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Advocacy group stymied again by Knox sheriff

By Don Jacobs

Posted April 27, 2012 at 11:56 a.m.

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KNOXVILLE — A Hispanic advocacy group this morning delivered to Knox County Sheriff Jimmy "J.J." Jones a dozen cupcakes, an anniversary card, 220 letters and its fourth unsuccessful en mass request to speak with the sheriff.

A dozen members of Knoxville United Against Racism Coalition filled the lobby of the Sheriff's Office at the City County Building. The group is opposed to Jones adopting the federal 287(g) program that trains local law enforcement officers on how to enforce immigration laws.

The group has conducted several rallies to raise awareness about the Immigration and Customs Enforcement program. For weeks the group has been asking Jones to meet with them to discuss their concerns about the federal program.

Jones announced last week that his office is awaiting a memorandum of understanding from ICE that will detail how the program would be used in Knox County. Jones said officers will be trained in the corrections division to enforce immigration laws for those already under arrest.

Patrol officers would not be involved in the program, which has been criticized as using racial profiling.

Jones's executive assistant Melinda Lynch told the group the sheriff was not available. Lynch, however, assured the group Jones would meet with them after reviewing the agreement with ICE and before he signs the document.

"He doesn't even know what's going to be in it," Lynch told the group. "He said he will meet with you before he signs it. And I know him to be a man of his word."

Group members noted Jones could meet with them at any time to hear concerns and didn't have to wait for a final draft of the memorandum.

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Lynch said Jones has read the 340 letters protesting the proposed program delivered last week to his office. The group provided Lynch with 220 new letters, most of which contain personal notes in addition to the form letter encouraging Jones to reconsider adopting the program.

"It shatters our community and our ability to feel safe in reporting crimes," one person wrote.

Another person included, "Not what I want my community to become."

One of the reasons the group opposes the program is a concern it will make crime victims reluctant to call authorities for fear of being quizzed about their immigration status.

Meghan Conley, a 29-year-old Knox County resident with the coalition group, explained the anniversary card and cupcakes are to celebrate the third year that Jones applied for the program but still hasn't adopted it.

More details as they develop online and in Saturday's News Sentinel.

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12:18 p.m.

[jceubanks#627592](#) writes:

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April 27, 2012
12:20 p.m.

[RJP11](#) writes:

Why isn't or wouldn't everyone who winds up in law enforcement custody be subject to scrutiny of their citizenship/immigration status? Seems like a purely ministerial matter, to me. Not some form of racism or cultural discrimination. Are you a US Citizen or not? If not, what is your immigration status? And if irregularities are apparent, why don't or wouldn't such local agencies report the same to the appropriate federal authorities for further investigation/processing? Ultimately, there's no reason US taxpayers should pay room & board for some other country's loser criminals, unless that individual is a threat to the US's national interests.

Seems like a no-brainer to me...

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April 27, 2012
12:42 p.m.

[LuisUrz](#) writes:

Hang in there Sheriff . Pay no attention to these rabble-rousers. The more they protest the more you know you are doing the right thing. Knox County needs 287(g) to help enforce our immigration laws.

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12:49 p.m.

[MouthBreather](#) writes:

Duh.. Me think took my job. Me say stay out of country illegal.

That's my impression of the average KNS immigration troll.

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April 27, 2012
12:54 p.m.

[micromegas](#) writes:

Firat, jceubanks, what is it that makes you assume that the folks who want a meeting with JJ are illegals?

Secind,RJP 11, I wonder is all of the peoplewho are incarceratedd will be screened for citizenship.

I do know of one person, who deliberately does not carry identification papers with him. He is white and speaks perfect English. How will the jailers tell if he is

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or is nbot here legally?

To the best of my knowlege, there is no requirement that we carry "papers". Do you know of a federal law that says that we must?

The sherrif could defuse this by simply asking the folks to choose a couple of people to represent them and then setting up a meeting.

I would bet my bottom dollar that if some group of campaign contributors or influential businessmen of note were to ask to see him that he would make plenty of time for them.

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12:57 p.m.

Squeezy writes:

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So they want the PROTECTION of law enforcement - but they refuse to follow the law themselves.

They EXPECT for officers to run out and serve/ protect them, maybe risk or lose the officer's life in doing so.... but THEMSLEVES iterally use US Immigration law as toilet paper.

