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Through the Spotting Scope



President's Report

As this newsletter reaches you, we are just over half way through the legislative session. NVFAC has been working hard to protect our rights, and our members and 2A supporters have come out in mass to protest the gun grabbing of Nevada politicians paid for by Michael Bloomberg, Gabby Giffords and George Soros. However, NVFAC is more than a political action committee. We have projects being developed as well as ongoing projects.

As mentioned in this column before, we are a VOLUNTEER organization, which means people helping us as a group to protect our rights and grow the sport of shooting. Please see our Development Division report, we are requesting some motivated people to help us produce a Bill of Rights Banquet.

Please continue to respond to our alerts and please share them with your friends. Individually we can't do much, but together we can make a difference to make sure Nevada stays Nevada as we know it.

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Don Turner, President

**AT THE TIME IT WAS ENACTED
THE SECOND AMENDMENT**

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AND WAS SPECIFICALLY INTENDED
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Communications Division Communications Division

NVFAC is well represented on social media as we maintain two web pages, two open Facebook pages and four closed-group Facebook pages.

Our NVFAC web page is:

www.nvfac.org

Our PAC web page is:

www.nvfacpac.org

Our main Facebook page is:

<https://www.facebook.com/NVFAC/>

Our Political Action Committee

Facebook page is:

<https://www.facebook.com/NVFirearmsPAC>

We also provide twitter information for our PAC activities.

We maintain four closed-group Facebook pages to assist our members in communicating information and activities. Please join your group and share with other pro 2A gun owners.

Northwest Division

If you live in Washoe, Humboldt, Pershing, Churchill, Storey, Douglas, Lyon, Mineral or Esmeralda counties, you are in our NW Division. Our division director is justin@nvfac.org. Please contact him if you are willing to help on the various committees in your area, your FB page is:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1652461708123047/>

Northeast Division

If you live in Elko, Lander, Eureka, or White Pine counties, you are in our NE Division. Our division director is Jessica@nvfac.org. Please contact her if you are willing to help on the various committees in your area. Your FB page is:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1129275960581946/>

Southern Division

If you live in Lincoln, Nye or Clark Counties, you are in our Southern Division. Our division director is info@nvfac.org. Please contact him if you are willing to help on the various committees in your area. Your FB page is:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2241764499370864/>

Annie Oakley Women's Shooting Program

This record breaking women's program is offered every Tuesday night at the Clark County Shooting Complex. Our women's program coordinator is Jeannette@nvfac.org. Please contact he if you'd like to volunteer to attend, or to be a member of the team. Their FB page is:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1925399524406179/>

Thank you for your support and help in fighting and protecting our rights.

Greg Ferrante, Director
NVFAC Communications Division

Development Division Development Division Develop

NVFAC Members Only SWAP-MEET

Please mark your calendars for our 2nd NVFAC "Members ONLY" Swap Meet. ONLY OPEN to members and their guests. ONLY members can buy a table for \$15.

When: Sunday, May 19th

Time: Setup for vendors is at 8 AM – Swap Meet is open to members and their guests from 9 AM to 3 PM

Where: Elks Lodge (Back Patio – Enter from back gate) – 4100 W Charleston Blvd

If you are interested in buying a table, please send an email to tom@nvfac.org.

WE NEED HELP - We are looking for volunteers to form a committee to develop our Bill of Rights Banquet to be held in September 2019. This banquet will fund many of our NVFAC activities for the year. The last two banquets were well attended. Please contact tom@nvfac.org to sign up. NVFAC pays for all expenses, we just need your help.

Tom Panagos, Director
NVFAC Development Division

Range & Retail Division Range & Retail Division Range

In the previous Nevada Firearms Coalition newsletter, I stated I would begin a series of articles to help you in your business. The topics were growing your business, effective customer service, making your range family friendly while keeping it safe, and staying engaged in your community. Today, let's discuss some facts about growing your business.

Gene Kelly, president of The American Gunsmithing Institute, authored an article (date unknown), entitled Top Ten Mega Marketing Mistakes That Gun Shops Make. I like this guy because there was no fluff or B.S. in the article – he just went for it. Let's focus on just a few of the topics he covered, as I believe they pertain to us.

