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Looking Forward 2017

Through the Spotting Scope



President's Report

This is our last issue of *The Firing Line* before 2017. Last year was pretty much dedicated to trying to defeat Bloomberg's ballot initiative and our efforts were reported in our November 2016 Special Election Issue. 2017 will prove to be a difficult year for Nevada gun owners as we start a legislative session with a majority of legislators who are subject to the anti-gun out-of-state money pressure. A Las Vegas paper is already putting out propaganda pieces for limits on the number of rounds a magazine can hold and apparently our Clark County Sheriff has been drinking their Kool-Aid.

However, NVFAC is more than just fighting for your rights in Carson City. Our board has decided to start the New Year by implementing aggressive programs to provide more services for members and to increase our membership. In this issue, we will highlight our various activities for 2017. Please see our web page at www.nvfac.org for more details. Also please stay involved and be prepared to help save your rights. Remember to have some fun as well. We wish you and your loved ones a very Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year and a Happy Holiday Season!

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Don Turner,
President
Nevada Firearms
Coalition



*Dedicated to the ownership and safe use of firearms
for self defense, competition, recreation and hunting.*

Communications Division

PURPOSE: To be responsible for the Coalition web page, online monthly newsletters, membership communications, issue updates, marketing and advertising for the Coalition and its activities. This Division will work closely with the Secretary in coordinating its responsibilities.

ACTIVITY: To continue operations and management of NVFAC web page, Facebook page and twitter account.

TASK: Develop the NVFAC web page so directors can post on their own areas, set up separate payment inputs for donations to either NVFAC or Foundation, sweepstakes,

membership and programs, as well as set up separate access for selected users to post into the event calendar.

TASK: Manage twitter and Facebook pages as necessary.

ACTIVITY: Develop and implement speakers program including training in written and verbal communication and live interviews focusing on radio and TV representations.

Greg Ferrante, Director
NVFAC Communications Division

Range & Retail Division

PURPOSE: To be responsible for coordinating with shooting ranges and those involved in shooting related retail operations to further the goals of the Coalition. This Division may provide input and recommendations to member ranges and retailers for state of the art improvements and enhancements to their ranges and operations.

ACTIVITY: To develop comprehensive lists of all range and firearms retailers and dealers and to keep the lists current. Lists will include name of corporation, contact person, email address, mailing address and phone number. Also to provide this information to other NVFAC Divisions per request.

TASK: List of ranges by club and corporation

TASK: List of "gun stores" including pawn stores that sell firearms

TASK: List of FFLs

TASK: List of CCW instructors

TASK: List of firearms training businesses

TASK: List of NRA clubs

TASK: List of NRA corporations

ACTIVITY: To develop a mechanism for frequent communication with the range and retail community, to enroll them in corporate or club membership and to have them serve as outlets for NVFAC recruiting materials (Join cards and rack displays), raffles, donations and other fund raising and awareness activities.

TASK: Develop, train, assign and track results of team to fulfill this activity.

Kevin Tarkalson, Director
NVFAC Range & Retail Division

Membership Division

With the elections behind us and despite a disappointing outcome on Question One, I can't help but to be optimistic about the future of our republic and the future of Nevada regarding our gun rights and the economy. With mostly pro-gun majorities in the house, the senate and the presidency, anti-gunners are coming unhinged across the country in knowing that their days are numbered. That hopelessness on the left only helps to spur enthusiasm on our side!

I see this as a wave of opportunity for us to harness that optimism and turn it into new members and volunteers for NVFAC! It's more important than ever for gun rights enthusiasts to step up and be part of the solution by doing their part and becoming a member of the premier gun rights organization in Nevada. Those of us who cherish our God given rights need to make sure the opposition never gets the best of us again...Ever!

That means the NVFAC, as a team, needs to do everything in our power to increase our membership in 2017.

Increased membership will not only give us the numbers we need to volunteer and spread the word, it will provide us with much needed resources to fight this impending battle in Carson City and across the state in the coming year. As your recently appointed Membership Director, I will be developing programs and strategies to promote NVFAC programs, goals and objectives for the purpose of bringing in new members and volunteers in 2017.

