

Trevor's Weekly News Letter

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January 13th- January 17th

Monday, January 13th

NIPSTA Fire Academy- Today is the first day for the class of 2001 instructors are teaching the students basic information on what to expect training here at the academy such as keeping up nutrition being mindful to eat healthy and balance out the junk to help keep your stamina up. My co-workers are also showing them around campus so everybody knows where everything is like the cafeteria for example to brew up coffee in the morning or the laundry machine to wash clothes. This class is unique because one of our own employees front desk Mike will be taking part doing the physical activities along with the other students, since we all know him he might get some sort of special treatment but I wouldn't count on anybody going easy he's got to put in the time and effort just like anybody else. I look forward to seeing how he does though, I'll be keeping an eye on you man no funny business while mister reporter is walking the premises.

Tuesday, January 14th

FLETC (Federal Law Enforcement Training Center) this is a new class/program taking place in classroom two this week. Unlike most of our classes, this course is being taught free of charge we've never offered it here at the academy before. Instructors are teaching the students arming them with different interview and interrogation methods situations that they will face on a daily basis. I'll be going further into this course throughout the week, I asked my co-worker Maral about it this morning thought it sounded new and different my gut instinct turned out to be true.

NIPSTA Fire Academy- second day of training for the class of 2001 doing Orientation in the hangar instructors are timing the students to see how fast they can put on and off their uniform and equipment, good practicing the rounds the faster the better the results will be in the event of a real fire taking place.

Wednesday, January 15th

Aerovisa Drone Academy- students are in classroom four today the instructor is going over the topic of How High Can I Fly discussing in depth where you should fly the drone such as it can be flown at the same altitude as the clouds so long as you maintain two thousand horizontal distance. Sometimes the clouds and fog are low to the ground but should be far enough apart to operate the carrier safely in the air.

FLETC (Federal Law Enforcement Training Center)- the free course is continuing their discussion in classroom two going over about possible DNA tests in woman using an SUE Technique used for a criminal interrogation investigation. SUE stands for Strategic Use of Evidence which is often used with the Computer Voice Stress Analyzer (CVSA) to obtain information from a suspect and figure out whether the person is telling the truth or not. Tomorrow will be the last day for this course, followed by a similar class running in late February but going over different law enforcement topics open for discussion.

Thursday, January 16th

FLETC (Federal Law Enforcement Training Center) today is the last day for the students training in classroom two the instructor is going over Subject Elimination, and with one of the students giving an example of what a interview interrogation in this case asking someone who started the fire and whether it was done intentionally. If the person being interviewed is speaking truthfully then asking said person what the punishment should be for those who were involved. Maral came into the classroom and did a practice interrogation interview for the first one and soon after I was shown a list of questions on a piece of paper people were asking during said interviews. The second practice one the instructor did with one of the students innocent or guilty you are supposed to say that you did not do it and convince the person of no wrong doing by your person, since it wasn't a real interrogation the instructor and the student up in front of the class made it humorous instead of how it would usually look to loosen up some of the tension since of course it can very stressful during the real thing. I would never want to be interviewed and interrogated because that would scare the crap out of me, however it's interesting to learn how they go about doing it. I know I'm not always allowed into the class when the cops are here but I appreciate getting to learn about some of the things they do when I am permitted, I'm not afraid of policemen despite the rep they get sometimes.

One of my best buddies from long ago joined the military as a Marine for a number of years plus I've seen plenty of crime shows on television with these tactics, but haven't really been exposed to it in real life.

Whether it's police or firefighters this reporter appreciates being given the opportunity to write about both sides of law enforcement I learn a lot on the way as well which is a good feeling, if I am allowed to at the end of February I'll share with what the next group is discussing in depth about.

Friday, January 17th

NIPSTA Fire Academy- Class of 2001 the guys and gals are training inside the hangar learning how to position all the ladders upright, making sure they're all locked in so the ladder stays in place and someone doesn't go through it or knock it over. These ladders weigh roughly between a hundred and a hundred fifty pounds our employee Doug told me these are among the lighter ones they've had ladders a lot heavier before, but this is also the last day of the week and the first week for the academy so there's a lot of training left six more weeks to be exact. I saw our buddy Mike training here for a couple of days I hope he's doing well it's funny and different seeing a familiar face doing all of the physical activities as a student instead of behind the desk with a computer considering he's worked with us for at least a couple of years now.

Writer's Note- Hello everybody and welcome back to Happy New Music Friday I would just like to issue a heads up to everybody that I will be retiring this column for a few weeks just so I have more albums to dive into with it being the first month of the new year and all recent releases have been scarce, but not to worry I'll be doing this again in a couple weeks time when there is more to discuss. Without further ado let's get right into the last new big release of the year 2019, and then it's 2020 baby here on out. The last major release in 2019 that mattered to me was the first live release from Corey Taylor's other musical outfit Stone Sour a live album called "Hello You Bastards: Live in Reno" hilarious tongue in cheek title and very fitting because everybody in Nevada especially near Vegas is always partying hard and going ape s*&% so maybe that was the idea for calling it that. For those who don't know Stone Sour was the first original creation for Corey Taylor however due to a split commitment between two bands the front man waited until 2002 to issue the debut album. What makes this band differ from Slipknot other than the commercial aspect is that they are really more about mellow songs with a razor blade sharp edge Hard Rock vibe but not often veering into heavy metal territory sometimes there's some belts and what not with Stone Sour but typically it's straight ahead rock and roll with some amazing ballads to

boot. Stone Sour is also a great choice to make for those who love Corey Taylor's singing voice but wish he would scream less well most of this band's catalog is living proof of that. "Hello You Bastards: Live in Reno" contains most of the group's back catalog up to their last studio release Hydrograd with sixteen cuts in total kicking things off with tracks from Hydrograd the songs "YSIF" and "Taipei Person/allah tea" as well as encompassing songs from my favorite double disc The House of Gold and Bones with "Do Me A Favor" and "Absolute Zero" to rare songs hardly ever played live anymore like "Get Inside" which has all the trademarks of Slipknot so that's probably why.

Then of course there are the beautiful ballads with the one and only Corey Taylor singing "Bother" and "Through The Glass" with the lyrics "I don't mean to Bother I'll keep slipping farther" and "I'm looking at you Through The Glass don't know how much time has passed but baby it feels like forever and no one ever tells you that forever feels like home sitting all alone inside your head". It is quite amazing with the long musical tenure Corey Taylor has had in the music industry that Stone Sour has never had a live album released until now, the group is on hiatus for the time being while Corey is busy touring with the guys in Slipknot however I caught wind today they are sharing early demos from way back when. All the while Corey is working on a horror movie possibly writing it or the score won't know until the film comes out and at the same time he writes novels for a living and has a family to take care of. Talk about being a workaholic the guy is like Mike Shinoda in a way never stops to take a breathe for very long, always working on some sort of project coming up. I have yet to read Corey's novels but from what I've heard the subject matter sounds like it could be interesting to me, so perhaps I will check out his body of work outside of music at some point in the near future. Thank you for reading my newsletters everybody this is my last column for the year 2019 I'll see you cool cats in a couple weeks to dive into 2020.