One of the prominent issues he discussed is, "Lack of an Iron Clad System for Building Their Customer Database". He equates gun shop customers as the most valuable asset to the business and he is right. Gun shop owners should be making contact and obtaining information from potential customers. How many customers enter your store, actually buy something and then leave without you obtaining some type of information. Kelly asks the question which only has one answer – "What would happen to your gun shop if you had to constantly rely on selling to new gun owners instead of having a relationship with existing ones?" Create a system in which you can contact customers to give them information on new products, sales, wish them a Happy Birthday, etc. Customers will spend money if they feel appreciated and known to your business. If customers do not want to be bothered with store emails and deals, they will tell you.

Another important mistake business owners make is "Working 'In' Your Business Instead of 'On' Your Business". He describes owners as

being too busy at the shop because they believe they are the best employees, sales persons, etc. Train your people up to where you want them, which will free you up to work 'on' the business (networking, advertising, trade shows etc). You cannot grow your business if you are constantly focused on the minute tasks of everyday operations.

Finally, and this is just my opinion, when new customers come in, a friendly handshake and asking them their name goes a lot further than, "What can I help you with?" While you may not always get a sale, you will at least start a relationship.

If you are interested in reading this short but complete article, send me an email at rich@nvfac.org and I will forward it to you.

Stay safe and see you soon!

Rich Fletcher, Director
NVFAC Range & Retail Division

You've Got E-Mail Options!

Here's some e-mail service companies to help you maintain contact with customers and patrons and cultivate relationships:

- Mailchimp.com - Send up to 12,000 emails per month to a mail list of up to 2,000 addresses for free.
- Verticalresponse.com - Nonprofits can send up to 10,000 emails a month for free. Business plans start at \$11/month.
- constantcontact.com - Special pricing for nonprofits, franchises and associations.

Northeast Division Report Northeast Division Report

It's been roughly a month since I became the Northeast Director, and what a month it has been in Northeastern Nevada! From meetings to hearings, making our voices heard to Sanctuary Counties, we're on a roll!

My name is Jessica Moore, and I'm a resident of Elko County. I am an NRA Certified Instructor for Basic Pistol, Personal Protection In and

Out of the Home, and as a Range Officer. I am also an NRA Refuse to Be a Victim Instructor. I teach Concealed Firearm Permit classes, basic handgun safety classes, and provide one-on-one firearm training. I work for a small, family run gun store as well. I've been a sportswoman all my life, hunting since before I could walk and

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shooting from the time I could hold a rifle. My parents were competitive shooters for a time, so I spent a lot of time with them and other amazing shooters at the range. It's a pastime that I'm happy that we can share with my daughter – one of the most important things I feel my husband and I can pass on to her.

In the coming months, I'll be reaching out to groups and individuals in each county – I'd love to get to know you and learn what you have

going on in your hometown! We'll be looking for events to attend, ranges to check out, matches to (hopefully) join in on, and maybe to find some new members along the way.

I look forward to sharing the vision and goals of NVFAC. Please reach out to me, make sure you're in our Facebook group, and let's get together! Jessica@nvfac.org

Jessica Moore, Director
Northeast Division

Northwest Division Report Northwest Division Report

The Fight for Nevada Continues

As more threats of gun restrictions loom ahead, we can be proud of the strides we've made so far. Our membership in the northwest is growing. We've made connections with other 2nd amendment groups in Nevada as well as local representatives of the NRA-ILA. We now have a core of active members who are diligently working to preserve and protect our rights in Nevada. We had our first NVFAC meeting in Sparks back in March and will be meeting on a quarterly basis to keep our members up to speed and coordinate our efforts. Watch the NVFAC for NW NV Facebook page for more events!

While NVFAC continues to grow, we remain focused on the goings on in Carson City. We

need to be reminded to not despair in the face of a constant threat of gun restriction. We must work daily to combat bad legislation and make as many people aware of it as possible. The NVFAC has many goals this year, and the way we achieve them in the face of all our opposition is to not quit. Maintaining our right to bear arms is not a one-time battle. It won't end with a single vote or just one day at the legislature. It's a campaign. It's a weekly, daily and hourly fight that does not stop. We will work to be stronger and more effective than we were yesterday.