The Membership Division goals for the New Year will be to increase the membership and volunteer base by multiples, and to increase our public profile across the state so that every single gun owner will be aware of the Nevada Firearms Coalition and the great work we're doing as a group to protect and defend our inalienable God given rights!

"I ask, Sir, what is the militia? It is the whole people. To disarm the people is the best and most effectual way to enslave them."

~ George Mason

**Brian Shoemake, Director
NVFAC Membership Division**

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"No bucks, No Buck Rogers." – The Right Stuff

The preceding quote comes from the 1979 book and the 1983 film, "The Right Stuff," which tells the story of America's first astronauts, the Mercury Seven. The recent death of John Glenn signifies that all seven of America's original astronauts have now passed away.

The quote refers to the importance of funding when it comes to aviation and space travel. The full quote is as follows: "You boys know what makes this bird [aircraft] go up? FUNDING makes this bird go up." He's right. "No bucks, No Buck Rogers."

For the benefit of our younger readers, Buck Rogers is a fictional science fiction character that was first introduced in August 1928 and one of the first fictional space explorers. Buck

Rogers is often considered one of the first fictional astronauts. I remember Buck Rogers as the television series starring Gil Gerard in the 1979-1981 television series.

The point is that in order for the Nevada Firearms Coalition to accomplish its short-term and long-term goals we need to concentrate on fundraising as one of our most important priorities.

I realize that all of us are busy with our jobs and families and there never seems to be enough hours in a day to do all of the things we need to do, let alone all of the things we want to do. However, the recent passage of Gun Control Question 1 by Nevada voters illustrates a cold, hard truth: "The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is enough good men [and women] to do nothing." (Edmund Burke)

Unless, every (Continued on Page 4 - Development)

who believes in the Second Amendment works to protect the Second Amendment in Nevada, then little-by-little Nevada will begin to resemble California, where voters recently passed a law that requires background checks for the purchase of firearm ammunition.

Consequently, I am asking every member of the Nevada Firearms Coalition to help us with our 2017 fundraising efforts so that we can continue to protect the Second Amendment in Nevada.

The following is a partial list of our planned fundraising activities:

1. To [create an Inaugural](#) and Annual Patriot Day Dinner on around April 11th.
2. Create a Shooters' Discount Card that will enable the cardholder to receive discounts at shooting ranges, firearms stores, hunting and outdoor stores, such as New Frontier Armory, Green Valley Range, etc.
3. Create a monthly breakfast/brunch/lunch/dinner with a Second Amendment eating establishment in which NVFAC members can socialize and the help with the NVFAC

fundraising efforts.

4. Recreate an NVFAC event which combines 9 holes of golf along with a shooting event (Trap, skeet, etc.)
5. Create an inaugural and annual fundraising event in which NVFAC members sell the opportunity to have someone gently place a pie in their face or dunk them in a tank of water during the summer months.
6. Create NVFAC Sweepstakes, Raffles and donations.
7. I am open to any and all suggestions for fundraising ideas. Please email me at kevin@nvfac.org.

All of these fundraising activities have one thing in common: ONE PERSON CANNOT DO THESE ACTIVITIES ALONE!!!

I truly need your help to accomplish these objectives. It will be more difficult than ever to raise funds in an off-election year. In closing, please don't be one of the good men or women who do nothing.

Kevin Kam, Director
NVFAC Development Division

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Northwest Division Report

Thanks to all the NVFAC members for their efforts towards improving the shooting sports in Nevada and fighting the onslaught from Bloomberg. Yes, Question 1 passed by the slimmest of margins. We actually defeated it in the Northwest, but not by enough. Just a few more gun owners to the polls and we would have beat it. I think we got a wakeup call this year that our rights are under assault and we need to redouble our efforts to defend them.

Looking forward to 2017, we have a few goals that will strengthen us for the future:

1. Membership Drive – more members mean we can do more and have more power to defend our rights and further the shooting

sports.

