



# 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

The year is now close to ending. During this year Missouri held it's own on our gun rights.

The urban violence is continuing unabated in many areas. MetroLink stations, gas stations, carjackings in quiet neighborhoods. It is so important to be aware of what is going on around you. Those of us who are CCW holders should never leave our cave without our club.

The new year will bring another opportunity for the Missouri Legislature to pass more good gun rights bills.

To teach another person to shoot and pass on good safety skills must be a goal each of us pursues. I have been teaching a family member the skills of safety and good gun control, so that she shoots better than this old guy can. She enjoys this so much she wants to get certified for Missouri CCW. This is what happens when you help an interested person with new skills .

Have fun! Get active!  
Steve Marx  
President, GCLA

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## Missouri Annual Gun Rights Rally - 2018

Please make plans to join us in the Capitol Building in Jefferson City on Wednesday, April 11th, 2018 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.

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## GCLA's Purpose

GCLA's purpose is to preserve and protect the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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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26<sup>th</sup> Annual

Statewide Gun Rights Rally Day Sponsored by:

MPS-Missourians for Personal Safety

GCLA-Gateway Civil Liberties Alliance

WMSA-Western Missouri Shooters Alliance

MSSA-Missouri Sport Shooting Association

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## **ATTEND THIS YEAR'S GUN RIGHTS RALLY DAY**

In the Capitol Building in Jefferson City

Wednesday, April 11th, 2018 - 10:00am-1:00pm

**"Bus rights – Hunter's rights – Worker's rights –  
Gun rights – Civil rights " Rally**

Celebrating 14 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

GCLA at (314) 385-GUNS (4867) or email GCLA at [questions@gclastl.org](mailto:questions@gclastl.org)

Rally sponsored by MPS, GCLA, WMSA & MSSA and other pro-Freedom groups

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## **Dianne Feinstein wants to Ban Commonly Owned Semi-Autos, Again!**

On Wednesday, November 8th, Senator Dianne Feinstein introduced S. 2095, which she is calling the Assault Weapons Ban of 2017. The 125-page firearm prohibition fever dream is perhaps the most far-reaching gun ban ever introduced in Congress.

Subject to an exception for “grandfathered” firearms, the bill would prohibit AR-15s and dozens of other semi-automatic rifles by name (as well as their “variants” or “altered facsimiles”), and any semi-automatic rifle that could accept a detachable magazine and be equipped with a pistol grip, an adjustable or detachable stock, or a barrel shroud. And that’s just a partial list. “Pistol grip” would be defined as “a grip, a thumbhole stock, or any other characteristic that can function as a grip,” meaning the ban could implicate even traditional stocks or grips specifically designed to comply with existing state “assault weapon” laws.

Needless to say, semi-automatic shotguns and handguns would get similar treatment.

Also banned would be any magazine with a capacity of greater than 10 rounds or even any magazine that could be “readily restored, changed, or converted to accept” more than 10 rounds.

While Feinstein’s bill would graciously allow those who lawfully owned the newly-banned guns at the time of the law’s enactment to keep them, it would impose strict storage requirements any time the firearm was not actually in the owner’s hands or within arm’s reach. Violations would be

punishable (of course) by imprisonment.

Owners of grandfathered “assault weapons” could also go to prison for allowing someone else to borrow or buy the firearm, unless the transfer was processed through a licensed firearms dealer. The dealer would be required to document the transaction and run a background check on the recipient.

Should lawful owners of the newly-banned firearms and magazines decide that the legal hazards of keeping them were too much, the bill would authorize the use of taxpayer dollars in the form of federal grants to establish programs to provide “compensation” for their surrender to the government.

This bill is nothing more than a rehash of Feinstein’s failed experiment in banning “assault weapons” and magazines over 10 rounds. Except this time, Feinstein would like to go even further in restricting law-abiding Americans’ access to firearms and magazines that are commonly owned for lawful self-defense.

The congressionally-mandated study of the federal “assault weapon ban” of 1994-2004 found that the ban had little, if any, impact on crime, in part because “the banned guns were never used in more than a modest fraction” of firearm related crime.

Don’t let Dianne Feinstein infringe on our Second Amendment rights with a policy that’s been proven to do nothing to stop crime. Please contact your U.S. Senators and encourage them to oppose S. 2095.

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## **Drawing Winners**

The most recent GCLA drawing was held at our members’ meeting on Tuesday November 7th, 2017.

Michael Snyder of Robertsville, MO (right) was the winner of the first prize, a Ruger 10/22 Takedown (Model 11100) with 10 Round Rotary Magazine and Convenient Carry-Case.

The second prize, a Benchmade 3” Self-Folding Knife with Friends of NRA Logo on the Blade, was won by GCLA President Steve Marx of St. Louis, MO .

The next GCLA-PAC drawing will be at our members’ meeting on Tuesday May 1st, 2018. First prize is a Remington Model 783 .308 Scoped Rifle. Second prize is an Armscor .38 Special 2” Barrel, 6 shot.

