



# G.C.L.A. NEWS

The Newsletter of the Gateway Civil Liberties Alliance

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## ***NEW MEETING LOCATION***

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

Gateway Gun Club  
13547 Missouri Bottom  
Road  
Bridgeton, MO 63044.  
Off Exit #9 ,141 (Earth  
City Expwy) from 370  
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## **President's Corner**

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The November mid-term election has arrived. The chance for changing the direction of the state levels as well as federal levels of the legislatures, bodes well for our Second Amendment rights.

The calls from Missouri Democrat controlled cities for red flag laws is frightful. This calls for confiscation of a person's firearms without due process.

Governor Parson stood up to pressure from the left leaning press by telling of the Second Amendment Preservation Act. Missouri is so lucky to be led by Governor Parson. The press did all it could to demonize him but he stood tall for our rights. I was so impressed by this, that I sent a letter to the Governor.

The letter praised him for not folding under pressure and not wavering on our God given rights. I urge others to do likewise. Give them a compliment when they earn it.

Have fun! Get active!  
Steve Marx  
President, GCLA

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## **Mid-term Election is Over**

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The 2022 mid-term elections happened on November 8th. It was not a great day for liberty and especially for our gun rights under the Second Amendment of the Constitution. With the markup of the US Senate we could easily get anti-gun Judges and Executive Branch department heads appointed the confirmed. Fortunately, with the new makeup of the US House it is very unlikely that any federal laws will pass that will be detrimental to our gun rights, **for the next two years**. We must continue to be vigilant, stay active and continue our progress in the 2024 Presidential election. The anti-gunners never ever give up, we must not either. Elections have consequences.

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## **GCLA's Purpose**

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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.

## 2023 Board of Directors

The annual election for members of the Board of Directors of GCLA was held at our October 6th Members' Meeting. The expiring board members were: Chris Brown, Don Childers, Kevin Ketterer and the alternate Dan Hyatt. Chris Brown decided not to run for reelection. Becky Buwalda was nominated from the floor. Becky Buwalda, Don Childers and Kevin Ketterer were elected to the board and will serve a three year term. Dan Hyatt was elected to be the Alternate Board Member for 2023.

At the October 18th Board of Directors' Meeting the board elected from among themselves the officers for 2023.

The 2023 Board of Directors of GCLA are:

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

Terms expire in 2023

John Cuba  
Steve Marx  
Bruce Buwalda

Terms expire in 2024

Gene Dultz  
Mark Luther  
John Zeman.

Terms expire in 2025

Becky Buwalda  
Don Childers  
Kevin Ketterer

Alternate Board member for 2023

Dan Hyatt

Congratulation and good luck to the 2022 Board Members.



## 2022 Drawing Winners

We had a drawing at our December 2, 2021 members' meeting. The winner of the first prize, a Stevens/Savage 320 Security 12 gauge 18.5" 5 round Matte, was Diane Parolin. The winner of the second prize, a Benchmade 3" Self-Folding Knife with Friends of NRA Logo on the blade, was Don Runge.

Our most recent drawing was held at our August 4, 2022 members' meeting. The winner of the first prize, a Tisas 1911A1 US Army Pistol, .45 ACP, 5" barrel, 7 round magazine, was Jason Nguyen (pictured with our Secretary John Zeman). The winner of the second prize, a Cabela's Catch-All Gear Bag, was Kevin Gentle.



## NICS Denial or Delay? Your Address is Now Reported to the Cops

October 5, 2022 • by William Lawson

If you've ever bought a firearm, you know about the National Instant Criminal Background Check (NICS) procedure. You may have also been delayed for some reason, making the check not exactly "instant." Or perhaps you've even been denied. It happens all the time. Ninety percent of all denials are false positives, meaning the denial should not have been issued. It takes a little extra work, but you get it ironed out.

But thanks to the NICS Denial Notification Act of 2022, if you're denied, or even just delayed, the FFL is required to report your home address to the ATF, who then passes it along to local, state, or tribal law enforcement agencies, as well as local prosecutors.

### The New NICS Policy

Gun Owners of America obtained a September 22, 2022, email to FFLs, in which the ATF outlines the new policy. It

reads:

The NICS Denial Notification Act of 2022 requires the FBI's NICS Section to notify state, local, or tribal law enforcement of all FBI NICS denied transactions within 24 hours. The FBI must provide notification to law enforcement based upon the location of the FFL and if different, the purchaser's address. To support the determination of what local agency should receive the notification, FFLs will be required to provide the buyer's complete address to NICS as recorded on the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Form 4473 when the transactions are DENIED or DELAYED. The address information will be required before the status can be provided or retrieved either by the NICS corrected call center or via the NICS E-check.

