



G.C.L.A. NEWS

The Newsletter of the Gateway Civil Liberties Alliance

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Members' meetings are on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. 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

Next year, 2020, will be a major election. Being involved in the local and state level campaigns is greatly needed. The consequences can be hazardous to our gun rights if we don't get involved.

The St. Louis Board of Alderman has passed a bill that requires St. Louis City gun dealers to report to the St. Louis City Police Department the information on any N.I.C.S. check denied gun transfer. This information is already in the hands for the B.A.T.F. It's up to the federal government to investigate for felony perjury. The previous administration didn't pursue this tool to keep criminals away from licensed gun dealers. What the St. Louis aldermen have done is redundant, adding one more layer of nitwittery and will prevent nothing.

The influence of "Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense" is continuing on the state level.

I encourage everyone to participate with GCLA at gun shows. This is where we get our funds to build up our P.A.C. fund to support local and state candidates. Please volunteer, your help is needed now more than ever. See you at the guns shows and gun rights rallies, 2020 is a big year.

Have fun! Get active!
Steve Marx
President, GCLA

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Election Time is Here

The 2020 campaign season is upon us. It is more important than ever to keep pro-gun legislators in Jefferson City and Washington DC. We need to support our friends who are in office and make friends of those who we want in office.

We can do this by donating to the candidates that we agree with. Donate money, donate time, volunteer at the campaign offices. They remember those who support them.

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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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St. Louis City Traffic Stop Policy

From GCLA President Steve Marx

There is an ongoing St. Louis Police Department policy current going on with traffic stops that any firearms in the vehicle are confiscated.

The process to recover your lawfully owned property is to present proof of ownership, form 4473 or sales receipt. What happens to the gun if it was a gift from uncle Bob who is long dead? If you are a city resident you are referred to the St. Louis Sheriff's Department to process this recovery. We have contacted the St. Louis Sheriff's Department's Sheriff Vernon Betts to find out if he is aware that his office is being entangled in this issue of recovery. Sheriff Vernon Betts was not aware of this issue or who is processing this in his office. Sheriff Vernon Betts was very thankful for us bringing this to

his attention.

Mayor Lyda Krewson and Public Safety Director Jimmie Edwards do not care much for the Sheriff and his department or his strong support for Missouri concealed carry that he issues in St. Louis City. Sheriff Betts first reply to me was that this is illegal and disturbed that his department is being entangled in this activity.

The best way to avoid any loss of legally owned firearms is to maintain a concealed carry endorsement which verifies that you are a good guy. These rotten politicians are doing everything possible to nullify Missouri's Constitutional Carry Law. .

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Election of 2020 Board of Directors

The annual election for members of the Board of Directors of GCLA was held at our September 3rd Members' Meeting. Elected to the board to serve a three year term were: Chris Brown, Don Childers and Kevin Ketterer. Terry Brookman was elected to serve a one year term as the alternate board member.

The 2020 Board of Directors of GCLA will be:

Term expires in 2022

Chris Brown
Don Childers
Kevin Ketterer

Term expires in 2021

Gene Dultz
Mark Luther
John Zeman

Term expires in 2020

John Cuba
Steve Marx
Dale Barron

Alternate Board member for 2020

Terry Brookman

At the October 15th Board of Directors' Meeting the board elected the offices for 2020.

President	Steve Marx
Vice President	Mark Luther
Secretary	John Zeman
Treasurer	Gene Dultz

Congratulation and good luck to the 2020 Board Members.

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Missouri Legislators Speak at October Members' Meeting

At our October Members' meeting guest speakers Dottie Bailey, Representative for the 110th District and Jim Murphy, Representative for the 94th District came in and did an excellent review of upcoming legislation and items of concern.

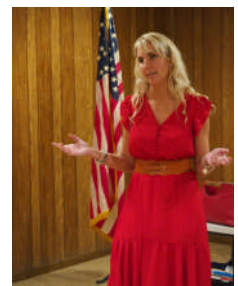
Discussion topics covered were:

- Social Justice Reform for Veterans.
- Red Flag bills.
- various other bills
- Issues with Republicans In Name Only and how some are just caving in on gun rights issues.
- That various officials are now out right calling for gun confiscation with no Due Process.