Justin Edwards, Director
Northwest Division



Southern Division Report Southern Division Report So

By now we are all aware of the intentions of our local and state representatives to restrict firearm ownership to all but confiscation. Under the guise of safety, our elected officials are swept away by misplaced emotional responses or the power that comes through the streams of money flowing in from far-off billionaires. The result is the same – they are intent on making many good people pay for the actions of a few bad ones. So, rather than apprehend and banish the criminals, they instead apprehend and banish the instrument of the crime (guns). As witnessed at the elections, reasonable argument between us and them has failed. A mere one percent shift between a winning and losing candidate does not bring a corresponding shift in policy, but an outright attack on our constitutional rights. If we lose the rights enumerated in the second amendment, the rest are in grave danger of the same.

So, what do we do? Here, at the NVFAC, we understand that the power of the assembly comes from the individuals that comprise it, and then, through its representatives. Therefore, we attempt to not only bring people together for a common cause, but with a singular, representative voice. Lacking the financial support of billionaires, or even the raw ambition for political power, our appeal is to our fellow citizens who, wishing to merely enjoy our happy obscurity, must instead sacrifice that to protect our freedoms. To that end, we are working on initiatives to, as Justin Edwards noted, become ambassadors for responsible and thoughtful gun ownership. We are working on two: 1) reaching out through townhall-type meetings to individual communities to both understand their concerns and then educate them on what is truly at stake; and 2) setting up firearm-related classes to engage people in benefits of firearms beyond mere ownership.

Stay tuned for updates as this unfolds. As with all of you, the biggest limitation we have is time, but it is clear to me that to



continue to enjoy the freedom I've taken for granted for just over 60 years, let alone ensure my grandchildren have that same opportunity, this cause must take priority over others. I know you all feel the same ... and I look forward to working with you to accomplish our common goal.

NVFAC Member Meet Up – Las Vegas – 2nd Saturday of each month

To make the meet ups more accessible, to those in the Northwest we are going to alternate locations each month starting in March.

From now on even months will be at Sin City Smokers and odd months at Ricardo's Mexican Restaurant.

Time: 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Dates & Location:

April 13th – Sin City Smokers - 2861 N. Green Valley Pkwy, Henderson

May 11th – Ricardo's – 4930 W. Flamingo Rd., Las Vegas

June 8th – Sin City Smokers

**Dave Talaga, Director
Southern Division**



Nevada Firearms Coalition Foundation

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On March 12, 2019 President Trump signed S. 47, the [Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act](#), a bipartisan law that protects the Wilderness while opening up public lands for multiple uses. The bill has 100 individual bills and redirected \$3.9 billion in oil and gas leasing royalties to fund more than 40,000 projects across the country. The measure also creates five new national monuments, adds thousands of miles to national trails and scenic river systems and designates 700,000 acres of new "recreation and conservation" areas nationwide. One of the most important elements of the law establishes a national "open unless closed" standard for hunting and fishing on Bureau of Land Management and U.S. Forest Service lands.

Capping this rare bi-partisan effort in Congress, the new law, which passed the U.S. Senate last month by a vote of 92-8, also designates 1.3 million acres of federal land in California, Oregon, Utah and New Mexico as wilderness. The new law, called the "John D. Dingell Jr. Conservation, Management and

Recreation Act" in honor of the late Michigan congressman.

Among its provisions, the measure establishes 375,000 acres of new wilderness — an area nearly 13 times the size of San Francisco — in the Mojave Desert, most of it on federal land managed by the Bureau of Land Management.



The legislation also enlarges Death Valley National Park by 35,929 acres and Joshua Tree National Park by 4,518 acres,

The provision that drew the most support from GOP leaders, ensuring passage was a measure to permanently reauthorize the "[Land and Water Conservation Fund](#)". That law,

passed in 1964, is America's largest source of funding to not only expand national parks and wildlife refuges, but to provide grants to states to fund major outdoor recreation activities/lands and for cities to create new local parks, baseball fields, community swimming pools, boat marinas, off road vehicle trails, and other outdoor activities.