The new law was packaged in the Violence Against Women Act of 2022, which snuck in several gun control measures that

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would have otherwise faced an uphill climb in the US Senate. It's a common underhanded tactic employed by both parties. GOA got some of the measures stricken but several remained, including this one.

### What does the new NICS policy mean?

This change means that the cops, and maybe prosecutors, are

required to investigate you should you be denied or delayed. This is a big change. FFLs were previously required to provide the denied person's state of residence. A delay was not flagged at all..

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## NICS system scrutinizing young adult gun buyers

The emailed bulletin from the ATF noted that there was an important message concerning the NICS system that all FFLs needed to be made aware of. This message concerned provisions of the unconstitutional so-called Bipartisan Safer Communities Act (BSCA) of 2022 coming into effect.

From the message:

*From: atffflalert@atf.gov*

*Date: November 4, 2022 at 10:58:11 AM EDT*

*Subject: ATF FFL ALERT – NICS NOTIFICATION UPDATE*

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*This is an important message from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. As a result of the passage of the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act (BSCA) of 2022, the NICS Section has been working towards the implementation of an enhanced background check process for persons between the ages of 18-20. Please refer to <https://nicsezcheckfbi.gov/> for further details.*

Following the link to the FBI NICS system page the following new alert was posted in full:

*As a result of the passage of the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act (BSCA) of 2022, signed into law on June 25, 2022, the NICS Section has been working towards the implementation of an enhanced background check process for persons between the ages of 18-20. The enhancement provides the opportunity for additional outreach and research to be conducted regarding the existence of any juvenile adjudication information and/or mental health prohibition. **As a result, transactions on persons between the ages of 18-20 will initially be delayed and the address of the individual will be collected so that the appropriate local and state entities may be contacted.** The enhanced process will begin on November 14, 2022, for all transactions on persons under the age of 21 as previously described. Checks on persons under the age of 21 could be extended for a period up to ten business days. Therefore, it is possible for an FFL to be contacted with an updated Brady Transfer Date. As a temporary measure and until the NICS can be updated to provide this information electronically, NICS staff will be calling FFLs to advise of any change in the transfer date. In preparation for calls from NICS, you will be asked to verify your license number and code word. You may wish to have this information readily available for you and your staff.*

*All descriptive information, including address, will follow normal purge requirements (i.e., deleted from NICS within 24 hours of the FFL receiving a proceed status.) Please note, if no potentially prohibiting information is located, the transaction will be proceeded as soon as possible.*

Good luck to you FBI NICS check workers! To the rank and

file FBI NICS screeners, remember that elections have consequences and who did this to you.

What can FFLs, and more importantly prospective gun buyers in this limbo age expect? Lengthy delays and a whole lot of incomplete checks being done. Well, that is incomplete based on their new requirements. Honestly, implementation of any new system usually has its own bumps and bruises, and its very own flavor of failure.

There does not seem to be any default proceed language in the measure. Are we to assume that's a given? Or are these young adults going to be stuck when the local PD says to the FBI that an individual is a "bad egg" based on some juvenile delinquency the department is aware of that's irrelevant to firearm disqualifiers?

There seems to be more subjectivity added into this process than there ever should be. Further, those same "local law enforcement" agencies should not be beholden to this in any way, shape, and or form. Looking back at Printz v. United States should be a clue as to one of the many ways this law is unconstitutional. In Printz, the United States Supreme Court found that local law enforcement agencies are not obligated to uphold federal laws. I think there's a kinship there and look forward to the first police department that gets contacted when this requirement comes into effect and tells the FBI to go pound sand.

Here's to hoping that there are plaintiffs already lined up.

The other element that this notice/law brings up is the targeting of those aged 18-20. We've already seen several challenges to laws that restrict such adults from being able to carry firearms side with liberty and freedom. There have been challenges to the federal prohibition of sales of handguns to those under 21 go on, with varied successes. As well as challenges to state laws that restrict those under 21 from purchasing certain long guns. The government entities involved in these laws, our Congress included, have created a class of people that are not fully patriated with their Second Amendment rights, and eventually all such prohibitions are doomed to fail (if everyone's being honest).

What exactly do our citizens under the age of 21 have coming to them once this law comes into full force? Hard telling. It's not a foregone conclusion this is going to be a mess, but use your own imagination. While members of Congress and other anti-freedom caucus members keep waging war on those adults under 21 when it comes to firearm sales, let's all keep in the back of our minds the so-called leaders who are cut from the same cloth want to allow 16-year-olds the right to vote

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# Shipping Companies Prohibit the Lawful Shipping of Firearms

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There are a number of options for non-FFLs to lawfully ship their firearms. Or, rather, there were.

The two largest US common carriers, United Parcel Service (UPS) and Federal Express (FedEx), recently decided they would no longer allow non-FFLs to use their service for lawfully shipping firearms.

