



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

State wide elections were carried by pro-gun people as well as Senate and House seats.

We've come so far in 17 years. The process was slow, one year just builds on the next, to reach a successful majority. The many people that produced this result over time should be thanked.

To see Governor Greitens sworn in was top event. On April 5th 2016 he appeared at the GCLA Members' meeting. The GCLA PAC fund made donations in support of his campaign for governor.

GCLA also financially supports about eight shooting groups for young people. This activity is where we develop a positive pro-gun next generation. These funds are raised by many GCLA members doing NRA membership drives throughout the year.

The PAC fund is built by selling drawing tickets at guns shows by GCLA volunteers.

Take time to volunteer to help GCLA to do NRA membership recruiting and raise funds for our PAC. This is what makes a difference one event at a time. Just like the election here in Missouri took a long time coming .

Have fun! Get active!
Steve Marx
President, GCLA

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Missouri Annual Gun Rights Rally - 2017

Please make plans to join us in the Capitol Building in Jefferson City on Wednesday, April 12th, 2017 from 10:00am to 1:00pm for the Annual Gun Rights Rally Day.

Join us! Come spend the morning at the capitol to help save our guns and protect our rights.

The anti-gun crowd is always working hard to ban guns and restrict our gun rights.

Your attendance at the rally is critical. Only a strong turnout can help make the difference. Law-abiding gun owners are not the problem. Our rights are not what is wrong.

Be there! Bring others! Tell your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers.

Rally Flyer on page 2.

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GCLA's Purpose

GCLA's purpose is to preserve and protect the 2nd 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.

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“Stand Up For Your Constitutional Rights!”

Attend This Year's

GUN RIGHTS RALLY DAY



In the **CAPITOL BUILDING**
in **JEFFERSON CITY**
Wednesday, April 12th, 2017
10:00 am to 1:00 pm

**Gun Safety =
Gun Rights**

*Celebrating 13 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 GLCA 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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Missouri Gun Bills Introduced - Your Action is Needed This Year!

The second week of the 2017 legislative session kicks off with the introduction of important pro-gun legislation in the Missouri Legislature:

House Bill 458, sponsored by state Representative Justin Hill (R-108), specifies that lawful owners of firearms may transport or store the firearms in locked, privately-owned motor vehicles without fear of civil liability, criminal liability or employer retribution. Throughout the country, many employers and business owners have adopted "No Firearms" policies that extend beyond the physical workplace or building to include parking lots – areas often accessible to the general public and not secure. In order to comply with these policies, many law-abiding gun owners must choose between protecting themselves during their commutes and being subject to termination by their employer. The fundamental right to self-defense should not stop simply because you park your car in a publicly accessible parking lot owned by your employer or a business owner.

Please contact your state Senator and state Representative to ask for their support on the above important legislation.

Additionally, numerous bills aimed at restricting your Second Amendment rights have been introduced:

House Bill 185, sponsored by state Representative Bruce Franks, Jr. (D-78), would require lawful gun owners to report lost or stolen firearms within a certain period of time or face harsh penalties, potentially including jail time.

House Bill 241, sponsored by state Representative Doug Beck (D-92), would make it illegal to transfer a firearm to any person on the federal "No Fly" list. This secret government list routinely has names mistakenly placed on it without a clear restoration process for getting your name removed. This type of blacklisting without due process is an affront to the constitutional values we hold as Americans.

House Bill 363, sponsored by state Representative Stacey Newman (D-87), would require that all sales or transfers of firearms be processed through a licensed firearms dealer.

House Bill 364, also sponsored by state Representative Stacey Newman (D-87), would create provisions requiring permits to purchase firearms in the state of Missouri.

House Bill 365, also sponsored by state Representative Stacey Newman (D-87), would establish extreme risk protection orders and gun violence seizure warrants, and prohibit certain persons involved in domestic violence from possessing a firearm. These seizures and Second Amendment rights revocations would occur without due process of law.

House Bill 366, also sponsored by state Representative Stacey Newman (D-87), would add unnecessary extra steps for a person to purchase a firearm in the state of Missouri.

Please contact your state Senator and state Representative to ask them to vote against these bills when they come up in their respective committees.

