

# Kenosha, Wisconsin

# SWAT Team kills a fawn and Cops proudly proclaims their righteousness

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The story went viral on the internet this past week... and rightfully so. The rise of the paramilitary police state is upon us and Wisconsin is the unlikely center of attention.

The situation was very simple. A man took in a baby deer so it would survive. That noble intent culminated with a massive over-reaction by The Almighty State and the death of the fawn they supposedly came to protect.

It's a story we see over and over with increasing regularity. The only saving grace is this time it was "only" a deer killed and not a human being, as is usually the case.

The federal US Department of Natural Resources spent a week planning the raid, including aerial reconnaissance of "the area" to ensure their victim, a baby deer named "Giggles", would not escape. Their intense planning was successful and Wisconsin residents can rest easy knowing that Federal Agents prevented the fawn from every reaching adulthood. God knows Wisconsin has enough deer already!

An Illinois family <u>delivered the fawn to the Society of St. Francis Animal Shelter</u> two weeks before the raid, fearing that it had been abandoned by its mother. The baby deer was later named "Giggles" because, according to shelter employee Ray Schulze, "When it made a little noise, it sounded like it was laughing."

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Federal zealots, enthusiastically enforcing Bureaucrats Rule #1 (*The Rules Are More Important Than People, or fawns in this case*) refused to accept the fawn would be transferred to a wildlife reserve the following day and executed both a search warrant and the fawn, <u>much to the horror</u> of St. Francis Animal Shelter workers.

God save us from these morons! Yours in Liberty,

Christopher

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# SLAPP of the Week (Strategic Lawsuit Against Public Participation)

## Pointes Protection Association Faces SLAPP Lawsuit From Hopeful Developer

The Pointes Protection Association was initially formed to provide a coordinated voice for the residents of Pointe Louise and Pointe aux Pins in response to the **Pointes Estates Development proposal**.

Now in its fifth year of operation, PPA has evolved to address a range of issues affecting residents. These issues include:

- ✓ Ongoing lobbying for high speed internet,
- ✓ Inquiries regarding a boat launch facility,
- ✔ Correcting improper spelling on local municipal signs
- ✓ A recent request to "adopt" Pointe Louise Drive, Alagash Drive, Dalgleish and Pointe aux Pins Road under the adopt a street program.

Its members are committed to maintaining the natural heritage and beauty of the area for the continued enjoyment of the residents, visitors and citizens of Sault Ste. Marie.

#### What is the Pointe Estates Development Proposal?

The Sault Ste. Marie Region Conservation Authority (SSMRCA) received an application to develop a 91 lot residential subdivision at 179 and 227 Pointe Aux Pins Drive, complete with a dead end canal to provide water access to each of the properties.

The proposed development is approximately 100 hectares (244 acres) in size of which 40 hectares (100 acres) is wetland. The subject property is outside of the municipal urban service area, therefore the residences would be serviced by wells and septic systems.

#### The Lawsuit

The developer, Jeff Avery, <u>in an act of "good faith"</u> with his proposed neighbours, is suing them through the Pointes Protection Association for court costs incurred by their opposition to his pet project.

Avery is apparently upset that current residents of the area aren't overjoyed with his development plan and their insistence upon exercising their Right to Freedom of Speech in expressing their displeasure with both him and his proposed development.

As is their right, they are using all legal means to stop the development from moving forward. This is costing Avery money, and he believes they should pay for their opposition to his development by paying his court costs both past and present.

Currently he claims the total is over \$65,000 and seeks a court order to have the Pointes Protection Association, and therefore the current residents of Pointe Louise and Pointe aux Pins, pay those costs.

This is utterly absurd and everyone except possibly Jeff Avery knows it.

Sault Ste. Marie lawyer Helen Scott will be in Ontario Superior Court of Justice Divisional Court in Sudbury Friday to object to a motion brought forward by project developer Jeff Avery against a group of concerned residents opposed to the subdivision, known collectively as the Pointes Protection Association.

"Justice isn't being served by that," Scott told us Thursday.