The FedEx website states, under How to Ship Firearms:

Only customers holding a Federal Firearms License (FFL) and federal, state, or local government agencies may ship firearms with FedEx.

UPS, on the other hand, has taken a far more extreme approach to restricting the lawful shipping of items via its service. Under the heading How To Ship Firearms, UPS

states:

Shipments containing Firearm Products are accepted for transportation only from shippers who are federally licensed and have an approved UPS agreement for the transportation of Firearm Products.

Digging a little deeper, one finds that UPS defines “Firearm Products” to include “Firearm Parts,” which it explains are:

“Firearm Part” is any part or component of a Firearm that does not by itself meet the definition of a “Firearm.” By way of example only, Firearm Parts include, but are not limited to, barrels, stocks, grips, firing pins, sights, and magazines/clips..

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## White House is gaslighting Americans on "assault weapons"

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The White House released a statement about the shooting at the University of Virginia in which three members of the school’s football team were killed. The statement itself isn’t all that unusual, but what really stood out to me was the fact that Biden tried to tie this shooting to his repeated calls for a ban on semi-automatic rifles, with press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre declaring that “[w]e need to enact an assault weapons ban to get weapons of war off America’s streets. House Democrats acted, and the Senate should follow.”

At the time, police hadn’t said what kind of weapon the shooter used in the Sunday night attack, but there had been no indications that a rifle was involved. Based on the current charges the suspect is facing, however, it appears that he was in possession of a pistol, not a rifle, when the shots were fired.

This isn’t the first time that the White House has tried to pin the blame for a crime on a gun that wasn’t even used. Last month, after a 15-year old in North Carolina used a shotgun and a pistol in an attack in a Raleigh neighborhood, the White House’s initial statement called for... a ban on so-called assault weapons.

This isn’t just a case of Biden or his press team jumping the gun (so to speak) and putting out statements before all of the facts are known. This is about the White House trying to craft a narrative about the evils of modern sporting rifles and gin up support for banning them by associating black rifles with every high-profile crime involving a gun.

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## READ UP!

### TOP BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE RESPONSIBLY ARMED

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If you’ve ever lamented that there are so many great books out there but so little time in which to read them, this may be a perfect starting point for you to narrow down the choices. We reached out to learn what firearms, training and safety books our fellow 2A community members currently have on their reading lists (aside from some of the awesome selections from the USCCA library, of course). The responses were numerous and varied, so we selected some of the most popular recommendations ... and a few unusual ones! (Books are listed in alphabetical order by the author’s last name.)

- **Deadly Force: Understanding Your Right to Self Defense** by Massad Ayoob
- **Love Your Enemies: How Decent People Can Save America From the Culture of Contempt** by Arthur C. Brooks
- **The Gift of Fear: Survival Signals That Protect Us From Violence** by Gavin de Becker
- **Gun Control Myths: How Politicians, the Media, and Botched “Studies” Have Twisted the Facts on Gun Control** by

Dr. John Lott

- **400 Things Cops Know: Street-Smart Lessons From a Veteran Patrolman** by Adam Plantinga
- **Why Meadow Died: The People and Policies That Created the Parkland Shooter and Endanger America’s Students** by Andrew Pollack & Max Eden
- **The ABCs of Guns** by Yehuda Remer
- **The Power of Awareness: And Other Secrets From the World’s Foremost Spies, Detectives, and Special Operators on How to Stay Safe and Save Your Life** by Dan Schilling
- **Left of Bang: How the Marine Corps’ Combat Hunter Program Can Save Your Life** by Patrick Van Horne & Jason Riley

Be sure to check out the USCCA Store at [Store.USConcealedCarry.com](https://www.uscca.com) for other can’t-miss titles .

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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 2023 & 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.

November 26,27 St. Charles Convention Center

December 9-11 The Big St. Charles Gun Show, 49 Lawrence St

January 7,8 Pacific Eagles Hall, Pacific MO

February 11,12 St. Charles Convention Center

February 17-19 MACA, Arnold Eagles Hall, Arnold MO

March 17-19 The Big St. Charles Gun Show, 49 Lawrence St

May 12-14 The Big St. Charles Gun Show, 49 Lawrence St

July 8,9 St. Charles Convention Center

July 29,30 Pacific Eagles Hall, Pacific MO

October 6-8 The Big St. Charles Gun Show, 49 Lawrence St

December 8-10 The Big St. Charles Gun Show, 49 Lawrence St

\* indicates GCLA will **not** have a table at this show

\*\* indicates NRAMembership Recruiting table only

**Any Member Who Would Like To Work At A Gun Show**

**Please Call:**

**Don Childers 314-288-8881**





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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.