Sounds like a pretty arrogant, greedy, hypocritical thing to demand..... "You serve me & protect me & do what I ask - but I flip the bird at your silly immigration laws, myself".

I have BRILLIANT idea:

Come here LEGALLY, and then you don't have to worry about it at all.

April 27, 2012
1:01 p.m.

raja (Inactive) writes:

[in response to jceubanks#627592:](#)

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April 27, 2012 1:06 p.m.

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[fatherc6231860](#) writes:
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You know, I think the same thing when I see some guy in a Suburban with a "Don't Tread on Me" decal in the back window driving down the highway at 80 mph.

How dare those arrogant, greedy, hypocritical, clowns flaunt our laws and then expect the police and prosecutors to step in they are the victims of crime!!!!

April 27, 2012 1:08 p.m.

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[fatherc6231860](#) writes:
"flout"
sorry

April 27, 2012 1:10 p.m.

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[BrickHouse](#) writes:
"And I know him to be a man of his word."
LMAO!! Best joke EVER!! That made my day. Thank you, Ms. Lynch.

April 27, 2012 1:19 p.m.

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[in response to rab63](#):

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April 27, 2012
1:26 p.m.

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Just a thought: If someone breaks into your and he/she begins living there, they have committed a crime and should be charged as criminals, not accused of being an "undocumented resident". Think about it.

April 27, 2012
1:31 p.m.

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raja, it makes little or no difference!

All of these folks seem to think that they have a monopoly on purity.

It is like in Texas where most white folks, regardless of how short of a time they have lived there. look down on folks of hispanic ancestry with no regard to the natural fact that a great number of their families predate even the arrival of the people like Sam Houston in Texas.

I look at it this way; if and when the Native American gets the same respect that we new comers demand from the "illegals" we don't have a heck of a lot of moral standing.

Perhaps a point could be made if the various tribes of Native Americans demanded "papers" of every non Native American each and every time they entered a reservation.

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[jonathan#509413](#) writes:

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From the article:

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If your 'community' is made up of some of the many good, honest, hard-working, legal immigrants to this county then what do you have to worry about? Now, if your 'community' is made up of a bunch of illegals and criminals who are breaking our nations laws by even being here then I'll cry two tears in a bucket - deport them.

April 27, 2012
1:34 p.m.

[TaraOffWhite](#) writes:

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[in response to micromegas](#):

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April 27, 2012
1:36 p.m.

[The7thSon2010](#) writes:

When the republicans run out of people to hate, and blame, who will be left to vote for them?

They seem to think sticking Rubio, a Cuban Immigrant, on the ticket, they can win the election.. They like the hispanics they can use to their advantage.. Sticking a radical woman on the ticket, didnt help McCain, and its doubtful anyone could help Mittens 'VultureCapitalist' Romney..

The 'hate Obama' agenda, has clouded any debate and the republicans have declared war on immigrant workers, war on women, war on the poor and elderly, war on minoritys, war on poor kids and single mothers, war on teachers, war on municipal workers, yet sticking Rubio on the ticket fixes everything.. Wow.. What lunacy.. Spew vile rhetoric, about a voting block, then expect their votes.. And the amazing thing is, it works...

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April 27, 2012
1:41 p.m.

[raja \(Inactive\)](#) writes:

Sheriff Jones should meet with them. After all he is the Sheriff of Knox County. I'm sure when he took his oath of office he promised to represent all in Knox County and not just the people that agree with him. His responsibilities are to Knox County first. If he aspires to be a Federal Officer, there are other paths he can take to achieve that goal. For now, meet with them and hear their grievances and negotiate in order to come to an understanding. That's how it should work being a county official. Just my opinion. Better than Tear Gas.

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April 27, 2012
1:45 p.m.

