

G.C.L.A. NEWS

The Newsletter of the Gateway Civil Liberties Alliance October - December 2015

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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

The Board of Directors of GCLA and myself extend the best of the Holiday Session and a prosperous New Year. We must give thanks that we live and work as free people.

Traveling in other countries you can learn who is free. While in the Dominican Republic I went to the town of Higuey. A town of average size, there I saw three different gun stores. I found someone that spoke English and asked if the people owned firearms. The reply was yes! The rules were that a Dominican citizen 18 years or older can purchase long guns or pistols. I then asked about concealed carry. The reply was yes! Must be 18 years or older, do a background check and a yearly renewal is required. This is a country that I felt very safe in, even more so after learning the citizens have rights to protect and the ability to protect themselves and family.

I have been to Cuba where life is not like this at all. These two islands are less than 100 miles apart, but might as well be on two different planets when it comes to being a Free people.

Plan on attending the annual Gun Rights Rally in Jefferson City Missouri on Wednesday, April 13th, 2016.

Your support is needed to keep Missouri one of the freest of all 50 states.

Have fun! Get active! Steve Marx President, GCLA

GCLA's Purpose

GCLA's purpose is to preserve and protect the 2^{nd} Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America by:

- Monitoring and acting on pending legislation at the local, state, and federal level.
- Encouraging voter registration and participation in the political process.
- Promoting public and personal safety, education and training, and the defense of the nation.

GCLA holds a monthly members' meeting which often features a guest speaker, the fielding of open questions, sharing of news and information, and intelligent discussion.

Annual Rally Info. Inside

"Stand Up For Your Constitutional Rights!"

Attend This Year's

GUN RIGHTS RALLY DAY

In the CAPITOL BUILDING in JEFFERSON CITY Wednesday, April 13th, 2016 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

"No Blood in the Streets" Rally

Celebrating 11 years of Missouri Concealed Carry. Tell our legislators that your Rights are important. Make plans to be there. Bring your family and friends!

For all other information about the Rally call:

GLCA at (314) 385-GUNS (4867) or Email GCLA at questions@gclastl.org

Rally sponsored by:
MPS (Missourians for Personal Safety),
GCLA (Gateway Civil Liberties Alliance,
WMSA (Western Missouri Shooters Alliance),
MSSA (Missouri Sport Shooting Association)
and other Pro-Freedom Groups

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2016 Board of Directors

The annual election for members of the Board of Directors of GCLA was held at our October 6th Members' Meeting. Elected to the board to serve a three year term were: Gene Dultz, Mark Luther and John Zeman. Carter Dunkin was elected to serve a one year term as the alternate board member. Also on the ballet was Lee Taylor.

The 2016 Board of Directors of GCLA are:

Term expires in 2018 Gene Dultz Mark Luther John Zeman

Term expires in 2017 John Cuba Steve Marx Harry Smelcer Term expires in 2016
Terry Brookman
Don Childers
Kevin Ketterer

Alternate Board member for 2016 Carter Dunkin

At the October 20th Board of Directors' Meeting the new board elected, from amongst themselves, the officers for 2016. The results of this election were:

President: Steve Marx
Vice President: Harry Smelcer
Treasurer: Gene Dultz
Secretary: John Cuba

Congratulation and good luck to the 2016 Officers and Board Members.

Drawing Winners

The most recent GCLA drawing was held at our members' meeting on Tuesday November 3rd, 2015.

Bryan Stulce of St. Charles, MO (right) was the winner of the first prize, a COLT 1991 Series Government Model 45 ACP, 5" Barrel, (1) 7 Rnd Mag, Colt Blue Finish.

The second prize, a OTIS Tactical Cleaning System, was won by Daniel Giddens of Pacific, MO.

