

# Raffle Extension: Closing 2.6.2010

**[Reason Why: Problem with Military Resistance website meant readers who access there rather than through direct emailing may not have seen recent raffle notice expiration postings.]**

**[Thanks For The Assistance Of Those Who Have Already Sent In Support To Keep This Newsletter Alive. Apologies For The Delay In Drawing The Prizes]**

**The Military Resistance [Formerly GI Special] New Year's Fund Raising Raffle:  
[Photos Of Prizes Below]**

## **How It Works:**

**Anybody who sends at least \$5 is in the raffle. The new deadline is February 6.**

There are 13 prizes, so 13 names will be pulled out of a hat.

The first name pulled gets to pick his or her choice, and then the second name will get to choose from the remaining prizes, and so on. We'll contact winners by email or phone if you send a phone #.

Except for the table, there will be no charge for shipping the items to you unless you are overseas and do not have APO.

**NOTE; ANY ENVELOPES POSTMARKED 2.6.10 OR EARLIER WILL BE CONSIDERED GOOD FOR THE RAFFLE, BECAUSE SOME ARE COMING FROM OVERSEAS.**

The drawing will be done 2.10.10 to give those letters time to arrive.

# ***Why Support Military Resistance?***

## **#1:**

**Jeff Englehart, Former Spc., U.S. Army, Iraq Service  
Member, Military Project Organizing Committee  
Member, Iraq Veterans Against the War**

**Date: Apr 5, 2009**

**Military Resistance has always and continues to be a source of inspiration for a lot of soldiers.**

**Thomas has shared emails with me from soldiers over there who are getting fed up with having no recourse to the taxing burden the GWOT has been on their lives.**

**One of the only groups in the country that actually does GI outreach on a regular basis on their latest trip to the armory handed out every copy of Military Resistance that they had to a large group of Guardsmembers, mostly of color, who don't want to go to Afghanistan, know that Obama is lying to them, and simply don't give a shit anymore.**

## **#2:**

**From:  
Lt. Fabian Bouthillette, USNR, Iraq Service  
Member, Military Project Organizing Committee  
Member, Iraq Veterans Against the War  
U.S. Naval Academy Class of 2003**

**As the occupations continue to rage on, the importance of reaching out to the members of our armed forces becomes more and more apparent. Our troops have the power to do what our government lacks the will to do... end the occupations of Iraq an Afghanistan.**

**Military Resistance has been with us from the beginning, supporting the voice of troops who are against the occupations.**

**In it you have read letters from troops condemning the misuse of our military.**

**You have read first hand accounts of our brave servicemembers who feel betrayed by their commanders and their government.**

**These brave servicemembers who risk their careers in order to speak their mind deserve our support, and Military Resistance continues to be a leader in providing that support.**

**Military Resistance also continues to be a leader in providing news of what is actually happening on the ground in Afghanistan and Iraq.**

**Support for Military Resistance is support for our anti-occupation troops.**

**It is also support for the reporting of the true nature of these two devastating occupations.**

## **#3: [Enough Said]**

**11.4.09 "Thank u so much 4 everything u guys do for us service members."  
[Active duty soldier, Fort Polk]**

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## **Why Military Resistance Newsletter Needs Some Help Now:**

As Obama steps up the slaughter in Afghanistan, doing everything possible to encourage military resistance to Imperial war has never been more important!

You know we don't hit you up often -- never more than twice a year **[last Raffle was 4.09]** but the wars don't go on only twice a year: the killing never stops.

**Here's some expenses that have been covered by wage-working people who have fronted the money that keeps Military Resistance coming out.**

### **1. Computer Maintenance:**

**Yearly fees for security services** that keep out assorted hackers, virus senders, etc. so that not only is it possible to produce military resistance, but, most important, emails received from active duty troops remain confidential.

**Yearly fees for website** that posts the newsletter, and serves as an incoming email address for members of the armed services. Along with that, yearly feels for keeping the website name registered.

And then there are those monthly charges for having a high-quality unlimited-capacity email service connection to the internet to send and receive Military Resistance newsletter and the hundreds of emails that come in every day.

**Costs for a brilliant computer technician** who solves the endless problems that endlessly come up in maintaining the platform that makes Military Resistance Newsletter possible. And yes, he gives Military Resistance a huge break on fees because he's sympathetic to the work.

