



**Improving the Home Fortress**

*Work Now to Better Prepare Your Residence For Trouble*

**-This Month: Door Security-**

By James L. Paris & Robert G. Yetman, Jr.

Many committed survivalists believe that the best way to prepare for the troubles to come is to re-establish their homes far from the daily “noise” of populated society. That is unquestionably an ideal, permanent sort of solution...but what if making that sort of seismic shift in your own residential situation is impractical for you at this time? In order to move to a remote location, you have to address a great number of wide-ranging issues in addition to the simple matter of shifting residences. How will you make a living? How will your children be schooled? How will you address the greater inaccessibility to important resources? Establishing a remote survival retreat at which you can live year-round is a superior option, but it may require

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**“Stand Your Ground” at Risk**

*Sensible Self-Defense Laws Under Attack in the Wake of the Trayvon Martin Fiasco*

By Robert G. Yetman, Jr.

So-called “Stand Your Ground” laws and all reasonable facsimiles thereof are under assault in the wake of the shooting of a 17-year-old Florida boy by a man who may or may not have been acting in the capacity of a neighborhood watch leader. The much-publicized shooting of Trayvon Martin by George Zimmerman has garnered a great deal of national attention, and has served as the latest flashpoint for ongoing discussions of race, police misconduct, media bias, and so much more...to include the very volatile subject of the right to defend oneself.

While many, if not all, of the other principal issues that characterize this unfortunate event have at least some relevance to the survival-minded, it is the backlash against “Stand Your Ground” laws that should be the most concerning to those (us) folks. These laws are the principal statutory protections afforded law-abiding citizens to be able to defend themselves, even with deadly force, when those citizens are attacked away from their homes. The right to self-defense from within the home is something that is still relatively safe throughout the country, but, mystifyingly, the same right to protect yourself or a loved one when *away* from the homefront does not enjoy the same premium value...as though your life should be regarded

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as worth less when you happen to be walking down the street instead of when you’re sitting in your kitchen.

While “Stand Your Ground” laws differ from state to state (in those states that have them), the gist of the statutes is that you have no duty to retreat when you suffer an unprovoked attack outside of your home. They are an expansion of the so-called Castle Doctrine laws, which are supported basically everywhere and say that when you are attacked *in* your home, you have no duty to retreat, and may use deadly force if conditions warrant.

In the aftermath of the Martin shooting, where it was preliminarily decided that Zimmerman had successfully met the standard of Florida’s Stand Your Ground law and so was not initially charged, gun-grabbers at all levels have wasted no time in trying to use the fiasco as an excuse to try to roll back those laws where they exist, and quash the proposed versions of those laws in states where they do not yet sit on the books. Take a look at the following; these are just a small sample of the headlines for recent stories themed against the “Stand Your Ground” laws:

**Coke Withdraws From Group that Backs Stand Your Ground Law** (*Chicago Tribune*, April 5, 2012)

**“Stand Your Ground” Law Under Fire in Wake of Trayvon Martin Case** (*Fox News Latino*, April 6, 2012)

**Florida Prosecutors Say “Stand Your**

**Ground” Should Be Repealed** (*The Wall Street Journal*, April 6, 2012)

**President Clinton Hopes Trayvon Martin Case Leads to Reappraisal of “Stand Your Ground” Laws** (*ABC News*, April 2, 2012)

Again, this is just a handful of what’s out there, but you get the picture; the number of stories found at so-called mainstream news sources these days that target the “Stand Your Ground” laws is seemingly endless.

The ability to literally defend oneself against an unprovoked, violent attack speaks to the very essence of survival, which means that any attempt to weaken laws designed to further empower the law-abiding citizen to protect himself and other innocent parties is a direct affront to the practice of survival itself.

Now is the time for you to engage in whatever advocacy you can in order to protect rights that, sadly, shouldn’t need protecting. Do not allow your elected officials to decide that they can simply do away with good, sensible laws that absolve you of the obligation to run and hide when attacked, or otherwise simply go along with being a victim of a criminal assault. Your most natural rights are at great risk right now, but there is still time for liberty-loving, law-abiding citizens to turn this tide. In order for that to happen, you’re going to have to let your elected officials know that you mean business when it comes to *protecting* those rights, especially those associated with the literal defense of oneself. In the end, is there anything more important?

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more time and money than you have available right now.

If you are, therefore, anchored to your present location within the realm of “civilized” society, you would do well to put a little thought (and effort) into making where you’re at right now safer and more secure. That’s never a bad idea anyway – crime rates being what they are, one should always make his home as crime-proof as it can be. Beyond that, however, given the heightened concerns we have as survivalists, there exists a second “layer” of good reasons to do what we can now to make our current homesteads as impenetrable as they can be.