2. Voter Registration Drive – we need to get more people who support the Second Amendment to the polls.
3. Help our PAC's 2nd Amendment lobbying efforts in Carson City to ensure bad legislation is defeated and good legislation is supported. If you would like to get involved and help us achieve these goals, please contact me at john@nvfac.org.

Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukah and Happy New Year!

John Jorgensen, Director
NVFAC Northwest Division

Northeast Division Report

The New Year is upon us and it's time for a new business plan. In the Northeast region, we enjoy a lot of right-minded shooters and outdoorsman but remarkably few NVFAC members. My number one

priority going into 2017 is to address that. Job One: We need your help from current members to recruit friends and associates that are involved in the shooting sports and related recreation/conservation efforts. Membership is a low-cost (Continued on Page 5 - Northeast)

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means of increasing our influence in the state and bringing more value right back to the membership. NVFAC is the principal, and only, NRA organization to address our legislators and to coordinate the varied interests throughout the state including commercial and retail folks, hunting/conservation efforts, and training events. Only through coordination and cooperation can we magnify our effect.

In addition to that representation and voice, our members get newsletters and email communications that pertain to their own shooting sports. We all know that we suffered a serious setback with Question One's universal background checks passing the voters just one month ago. The vote was remarkably close statewide, with only Clark County supporting that law. However, the gun grabbers are already upping their game with more misinformation about lawful firearms ownership. Don't forget that the change of leadership in our state legislature make us all

the more vulnerable to bad legislation if that misinformation goes unaddressed.

If you're reading this newsletter and are not yet a member, we invite and encourage you to join today at <http://www.nvfac.org/membership-guide/>. If you have questions, contact your area director or our membership director. Your personal recommendation is sure to influence your hunting and shooting friends. For those in Eureka, White Pine, Elko and Lander counties, drop me a note at mike@nvfac.org to introduce yourself. I'd like to meet you at one of the shows or events in the Northeast region.

Only the Nevada Firearms Coalition has the tools and "boots on the ground" to get the accurate information to the public. Only through an increase in membership and participation can we achieve that. It's time to step up – step up with your dues and some involvement to share what you know to be fact about gun ownership and hunting values. We cannot sit on our rights and take anything for granted anymore.

Mike Coster, Director
NVFAC Northeast Division

Southern Division Report

This election cycle was a bittersweet one. With Donald Trump's presidential victory and Republicans maintaining control of the House and Senate, things are looking up for the Second Amendment on a Federal level.

Nevada did not fare as well. We lost Bloomberg's Question 1 by less than 10,000 votes statewide. Due to the amazing work of dedicated volunteers, things could have been a lot worse. Additionally, the Nevada State House and Senate went to a gun-controlling Democratic

majority, and this is going to cause problems for gun-owning Nevadans.

Sheriff Lombardo recently stated that he is in favor of limiting law abiding Nevadans magazine capacities to 10 rounds. We MUST NOT let this happen. The biggest step you can take is to join

NVFAC and encourage others to do the same. We will be fighting this tooth and nail, and rest assured that this is only the beginning of the assault on our gun rights during the 2017 state legislative session.

On a more positive note, NVFAC is putting together an all woman's shooting program called the "Annie Oakley Sure Shots" (AOSS). This totally free program will include an hour-long training class, free use of 22 caliber firearms, free range time and 250 rounds of 22 LR ammo. The AOSS program will be open to women 14 years old and up and is free and open to the public. This program will be held every Tuesday night at the Clark County Shooting Complex. We are in need of women instructors, coaches and range safety officers who would be willing to donate their time helping other woman learn to shoot. If you are interested in helping with this program, or know any women who might enjoy this please contact me at matt@nvfac.org.

In addition we are increasing our presence at gun shows and at gun stores to help increase membership in NVFAC.

Matt Hennager, Director
NVFAC Southern Division



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Education & Training Division Education & Training Div

Education & Training Division

The Education and Training Division will be hosting 30 training and member events at the Clark County Shooting Park in 2017.