**2. Cost of a high security mail box** that allows anybody in the armed services to address mail to Military Resistance anyway they want, using any name they want, ranging from Military Project to Presbyterian Pen Pal Club, provided the Box # is correct: \$650 for a year. Ouch.

**3. Then, routinely:**

**Producing copies of printed materials for outreach to active duty troops and National Guard members, reams of paper, buckets of ink and on and on.**

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**It never ends,**

**But the money that comes from the pay checks and savings accounts of a few working people who help has gone as far as possible**

**Bills are piling up. And up. So far, unfunded bills come to \$2870.**

**The United States Federal Reserve Bank shows no signs of coming to our aid. Too bad we weren't out there selling fraudulent bonds and worthless "securities," so we could qualify for a few billion.**

**Your assistance is respectfully and very urgently requested, right now.**

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Military Resistance**

**All proceeds will be used for work giving aid and comfort to members of the armed forces opposing today's Imperial wars.**

**POLITICIANS CAN'T BE COUNTED ON  
TO HALT THE BLOODSHED**

**THE TROOPS HAVE THE POWER TO  
STOP THE WARS**

**YOU CAN SEND YOUR SUPPORT BY  
MAIL OR CREDIT CARD:**

**BY MAIL:  
IF YOU SEND A CHECK OR MONEY ORDER,  
MAKE PAYABLE TO:  
THOMAS F BARTON**

**Mail to:**

**Military Resistance Newsletter  
C/O  
Box 126  
2576 Broadway  
New York, N.Y.  
10025-5657**

**CREDIT CARD OR PAYPAL PAYMENTS:  
THROUGH OUR PAYPAL ACCOUNT:**

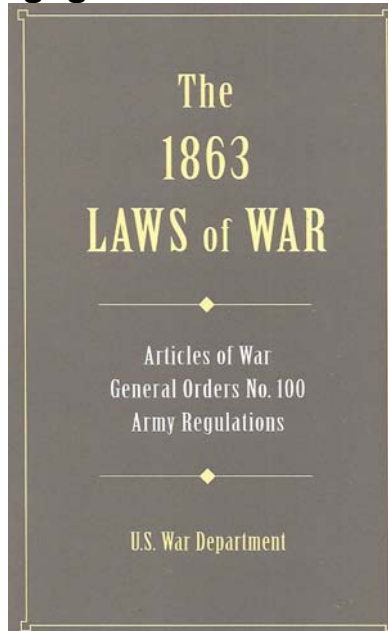
**CLICK ON THIS PAYPAL LINK OR COPY IT INTO YOUR  
BROWSER ADDRESS FIELD:**

**[https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=\\_s-xclick&hosted\\_button\\_id=5069540](https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=5069540)**

**Now For The Prizes:  
[Winners Choice]**

**Prize #1:**

**The Army Regulations That First Outlawed The Torture  
Of Prisoners, And Recognized The Right Of The Occupied  
To Engage In Armed Resistance**



Hardcover, 229 pages

A faultless reproduction, original typeface and all. Beautiful condition: Stackpole Military History Series

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**Prize #2:  
Kathy Sanborn CD "Peaceful Sounds"**



Kathy Sanborn

This sealed CD by activist Kathy Sanborn dives into war, poverty, and homeless veterans. Beautiful voice, powerful songs. With a signed letter by the artist.

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### **Prize #3: Expanding Table Handcrafted By Alycia A. Barr**

Alycia A Barr, mother of an Iraq War veteran, has not only campaigned against the war for years, she has contributed her outstanding furniture crafting skills to Military Resistance & The Military Project.

**NOTE: This can't be sent outside the fifty states** without full payment of shipping charges. Winner who wishes to pick up personally New York City area can do so.





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**Prize #4 & 5:  
May 1917: Russia  
The War Bonds That Brought On A Revolution  
[Two Available]**

In February 1917, Russian workers and soldiers rose in revolution to overthrow a feudal government that had dragged them into an Imperial War, World War 1, where Russians died, at home and in the Army, for the glory and greed of the Czar, Emperor of Russia.

Having gotten rid of him, they thought the new government, led by Prime Minister Kerensky, would stop the war.

Instead, in May 1917, he floated the Kerensky War Loan, gold backed bonds to borrow \$188 million, to pay for keeping Russia in the war. **[Gee, does that sound familiar?]**

Seeing that nothing less would do, 6 months later the elected soldiers' and workers' councils organized a second revolution that wiped Kerensky's government of generals, war profiteers, crooked politicians, and capitalists off the face of the earth.