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MO Legislature Considering Expanding Prohibited Person Categories

Senate Bill 318 and its companion bill, House Bill 766, create a new section of law that could greatly expand the list of individuals losing their firearm rights while receiving limited due process. Second Amendment supporters are encouraged to contact their state Senator and state Representative and urge them to OPPOSE Senate Bill 318 and House Bill 766.

SB 318/ HB 766 would create a new class of prohibited possessors using misdemeanor convictions that go far beyond current federal law. Constitutional rights are generally restricted only upon conviction of a felony. The reasons for this are two-fold. It limits restrictions on constitutional rights to only the most serious offenses, and, perhaps more

importantly, felony convictions provide greater procedural protections to the accused, which results in more reliable convictions. The right to keep and bear arms should not be treated as a second-class right and should be restricted only upon conviction of a felony.

Further, this legislation does nothing to empower victims. It also creates new victims because it does nothing to address the real, albeit rare, circumstances where false accusations are made. Bad legislation is only going to hurt more than it can help, and this extreme example of that goes far beyond what exists in federal law.

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RESERVE THE DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR

Gateway Friends of NRA Dinner and Auction

Saturday, March 18th, 2017 - 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

Six Obama Gun Controls President Trump Can Undo

On January 25 Gun Owners of America (GOA) released a list of Obama-era gun controls which President Trump can undo.

The controls range from those that can be stopped via executive action to those that will require broader administrative action and/or Congressional cooperation.

Here are six gun controls that GOA listed as prime targets for repeal:

1. Obama's January 5, 2016, Executive Gun Controls - These were a body of executive actions that expanded background checks so as to require a larger number of private sellers to seek out an Federal Firearms License (FFL) holder and process all sales via a government background check. The controls also designated tax-payer funding for "smart gun" research and development, added new regulations onto already heavily regulated FFLs, and co-opted Obama's infamous Social Security gun ban. Many of these controls could be undone with a swipe of Trump's pen.

2. The Social Security Gun Ban - This ban was fashioned behind closed doors in the summer of 2015 and finalized by the Obama administration just days before Christmas 2016. The ban could impact any Social Security recipient who requires help managing his or her finances. It is designed so that recipients draw attention to themselves by having their benefits mailed or otherwise sent to a third party. Once they have the Social Security Administration's attention an investigation begins and can result in the loss of Second Amendment rights if the recipient is deemed mentally deficient. Congress has agreed to review the details of the ban next week and pass legislation to block it. President Trump's signature on the legislation and a thorough redirecting of the SSA would save the Second Amendment rights of tens of thousands—perhaps even millions—of Social Security recipients.

3. "Removing the U.S. from the Anti-Gun UN Arms Trade Treaty" - former Secretary of State John Kerry signed the UN Arms Trade Treaty (ATT) on September 25, 2013. The NRA warned: "This treaty threatens individual firearm ownership with an invasive registration scheme [and is full of regulations and requirements that are] blatant attacks on the constitutional rights of every law-abiding American." The treaty does this, in part, by "[urging] record keeping of end users, directing importing countries to provide information to an exporting country regarding arms transfers, including 'end use or end user documentation' for a 'minimum of ten years.'" Republicans in the Senate immediately torpedoed any hope of ratifying the treaty, but the treaty sits ready for ratification should Democrats ever regain Senate control. By removing the U.S. as a signatory

President Trump would remove any threat that the ATT would be ratified and lorded over U.S. citizens in the future.

4. "Repealing bullet and gun import bans going from Obama back to George H. W. Bush's semi-auto import ban" - The ban in view was an exercise of executive action taken by George H.W. Bush in 1989 and redoubled by Obama during his presidency. Bush used the ban to stop the import of certain "assault weapons," while simultaneously admitting that any shortfall in said weapons via imports would be compensated by domestic production. In other words, it was gun control for the sake of gun control and succeeded only in making the acquisition of said weapons more burdensome. On July 8, 1989, The New York Times reported, "Today's decision is a significant step in the evolution of the Administration's gun control policies. It puts President Bush clearly at odds with the National Rifle Association and will almost certainly increase pressures on him to approve restrictions or an outright ban on domestic versions of semiautomatic assault weapons." Trump can undo an remaining vestiges of such bans via the swipe of his pen.