Let’s take a look at some easy things you can do, for relatively little money, that will make a big difference in your home’s physical security:

**Strengthen Your Front Door** – A lot of criminals find that the best way to penetrate a home is to simply smash in the front door, which they can do easily with the cheap garbage used by builders these days. Invest in solid-core or steel-clad doors if you don’t have them presently. Also, get deadbolt locks for the doors you have that separate you from the outside, but remember that if your door is cheap, the deadbolt won’t matter much, so be sure you address the door first and foremost.

Also, when evaluating your doors, plan to get rid of those with decorative windows at the top or any of the other sorts of aesthetic design features that can be a security disaster.

Another thing on this matter of main doors: Your doorframes need to be secure as well. You want to be sure that the doorframes are

actually secured to the walls, in the way that most are *not*. Most of the moldings you see are simply tacked on to the walls, and doorframes that are affixed that way can be torn apart; if that happens, having the heaviest door and best deadbolt you can get won’t matter much. To help secure the doorframe, secure it to the wall with three-inch screws appropriately placed; make sure you’re connecting with the wall stud with your screws.

**Securing Sliding Glass Doors** – Honestly, I hate these, from a security standpoint. We all know why many of us have them in our homes, but they are a security nightmare. Still, while you’re in your present residence, there are some relatively easy things you can do to significantly fortify them.

Overall the most important thing you can do is replace the “regular” glass you have now with stronger, security-oriented glass. It will be a bit pricey, but it’s absolutely worth it. A good secondary option is to reinforce your existing glass with polycarbonate panels, which are items that we here in hurricane country know well. If you’re not comfortable installing those yourself, have it done professionally.

As for the security of the door as a slide-open device, you’re probably familiar with the broom handle-in-the-bottom track method of keeping an intruder from sliding open the door. Unfortunately, the problem with that is that the door can be tilted and removed from the track. The *best* way to accomplish your intended purpose with that kind of mechanism is to use a type of bar or rod that you can actually place in the middle of the door (as in, halfway between the very top and bottom of the door) – having the bar positioned

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# **The Jim Paris Perspective**

## ***Notes and Thoughts on the Realization of Bible Prophecy in the Current Day***

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### ***The Implementation Of The Mark Of The Beast***

I find it fascinating as I continue to write on the topic of The Mark Of The Beast how few people see the evolution of our monetary and political system building toward its eventuality. In a recent article on the topic of the Pay Pal Intelligent Wallet, I made the point that the concept of walking into a retail store without any identification or credit cards and making a purchase is now here. My detractors responded by saying, “Yes, but that is not the Mark Of The Beast.” What many appear to be turning a blind eye to is the *progression* that is taking place; no, the Mark Of The Beast is not here yet...but I can hear its approaching hoof beats.

### ***The Control Of The Beast***

The whole purpose of the Mark is as a means of control over the masses. I have been captivated not only by the technology that is ushering in our cashless society, but the numerous examples we are beginning to see of growing government control. Take, for example, recent legislation that has already passed the Senate that would suspend an American citizen's passport if he has unpaid taxes. The IRS already possesses the most rigorous extra-judicial powers of any agency in our government. Without a court or court order, they can take your bank account and even your payroll check. If this bill becomes law, the IRS will be able to stop you from leaving or entering the country until you settle your debt. Of course, we believe that Americans should pay their tax bills, but this seems tantamount to a debtors' prison.

What is, perhaps, the most unsettling aspect about all of this is the reaction of my fellow Americans. Many simply say this is just fine with them. After all, they reason, states suspend driver's licenses of those with unpaid traffic tickets or child support. It is so troubling how willingly people will let their freedoms be taken away. My view is this: Taking away an individual's right to travel is stripping him of his citizenship. If there is one “non-negotiable” of being a free person, it is freedom of movement.

It doesn't take that much of an imagination to see how this acquiescence to government control is setting up the Antichrist to be able to truly control the world: If you don't take the Mark, your passport is suspended, or better yet, the technology of the Mark is your passport. Without it your movements would be severely restricted.

### ***The Mystery Of The “No Fly” List***

If your name is on the list you are not permitted to board a commercial aircraft within the United States or an international flight *bound* for the U.S. There is no judicial process for the No Fly List; if the government decides to put you on the list...you are on it. There are countless examples of people who've mistakenly been placed on the No Fly List, and there's now a

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lawsuit involving 15 plaintiffs, three of whom are California residents attempting to get their names removed from the list. On that note, we don't know exactly how many names are on the list or how someone gets added or dropped. To make matters worse, there's a move afoot to block anyone on the No Fly List from being able to purchase a firearm. If you do a YouTube search for 'Rahm Emanuel No Fly List,' there is a shocking video from 2009 wherein Emanuel backs this policy and further states the President would support it, as well. The pump is being primed for the Antichrist as the ability to take away individual rights gets easier and easier.