[Uknonothin](#) writes:

This program has absolutely NOTHING to do with racism. If the coalition would step back for a moment and stop trying to turn every encounter between two different into racism, then they might understand this. For example, as stated in the article, this program is for the corrections division only and the patrol division will not be involved to any extent. Therefore, the concern expressed by the coalition that the program would foster racial profiling is totally unjustified. Another concern expressed by the coalition is the program would make crime victims reluctant to report crime for fear of being quizzed about their immigration status. Once again, completing crime reports is a function of the patrol division, WHICH WILL NOT BE PART OF THE PROGRAM. When a patrol officer completes a crime incident report there is nowhere on the report for the officer to document anything concerning the immigration status of a victim or someone filing a report. I know, i have seen a blank copy of a report and the data fields that must be filled in by the officers. This program is for the corrections division, meaning, once a person is arrested the jail personnel will be trained to assist ICE in determining immigration status. It appears that the coalition against racism is the only party being racist in this situation. By falsely presenting concerns to the hispanic community that reporting a crime could cause an officer to engage in racial profiling is unfounded. Is the coalition fighting racism or creating racism in situations where none exist just to enjoy the spotlight and being mentioned on kns.

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1:51 p.m.

[JohnathanRebel](#) writes:

[in response to fatherc6231860:](#)

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April 27, 2012
2:03 p.m.

Rifleman writes:

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[in response to raja:](#)

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Exactly what immigration 'laws' did my ancestors violate 350 years ago? And, please be factual.

April 27, 2012
2:04 p.m.

The7thSon2010 writes:

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These local radical rightwingers arent racist, they just dont like minorities.. They arent sexist, they just oppose womens reproductive rights, equal pay, and equal status.. They dont hate the poor, they hate helping the poor.. Its not that they hate kids, mothers, familys, they just hate illegal hispanic kids, mothers and familys..They rant continuously about their holiness, trying to capture some moral high ground, as if taking from the poor, giving to the rich and powerful, the top 1%, IS SOMEHOW PATRIOTIC AND HOLY...

Ryans speech at a catholic university, was trying to sell, robbing the poor, elderly, disabled, minorities, and giving to the rich and powerful, was somehow a holy, and religously backed endeavor.. Give me a break..

JJ is in it for the money, financial gain, just like the local perpetual speed traps, are for fine/ fee grabbing, not public safety.. JJ may be a lot of things, but hes not politically stupid.. Hes pandering to his voting block, while grabbing federal funds and grants..

The same reason state legislators are passing silly, 'be like Arizona' laws, in the monkey see, monkey do, radical rightwing pandering, throw bubba some redmeat, Monkey Bill Haslam, agenda..

Like they keep saying, in post after post, the radical rightwing isnt racist, they just dont like minorities..

April 27, 2012
2:08 p.m.

UniteAll1970 writes:

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[in](#) response to [skipp5](#):

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Actually, if memory serves, this was tried, maybe not here though. It was unsuccessful because no one could decide who would bear the cost to transport them to detention centers to be deported. The local authority said they didn't have it in their budgets nor did they have enough personnel. The feds said, hey not our responsibility, we can't afford it either. It is very costly. So they sat and sat and sat using up tax dollars for food and free health care, which jails are required to give to inmates, and further overcrowding already overcrowded jails.

April 27, 2012
2:16 p.m.

rk40977#297843 writes:

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[in](#) response to [The7thSon2010](#):

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Recycling those cliches, I see. Good for you!

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cejensen writes:

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That's the rub, folks.

April 27, 2012
2:20 p.m.

JohnathanRebel writes:

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[in response to UniteAll1970:](#)

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Thank you site staff for removing the last comment. a very grateful healthy immigrant!!!

Truth bother you?

April 27, 2012
2:21 p.m.

caseyjones4 writes:

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[in response to micromegas:](#)

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Firat, jceubanks, what is it that makes you assume that the folks who want a meeting with JJ are illegals?

Secind,RJP 11, I wonder is all of the peoplewho are incarceratedd will be screened for citizenship.

I do know of one person, who deliberately does not carry identification papers with him. He is white and speaks perfect English. How will the jailers tell if he is or is nbot here legally?

To the best of my knowlege, there is no requirement that we carry

"papers". Do you know of a federal law that says that we must?

The sherrif could defuse this by simply asking the folks to choose a couple of people to represent them and then setting up a meeting.

I would bet my bottom dollar that if some group of campaign contributors or influential businessmen of note were to ask to see him that he would make plenty of time for them.

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"To the best of my knowlege, there is no requirement that we carry "papers"".

No, we are not required to carry papers, and cannot be charged for not doing so, but I believe that SOP is that if you are arrested for any reason and refuse to identify yourself they will hold you as a John/Jane Doe until your identity is established.