5. "Repealing the suspension of health privacy laws with respect to gun owners" - On January 16, 2013—just over a month after the attack on Sandy Hook Elementary by a gunman using stolen firearms—Obama issued 23 executive orders regarding guns. Forbes magazine published all 23, the 16th of which says, "Clarify that the Affordable Care Act does not prohibit doctors asking their patients about guns in their homes." While not going so far as to mandate doctors ask patients about gun ownership, order number 16 clearly lets anti-gun doctors know that Obamacare does not prohibit them compiling information on gun ownership if they so choose. President Trump and his administration can repeal and/or abolish this practice.

6. "Restoring gun rights for 257,000 law-abiding veterans" - On December 5, 2012, Breitbart News reported that Senate Democrats were working to suspend the Second Amendment rights of "certain military veterans." These efforts foreshadowed the Social Security gun ban, in that the decision to suspect Second Amendment rights rested on a determination of mental incompetence demonstrated by reliance on a third party for help with finances. Senator Tom Coburn (R-OK) warned the Democrats' decision making process was sloppy and that "veterans who simply cannot support themselves financially" were being placed under a "mental health" moniker and barred from buying or possessing firearms. President Trump and his administration can correct this travesty in the same way that the Social Security gun ban is being addressed.

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Trump Supreme Court Nominee Would Respect the 2nd Amendment

President Trump kept one of his most important campaign promises by nominating an originalist judge – Neil Gorsuch – to fill the Supreme Court vacancy left by Justice Antonin Scalia's death last February. Scalia was the court's foremost practitioner of originalism and textualism, judicial philosophies that seek to resolve constitutional questions by reference to the language of the document, as publicly understood at the time of its enactment.

Judge Gorsuch's embrace of originalism is a bulwark for our Second Amendment rights. When given the opportunity to consider the matter in his professional capacity, Judge Gorsuch has made clear that he understands the importance of the right to keep and bear arms .

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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 for 2017 & 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.

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GCLA Gun Show Schedule

Show times are generally 9am To 5pm for Sat. And 9am to 3pm on Sun.

When a show has a Friday date it will be open from 4pm to 8pm

November 18-20 Machinist Hall, 12365 St. Charles Rock Rd.

December 3,4 Pacific Eagles Hall, 707 Congress, Pacific

January 14,15 Belle-Clair Expo Center, Belleville Il. *

January 27-29 Machinist Hall, 12365 St. Charles Rock Rd.

February 4,5 St. Charles Convention Center

February 11,12 Pacific Eagles Hall, 707 Congress, Pacific

February 11,12 Cabela's, St. Louis Mills, Hazelwood **

February 17-19 VFW Post #3944 10815 Midland Blvd.

March 11,12 Belle-Clair Expo Center, Belleville Il. *

March 24-26 St. Charles Convention Center

May 6,7 Belle-Clair Expo Center, Belleville Il. *

May 20,21 Pacific Eagles Hall, 707 Congress, Pacific

June 2-4 Machinist Hall, 12365 St. Charles Rock Rd.

June 24,25 Belle-Clair Expo Center, Belleville Il. *

August 26,27 Belle-Clair Expo Center, Belleville Il. *

September 15-17 Machinist Hall, 12365 St. Charles Rock Rd.

October 7,8 Belle-Clair Expo Center, Belleville Il. *

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* 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.



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 2018 elections.