### ***Local Governments Search In Desperation For Cash***

The City of Chicago may be in the most desperate financial straits of any major city in the United States. Born and raised in Chicago, I have seen the waste and corruption first-hand. The city of Chicago has 38,000 parking meters. In 2008 they were sold on a 75-year lease for just over \$1 billion dollars. Chicago's parking meters are now owned by Abu Dhabi (a state-owned investment arm of the capital of The United Arab Emirates). Then-Mayor Richard M. Daley planned to use the money as an endowment that would throw off annual revenue to the city for generations. The money was completely gone within three years of the sale. Chicago's latest plan to raise cash is to install speed enforcement cameras. The cameras have been authorized by the Illinois legislature to be installed statewide, but Chicago will no doubt generate the windfall of money. Mayor Rahm Emanuel was key in pushing for the legislation, citing safety as his primary motivation. Drivers will receive \$100 citations if a camera clocks them going more than 6 miles above the speed limit. Just as with red light cameras the owner of the car is ticketed without regard to who is driving the vehicle. Chicago has also been discussing a tax on individuals that live in the suburbs and work in the city, as well as countless other frenzied proposals. Expect what's happening in Illinois to spread nationwide as state after state and city after city look for ways to bring in money.

### ***Are Student Loans The Next Sub-Prime Mortgage Crisis?***

The amount of money owed on student loans is now greater than that owed on credit cards, and also more than what's owed on auto loans: nearly *\$1 trillion dollars*. It represents the fastest-growing segment of American's personal debt. What many young people don't understand is that this money absolutely must be paid back. It is virtually impossible to discharge student loans in bankruptcy, which means it is a debt that will follow you around for the rest of your life. What may be next is a similar piece of legislation suspending the passports of individuals delinquent on their student loans. I honestly don't believe that most of these loans will ever be repaid, but it may not matter when you look at the myriad of other government largess.

### ***Japanese Introducing Palm Reading ATM's***

It was just announced last week that the Japanese will be rolling out palm reading ATM's by September. You will be able to walk up to an ATM in Japan and place your hand on the screen

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for a palm scan and gain access to your account. The concept is pitched as a convenience and also as a solution for the many bank customers that lose their ATM cards. Sound familiar? Is it the beginning of “Selling The Mark Of The Beast (the title of our forthcoming book)?”

### ***Suspension Of The Constitution As Power Is Ceded To The United Nations***

The attack on Libya was never brought before Congress and there was no declaration of war, yet we did go to war. Barack Obama was not the first President to sidestep Congress when taking military action. It is interesting, though, to consider that as a Senator he was on record that then-President George Bush had a constitutional obligation to get Congressional approval before taking military action in Iraq. Obama's argument for acting without Congressional approval was not so much based on his right as President to engage in a limited military adventure, but that his authority was derived from a United Nations resolution. We see here further evidence of the erosion of our Constitution and the ceding of power to the United Nations (a likely precursor to the coming one-world government that will be led by the Antichrist).

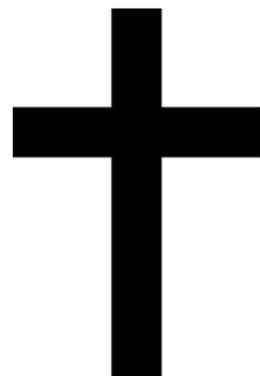
### ***Strange Trumpet Sounds Video***

The documentary that we published to YouTube about six weeks ago has now reached more than 20,000 views as of the writing of my commentary this month. One troubling aspect of being the creator of a video on Bible prophecy that has gone viral is the backlash we are receiving from militant anti-Christian voices. We have had 127 people post comments on the video, many of which are positive. Some comments have had to be deleted due to vulgar language. I have noticed that many of the posts contain a mocking tone to them. I am reminded of 2 Peter 3:3-4 “*Know this first of all, that in the last days mockers will come with their mocking, following after their own lusts, and saying, “Where is the promise of His coming?” Don't you just love it when Scripture comes to life and illuminates the truth? Here is one comment, in particular, that I wanted to share with you: “Do you fools actually think Mary was a virgin? If your daughter got pregnant and she said she didn't have sex would you believe her? No you would not! Grow up and use logical thinking.” My response? “It might make a difference, though, if her son grew up and then healed the blind, raised the dead, and then came back to life after being crucified.”*”



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Paris', written in a cursive style.

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in the middle like this secures the door in such a way that it cannot be tilted or otherwise rocked off of its track. What you will want is a *telescoping security bar* that you can extend on both sides so that the ends can fit tightly against the wall and the door. There are lots to choose from; a Google search for “sliding door security bars” will get you what you need.