PURPOSE: To be responsible for development, management, sponsorship and/or presentation and for coordination of Coalition sponsored education and training programs including youth, women, self-defense, law enforcement, conservation and competition.

ACTIVITY: **Develop** and implement NRA education and training programs at the Clark County Shooting Complex providing at least thirty programs, classes and events. This includes instructor and RSO development. Programs are

to be provided to NVFAC members and include the NVFAC BE AWARE program.

ACTIVITY: **Develop** and apply for NRA Friends grants to provide equipment and supplies for NVFAC training and education programs.

ACTIVITY: Assist other Divisions to provide Education and Training activities in support of their efforts. These can be NRA or non-NRA programs.

Russ Martin, Director

**NVFAC Education and Training
Division**

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PURPOSE: To be responsible for all registered competitions and tournaments in Nevada which are sanctioned by the Coalition and/or by other organizations who have an agreement with the Coalition or are Coalition members.

ACTIVITY: To develop, sponsor and host NRA sanctioned matches in Nevada.

ACTIVITY: To develop and sponsor NRA State matches.

ACTIVITY: To develop and host an annual NVFAC Signature shooting event in cooperation with other divisions.

ACTIVITY: To assist other groups with shooting events or sponsorship upon request.

Please Note: Our Competition Division Director position is vacant. If any member wants to actively and aggressively serve in this position, please contact the president at don@nvfac.org .

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

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Conservation Division

PURPOSE: To be responsible for monitoring conservation activities and to provide information to members regarding conservation activities and concerns.

ACTIVITY: Build a team of conservation activists who want further conservation efforts with a clear focus on hunting and public hunting access.

TASK: Add to the existing list of loyal NVFAC volunteers who occasionally help with NDOW and Commission events. This group directs the overall conservation viability/stats in Nevada.

TASK: Continue relentless pro conservation pro firearms representation at NDOW/ Commission meetings and our CAB meetings. Foster and recruit individuals who wish to be active in achieving NVFAC conservation objectives. Continue to have pre team meetings and assign specific responsibilities in order to broaden

our impact with the commissioners.

ACTIVITY: Help limit federal agencies like BLM (Bureau of Land Management) and US Forest Service from the massive and continued [elimination/ restricted access of public lands](#) available to "multiple-use" enthusiasts.

TASK: Host a major clean up at the Corn Creek Area north of town off of I-95.

ACTIVITY: To investigate hosting and sponsorship of programs that provide an introduction to hunting/conservation, such as NRA YHEC or "Becoming an Outdoor Woman", or to develop a NVFAC FOUNDATION Signature program for hunting/ conservation recruitment and training.

**Julius Fortuna, Director
NVFAC Conservation Division**



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NVFAC-PAC LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES For 2017 State Legislature

- ☞ NVFAC-PAC will support any firearms legislation where analysis shows an enhancement of personal liberty and significant public benefits.
- ☞ NVFAC-PAC will oppose any firearms legislation where analysis shows that the public safety benefits are an intrusion into personal liberty.
- ☞ Support gun rights legislative gains in 2013 and 2015 sessions.
- ☞ Support Sales Tax exemption for non-retail sales by gun dealers.
- ☞ Because Ballot Initiative One passed, eliminate NV DPS POC and go straight to NICS for all background checks.
- ☞ Develop comprehensive firearms definitions.
- ☞ Promote early CCW renewal and correction of 60-day CCW requirement for new residents to conform to 120-day current wait.
- ☞ Take away authority of Nevada Wildlife Commission to regulate firearms and return authority to Legislature.
- ☞ Request Attorney General to sue for Second Amendment violations.
- ☞ Promote Gun Safe Sales tax waiver, Permit-less Carry and Campus Carry.
- ☞ Randi Thompson has been hired as the full-time lobbyist for our PAC.
- ☞ Amplify Relations has been contracted as our PAC management company.

Yours In Liberty

Duncan Rand Mackie, Vice-President

NVFAC-PAC Legislative Affairs Division

