



G.C.L.A. NEWS

The Newsletter of the Gateway Civil Liberties Alliance

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Member's meetings are on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00PM at the American Legion Post (Goff Moll) #101 2721 Collier Ave. Brentwood, MO just west of the Schnucks Store at the intersection of Brentwood Blvd and Manchester Rd. (see map on page 7)

President's Corner

Over the last two years I have had the pleasure to serve as President of Gateway Civil Liberties Alliance. We have seen quite a positive change in the laws regarding the second amendment in Missouri during that time. The requirement to obtain a permit from your Sheriff to purchase a concealable firearm was repealed. The castle doctrine (which removed the court imposed requirement to retreat from an intruder in your home and automobile) was passed. And best of all the people that would limit your rights to possess and use a firearm have been on the defensive.

I am proud to say that the efforts of your organization along with other local grass roots organizations and the National Rifle Association worked very hard to get the necessary legislation through both the Missouri House Of Representatives and the Senate.

Last year we were not successful getting any bills through the system. There will be years like that. The good thing is that there were no restrictive bills passed either. We must be ever diligent in watching what bills are filed in the legislature. Those that would like to repeal conceal carry and reimpose restrictive legislation are always lurking in the background just waiting for an opportunity to catch us off guard and pass something-anything that would limit your freedoms.

As usual all good things must come to an end. And so it is with my Presidency. It is time for new ideas and new energy to take over the reins. I am a firm believer that no one individual should occupy the office of President of an organization like Gateway Civil Liberties for more then two years in a row. The leadership should be spread around! Get new and fresh ideas from other very capable members.

This is what will happen starting on January 1, 2010. Our new president Steve Marx is a very dedicated and capable member. He and the new board of directors will lead us in the right direction for the next year and beyond.

See you all at the meetings!

Don Gaikins
President, GCLA

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2010 Board of Directors & Officers

The annual election for members of the Board of Directors of GCLA was held at our September 1st Members' Meeting. Elected to the board to serve a three year term were: Gene Dultz, Mark Luther and Gerry McClenning. Kevin Ketterer was elected to serve a one year term as the alternate board member.

The 2010 Board of Directors of GCLA are:

Term expires in 2012
Gene Dultz
Mark Luther
Gerry McClenning

Term expires in 2011
Dale Barron
Steve Marx
Ed Schoettle

Term expires in 2010
Terry Brookman
Don Childers
Terry Morris

Alternate Board member for 2010
Kevin Ketterer

At the October 20th Board of Directors' Meeting the board elected from amongst themselves the officers for 2010. The results of this election were:

President: Steve Marx
Vice President: Mark Luther
Treasurer: Gene Dultz
Secretary: Terry Brookman

Congratulation and good luck to the 2010 Board Members and Officers.

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Missouri Pre-Filed Bills

Although the legislative session doesn't start until January 6 pre-filing of bills began on December 1st.

HB 1230 -- Cynthia Davis -- Missouri Firearms Freedom Act

- (1) Asserts the right of the State of Missouri to regulate the intrastate use and acquisition of certain firearms pursuant to the reserved powers of the state over intrastate commerce and the Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms;
- (2) Specifies that certain personal firearms, firearm accessories, or ammunition manufactured in Missouri will not be subject to federal law or regulation;
- (3) Exempts firearms made for multiple person use, machine guns, firearms that discharge explosive projectiles, or firearms that use smokeless powder and fire a projectile greater than one-half inch in diameter from the provisions of the bill and subjects them to federal regulation; and
- (4) Requires firearms manufactured or sold in Missouri under the provisions of the bill to bear the words "Made in Missouri" stamped on a central metallic part.

HB 1232 -- Cynthia Davis -- Unlawful Use of Weapons

Revises the crime of unlawful use of weapons by allowing any individual who is lawfully allowed to possess a firearm or weapon to openly carry it into any church or assembled place of worship .

HB 1308 -- Steve Hodges

Allows prosecuting attorneys and their assistants and circuit attorneys and their assistants to carry concealable weapons if they have completed the firearms safety training course under 571.111.2

SB 646 -- Joan Bray

Creates the crime (Class A misdemeanor) of negligent storage of a firearm.
This act is identical to SB 836 (2008) and SB 68 (2009).