These are the Kerensky war bonds. The blue is for 500 gold rubles, the red for 1000 gold rubles. If you win one, feel free to go to Moscow and see if they will honor the debt.

P.S. They were purchased on 9.1.64 from (no joke) Carl Marks & Co., Inc., New York. And yes, if you win one, you'll get a copy of the bill of sale that says so.

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## Prize #6 Vietnam GI: Complete

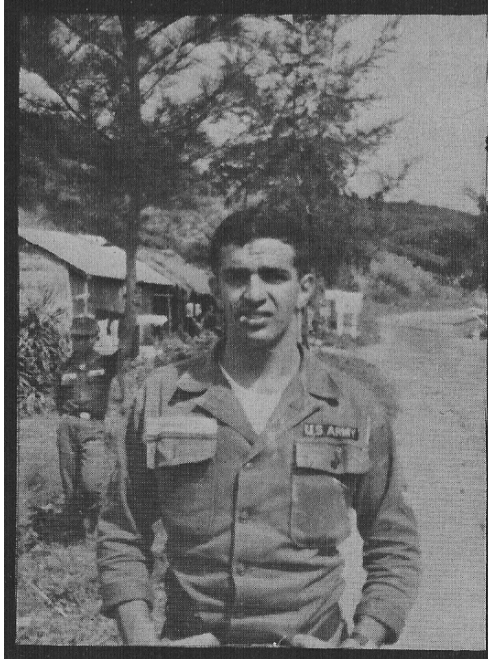
A complete set of Vietnam GIs. The originals were a bit rough, sometimes a line at the bottom gone, but every page is there. Over 100 pages, full 11x17 size.

Not available complete from anybody else, anywhere

Edited by Jeff Sharlet until his death (see below), this newspaper rocked the world, attracting attention even from Time Magazine, and extremely hostile attention from the chain of command.

The pages and pages of letters in the paper from troops in Vietnam condemning the war are lost to history, but you can find them here:

**Vietnam GI**



## ***Jeff Sharlet Dies***

**VIETNAM GI  
August 1969**

Many good men never came back from Nam. Some came back disabled in mind. Jeff Sharlet came back a pretty together cat--and he came back angry. Jeff started VGI, and for almost two years poured his life into it, in an endless succession of 18-hour days trying to organize men to fight for their own rights.

On Monday, June 16th, at 2:45 pm, Jeff died in the Miami VA Hospital. He died of a sudden heart failure, brought on by the uncontrollable growth of the cancer that had earlier destroyed his kidney.

There was no way to save him. He was only 27 years old.

Rather than wait for the draft, like so many others Jeff went RA. With dreams of seeing Europe, he applied for "translator-interpreter", and found himself at the US Army Language School at Monterey, California. But instead of French, Czech or German, he was assigned a strange language called "Vietnamese"--. spoken in a country he couldn't even find on the map. For eleven months in 1962 he was drilled in Vietnamese.

In 1963 he was assigned to Army Security Agency, and left for his first tour in Nam. Stationed in Saigon awhile, Jeff witnessed the ARVN coup that overthrew Saigon dictator Ngo Diem.

On his second tour his ASA unit was stationed near Phu Bai. Engaged in top-secret work monitoring, decoding and translating North Vietnamese radio messages, they wore AF uniforms and worked at a small air base. But every time they went into the bars, every bargirl could reel off all the facts about their mission.

Speaking the language well, Jeff could talk to many Vietnamese about what was happening to their country. He spent long hours questioning ex-Foreign Legion men, who'd settled in Vietnam after the French left, peasants, ARVN officers, students, and even suspected VC agents. By the time he ETSed in July, 1964 he'd put a lot of pieces together.

**Jeff went back to school, and got his college degree (with honors) from Indiana University in 1967. During his "GI Bill years" he joined the peace movement, and became chairman of his local chapter of Students for a Democratic Society. But he had become increasingly disillusioned about the student movement, and felt that its shallowness and snotty attitude towards other people made it ineffective.**

**That summer he went to New York City to work with Vietnam Veterans Against the War, and it was there that he decided to try to organize other GIs to fight the brass. Jeff had won a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship for graduate study at the University of Chicago. He enrolled and "picked up his check. From then on all his time and money were sunk into starting a newspaper for servicemen.**

After two years of endless traveling, fund-raising and writing, Jeff's drive started to fade. That restless energy that had brought him countless miles to base after base wasn't there.