During Q & A the topics covered were:

- Support for Law Enforcement and not cracking down on the law abiding for the actions of a few.
- The Second Amendment Preservation Act
- POPing, Proof of Purchase tactics by police to confiscate legal guns from people during a traffic stop.
- The Clean Missouri Amendment, how it is bad and that it needs to go.
- The need for grass root support for campaigns and gun rights issues.

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A New Candidate for Confiscator-in-Chief

Former Texas Congressman Robert Francis O'Rourke abandoned his run for President last week, once again leaving a void for the most strident anti-gun candidate seeking the Democrat nomination. Even before declaring his candidacy for President, California Representative Eric Swalwell raised the specter of banning AR-15s and similar firearms, forcing Americans to turn them in through a confiscation scheme mislabeled as a "mandatory buyback," then "go[ing] after" resisters. He even famously "joked" about using nukes to enforce his scheme.

After Swalwell became the first candidate to bow out of the race when he failed to generate any noticeable poll numbers, O'Rourke stepped up to push the confiscation message.

Clearly, every Democrat that wants to run against Trump is

anti-gun. The main difference among them, when it comes to semi-automatics, seems to be whether they want to ban their future production, ban them completely and confiscate them, or ban their future production and register those currently owned (presumably to make future confiscation easier).

But, with multiple sources now reporting that anti-gun billionaire Michael Bloomberg is once again considering throwing his name into the already crowded Democrat field, it's likely that anti-gun extremists won't have to wait long for a new champion of confiscation. After all, he'll be the only candidate who can tout his experience as a firearm confiscator.

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Three Gun Control Bills Pass out of Committee

The US House Judiciary Committee has passed three gun control bills that can now be brought up at any time for an official floor vote:

- Red Flag gun confiscations
- Ban on high-capacity ammunition magazines
- Prohibiting those guilty of political incorrectness to own firearms

And anti-gunners are playing dirtier than ever before...

Nancy Pelosi is claiming that "PEOPLE ARE DYING" every

day that Republicans refuse to vote for her anti-gun bills. She hopes that if she turns up the heat enough, spineless RINOs will drop to their knees and surrender our rights.

We can't let the violent rhetoric of the anti-gun mob drown out the voices of millions of honest Americans who believe in the Second Amendment.

Please write to your representative to VOTE NO on these gun grabs that would shred the Second Amendment and set America on the path to tyranny.

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NASCAR Takes a Hard Left

After decades of NASCAR drivers literally turning left for hours every race day (road course races excluded, of course), the governing body appears to be taking a figurative left turn, politically.

K-Var, a retailer in outdoor and shooting sports products, reports that it was told it would need to edit/change an ad submitted earlier this year it had intended to be included in NASCAR's official program. The problem, apparently, is that the K-Var ad included depictions of "assault-style rifles/sniper rifles." Presumably, the offending firearm is an AK-variant manufactured by Arsenal.

NASCAR's official media sales agent told K-Var (as well as other potential advertisers), that the racing organization is undergoing a "gradual shift in (its) position on guns," which would appear to include NASCAR determining it is now opposed to the lawful manufacture, sale, and/or possession of what it refers to as "assault-style rifles/sniper rifles." Or, at least, the organization is opposed to advertising such items.

This seems to follow a trend of head-scratching corporate decisions to alienate a significant percentage of current and potential customers.

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Missouri Annual Gun Rights Rally - 2020

Please make plans to join us in the Capitol Building in Jefferson City on Tuesday – April 7th, 2020 – 10:00 a.m. to noon 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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SCOTUS Remington Decision

The Supreme Court has ruled that a lawsuit against gun maker Remington and its marketing practices filed by parents of victims of the Sandy Hook massacre can proceed.

While the lawsuit itself can proceed, there's no guarantee of victory for the plaintiffs. Also note that the Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act isn't implicated in the Supreme Court decision. Instead, the lawsuit relies on a state consumer protection law, which is why the plaintiffs now have to try to prove that Remington's advertising actually caused a murder.