Julius Fortuna, Director
NVFAC Conservation Division

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Competition Division Competition Division Competitio

Palomino Valley Gun Club will be hosting their 2nd annual Nevada State Long Range Championship at the Washoe County Regional Shooting Facility in Reno, Nevada. There are a limited number of entries. You can download the entry form from our website at www.nvfac.org and mail the complete form with match fees to Palomino Valley Club, P.O. Box 4251, Sparks, NV 89432-4251. Registration will also be accepted the day of the match.

The next "Know Your Own Limits" matches are as follows - May 4th and June 1st on the 50-yard education center range at Clark County Shooting Complex. Sign in starts at 7:00am.

In May, we will start the AR-15 matches. Look for future information on our web page "events."

Johnny Engberg, Director
NVFAC Competition Division

Education & Training Division Education & Training Div

Thank you for appointing me as the Director of the Education and Training Division! As an NRA Training Counselor, USCCA Training Counselor, Regional Counselor for Refuse to be a Victim, CPR Instructor and State Approved CCW Instructor, I look forward to providing new and exciting courses. While sticking to the traditional NRA course, I would like to introduce USCCA approve courses, as well as Introduction to Firearms, Defensive Pistol and other interesting and fun courses. All of my classes are listed at www.LowProLV.com. Nevada Firearms Coalition members get a 15% discount off the classes listed on the site, please email me if you have any question and/or would like to register for any of our classes.

Annie Oakley Women's Shooting Program, Jeannette Morgan, Women's Program Coordinator (Jeannette@nvfac.org)

This highly successful program will have its two-year anniversary on April 16, 2019. Who can believe that time has gone by so fast. This weekly program, funded by our Foundation and grants from NRA Friends has and continues to produce outstanding results. It is a basic introduction to firearms safety and basic pistol craft designed for women who have never shot

before. So far more than half of the ladies who have attended have encountered the joy of shooting a firearm for the first time, and have taken home knowledge of gun safety and securing guns from at risk persons to make their homes safer.

Our Annie Oakley team is made up of women Instructors, Range Safety Officers and Coaches. Thanks go to all the volunteers who have made this outstanding program possible.

From April 17, 2017 to April 16, 2019, we have introduced 2,487 women to firearms safety, and supervised 5,810 shooters with 110 safety classes, and 202 range sessions. We've trained 93 team members and provided 292 students with more advanced programs such as "gun cleaning" and "how to buy a pistol" classes. A special Shout Out to the Clark County Shooting Complex which co-hosts this program and makes it possible to have safe range time. If you would like more information, visit us on the NVFAC Annie Oakley Women's Shooting Program FB page or contact our coordinator.

Paul Chaffee, Director
NVFAC Education & Training Division

Please check out and share our web and social media sites and stay informed.

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Remember, there's no cost to participate in this program, and you'll still earn fuel points on eligible purchases every time you shop.

*0.5% based on eligible purchases.
See Helpful Information for exclusions.

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Nevada Firearms Coalition Political Action Committee

Fighting the Good Fight

2019 Legislative Session

The legislative session is not going well for the Second Amendment in the Silver State, and it may not get much better. The first order of business for the Democratic-controlled Assembly and Senate was a universal background check bill that was hurried through a rare joint session of the Assembly and Senate Judiciary Committees, then both the Assembly and Senate in order to be signed by Governor Sisolak on Valentine's Day, the first anniversary of the Florida high school shooting in 2018. Similar treatment seems to be in store for an omnibus gun control bill touted by the Democratic majorities in both chambers which will undo many of the gains made by Silver State gun owners in the 2015 session, notably the repeal of statewide firearms pre-emption. This will open the legal door for every county and town in Nevada to pass whatever gun control legislation they see fit, meaning Nevada gun owners will likely need to deal with a crazy-quilt patchwork of gun laws. The same bill has poorly worded language which threatens to turn thousands of Nevada gun owners into felons for having made minor modifications to their guns to improve accuracy and handling, but which falls under a provision of the omnibus gun bill aimed at fully automatic weapons. This can be attributed to Democratic legislators writing laws about things they do not understand, and in some instances, taking draft legislation from gun control groups who know even less about guns than the legislators they pay to pass the laws.