The next GCLA drawing will be at our members' meeting on Tuesday May 5th, 2016. First prize is a DPMS Panther Oracle AR-15, .223 Rem., flat top, (3) 30 and (2) 20 round magazines, hard case & cleaning kit. Second prize is a Remington Adult R3200 Premium Electronic Earmuffs and Shooting Glasses Kit.



GCLA PAC Supports Missouri Pro Gun Candidates

The 2016 election cycle is starting up, GCLA and the GCLA PAC will be doing our part to keep our members informed and involved.

Most recently two political candidates spoke at the GCLA members' meeting held on Tuesday November 3rd.

Candidate Dan Hyatt, who is running for Missouri State Representative from the 72nd District (in North St. Louis County) spoke to our members. Dan Hyatt's campaign is holding a fund raiser at Metro Shooting in Bridgeton on Thursday January 14th. GCLA President Steve Marx presented a \$250.00 donation from our PAC to the Dan Hyatt for Missouri campaign.

Candidate Jay Ashcroft who is running for Missouri Secretary of State also spoke to our members. GCLA President Steve Marx presented a \$500.00 donation from our PAC to the Ashcroft for Missouri campaign.

Both of the candidates answered many questions from the meeting attendees. The candidates' speeches to the meeting attendees and their answers to the questions asked of them indicated strong conservative values and strong support for our Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms.

We wish these pro-gun candidates good luck in the up coming primary and general elections.

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Annual Membership Renewal

All current members of GCLA should have received their renewal letter in the mail. If you haven't done so already, please return the renewal form & your annual dues in the return envelope. Your membership is vital to the success of GCLA in the pursuit of our primary goal, fighting for your Second Amendment Rights.

Obama Signs Defense Bill Allowing Public Sale of Surplus 1911 Pistols

Posted: 11/30/15

It may still be November, but Christmas may have come early for firearm enthusiasts and collectors eagerly anticipating the thousands of surplus 1911s that are now headed to the Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP).

The news that roughly 100,000 surplus M1911 and M1911A1 pistols could be transferred to the organization after US Representative Mike Rogers (R-Alabama) under an amendment to the 2016 National Defense Authorization Act led to much excitement across the gun world. However, President Barack Obama vetoed an earlier draft of the bill last month, citing inadequate funding for military healthcare, meaningful reform, and language that would prevent the closing of the Guantanamo Bay detention facility. Obama signed a revised bill last Wednesday after the approval of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015, which including a number of changes to discretionary spending.

The passage of the act also means that 100,000 1911 pistols may soon be headed to the CMP, where they could be purchased by the general public. The M1911 is one of the most iconic and revered firearms in US military history. First designed by the now-legendary gun maker John Browning in 1911, the pistol has served with distinction in the US military for 75 years before being replaced by the Beretta M9 in 1986. Updated versions of the pistol are still in service with select military units around the world.

According to Rogers, it costs taxpayers about \$200,000 each year to store the surplus pistols, of which only about 8,000 have been sold to law enforcement agencies or transferred abroad. The signing of the authorization act means that 10,000 of the firearms will be transferred over to the CMP for a pilot program, and if all goes well, the rest of the stock will be offered as well.

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Senate Holds the Line on Second Amendment Rights

On Thursday, December 3, the U.S. Senate took up H.R. 3762, the Restoring Americans' Healthcare Freedom Reconciliation Act. Despite the seemingly innocuous title, the bill set up a dramatic showdown over Second Amendment rights.

The bill was brought under budget reconciliation, an expedited legislative procedure for a budget resolution to meet fiscal targets. Under this procedure, the bill required only 51 votes to pass the Senate and was limited to 20 hours of debate. It was also subject to a rule which prohibits non-budget related provisions from being added. Anti-gun Democrats were nevertheless determined to

exploit both the bill and recent tragedies to attach as many gun control amendments as possible. To proceed to debate on these out-of-order amendments, however, they had to reach a supermajority of 60 votes to suspend the rules. The pro-gun Senate you elected held the line. Every anti-gun amendment was defeated.