Gun control groups, meanwhile, are still celebrating the news that the lawsuit can continue.

This isn't about "reforming" the firearms industry, as the Brady Campaign claims. It's about bankrupting gun makers and trying to force them out of business. Donald Verilli, the Obama-era Solicitor General who's now representing several

families in their lawsuit against Remington, has been a longtime opponent of the right to keep and bear arms, and previously argued before the Supreme Court in a 2011 case that the Second Amendment should be treated as a second-class right.

The issue of what level of judicial review is appropriate to Second Amendment challenges is likely to be decided by SCOTUS in the NYSPRA v. New York City case, which will be heard by the justices in early December. The outcome likely won't make much of a difference in the lawsuit against Remington, but it could thwart gun control activists from passing some of their ideal anti-gun bills. In the meantime, they'll continue to pursue any avenue possible to attack the right to keep and bear arms, including attempts to sue the firearms industry into oblivion .

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CCRKBA Declares Democrats Have 'Hidden Agenda Behind Impeachment'

BELLEVUE, WA – The Citizens Committee for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms today declared there is a "hidden agenda" behind the impeachment efforts of House Democrats led by Nancy Pelosi and it is designed to tie up the U.S. Senate and derail efforts to confirm more pro-Second Amendment judges to the federal courts.

"It is clear to us that Capitol Hill anti-gunners are doing everything in their power to prevent confirmation of conservative judges who will adhere to the Constitution," said CCRKBA Chairman Alan Gottlieb. "By burdening the Senate with this nonsense, Democrats believe they can prevent confirmation of pro-Second Amendment judicial nominees during the final year of President Donald Trump's first term."

Gottlieb noted that the president is fulfilling perhaps his most important campaign pledge, which was to bring balance back to the federal courts. Restoring that balance could be the president's greatest legacy, he said.

"The same people pushing impeachment have been staunch allies of the gun prohibition lobby," Gottlieb observed. "Anti-

gunners have been horrified since Day One of Donald Trump's presidency that he was actually determined to rein in the activist federal court system by nominating judges who understand there are ten amendments in the Bill of Rights, and that the Second Amendment really means what it says.

"More than eleven years after the landmark 2008 Heller ruling and more than nine years after the 2010 McDonald decision," he continued, "some courts still act as though neither of those Supreme Court rulings existed. But the president has been filling court vacancies with solid, intelligent jurists who understand the difference between regulated privileges and constitutionally-enumerated, fundamental rights. Capitol Hill anti-gunners and their gun prohibitionist friends can't stand it, and they're using the impeachment crusade as a smoke screen to distract the Senate from doing its duty.

"This isn't about impeaching the president," Gottlieb stated. "This is about impeaching our Second Amendment rights. I guarantee that American gun owners are going to remember this in 2020."

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RESERVE THE DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR

Gateway Friends of NRA Dinner and Auction

Saturday, April 4th, 2020 - doors open at 5:30 p.m.

MOOLAH SHRINE CENTER

located at 12545 Fee Fee Rd., St. Louis, MO 63042

For information contact Chris Brown

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

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 2020 & 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 9 a.m. To 5 p.m. for Sat.
and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sun.

When a show has a Friday date it will be open from
4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

October 4-6 Olympic Athletic Event Ctr.,
49 Lawrence St., St. Charles

October 5,6 Belle-Clair Expo Center, Belleville Il. *

October 12,13 Pacific Eagle's Hall

October 18-20 Arnold Eagle's Hall, Arnold

November 22-24 Olympic Athletic Event Ctr.,
49 Lawrence St., St. Charles

November 30 - December 1 St. Charles Convention Center

December 14,15 Pacific Eagle's Hall *

* 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 2020 elections.