"I don't believe the people (Pointes Protection Association members) should pay for Mr. Avery's legal costs."

No, they should not. In fact, just for filing this SLAPP lawsuit Jeff Avery ought to to pay all of the legal costs for the Pointes Protection Association, both past, present and future... perhaps then he'd learn to work with people instead of ramming his pet project down their collective throats and demanding they pay for the privilege.

# **Human Rights**

## Muslim Forced Marriage Causes 11-year-old to Flee Her Family and Beg for her Life

A <u>video of an 11-year-old girl from Yemen</u> who claims she ran away to escape a forced marriage has been seen an astonishing 6 million times on YouTube since it was posted July 8.

"Go ahead and marry me off. I'll kill myself, just like that," declares Nada al-Ahdal, who says she was saved from the arranged engagement when her uncle rescued her. The video was filmed in a car and translated by MEMRI-TV, the Middle East Media Research Institute.

"Don't they have any compassion? ... I'm better off dead. I'd rather die," Nada pleads to the camera. "It's not [the kids] fault. I'm not the only one. It can happen to any child. Some children decided to throw themselves into the sea. They're dead now. This is not normal for innocent children."

Nada al-Ahdal, 11, is a YouTube sensation for defying an arranged marriage. The outgoing and well-spoken girl explains why she ran away from her parents' wishes, and sought to live with her uncle:

#### "I would have had no life, no education."

"They threatened to kill me if I went to my uncle," she continued. "What kind of people threaten their children like that? Would it make you happy to marry me off against my will? Go ahead and marry me off. I'll kill myself, just like that."

"They have killed our dreams, they have killed everything inside us. There's nothing left. This is no upbringing. This is criminal, this is simply criminal."

She recounts how her maternal aunt was a young teen when she was placed in an arranged marriage that lasted one year, ending with the teenage girl killing herself by dousing herself with gasoline and setting herself ablaze.

The 11-year-old Nada, who has her own Facebook page, concludes by directly addressing her mother and family, saying, "I'm done with you. You've ruined my dreams."

According to the Mideastern publication NOW, Nada is from a modest family and has seven siblings. Her uncle, Abdel Salam al-Ahdal, is a video graphics technician at a TV station, and originally took her in when she was just age 3, to live with him and his aging mother, away from her parents.

She recently became entangled with her parents when a Yemeni expatriate living in Saudi Arabia asked her parents if he could marry her. The couple agreed, but Nada told National Yemen she believed the marriage was merely for financial profit.

"But I'm not an item for sale," Nada said. "I'm a human being and I would rather die than get married at this age." The girl's uncle, Abdel Salam al-Ahdal, told NOW his view of the situation.

"When I heard about the groom, I panicked," he explained. "Nada was not even 11 years old; she was exactly 10 years and 3 months. I could not allow her to be married off and have her future destroyed, especially since her aunt was forced to marry at 13 and burned herself.

"I did all I could to prevent that marriage. I called the groom and told him Nada was no good for him. I told him she did not wear the veil and he asked if things were going to remain like that. I said 'Yes, and I agree because she chose it.' I also told him that she liked singing and asked if he would remain engaged to her."

NOW reports that after Abdel Salam succeeded in warding off Nada's first husband-to-be, her parents came to visit and asked for their daughter to stay with them until mid-Ramadan. Abdel Salam agreed only to learn from the parents days later that Nada had disappeared.

When her uncle found her again, he informed authorities of the situation, and Nada was eventually allowed to return to live with her uncle, and that's when she posted the startling video online.

One very brave girl. Thank God she has an uncle with some common sense, decency, and the will to stand up for his niece when her own parents would happily sell her down the river.

#### Police Misconduct

# NYPD Officer Paul Pizzuto Fired for Telling the Truth About Ticket Quotas

Ticket quotas are one of those things that everybody knows exist, but no one is supposed to talk about.

You talk to most cops about them, and they'll deny they even exist. They'll tell you it's all a myth. And the few cops that do acknowledge their existence and admit their propensity for abuse end up getting fired.

