

A well regulated Militia being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms shall not be infringed. --Amendment II, US Constitution



The right of no person to keep and bear arms in defense of his home, person and property, or in aid of the civil power when thereto legally summoned, shall be called to question; . . . --Article II, § 13, Colorado Constitution

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An Important Message from the PPFC President

PPFC Members:

We are more than half way through the first year of the Obama administration; and, contrary to my best guess, we have not had a real legislative assault on our gun rights yet. The vote on Senator Thune's National CCW amendment was about as close as it gets, but our two Democrat Senators voted in favor of National CCW (I suspect the Dem leadership allowed that as their two votes were not needed to quash the amendment) in an attempt at gaining pro gun credibility.

Don't be fooled dear friends, as the anti's have been laying the ground work for problems down the road. First, Hillary and the Mexican President (falsely) informed us that guns, ammo, and explosives from US gun shows and dealers made up 90% of the weapons used by the Mexican Drug Cartels. Then, Secretary Napolitano basically accused us gun owners of being domestic terrorists. And now, as evidence, the likes of David Sirota and others in the media are demonizing peaceful, law abiding citizens for exercising their right to carry in public, the latest being those carrying peacefully at the town hall meetings last week. From what I've heard of the actions of some of the union thugs, it sounds like a prudent man would be armed in those areas.

The latest affront I have heard about comes from Denver, and Governor Ritter. It seems as though the good Governor wants to access a \$10 "fee" for CBI checks. This may sound reasonable to some, but it is an affront that cannot stand. Though not oppressive today, this illegal "fee" has the power to destroy our right to purchase firearms, and is certainly an infringement. The power to tax is the power to destroy.

My point in all this is to outline the battles that are coming in the future and emphasize that we will need your help in this fight if we are to succeed. We will need your help in spreading the word through conversation, emails, staffing the gun shows, and not the least, donating to the PPFC Small Donor Committee. Each of us is allowed to donate \$50 per year to the committee and I ask that each of you find your way to making that maximum donation. \$50 is only the cost of a couple boxes of ammo, a small price to pay to help insure our rights to BUY ammo.

This money allow us to support Second Amendment/Self Defense friendly candidates for elected office. The anti-gunners use funds from labor unions and

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- **September 10, 2009:**
PPFC Membership Meeting
- **September 17, 2009:**
PPFC Board Meeting
- **September 25, 2009:**
Colorado Springs Friends of NRA Dinner
(www.csfnra.com)

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Next PPFC Meeting
Thursday, September 10, 2009
VFW Post 4051
430 E Pikes Peak Ave
Colorado Springs CO
7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

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guilds to support their candidates, whereas we are dependent on voluntary contributions from like minded gun owners. Please take the time and effort necessary to take \$50 from your ammo fund and donate it to the PPFC Small Donor Committee. If you are not sure if you have already donated for 2009 or how much, you can e-mail info@ppfc.org.

Thank You, Dane Nowels, President

Friends of NRA Event

The 14th annual Colorado Springs Friends of NRA dinner and fundraiser will be held on September 25, 2009 at Biggs Event Center. There will be a large number of firearms and other limited NRA items available to win. This will be an excellent event and your chance to support the NRA Foundation, the non-profit, non-political arm of the NRA. See the Colorado Springs website for all the details and to buy tickets: www.csfra.com.

Why is remembering history important?

Local radio talk show host Richard Randall will address our September 10th meeting on the importance of remembering history, especially World War II. As they say, "those who don't remember history, are doomed to repeat it." This will be a very informative presentation. Be sure to attend!

Women on Target

The Colorado Springs *Friends of NRA* committee helped secure a \$2,000 NRA Foundation grant for the PPFC to conduct a Women on Target event in Colorado Springs.

Women On Target is designed to create more hunting and shooting opportunities for women. There are currently about two million American women who hunt and an additional four million who enjoy target shooting. These numbers are steadily increasing.

Fulfilling its mission to "create opportunities, encourage, educate, and mentor women's responsible participation in the recreational shooting and hunting sports," Women On Target is helping women learn shooting and hunting skills in a safe and supportive women-only atmosphere!

The PPFC Women on Target event will be held this fall. It is designed to introduce women to the shooting sports and is targeted for those women who have little or no shooting experience. If you know someone who would like to attend, please call Sue Paradis at Paradise Sales, 630-7070. This will be an all-day event of fun, learning, and fellowship. Class size is limited so sign up now.

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