Your friend may want to check before he tries to one-up the po-po.

April 27, 2012
2:21 p.m.

rollo writes:

T for Texas T For Tennessee . We took Texas from Mexico so now we must pay for it,{an California;New Mexico an Arizona}.The Mexican's are our family.Let's be Christians about this.Treat them like American's an send the bad one's home an leave he good one's alone.

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April 27, 2012
2:24 p.m.

raja (Inactive) writes:

[in response to Rifleman:](#)

Exactly what immigration 'laws' did my ancestors violate 350 years ago? And, please be factual.

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You could probably start with the Religious teachings. There are laws, comandments, there. Unless of course you feel other laws supercede those. You can take it from there. Only you know whats in your heart. If you want a history lesson, I charge tutoring fees!

April 27, 2012
2:27 p.m.

GT-FORD writes:

[in response to cejensen:](#)

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He's the Sheriff! he's paid to do his job. If you're here illegal that's a crime, why can't you understand that Mr CEO?

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April 27, 2012
2:31 p.m.

UniteAll1970 writes:

<p>Suggest removal</p> <p>Reply to this post</p>	<p>in response to JohnathanRebel:</p> <p>Truth bother you?</p> <p>lies should bother you!</p>
<p>April 27, 2012 2:33 p.m.</p> <p>Suggest removal</p> <p>Reply to this post</p>	<p>raja (Inactive) writes:</p> <p>in response to BuddyBear:</p> <p><i>(This comment was removed by the site staff.)</i></p> <p>I do not recall Sheriff Jones being a Federal Officer. His Obligation is to Knox County Residents first. He is on Our payroll. Not ice's. Those are Facts.</p>
<p>April 27, 2012 2:34 p.m.</p> <p>Suggest removal</p> <p>Reply to this post</p>	<p>cejensen writes:</p> <p>Yeah, Buddy, by the time JJ meets with anybody, he'll have an agreement with ICE in place and will use the ole lame, "sorry, I'd like to help but, well, the agreement is already in place".</p> <p>So lame. I wonder if JJ is having someone that can read negotiate the agreement...probably has to go outside the department.</p>
<p>April 27, 2012 2:35 p.m.</p> <p>Suggest removal</p> <p>Reply to this post</p>	<p>UniteAll1970 writes:</p> <p>in response to BuddyBear:</p> <p><i>(This comment was removed by the site staff.)</i></p> <p>why did he apply to the program without knowing the facts first? I would never apply to a contract without first knowing what this contract is all about!</p>
<p>April 27, 2012 2:43 p.m.</p> <p>Suggest removal</p> <p>Reply to this post</p>	<p>JohnathanRebel writes:</p> <p>in response to UniteAll1970:</p> <p>lies should bother you!</p> <p>Wat was a lie?</p>
<p>April 27, 2012 2:49 p.m.</p> <p>Suggest removal</p> <p>Reply to this post</p>	<p>UniteAll1970 writes:</p> <p>in response to JohnathanRebel:</p> <p>Wat was a lie?</p> <p>If you have never got this from the dictionary, let me enlighten you:</p>

1. A false statement deliberately presented as being true; a falsehood.
2. Something meant to deceive or give a wrong impression.

by the free dictionary.

April 27, 2012
2:54 p.m.

bperky writes:

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[in](#) response to [The7thSon2010](#):

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When the republicans run out of people to hate, and blame, who will be left to vote for them?
They seem to think sticking Rubio, a Cuban Immigrant, on the ticket, they can win the election.. They like the hispanics they can use to their advantage.. Sticking a radical woman on the ticket, didnt help McCain, and its doubtful anyone could help Mittens 'VultureCapitalist' Romney.. The 'hate Obama' agenda, has clouded any debate and the republicans have declared war on immigrant workers, war on women, war on the poor and elderly, war on minoritys, war on poor kids and single mothers, war on teachers, war on municipal workers, yet sticking Rubio on the ticket fixes everything.. Wow.. What lunacy.. Spew vile rhetoric, about a voting block, then expect their votes.. And the amazing thing is, it works...

You are a moron. I was a lifelong democrat until the DNC became riddled with commie/Marxist swine who are ripping away our rights. The illegals are taking too much work from construction and landscape contractors who happen to be here legally. It's unfair and we want it to stop....period. It's the LAW, dummy!