The reliance on ticket quotas to ensure a certain amount of revenue for the department, city and/or county varies per department.

One of the obvious problems with having a quota system is how easy it is, even how necessary it is, to abuse it. Many times, the high quotas are completely unrealistic and unattainable unless cops get creative with what passes as "criminal" or "misdemeanor" behavior.

They lower their standards way down until they're arresting and ticketing people for nothing. But at least that cop will get recognition from his boss and maybe even a dinner-for-two gift card at his favorite steak restaurant.

Paul Pizzuto, a cop in the NYPD, got fired for writing tickets to dead people. But he only did that because he couldn't meet the quota, even issuing as many as 150 valid tickets per month. His boss wanted more and threatened to transfer him if he didn't perform better. And since he couldn't get any more than that, he started issuing tickets to people who had long been dead, and he got fired. After all, dead people don't pay fines, so what good are they?

Officer Matthews, another NYPD cop, sued the department last year after he got fired, because he believes they retaliated against him for trying to expose their corrupt quota system:

"Central to the quota system are color-coded computer reports that categorize cops by the number of arrests, summonses and stop-and-frisks they carry out. Officers who fail to meet the reports are highlighted in red. Black ink is used to denote cops who are meeting the quotas, while silver is used to identify those who are meeting some quotas, the suit says. Matthews claims that officers who don't hit their numbers are subjected to a slew of punishments, including undesirable assignments and the loss of overtime."



#### Officer Down

## In Memorial: New Orleans Police Officer Rodney Thomas

On Sunday, NOPD Commander Paul Noel went to roll call to tell the Second District dayshift that their fellow officer, Rodney Thomas, wouldn't be returning to work, that Thomas had been struck and killed in a hit-and-run on the interstate high-rise the night before.

It wasn't just the hardest moment of his career as a police officer, Noel said. It was the most difficult task he's ever faced in his life.

"Hopefully I never have to do this again, as long as I live," Noel said.

That same roll call room now holds a shrine-like memorial to Thomas, one of many tributes that are springing up around the station to the popular, caring 52-year-old patrolman who signed up just before Hurricane Katrina and remained in the Uptown-based Second District for the eight years since. Officers' badges are covered with a black band. A large wreath sits next to the front desk. Outside, the large NOPD badge over the doorway is covered with the same black stripe



and — most dramatically — a patrol car is draped in black, a framed photo of Thomas surrounded by bouquets and candles.

The pile of bouquets grew on its own throughout the day. Greg Kozlowski, who lives just around the corner from the station, and his 6-year-old daughter Emma brought flowers Tuesday evening as the sun set. They ran into Thomas from time to time and always found him friendly, and when they passed the memorial on Magazine Street they knew they wanted to be a part of it.

"We're just happy they were doing something in his honor," Kozlowski said. "It's the least we could do. I know this has to be tough on everybody."

Since Thomas' death, memories of his service have filled the Second District station. The emails that Noel receives express more than just sympathy — they all recount specific calls that Thomas went on, then went back to a day or so later to check back on. "He really genuinely cared," Noel said. "That's special."

Thomas joined the force in his middle age because he was drawn to make a difference, his colleagues said, and he collected every item that signified his work with the force, from re-entry cards issued after Hurricane Katrina nearly eight years ago to credentials related to the Super Bowl this spring. One officer said he was stopped by someone in a gas station expressing condolences over Thomas's death — Thomas had arrested him once, and the man still remembered how respectfully Thomas had treated him and how sincerely he had spoken to him as he drove him to jail, the officer said.

Thomas leaves behind a wife and two children, and Gulf Coast Bank and Trust has established a donation fund for them. A funeral will be held at 10 a.m. at Franklin Avenue Baptist Church (2515 Franklin Avenue), and the procession afterward will pass the Second District Station on its way to Lake Lawn Cemetery.

As the memorials transition afterward into permanent parts of the Second District station, Thomas' memory will live long in the building and the community where he served, Noel said: "He definitely will always be a part of the Second District."

#### **Political Action**

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