SB 660 -- Yvonne Wilson

Expands the crime of unlawful use of a weapon to include discharging a firearm in Kansas City for celebratory purposes. This crime is a Class D felony.

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Nevada Will No Longer Recognize Utah and Florida Right-to-Carry Permits

Thursday, June 25, 2009

Effective, July 1, Nevada will no longer recognize Right-to-Carry permits from Utah or Florida. They have, however, added Ohio and West Virginia as recognized states.

Each May, the Nevada Department of Public Safety conducts an audit of states and their Right-to-Carry laws for the purpose of determining which states it will recognize.

The Nevada DPS dropped Utah because it does not have a live

fire requirement, which is a part of Nevada's training requirements. When the Nevada DPS first began its state by state audit of Right-to-Carry laws in 2007, DPS admitted to NRA representatives that they overlooked the live fire training requirement. After further review, they determined that Utah wasn't similar enough to keep it on the list of recognized states.

Florida will no longer be recognized because its permits are now valid for seven years instead of five.

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Drawing Winners



The last GCLA drawing was held at our members' meeting on Tuesday November 3rd, 2009 .

In the photo to the left GCLA Gun Show Coordinator Don Childers presents the 1st prize, a Mossberg 930 18½" Barrel Tactical/Self Defense 12 Gauge Semi-Auto Shotgun, to the winner Tony P. Clark from Overland, Mo .

The second prize, a Red Cross Emergency Kit ,was won by Richard Blowers.

The next GCLA drawing will be at our members' meeting on Tuesday May 4th, 2010. First prize is a Ruger Mini 14 Ranch Rifle Black Synthetic Stock .223 18.5" barrel, Matte Stainless Finish, 20 Rd. Mag. Second price is a Red Cross Emergency Kit.

Tickets are available at the GCLA gun show table.

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Talent launches new free-market group

04:17 PM CDT on Sunday, October 18, 2009

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) -- Former Missouri U.S. Sen. Jim Talent is forming a foundation to promote free-market principles that he contends are being abandoned by his successors in Washington.

The Republican will serve as chairman of the American Freedom and Enterprise Foundation, which will launch Monday.

"The message really is that a lot of what's going on in Washington violates what were consensus ideas about the importance of free markets as the underpinning of the economy," said Talent, who served four years in the Senate before being defeated in 2006 by Democrat Claire McCaskill.

He previously served eight years each in the U.S. House and the Missouri House of Representatives.

Talent cites the debt associated with the federal economic stimulus package and recent climate control bills that seek to limit carbon emissions as examples of how he believes Congress is straying from free-market principles.

Talent says the new think tank hopes to hold several issue-based forums around Missouri and plans to use Internet social networking sites to spread its message. The executive director of the group will be Katie Smith, a former aide to Talent who was director of the Missouri Department of Agriculture under former Republican Gov. Matt Blunt.

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Gun Right Policy Conference - GCLA Donation to SAF

This year's Gun Rights Policy Conference (GRPC) was held in St. Louis, Missouri, on September 25, 26, & 27, at the beautiful Airport Renaissance hotel. The theme of this year's conference was "Challenges Ahead".

Celebrating its 24th year, the conference was a great place to meet national gun rights leaders and your fellow grassroots activists. This year's conference had more than 50 notable speakers, including Alan Gottlieb, founder of the Second Amendment Foundation and chairman of the Citizens Committee



for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms and NRA Executive Vice President Wayne LaPierre. Discussion topics included city gun bans, youth violence, "smart" guns, concealed carry, federal legislation, legal actions, gun show regulation, and state and local activity.

Don Gaikins, on behalf of Gateway Civil Liberties Alliance, presented Alan Gottlieb, of The Second Amendment Foundation, a donation at the Gun Rights Policy Conference.

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2nd Amendment gathering on the grounds of the Gateway Arch

On February 27th 2010 there will be a 2nd Amendment gathering on the grounds of the Gateway Arch in St. Louis.

This event is being organized by Marc Perez, a local St. Louis area supporter of our gun rights, to coincide with a law that goes into affect on February 22nd, 2010. Marc is in the process of lining up speakers.

Anyone interested in helping should contact Marc directly at mspar15@aol.com..