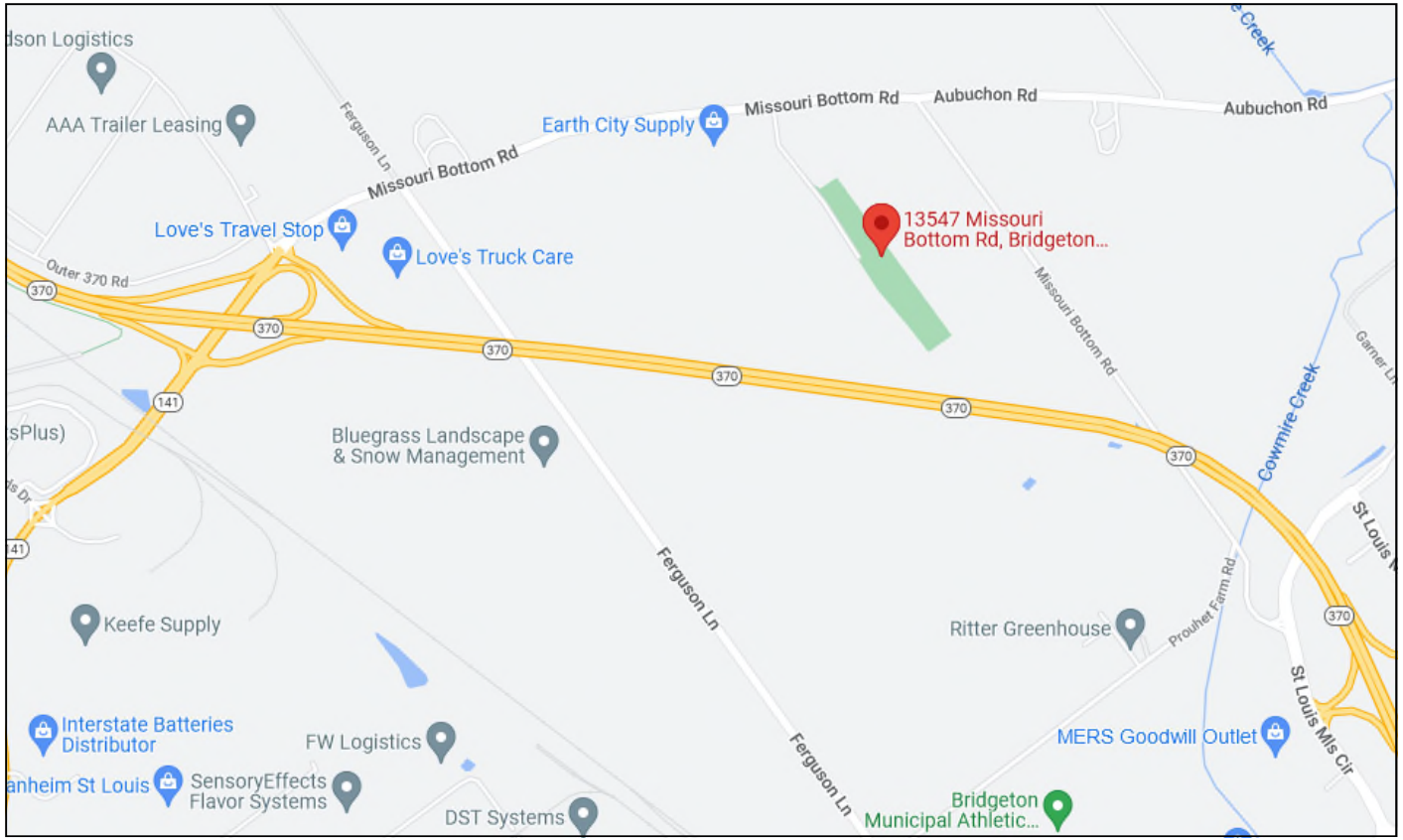
## GCLA-PAC

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 2024 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 Smith & Wesson 642 Centennial Airweight .38 special+P, 1.875" barrel, stainless steel, light weight, black rubber checkered grips. Second prize is a Bushnell Red Dot Electro-Optics. There are only 250 tickets. The drawing will be held at the members' meeting immediately after all 250 tickets are gone.

**Meeting location** - Gateway Gun Club .13547 Missouri Bottom Road,  
 Bridgeton, MO 63044.  
**Member meetings are on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00PM.**



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**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual: Adult Membership Dues are \$24.00. Youth (under 16) Membership dues are \$10.00.

First year membership can be pro-rated.

Membership: \$24.00 [ ] \$10.00 [ ] Donation: \$\_\_\_\_\_ [ ]

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

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

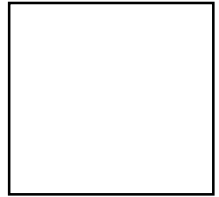
We are particularly interested in your comments.



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