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**RESERVE THE DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR**  
**Gateway Friends of NRA Dinner and Auction**  
**Saturday, March 17th, 2018 - 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

## **GOA Sends Open Letter to GOP to “Do Something” on Pro-Gun Bills**

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November 16, 2017

“If Republicans want to energize their base, please consider enacting real public safety improvements that involve protecting liberty, not taking it away,” Tim Macy said.

Earlier today, Gun Owners of America issued a press release that calls on Republican congressional leadership to step up and push forward pro-gun legislation currently in the pipeline.

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Springfield, VA – Gun Owners of America (GOA) addressed an open letter to Senate Leader Mitch McConnell and Speaker Paul Ryan — urging them to act on pro-gun legislation.

Tim Macy, chairman of Gun Owners of America, wrote, “A little over a month ago, it appeared that Congress would pass legislation long desired by gun owners. Sadly, it now appears that the gun agenda is on the back burner.”

Furthermore, it appears some Republicans are supporting failed gun control measures.

“To make matters worse, some Republicans are even falling over themselves, looking for ways to appease The Washington Post,

the New York Times, CNN, and MSNBC with a new package of gun controls, centering on ways to buck up the anti-gun Brady law,” Macy continued. “But here’s the irony: Shooters in virtually every major mass shooting in recent years passed the Brady check. And the one that didn’t, in as [Adam Lanza] in Newtown, killed his mother and stole her guns.”

Macy then highlighted everyday citizens, like the hero Stephen Willeford, who use their guns in self-defense to stop mass shooters in their tracks. And Macy encouraged Republican leaders to loosen existing gun control restrictions.

“If Republicans want to energize their base, please consider enacting real public safety improvements that involve protecting liberty, not taking it away,” Macy concluded. “So, as you scramble around looking for ‘something to do’ about recent criminal acts, act on legislation that will restore American’s right to keep and bear arms such as concealed carry reciprocity, the Veterans Protection Act, suppressor deregulation, and the Buck Restoration of Rights Amendment.”

The McConnell-Ryan letter was also cc’d to President Donald Trump .

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## **Sharpshooting plumber fired shot that took down church gunman**

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The man hailed as a hero for confronting the Texas mass shooter during his rampage is a sharpshooting plumber with no military background — who hit the gunman through a gap in his body armor, according to a report.

Stephen Willeford managed to shoot Devin Kelley before jumping in another man’s truck and chasing him down, the Daily Mail reported.

Kelley blew himself away after wiping out in his SUV, according to Wilson County Sheriff Joe Tackitt.

Texas Department of Public Safety chief Freeman Martin said Willeford “grabbed his rifle and engaged the suspect” after Kelley left the First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs, where he opened fire with an assault rifle and killed 26 people.

An area resident told the paper that Willeford, an avid biker who attends another church, learned about the shooting when his daughter called to say a man clad in body armor was shooting worshippers.

The local said that although Willeford has no military background, he didn’t hesitate when he came face to face with the suspect — and managed to squeeze off a round that struck the gunman, who had dropped his Ruger AR-15 variant.

Willeford jumped into a truck driven by another local, Johnnie Langendorff, who witnessed the confrontation, and the pair gave chase.

Langendorff later told reporters about the dramatic pursuit.

“I pulled up to the intersection where the shooting happened and I saw two men exchanging gunfire, the other being a citizen of the community,” he said.

“The shooter of the church had taken off, fled in his vehicle, and the other gentleman came and he said, ‘We need to pursue him,’ that he just shot up the church. So that’s what I did. I just acted.”

He said he didn’t know who the heroic citizen was at the time.

“He was just a member of the community, and whenever he came to my vehicle in distress with his weapon, he explained very quickly what happened and he got in the truck and I knew it was just time [to go],” he said, KSAT reported.

“So we were doing about 95 mph, going around traffic and everything,” he added.

“Eventually he came to kind of a slowdown and after that, we got within just a few feet of him and he got off the road ... He just lost control and that’s whenever I put the vehicle in park ... The other gentleman jumped out and had his rifle drawn on him and he didn’t move after that,” he said.

Langendorff’s girlfriend, Summer Caddel, said Kelley died a few feet away from Langendorff.

The local man said Kelley was already dead when they found him.

“He was bleeding pretty bad,” the resident told the news outlet of Kelley while he was driving. “He didn’t live much longer than that.”

Martin confirmed that police had found Kelley dead.

“We are not sure if it was self-inflicted or if he was shot by a local resident,” the police official said.

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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.



### 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

October 6-8 Lamborghini Athletic Ctr., 49 Lawrence St., St. Charles

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

October 14,15 Pacific Eagle's Hall, 707 Congress, Pacific

October 28,29 St. Charles Convention Center

November 24-26 Machinist Hall, 12365 St. Charles Rock Rd.

December 2,3 Pacific Eagle's Hall, 707 Congress, Pacific

January 26-28 Machinist Hall, 12365 St. Charles Rock Rd.