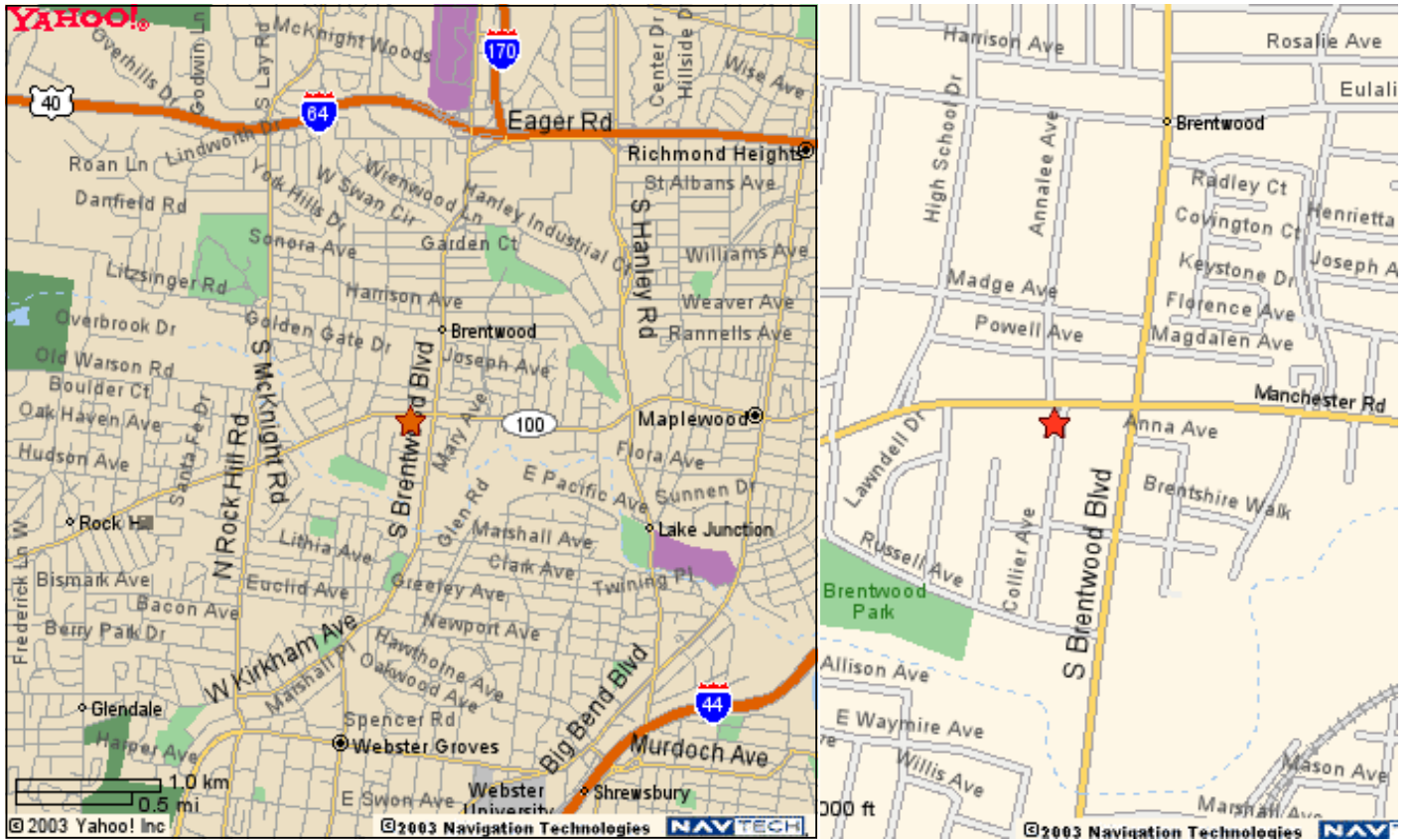
Send donations to GCLA-PAC, P.O. Box 440280 , St. Louis, MO 63144

NOTICE: All proceeds from our current Gun Drawing are going to the GCLA PAC. The prizes are: First prize is a Henry Lever Action Frontier rifle with 20" Octagon barrel .22 S/L/LR. 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 5th, 2020.



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

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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: \$_____ []

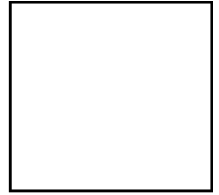
NRA Member: Y / N If an NRA annual member, your expiration date: / / .

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

We are particularly interested in your comments.



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