

What could we change in America?

The question that seems to be flying around America is "what would you change if you had the choice?" Well, there's a lot that could be changed. Yet, only a couple I think could drastically change the nation, and possibly solve other problems below them. Three problems I think need to be changed are racial profiling, inadequate pay for our military members and their families, and blaming guns for people's' stupidity.

Some of you might not think racial profiling exists, but it's so obvious. You hear on the news, "black teen shot by white cop". Why can't you just say, "teen shot by cop"? There's a huge difference between the two. It's starting racially inflicted violence between the nation. Instead of one nation under God, it's one nation being torn apart.

We need to pay the military personnel and their families what they deserve. Instead of paying a pro athlete millions of dollars every year, pay the military. They are risking their lives for us. They are leaving their loved ones to make sure we can be near ours. They deserve everything they could imagine. Not some football player that scored the game winning touchdown in the Super Bowl. Their families should get good benefits for their whole life. They should live comfy and relaxed after what they had to go through to keep us safe.

Why is it that when a driver hits a pedestrian on the road, it's the drivers fault, yet when one man goes on a murderous rampage, we blame the gun? The gun, like the car, cannot operate without someone activating it. If I set a gun on my porch in a highly populated area, no one will be shot unless a being acts upon the gun. If you want better background checks, please, go ahead. The deranged or mentally ill should be found out so they can't buy a weapon. Guns don't have a brain, but we do. Use it.

These are only a couple things that I think could be changed about our still growing nation. Obviously, the nation will never be perfect, but I'd like it to be civilized. Race is a huge issue in our country, and could be easily avoided by how we word things or permeate stereotypes. Our military deserve the best. They make it so we can enjoy our football games or our schooling. They deserve the rich, fancy life. Not us. Guns don't kill people. People kill people with the weapons. Our nation could improve greatly, but not by only some people doing it. Everyone needs to do it to make this country great and powerful like it was 70 years ago.