No doubt the defeated anti-gunners will be venting their displeasure over yet another round of clear defeats. Please make sure to let your Senators know in the days ahead how you felt about their votes. In particular, those who stood on the side of freedom deserve to hear a hearty thanks and well-done!

Wasserman Schultz Orders Democrats to Embrace Gun Control

At the Florida Democratic Party Convention, held October 30-November 1, Democratic National Committee Chair Debbie Wasserman Schultz claimed, "The Florida Democratic Party is back and better than ever." Also back, it would seem, is the national party's misguided emphasis on gun control.

Speaking at a convention event held at the Walt Disney World Yacht and Beach Club Resort, Wasserman Schultz launched into an anti-gun screed aimed at getting members of her party to more fervently pursue gun control.

According to the Orlando Sentinel, Wasserman Schultz demanded, "Democrats! We must close the gun show loophole! Democrats! We must require background checks for all gun purchases!" Indulging her penchant for hyperbole, Wasserman Schultz added, "We can't sit idly by and allow thousands and thousands of lives to be mowed down!"

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RESERVE THE DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR

Gateway Friends of NRA Dinner and Auction Saturday, March 5th, 2016 - doors open at 5:30PM ORLANDO GARDENS

located at 2050 Dorsett Village Plaza, Maryland Heights, MO 63043 For information contact Chris Brown

Phone: 314-346-5816 or Email: c.brown285@sbcglobal.net

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

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

February 5-7 The Heart of St. Charles, 1410 Fifth St. February 13,14 Pacific Eagles Hall, 707 Congress, Pacific February 19-21 Stratford Inn, Fenton

March 12,13 St. Charles Convention Center

May 21,22 Pacific Eagles Hall, 707 Congress, Pacific

June 3-5 Machinist Hall, 12365 St. Charles Rock Rd.

July 9,10 St. Charles Convention Center

September 16-18 Machinist Hall, 12365 St. Charles Rock Rd.

October 8,9 Pacific Eagles Hall, 707 Congress, Pacific

December 17,18 Pacific Eagles Hall, 707 Congress, Pacific

* 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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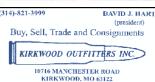




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Associate Membership

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.

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.

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 annual membership for a discounted rate 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

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 2016 elections.

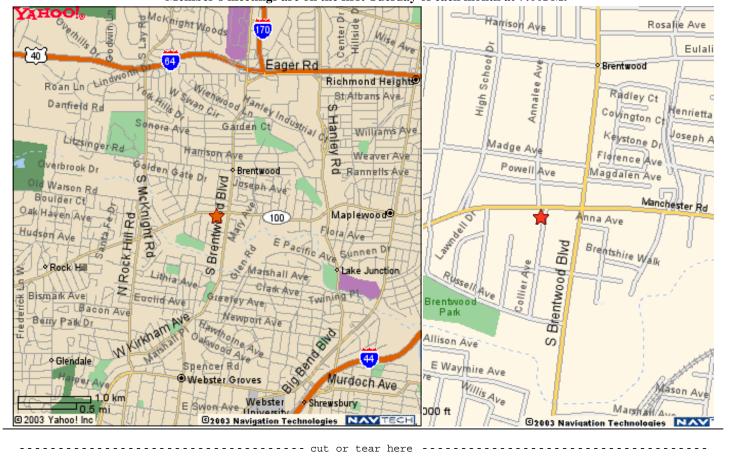
Send donations to GCLA-PAC, P.O. Box 440280, St. Louis, MO 63144

NOTICE: All proceeds from our current Gun Drawing are going to the GCLA PAC. The prizes are: First prize is a DPMS Panther Oracle AR-15, .223 Rem., flat top, (3) 30 and (2) 20 round magazines, hard case & cleaning kit. Second prize is a Remington Adult R3200 Premium Electronic Earmuffs and Shooting Glasses Kit.

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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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