On May 20, 2009, Congress adopted legislation that prohibits any rule or regulation prohibiting the possession of an operational firearm if the individual is in legal possession of the firearm and if possession of the firearm is in compliance with the laws of the state in which the park or refuge is located. This new law will take effect on February 22, 2010.

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Is the Senate health plan anti-gun?

By: Susan Ferrechio, Washington Examiner

November 24, 2009

The Senate's 2,074-page health care bill doesn't mention guns, but some gun owners are worried certain provisions could eventually be used to discourage or even restrict gun ownership as part of a government effort to influence behavior as it broadens its control over the health care system.

The day before the Senate passed the \$848 billion health bill on a party-line vote, the Virginia-based Gun Owners of America sent out a mass alert to its 300,000 members, warning them that the legislation "will most likely dump your gun-related health data into a government database. ... This includes any firearms-related information your doctor has gleaned or any determination of post traumatic stress disorder or something similar, that can preclude you from owning firearms."

The group warned that new "wellness and prevention" programs that would permit employers to offer employees lower premiums for healthier lifestyles do not include anything that would prohibit "rabidly anti-gun Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius from decreeing that 'no guns' is somehow healthier."

With no specific legislative language relating to guns, it is unlikely the issue will become a major roadblock for the bill.

But critics and gun owners have highlighted a larger concern about government interference if the legislation becomes law. The bill would expand coverage to 31 million people through subsidies and Medicaid expansion.

"There is a broader issue here," said Dave Kopel, research director of the Independence Institute of Colorado, a libertarian think tank. "The more you socialize costs, the more you empower the argument that

the government has the authority to control private behavior."

Kopel pointed to the Japanese health care system, where employee waistlines are measured and those who are overweight are put into special weight loss programs, as an example of where the U.S. health care system could be headed.

And gun control could become part of it, Kopel said.

"If [the Department of Health and Human Services] can write regulations for lower premiums for healthy habits in general," Kopel said. "Then I don't see anything in the bill that stops HHS from saying people get higher premiums for unhealthy habits such as owning a gun or a handgun."

Gun Owners of America spokesman Erich Pratt said the government has already blocked gun ownership through its access to the mental health records of military veterans. If a vet is diagnosed with post traumatic stress disorder, his or her name is sent to a special database used to prohibit gun purchases. So far, 150,000 veterans have been denied firearms using the list, Pratt said. The Senate bill could widen government oversight of who can own a gun, he warned.

"With these mandates, it is really going to be impossible to keep our medical information out of this database," Pratt said.

Supporters of the bill said gun rights groups are trying to stir up unnecessary fear.

"It is very clear they are misreading the bill," said Igor Volsky, a health care researcher for the Center for American Progress, a liberal think tank. "All this bill does is define what a wellness program is. It is a broad definition, but it is not broad enough to net gun ownership."

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On Target Indoor Range

OnTarget is building a new indoor shooting range in Valley Park. OnTarget is offering Charter Memberships for \$225 and Charter Household Memberships for \$325 until the new indoor range opens in February. This would be a great Christmas Gift for the wife and anyone interested in shooting to maintain their edge at a Class III range. This offer does not include sales tax and will end

when the OnTarget indoor range opens. Memberships are being taken at the OnTarget store at the current address 20 Meramac Plaza, Valley Park, MO 63088. Give Karl a call (636) 861-1118. The new indoor range is being built at 590 Vance Road, Valley Park, MO 63088.

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Top Gun Shooting Sports New Location

Top Gun is proud to announce that construction on the new range has been completed.

The new 18 LANE RIFLE RATED range is state of the art with HEPA ventilation, Digital Surveillance, Heating and Air Conditioning, and automatic target retrieval. Silver Members can relax in the new Silver Member's Lounge with a 42" Plasma TV and Pool Table.

If you are looking to purchase your next firearm, check out Top Gun's large selection of handguns, tactical rifles, and shotguns.

The new location is 4075 West Outer Road, Arnold, MO 63010. The phone number is 636-464-4867.

From Highway 55 Southbound:

1. Take the Richardson Road Exit
2. Continue straight at the top of the ramp.
3. Make a left onto the West Outer Road.
4. Approximately 1 mile, make a right to Top Gun.

From Highway 55 Northbound:

1. Take Exit 186 (Imperial Mainstreet / Kimmswick).
2. At the top of the ramp, make a left.
3. Make a right onto the West Outer Road.
4. Approximately 2 miles, make a left at Top Gun.