One good note to report is that it looks like a so-called "Red Flag" law, allowing police to confiscate guns from citizens without due process, may be dead in the legislature this session. However, the session still has several

months to go, and we continue to work with our excellent lobbyist, Randi Thompson, and allied gun groups and interested citizens to minimize the danger and damage to our gun rights. We draw consolation from the sure knowledge that that this, too, shall pass, and the day will come when the citizens of Nevada elect a legislature and governor that will overturn the bad laws for which the 2019 legislative session will become infamous.

Second Amendment Sanctuary Counties

Concerned about the legislature stripping away the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding citizens, five Nevada counties, Douglas, Elko, Lyon, Nye, and White Pine, have declared themselves Second Amendment Sanctuaries and are giving notice to the state legislature and Governor Sisolak that they will oppose and not enforce laws they believe to be unconstitutional. This follows on the heels of county sheriffs and commissions in New Mexico and Colorado making similar declarations. We expect more Nevada counties and sheriffs to follow suit, especially if Nevada Democratic legislators and their Governor, Steve Sisolak, follow through on promises to restrict the gun rights of law-abiding citizens. As you might imagine, Democrats are calling on those counties and sheriffs to obey the law – at the very same time the Democratic legislative majority is pushing a bill to make Nevada a sanctuary state for illegal aliens!

We fund a PAC management company as well as a full-time lobbyist in Carson City. We can't fight for your rights without ammunition. Please consider giving to our NVFAC-PAC. Every penny goes to defending YOUR gun rights.

YOURS IN LIBERTY

Duncan Rand Mackie

Vice President

NVFAC-PAC Legislative Affairs Div

A NVFAC Member Speaks Out

After listening to the testimony of Assembly Woman Sandra Jauregui (D-Las Vegas) regarding her proposed legislation (AB 291), a survivor of the Route 66 shooting was compelled to respond.

Dear Members of the Senate and Assembly Judiciary Committees,

It is our understanding that you are having a work session on AB 291 to discuss and hopefully amend a piece of legislation that has been called the Oct 1 Bill.

As a family who survived through and worked during the events of 1 October, please consider our experiences and input during your decision making progress.

My wife and daughter, Traci and Kailyn, were attendees at the Route 91 concert on October 1, 2017 and were directly involved in the shooting tragedy. Although, and thankfully, they were not physically injured, the trauma and their experience during and after was intense. After having been contacted by them and learning they were safe, and after several unsuccessful attempts at trying to rescue them, I felt my best service would be to go to Sunrise Hospital where I worked as a pharmacy manager. The scene was worse than a military MASH unit. There were victims and bodies in the hallways and everywhere. Sunrise Hospital handled over 200 victims, more than twice as many as any other hospital in the valley, approximately 40% of the total number of victims. We worked hard providing drugs and medical services to the victims. Around 3 am when things were stabilized, I returned to the strip and was able to be reunited with my wife and daughter who were very traumatized.

I have shared the above story with you in order to let you know that my family speaks with firsthand knowledge and experience regarding the terrible evil that was unleashed on our city on 1 October.

Our family has always enjoyed the outdoors, hunting, camping, fishing, and driving around exploring this great state. As a family of gun owners, and longtime residents of Clark County and North Las Vegas, we have experienced the difficulties of enjoying our sports while constantly being concerned that our firearms would be seized and we would be arrested for the simple act of driving from one area where we were legal, to across the street where we were now considered criminals. In 2015, the legislature finally corrected the error, made state gun laws for all citizens and banned the multiple gun ordinances and codes that we were subjected to on a daily basis. We rejoiced, were relieved and finally felt free.

Having been through the 1 October tragedy, we do not feel that the law would have prevented this horrible event and will not prevent another such tragedy from occurring in the future. We are opposed to AB 291 because allowing cities, towns and counties to make their own gun laws will return us to the myriad complexity of ordinances and codes that threatened our rights and freedoms on a daily basis just for the simple act of driving from one governmental boundary to another while trying to enjoy the great outdoors of Nevada.

Sincerely,
Randy and Traci Strong

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by George