

WHAT'RE FANS BUYING?

(CONTRIBUTED BY FAN, STEVE JONES)

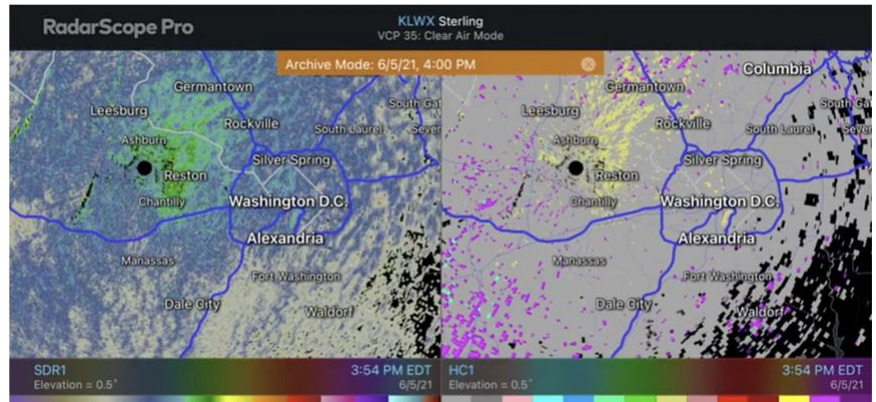


Yep, it's what you think it may be: sauerkraut! FAN Steve Jones is back at it, making his own batch of the lacto-fermented cabbage! So what did he buy? Well those little clear vials atop the Mason jars are fermenting gas traps, "...much better than my Jerry-rigged contraption. This brine process has been underway ten days at room temperature. I haven't sampled yet but the kraut looks to be "soft" but I think a week in the fridge will cause it to crunch up."

Wanna learn more about the process? Click on the link below:

[Lacto-Fermentation Process](#)

They're Baaaaaaack! (and we're. not. Happy)



Good evening, FANS! You're probably wondering "...what in the @#\$% is **that**? Big deal. It's a weather map." Well, you're partially correct. It's a weather map of the cicada swarms in the DC area! Pretty disgusting, isn't it? Well, as you already know, the winged (and pretty stupid if you've ever experienced one in the windshield) creatures are literally everywhere in the DMV! Some are winding up in local



restaurants as (wait for it) "Cicada Scampi." Just for the record, there's no way in the world that I'd ever put one of those things into my mouth...ever! So, with that, dear friends, we bring you another issue of our "FANS Weekly Summary" with articles contributed by YOU!!!

Documentary: “China’s COVID Secrets”



*Thanks to FAN, Randy Larson
for this contributed article*

In November 2002, an outbreak of severe acute respiratory syndrome, or SARS, began in southern China. The virus is thought to have passed from a bat into a civet cat and into humans at a market. It then spread quickly through southern China's crowded factory cities.

Doctors identified that something unusual happening, reported it to the local public health authorities. It took weeks and months for them to take a decisive action.

This PBS “Frontline” documentary is indeed a fascinating one. It brings to light a facet of the COVID pandemic that, well, just hasn't been talked about. Thanks to our FAN, Randy Larsen, for bringing it to us.

See the full documentary
[here](#)

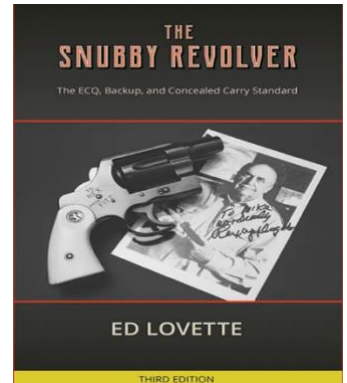
The Snubby Revolver

Thanks to FAN “FNU LNU” for contributing this article!

A FAN (who wishes to remain anonymous), has received several inquiries from retired alumni who are seeking advice on purchasing a handgun for self-protection.

Coincidentally, another former alum forwarded information about the below publication that may be of interest to FANs. In the interest of full disclosure, the contributor has not read or purchased the book but believes that the contents are very likely to be of interest to anyone who is interested in this type of firearm. The author, Ed Lovette, is a former Green Beret Captain, former New Mexico LEO/instructor, who has 20+ years at CIA. You can get his book at:

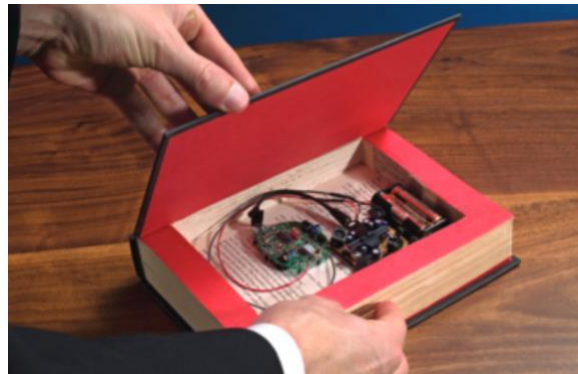
www.snubnoir.com



Your FANTY Prize Awaits You...

*Thanks to FAN David Simpson
for contributing this article (and prizes!)*

Fellow FAN, David Simpson, has offered to donate three (3) Bug-in-a-Book kits as 2021 FANTY (FAN of This Year) sweepstakes prizes. These are believed to be the last three in existence!



The **Bug-in-a-Book** is a fun and easy electronics project that originally appeared in the Spy Tech

Bug-in-a-Book continued...

edition of Make Magazine. If you choose to accept this mission, you'll connect a shirt-pocket "amplified listener" hearing aid with an in-car FM transmitter to create a wireless bug. Then you'll tuck them inside a hollowed-out book with the microphone concealed by the dust cover, and you'll have a covert listening device that you can leave lying around or on a shelf near a surveillance target. Then you (or an undercover agent) in the next room can eavesdrop on any devious plotting through an ordinary FM radio.

Life-long maker and creator of the Bug-in-a-Book, David also develops and delivers original educational programs for science and technology venues through his company, Innovators Inc. (www.innovators-inc.net).. In 2010, he was named the Civil Air Patrol's New Jersey Aerospace Education Officer of the Year. He's delivered workshops for the Liberty Science Center, the Girl Scouts and the International Spy Museum. During the height of the COVID pandemic, David led numerous workshops for kids on the Outschool online platform including, "Hack Your Toys" and "Hack Your Bubble Blaster" earning dozens of glowing parent reviews. He created the Bug-in-a-Book project for the Spy Tech edition of Make Magazine. Then he turned it into a fun and easy electronics kit and workshop. The first Bug-in-a-Book workshop was held in 2011 at the International Spy Museum in Washington, DC (where else?) where Dave first met Bob Wallace (who else?). The original Make Magazine story can be found here:

<https://cdn.makezine.com/make/covertlistening.pdf>

This intercepted briefing - India Sierra Mike - is of unknown origin but provides some clues to the genesis of the Bug-in-a-Book ("eyes only"): <https://youtu.be/6F1LdxzY9PU>

This week in "FANs Spotlight"

Yep...we have another four articles ready for your perusal! As usual, we published 'em in the "FANs Spotlight" section of the Artemus Consulting Group website.

<p><u>Department of Justice Seizes Ransomware \$2.3M</u></p>		<p><u>How to Protect Your Files From Ransomware</u></p>	
<p><u>U.S. Suffers Over 7 Ransomware Attacks An Hour. It's Now A National Security Risk</u></p>		<p><u>Feds Secretly Ran a Fake Encrypted Chat App and Busted...</u></p>	

Thanks for reading! See you all in a couple of weeks!