After his last trip to Ft. Hood in the Fall of 1968, Jeff complained that he was really beat, burnt out. We all agreed that he should go "on leave" and take a rest.

It was while visiting friends in Boston that the first really severe pains started. Jeff flew home to Florida, and entered the hospital. From there it was steadily downhill all the way. The removal of his left kidney, massive radiation treatments, drugs--nothing stopped the growth of his cancer.

At the end he was weak and emaciated, without enough breath in his lungs to speak for more than a few sentences.

He said that he had many new ideas for our fight, but was just too exhausted to talk about them.

Jeff was a truly rare man.

He was our friend and comrade, and those of us who came together in this fight will never forget him. VGI, the paper that so many readers called "the truth paper," will go on fighting.

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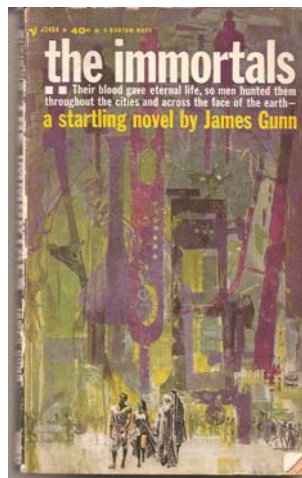
**Prize #7:  
David McReynolds Wall Poster:  
80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party Dinner**



Given to guests who attended his 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebration 11.7.09. Printed on glossy paper. Rolled.

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**Prize #8:**  
**A Science Fiction Book Published In 1962 About Life In  
The United States In 2009:**



[Paperback]

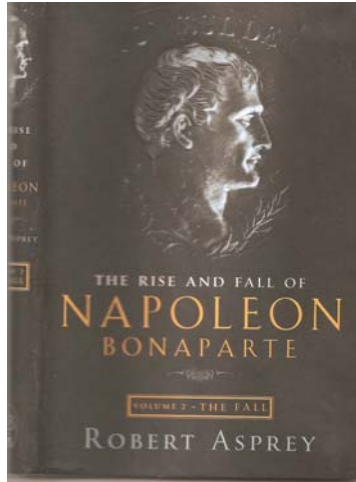
“In a world of utter peril and crippling fear with one bright thread running through it. – the golden blood of the Immortals. And they were cruelly pursued by rulers, rich men...

Beautiful and young, aged and wise, they lived a subterranean existence, hiding from those who would batten on them and bleed them white.”

And they resist.

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## **Prize #9: The Fall Of Napoleon Bonaparte: By Robert Asprey**



480 pages, hardcover

Asprey, Captain, USMC (ret'd) is better known for his classic “The Guerrilla in History,” pointing out, among other things, the colossal stupidity of the U.S. war in Vietnam. General Betrayus stole most of his counterinsurgency “ideas” from Asprey.

This book continues that focus.

Napoleons’ father was a guerrilla warrior in the mountains of his native Corsica, part of resistance to French Imperial occupation.

Napoleon joins the French army, and becomes a flaming republican, declaring war on all the crowned heads of Europe.

It worked. The Kings’ and Princes’ soldiers usually ran away at the first shock of battle. Napoleon’s were most fiercely motivated to advance and did so.

This is part 2, about how Napoleon decided to make himself an Emperor sitting on a throne and fucked it all up.]

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## **Prize #10: The Comic That’s Guaranteed To Make Any Imperial War-Loving Officer Puke On His Boots**



Collection of many issues in book form: 165 pages.

It's way way off in the future. The war is still on in Afbagistan. The government is still operated by a pack of corrupt, murderous clowns, just like today.

The army is somewhat different however: X-rated action 24-7 in the AOs with the full backing of command, and all manner of chaos reigns. Welcome to a new mind-bending form of full spectrum warfare. The traffic sign on the cover gives the reader fair warning.

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## **Prizes #11, 12, 13 Ten Different Early Issues Of GI Special Printed Out In Full Color**

Because most readers have come on within the last four years, many people have never seen earlier GI Specials.

None in these prizes will be more recent than 2004. A slice of history.

*[Example of front page:]*

**GI SPECIAL 2#67**

**BRING THEM ALL HOME NOW, ALIVE**



US special forces carry a body bag following an attack on US military Humvees in Baghdad that blew up four US military vehicles. (AFP/Marwan Naamani)

# Call To Organize From Iraq Vet: “Together We Can End This Occupation”

[The article continues to announce the beginning of resistance by Iraq war veterans]

[END PRIZES]

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