*Next month: Addressing windows and lighting security needs*

### Tired of Banks? Consider the Credit Union

By Robert G. Yetman, Jr.

While it is community banks that have largely benefitted from the rebellion against so-called mega-banks, it is *credit unions* that have seen a good share of the moved monies, as well. That said, credit unions remain one of America’s best-kept secrets as a banking option; often, people forego credit unions because they think they’re ineligible to join. However, membership eligibility for many is based on simple residency requirements. For example, the Orlando Federal Credit Union will accept members as long as they “live, work, worship, volunteer or attend school in Orange, Seminole, Lake or Osceola counties,” which are the four principal counties that comprise the Central Florida region. A lot of credit unions throughout the country have similar kinds of eligibility requirements, which means that more Americans than not are now eligible to join one.

Credit union customers enjoy a better financial deal than that which is available from larger banks: better interest rates, lower (or no) junk fees, and much more. Credit unions can offer these advantages because they are *not-for-profit* entities; as not-for-profits, they don’t have to be concerned with making money for shareholders, because there *aren’t* any. Also, as not-for-profits, credit unions are able to avoid some of the taxes paid by traditional institutions, and those savings can be passed along to members, as well. As for asset safety, credit union customers enjoy the same protections enjoyed by bank customers.

If you decide you’re interested in moving away from your mega-bank and into a credit union, and you’re not sure about what’s available in your area, start by making a trip to the Credit Union National Association’s website at [www.cuna.org](http://www.cuna.org). In the “Consumers” section, there is search mechanism that allows you to see what’s available in your area. Also, if you want a quick way to check on the financial strength of a particular credit union (never a bad idea), you can do so by going to the *Safe & Sound* section of Bankrate.com ([www.bankrate.com](http://www.bankrate.com)).

While moving to a credit union is by no means the same thing as living “underground,” it *is* a step away from the mega-banks. At least while you are still living in “regular society,” you can avail yourself of a financial institution option that is more community-oriented, puts more money back into your pocket, and will provide you with superior customer service.

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## Financial Roundup

By Robert G. Yetman , Jr.

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### **Getting “Defensive” With Your Portfolio**

While we’ve seen a bit of a bounce-back in the market recently, the stability of this recent ascension in equity prices is uncertain, to say the least. Last month, we discussed the reality that emerging markets is once again becoming a good place to look for a portion of one’s portfolio, and this month we want to discuss the usefulness of “defensive” issues to a portfolio for the foreseeable future. Defensive stocks are those companies that provide goods and services that are always sought after, regardless of economic conditions. It’s worth noting, however, that we don’t see the benefit of these issues coming nearly as much from mature markets as we do from emerging markets. We see similarities in the recent performance of emerging markets and defensive stocks, overall, and believe that is not coincidental, and that it will be the continued emergence of a middle class in these nations that will continue to be the engine that largely drives this sector.

### **Health Care**

Health care is one of the classic defensive sectors, and in the first calendar quarter of this year, that sector, as proxied by the Vanguard Health Care ETF (Symbol: VHT), was up over 10%, which translates to a pace of over 30% for the year. The sector did well, overall, throughout 2011, when it was up a little over 10%, a period during which the S&P 500 finished basically where it *started*. However, this outstanding start to 2012 is indicative of some clear, renewed strength, and so it is a sector that warrants investor scrutiny .

### **Consumer Staples**

Consumer Staples represents those food and household goods that are non-discretionary; in other words, you basically gotta have ‘em. The trading volume in this sector has been substantial in the first three months of 2012, so some technical traders may see this as overbought currently, but as a consideration for a longer-term portfolio position, the fundamental reasons associated with what makes the consumer staples sector more solid, in general, should be given greater weight by investors here in the near to mid-term, at least. As with health care, the consumer staples sector, as proxied by the Vanguard Consumer Staples ETF (Symbol: VDC), finished well ahead of the S&P 500 for 2011, coming in at over 13% for the year. If the sector continues at its pace through the end of March, it would finish 2012 by posting a return of over 17% for the year. Although it is expected that higher food prices will put pressure on margins for a while, the continued prosperity of the emerging markets nations, combined with some measure of a growing recovery in First World countries, will help along a sector that enjoys the inherent benefit of representing goods and services that are always in demand.

In general, a prolonged position in defensive stocks is rarely a bad idea as a component of one’s *core portfolio*, meaning, the part of your portfolio that is not prone to needing any sort of adjusting or tactical maneuvering on a regular basis. They will not always be those positions that will show signs of acute growth, but as more reliable places to be, they are generally tough to beat.