Republican US Senatorial Candidate Bob Schaffer to speak to PPFC

Former US Congressman and Colorado Senator Bob Schaffer will be speaking at the November 8th PPFC membership meeting. Bob is running for the Republican nomination for US Senator. He served three terms in the US Congress. In 2003, he did not run for reelection to honor a self-imposed term limit pledge. Bob also served nine years in the Colorado Senate.

The son of public-school educators, Schaffer worked his way through college as a farm hand and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Dayton.

With his new wife and high-school sweetheart, Maureen, Bob settled in Fort Collins. They have been married 21 years and have five children.

By his mid-twenties Bob Schaffer was a small business owner and a Colorado State Senator who distinguished himself as the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, Chairman of the State Veterans and Military Affairs Committee, and Vice-Chairman of the Senate Education Committee.

During his years in the Colorado Senate, Bob owned and operated Northern Front Range Marketing and Distribution, a small marketing business serving Colorado’s tourism industry. As a small business owner, Bob gained a reputation as a hard-worker who understood the needs of an essential industry for Colorado.

From 1997 until early 2003, Bob represented Colorado’s Fourth Congressional District in the United States House of Representatives. He served on the House Resources, Agriculture, Workforce and Education Committees. He earned a reputation as a tax reformer and an advocate for child-centered improvements in public education.

Bob Schaffer currently volunteers as an elected member and the Vice-Chairman of the Colorado State Board of Education where he continues his work as an avid education reformer. Schaffer also volunteers as the Chairman of the Leadership Program of the Rockies, a non-profit organization providing economic and political leadership training across Colorado.

As the Colorado Chairman of the Judicial Confirmation Network, Bob works

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hard to make sure America has competent and well-qualified judges. He also volunteers as Commissioner of the Eighth Judicial District Nominating Commission where his goals are identical.

In his professional life, Bob is Vice-president for business development for a Denver-based energy investment firm. His work experience includes conventional and renewable energy, mining, education and other domestic and foreign business projects.

**PPFC Forms a Small Donor Committee**

To help us support pro-gun candidates, we have established a political Small Donor Committee (SDC). A small donor committee has the advantage that the amount that we can donate to a candidate is greater than what we can do with our PAC. As the name implies, the maximum that you can give to our SDC is $50 per calendar year. We are asking our members to try to meet the $50 contribution this year and next. You can give as little as $5 or $10 at a time. **Time is running out for this year’s donations.** If you haven’t already donated, please consider making a donation as soon as possible. As of October 22nd, we have received $1,045. We will have SDC donation forms at our PPFC meetings or you can mail your donation (make check payable to PPFC SDC) to:

PPFC SDC  
PO Box 76521  
Colorado Springs, CO 80970-6521

**Gunsmithing Scholarship Available from PPFC**

Trinidad State Junior College is one of the few institutions in the United States that conducts classes in gunsmithing. In addition to a full 2-year program, Trinidad SJC offers 1-week programs on specific subjects during the summer. Visit the following webpage for a list of the courses offered in 2007: [http://www.trinidadstate.edu/NRA/sum06.html](http://www.trinidadstate.edu/NRA/sum06.html)

PPFC is offering a $300 scholarship to one of our members who would like to attend one of the 2008 courses. The fee for most courses is $300. Transportation, room, and board would be the student’s responsibility. Keith Gillmer was the 2007 scholarship recipient. If you are interested in attending, please contact Pat Smelser (630-7070) or Paul Paradis (440-4505).

**PPFC Annual Holiday Dinner**

We will hold our annual PPFC holiday dinner on Thursday, December 13, 2007, starting at 6:30pm, at our normal meeting location. PPFC Board members will be providing the main course. Members are asked to bring an appetizer, salad, side dish, or desert to share. We will be inviting our elected officials. Families and friends are encouraged to attend.

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