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GCLA Gun Show Schedule

Show times are generally 9am To 4pm for Sat. And 9am to 3pm on Sun.
When a show has a Friday date it will be open from 4pm to 8pm

December 5,6 Gateway Center, Collinsville Il. *
December 19,20 Pacific Eagles Hall, 707 Congress, Pacific

January 9,10 Belle-Clair Expo Center, Belleville Il. *
January 22-24 Machinist Hall, 12365 St. Charles Rock Rd.

February 5-7 The Heart of St. Charles, 1410 Fifth St.
February 12-14 VFW Post 3944, 10815 Midland Ave
February 20,21 Pacific Eagles Hall, 707 Congress, Pacific

March 13,14 Belle-Clair Expo Center, Belleville Il. *
March 27,28 St. Charles Convention Center

May 1,2 Belle-Clair Expo Center, Belleville Il. *
May 15,16 Pacific Eagles Hall, 707 Congress, Pacific

June 11-13 Machinist Hall, 12365 St. Charles Rock Rd.
June 26,27 Belle-Clair Expo Center, Belleville Il. *

August 28,29 Belle-Clair Expo Center, Belleville Il. *

September 10-12 Machinist Hall, 12365 St. Charles Rock Rd.
September 17-19 VFW Post 3944, 10815 Midland Ave

October 9,10 Pacific Eagles Hall, 707 Congress, Pacific
October 29-31 VFW Post 3944, 10815 Midland Ave

November 5,6 St. Charles Convention Center

December 18,19 Pacific Eagles Hall, 707 Congress, Pacific

March 26,27 2011 St. Charles Convention Center

* indicates GCLA will **not** have a table at this show
** indicates NRA Membership Recruiting table only

Any Member Who Would Like To Work At A Gun Show

Please Call:

Don Childers 314-288-8881 –or– 636-677-6104

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Associate Membership

GCLA will send a free annual Associate Membership including "GCLA NEWS" to any active duty service member from Missouri. Here is how this free annual membership works:

- Be full-time active military duty.
- Be a current or former Missouri resident and register Missouri as your state of residence.
- Be recommended by a current GCLA Regular Member, or request your free annual Associate Membership in writing.

If you qualify or know of someone that qualifies please fill out an application from the back of the "GCLA NEWS".

Instead of a membership dues check please send a signed note or pledge that you/they are active duty military and a current or former Missouri resident & register Missouri as your/their state of residence.

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Have you joined MSSA?

MSSA is the Missouri Sport Shooting Association. MSSA seeks to support and promote the shooting sports in Missouri, and to encourage participation. Are you participating?

See <http://www.missourisportshooting.org>

MSSA Mission Statement

The mission of the MSSA is to protect and preserve the shooting sports at the state level. MSSA will promote and improve the shooting sports by sponsoring marksmanship training and competitions throughout the state of Missouri.

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GCLA is an NRA Recruiter

Don't forget that GCLA is also an NRA recruiter. Help your organization and renew your annual, two year or three year membership through GCLA. We can do the membership for \$25.00 per year and give you a new hat to boot.

If you are not an NRA member and you want to become one, we can also do that.

GCLA earns money through commissions for every new member and renewal application that we send in to the NRA. This is a good deal for both you and GCLA

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GCLA-PAC

Gateway Civil Liberties Alliance has a Political Action Committee. This PAC allows GCLA to support the Missouri candidates that believe in our gun rights. The PAC needs funding to be effective and we need to start preparing now for the 2010 election.