February 3,4 St. Charles Convention Center

February 9-11 Arnold Eagle's Hall, Arnold

February 10,11 Pacific Eagle's Hall, 707 Congress, Pacific

February 10,11 Cabela's, St. Louis Mills, Hazelwood \*\*

March 17,18 St. Charles Convention Center

April 20-22 Lamborghini Athletic Ctr., 49 Lawrence St., St. Charles

July 7,8 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.*



### 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.

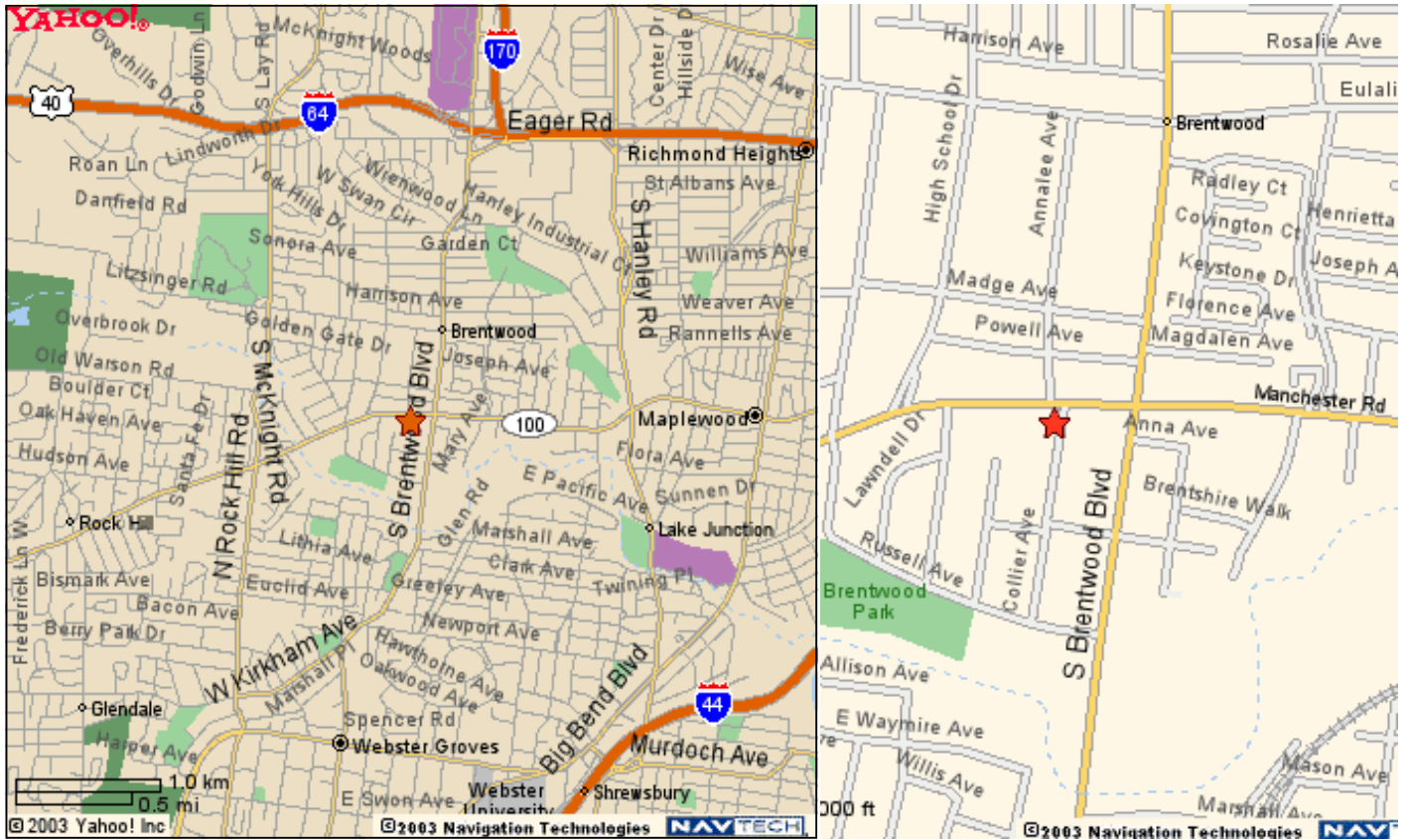
**Send donations to GCLA-PAC, P.O. Box 440280, St. Louis, MO 63144**

NOTICE: All proceeds from our current Gun Drawing are going to the GCLA PAC. The prizes are: First prize is a Remington Model 783 .308 Scoped Rifle. Second prize is an Armscor .38 Special 2” Barrel, 6 shot. The drawing is scheduled to be held at our members’ meeting on Tuesday May 1st, 2018.



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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).

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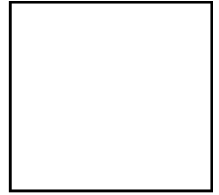
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MSSA Member: Y / N Sponsor (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

We are particularly interested in your comments.



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