



## Lobster Feast

### LOBSTER FEAST IS A SUCCESS!

The Bow Men's Club Annual Lobster Fest was held Saturday, October 2nd. Proceeds raised from the event will help fund donations to Scouting BSA Troop 75, Bow High School senior scholarships, and community projects like the handicapped accessible ramp and the picture rail at the Old Town Hall.



Warren Perry holds up two lobsters ready for steaming at the Men's Club's Annual Lobster Feast. Photo courtesy Eric Anderson

## PRE-K ART & PLAY



Pre-K Art and Play is for children ages 3-5 with parent/guardian or adult caregiver. Come join us for a fun-filled hour where you and your child will enjoy working on arts and crafts projects together and engaging in a variety of movement activities, games and more with other children. The result is serious bonding time with your little one and colorful masterpieces to display at home!

### LOCATION:

Bow Recreation Center  
1 Bow Center Road, Bow

### WHEN:

Friday, November 5, 19  
December 3, 10, 17

**COST:** \$55 Bow Resident \$60 Non-Resident

**TIME:** 10:00-11:00 AM

**BOW PARKS & RECREATION**

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## SHADES OF GRAY?

It is common in today's discussions (or should I say arguments) to hear phrases such as "Right to Free Speech," "Second Amendment Rights," and "Reproductive Rights." Let's take a closer look at what we are really saying, what these 'rights' really mean and how we use language as a cover for what we really want to say or do.

As a noun, 'right' means what is morally correct, just or honorable. When used as an adjective it means true or correct as a fact (also morally good, justified, or acceptable). In general, as you will see below, just because a 'right' is guaranteed does not mean that it is absolute. If exercising your 'right' will bring harm to someone, your 'right' may be limited.

The First Amendment gives us freedom of speech. But we do not have absolute freedom of speech. Our right to free speech is limited by where we are, what we say, and how we say it. Here are some (but not all) of the types of speech that a federal or civil court could, by law, find you guilty of: Obscenity, Lies, Threatening violence or Pornography.<sup>1</sup>

The Second Amendment says that we have the right to keep and bear arms. But again, this is not unlimited. This amendment is probably one of the most contested issues in local, state and federal court. Since *DC v Heller* in 2008 courts have found the vast majority of reasonable gun regulations to be within the guidelines of the Second Amendment. This would include prohibiting certain individuals from owning a firearm as well as the type of firearm one can own.<sup>2</sup>

Reproductive Rights is a slogan used by many in the 'pro-choice' movement. How could anyone argue against a woman's 'Reproductive Rights'? You can't. Reproduction is the biological process by which we reproduce offspring. It is the main feature of life on earth. Although there is not a constitutional right to reproduction, several Supreme Court cases have recognized it as a fundamental right. (Interestingly, courts are not sure if men have reproductive rights!). An example of restricted reproductive rights is in China which had a one-child limit from 1980 until 2016 when couples were then allowed two children. This year the government is allowing three children per couple.

As we saw in the first two illustrations, if exercising your 'right' will bring harm to someone, then your 'rights' may be limited. In the issue of Reproductive Rights, we should take into consideration the rights of the baby, which in this case is not able to defend itself or make a case for its wellbeing and its own rights. If we call the baby "the products of conception" or a "fetus," we don't have to deal with a person with rights so we can do as we please. That is what we did with African slaves. We called them "our property" and thereby had the freedom to treat them as we wanted. The Nazi Party called the Jews and Poles 'the problem', and thereby justified their extermination. Finally, we need to clearly understand that the preborn baby is not part of the mother's body. The mother is 'carrying the baby.' The baby is as distinct and real an individual as are African Americans, Jews and Poles. Black lives do matter, Immigrant lives matter, and the life of the unborn child matters.<sup>3</sup>

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