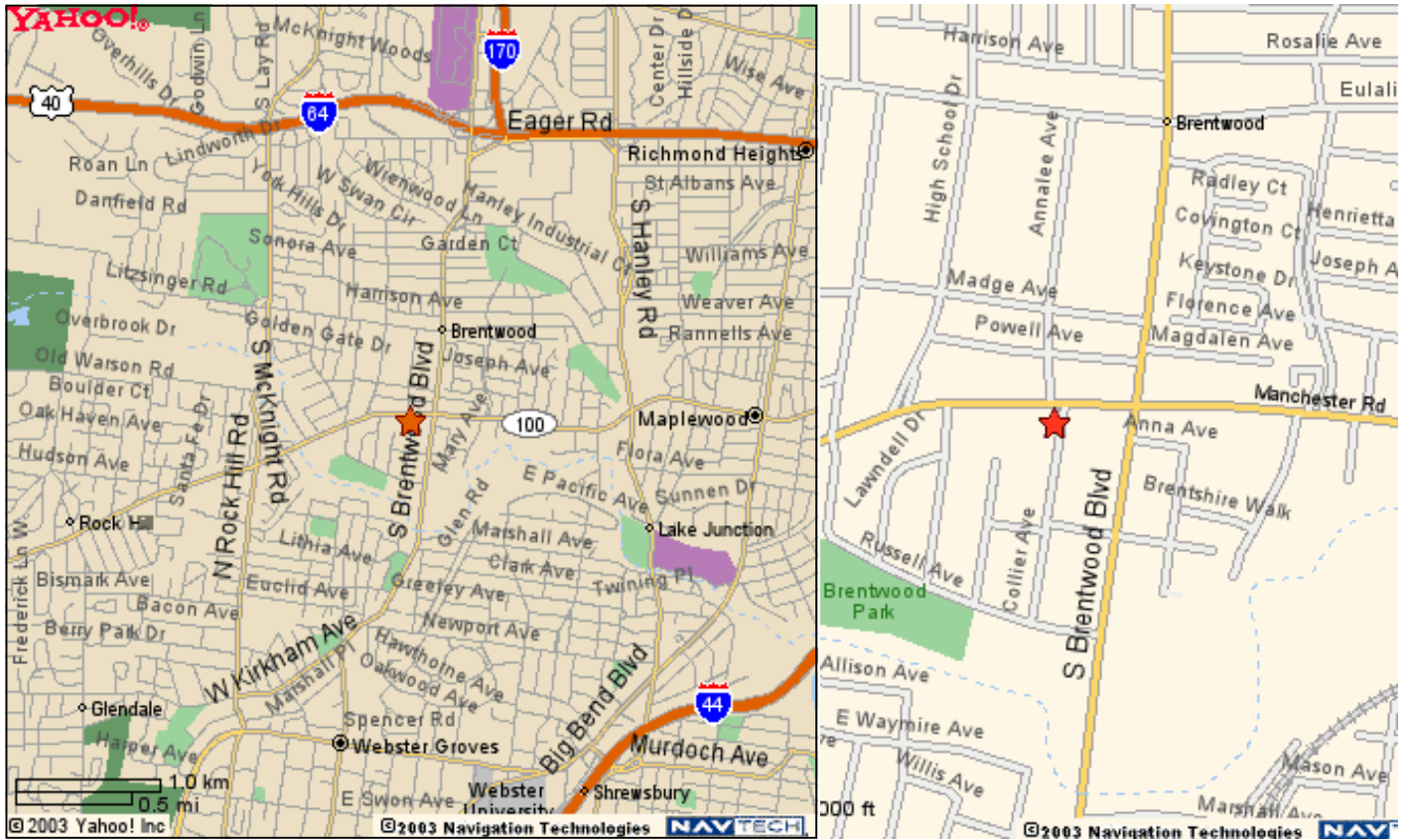
Send donations to GCLA-PAC, P.O. Box 440280, St. Louis, MO 63144

NOTICE: All proceeds from our current Gun Drawing are going to the GCLA PAC. The prizes are: Ruger Mini 14 Ranch Rifle, Black Synthetic Stock, Rem .223, 18.5" barrel, Matte Stainless Finish, 20 Rd. Mag. 2nd: Red Cross Emergency Kit. The drawing will be held at our members' meeting on May 4th, 2010.

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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

GATEWAY CIVIL LIBERTIES ALLIANCE
P.O. Box 440280
Brentwood, MO 63144

Name: _____ Day Phone: _____
 Address: _____ Evening Phone: _____
 City/State: _____ Mobile Phone: _____
 Zip Code: _____ - _____ Email Address: _____

Membership Dues are \$24.00 per calendar year (first year can be pro-rated).

Membership: \$24.00 [] Donation: \$_____ []

NRA Member: Y / N If an NRA annual member, your expiration date: / / .

MSSA Member: Y / N Sponsor (optional): _____

We are particularly interested in your comments.



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