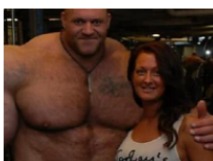
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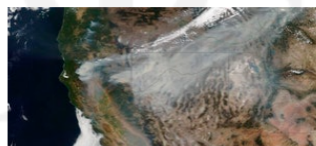
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- Tens of thousands without power after storms roll through Wisconsin

POLITICS





- Top Dem sees tough pathway for \$3.5T social, climate plans
- Inside the White House-Facebook rift over vaccine misinformation

MARKETS


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- 'Jeopardy!' producer Richards named host; role for Bialik
- Stevie Nicks cancels all 2021 performances over coronavirus

TWINS



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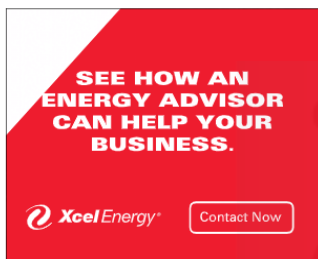
- Jorge Polanco homers as Twins shut out White Sox 1-0
- Jax outduels Keuchel as Twins edge White Sox 4-3



- Vikings release first 'unofficial' depth chart
- Kellen Mond won't play in Vikings preseason opener



- Lynx lift attendance restrictions as WNBA season resumes
- Delle Donne back practicing, return to games still unknown



LOONS



- Former Best Buy exec named new CEO of Minnesota United
- Messi signs two-year contract with Paris Saint-Germain

INSPIRED



- New north Minneapolis futsal league unites kids by reinventing pay-for-play sports model
- Former Karen refugee living in Austin, Minn., aids other newcomers with legal needs

EAT & DRINK



- Restaurant roll call: The latest openings and closings in the Twin Cities
- Get homestyle cooking at these two new Minneapolis restaurants

CURIOUS MINNESOTA



- Is it safe to swim in Twin Cities rivers, or are they all too polluted?
- Who controls the colorful lights in Minneapolis' night skyline?



DULUTH



- Incumbents, new faces advance in Duluth City Council primary
- Duluth bypasses its visitors bureau, looks to hire Twin Cities firm for tourism marketing

ST. CLOUD



- St. Cloud looks to add four police officers next year
- St. Cloud Hospital opens state's second EmPATH unit for mental health emergencies



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