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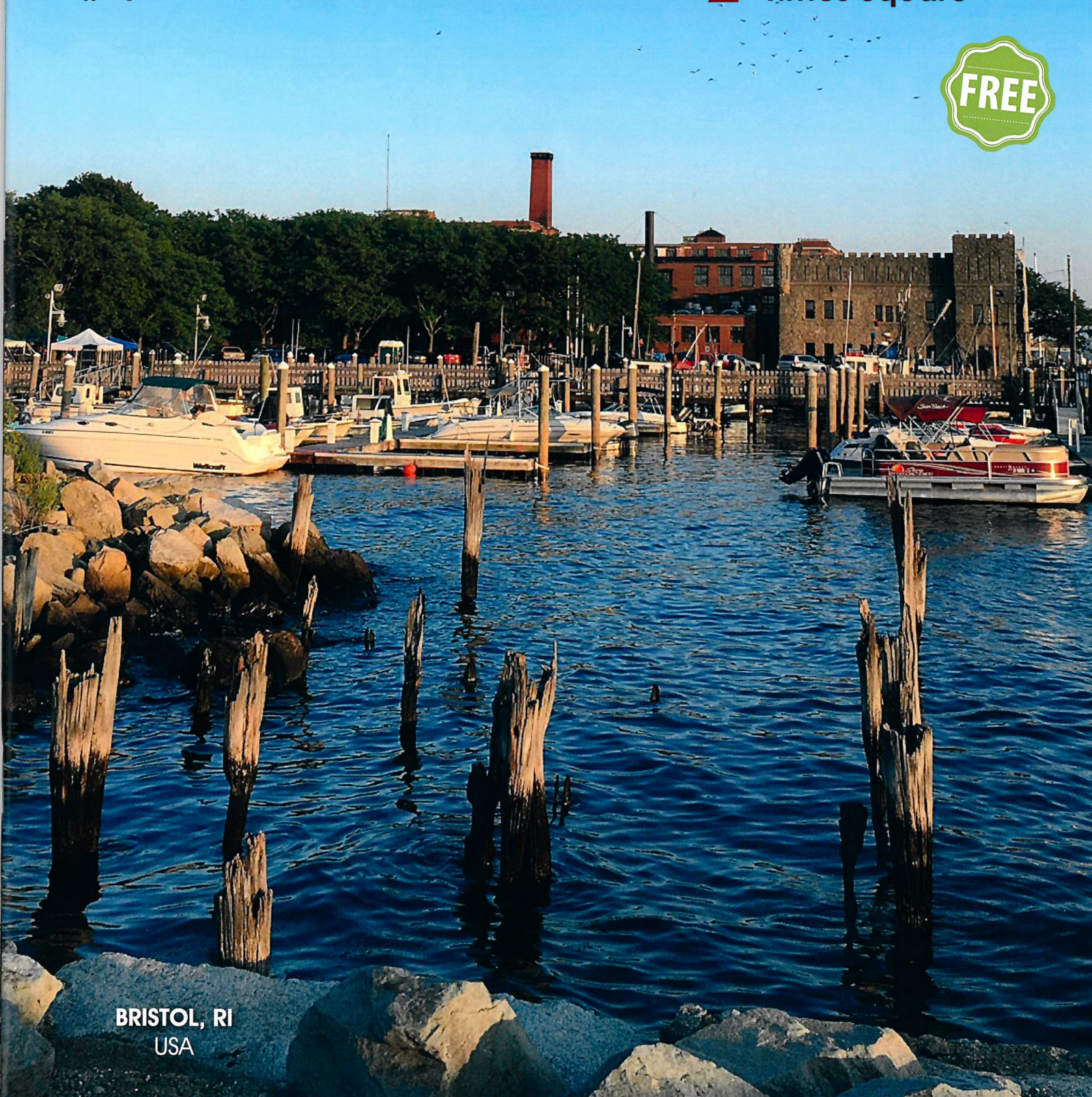
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BLOOD LUST WITHIN
HUMANITY

A reporter for The Atlantic Monthly described a recent national political gathering as being an expression of bloodlust.

The news media smears us with actual instances of bloodlust. The massive cacophonies of humans who turn to bloodlust are plentiful. We see it in France, Turkey, Orlando, Baton Rouge and await the inevitable next time. It is the sensationalism that brings these events to our attention. Sadly there are many more horrific events that without the sensationalism pass us by unnoticed. But with the sensational... we cannot help but think of the bottom line of human behavior, our most base self, where bloodlust resides.

Expressions of bloodlust grip us. On the individual's level, signals to be violent and the means abound. The arms industry pedals enhanced kill power with a fictional interpretation of the 2nd Amendment encouraging individuals to be armed. To be armed. That is contradicted by Alexander Hamilton in Federalist Papers #29, who merely instructed a well-regulated militia be the states' run national guard. The arms industry promotes the facilitation of killing. This is consistent with corporate values, values that view public welfare as secondary.

Yet better quality of life makes life seem more valuable and less disposable.

Bloodlust in our society is a grave concern. With strife inspired violent bloodlust we are weakened. Those targeted by bloodlust break our hearts. What to do? We need to advance civilization through sensitivity and strength. Much of this is about forgiveness. Forgiveness is a force only available to the strong. We need be strong and insist that our leaders be actual public servants. Forgiveness is not spent, it is invested in society and one's self. Your balance with the order of the universe, that which is beyond our understanding is dependent upon seeking a path. Become strong by doing difficult things.

To calm the human bloodlust is a shared responsibility. Please join the struggle.
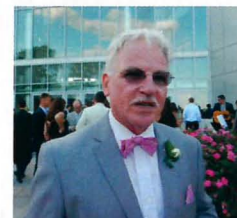
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