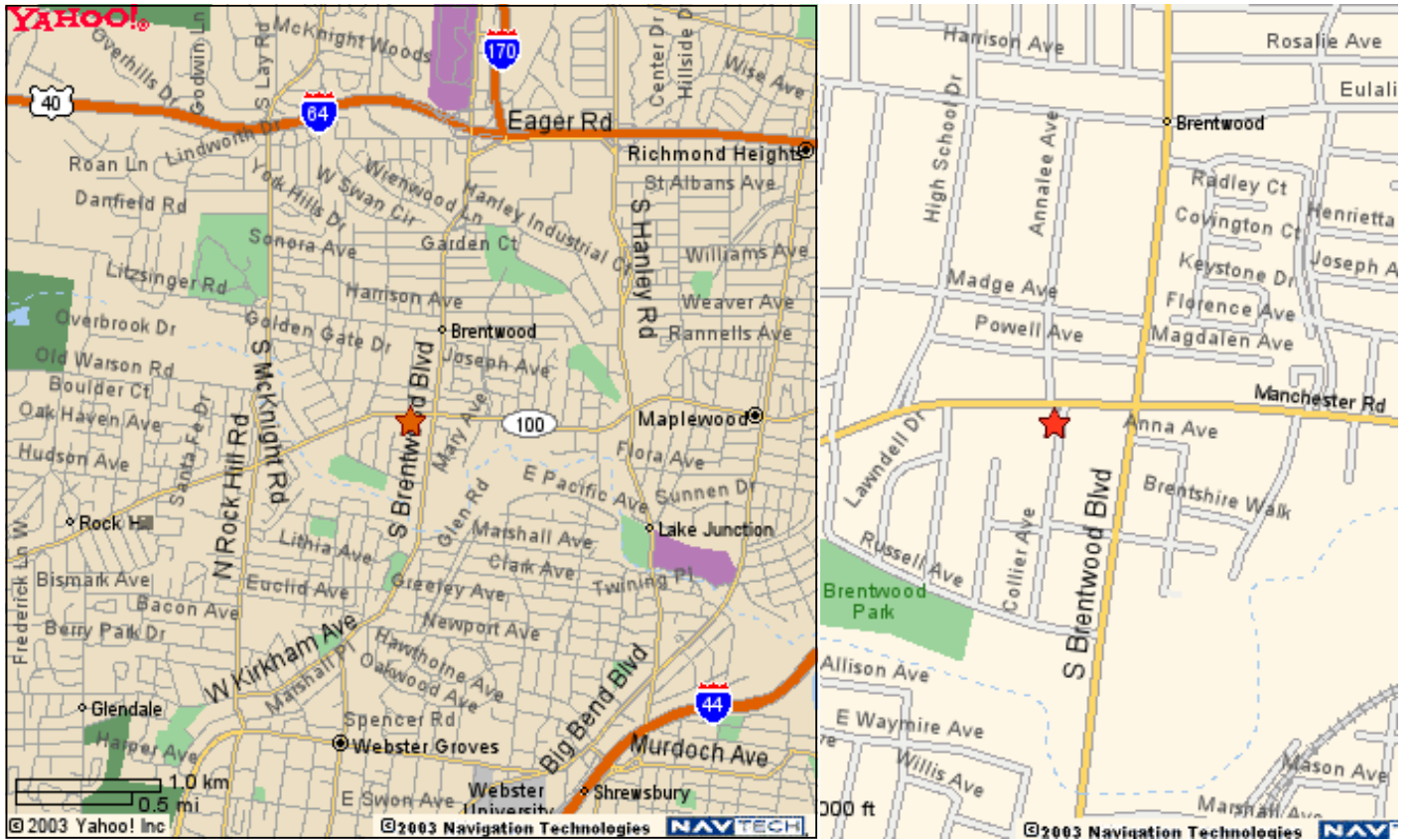
Send donations to GCLA-PAC, P.O. Box 440280, St. Louis, MO 63144

NOTICE: All proceeds from our current Gun Drawing are going to the GCLA PAC. The prizes are: First prize is a Kel-Tec PMR-30 Pistol with 100 rounds of .22 WMR Ammo, Hard Case for 2 Magazines. Second prize is a Benchmade 3" Self-Folding Knife with Friends of NRA Logo on the Blade. The drawing is scheduled to be held at our members' meeting on Tuesday May 2nd, 2017.



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 just west of the Schnucks Store at the intersection of Brentwood Blvd and Manchester Rd.

Member's meetings are on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00PM.



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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: \$_____ []

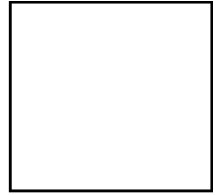
NRA Member: Y / N If an NRA annual member, your expiration date: / / .

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

We are particularly interested in your comments.



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