April 27, 2012
2:57 p.m.

Sanfu writes:

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Good job, JJ. You don't owe this silly advocacy group a single thing!

[Reply to this post](#)

April 27, 2012
2:58 p.m.

rhailey931 writes:

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I'm not a fan of he sheriff, but his stance of wanting to read the package before commenting on the package seems like common sense to me. Given the recent hysteria by the right over the farm labor rules (that do NOT in any way affect family farms and their ability to have their children work there) and on the left regarding the extension of protection for pregnant mothers in their first 8 weeks of pregnancy (which does not and cannot be used to infringe on abortion rights) I think it would be nice if everybody decided not to talk about a bill or a rule or a program until they've actually read it.

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What can I say; I'm an idealist.

April 27, 2012
2:59 p.m.

raja (Inactive) writes:

[Suggest removal](#)

[in](#) response to [BuddyBear](#):

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He is a County Sheriff. We all know what he is. If he does not want to hear citizens concerns, that they're rights could possibly be violated, then we know what else he possibly is. That's all I have to say. Have a Good Day.

April 27, 2012

UniteAll1970 writes:

3:01 p.m.

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[in](#) response to [bperky](#):

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if these people are being hired by construction and landscape contractors, then why are they hiring them in the first place? why we do not start calling illegal contractors? Let's start rounding up all the illegal contractors, and companies who hire people without documents.

April 27, 2012
3:02 p.m.

[peacedog05](#) writes:

[Suggest removal](#)

[in](#) response to [The7thSon2010](#):

[Reply to this post](#)

All these folks yelling, 'illegals', just dont get it.. The republicans wanted a cheap labor force, the democrats a voting block, the catholic church, parishoners.. The minimum wage workers wash dishes, make beds, do maid and yard work, are the backbone of a vibrant economy..

Yelling 'illegals', should have been done under Clinton, Bush, most came in on George W's watch, Reagan granted citizenship for millions, of illegals.. The politicians kicked the can down the road, with the 'seal the borders first', pipe dream.. Its almost impossible, there would be bilions spent patrolling thousands of miles of border.. And jailing them costs 30,000\$ a year, per person..

The argument to 'save the country people want to come too, by sending back those that come', is ridiculous..

The 'hate Obama' crowd, jumps on this, as if getting rid of low wage, doing unfilled, undesirable jobs, will 'fix' anything.. Isnt that the republican agenda, cut wages, benefits and job security, cut retirement and healthcare, yet give tax cuts to millionaires and WallStreet, subsidys to big oil, and more tax breaks to job exporting corporations??..

Low wage, no benefit workers is the radical rightwingers goals, they just dont want them to be 'illegals', hispanic..

The radical rightwing needs a 'boogeyman', to fear and blame, and so far its been the poor, elderly, women, minoritys, municipal employees, teachers, kids and single mothers, anybody and everybody, except the top 1%...

Its lunacy..

JJ is in it for the money, grants, freetraining, government cheese.. If he jailed all the 'illegals', the system would 'explode', costs be astronomical.. Refuse to give the immigrants drivers license, then 'deport' them for driving without a license.. Does that make sense?

The gun hoots, HCP vigilantees, rednecks, and backwoods Bubbas, want something to whine about, someone to blame, easy answer to complex questions, that are wrong.. The republicans want wedge issues to conquer and divide the voters.. Same old, same old, different day..

I do not need a long rant to express my position....There are federal laws in place for immigration. Follow the rules or get out. It is not a "gun hoots, HCP vigilantees, rednecks, and backwoods Bubbas" position or a liberal position. I just want the laws to be obeyed.

April 27, 2012

[MoJoe](#) writes:

3:03 p.m.

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[in](#) response to [cejensen](#):

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So lame. I wonder if JJ is having someone that can read negotiate the agreement...probably has to go outside the department.

So, if I understand you correctly, then the sheriff should decide which laws he wants to enforce and which laws he does not want to enforce and everything would be just peachy. I just don't get your position on this. Illegal is illegal no matter what law is being violated.

April 27, 2012
3:04 p.m.

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[in](#) response to [bperky](#):

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personal attack.

April 27, 2012
3:04 p.m.

[teaparty2012](#) writes:

[Suggest removal](#)

[in](#) response to [bperky](#):

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He is isn't he.

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