

*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*

*The Voice for Firearm Rights in the Pikes Peak Region*

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### General Election

The general election will be held on Tuesday, November 4th. If you want to request a mail-in ballot, you can request one by mail, in person, or on the web (<http://car.elpasoco.com/Election/>) from the El Paso County Clerk and Recorder's office. Early voting will start on October 20th with polling places in the Citadel and Chapel Hills malls and Centennial Hall. Republican turnout is critical since Colorado is one of the "battleground" states. We must keep Obama out of the White House! His history of anti-gun rights votes and statements are widely available. We need a strong turn out in El Paso County to counter the liberal Boulder-Denver vote. If you have any doubts about who to vote for, just ask yourself this one question: "Who would you rather have a heart beat away from the presidency—Sarah ("I'm an NRA life member") Palin or Joe ("We don't need assault weapons to hunt") Biden? We can help McCain—Palin carry Colorado!

Here are the endorsed PPFC candidates:

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| US Senate                     | Bob Schaffer    |
| US Congress 5th Congressional | Doug Lamborn    |
| State Senate 4                | Mark Scheffel   |
| State Senate 10               | Bill Cadman     |
| State Senate 12               | Keith King      |
| State House 14                | Kent Lambert    |
| State House 15                | Mark Waller     |
| State House 16                | Larry Liston    |
| State House 17                | Catherine Roupe |
| State House 19                | Marsha Loooper  |
| State House 20                | Amy Stephens    |
| State House 21                | Bob Gardner     |
| EPC Commissioner District 2   | Amy Lathen      |
| EPC Commissioner District 3   | Sallie Clark    |
| EPC Commissioner District 4   | Dennis Hisey    |

### Colorado Springs Police Chief makes second Appearance at September PPFC Meeting

Colorado Springs Police Chief Richard Myers made his second appearance before the PPFC at our September meeting. To his credit, he showed up and spoke. Most of his talk was about the status of the police department in his tough economic time. He did field some tough questions on firearm ownership from the

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **October 9, 2008: PPFC Membership Meeting**
- **October 16, 2008: PPFC Board Meeting**
- **November 4, 2008: General Election**

### PPFC Officers

- President ..... Dane Nowels
- V President..... Bob Heinrich
- Secretary .....Amy Mullaney
- Treasurer ..... Bernie Herpin
- Membership ....Dan Wandell
- Programs ..... Teri Goodall
- Legislative.....Doug Davis
- Publicity.....Harry Dierks
- Fund Raising.. Dick Gandolf
- Social ..... Pat Smelser
- Chaplain..... Rich Hilton
- Sgt-at-Arms.....Doug Davis
- Gun Shows.....Marc Hament
- PPFC PAC ..... Paul Paradis

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**Next PPFC Meeting**  
**Thursday, October 9, 2008**  
**VFW Post 4051**  
**430 E Pikes Peak Ave**  
**Colorado Springs CO**  
**7:00 - 9:00 P.M.**

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members. While he stated he would respect Colorado laws on concealed carry and firearm ownership, it was apparent that he does not support the right of the people to carry a concealed firearm for protection. He stated he believes in a "MAY" issue concealed carry permit system. Thankfully, it is not up to Chief Myers to decide who in Colorado Springs can be issued a concealed carry permit. It's unclear if his anti-concealed carry beliefs have filtered down to the beat cop who may pull you over and discover you are carrying concealed.

### **What the heck is "blogging"?**

If you listen to talk radio or cable news, you often hear them referring to having gotten a story off a "blog". According to Wikipedia, "A blog (a contraction of the term 'Web log') is a Web site, usually maintained by an individual, with regular entries of commentary, descriptions of events, or other material such as graphics or video. Entries are commonly displayed in reverse-chronological order. 'Blog' can also be used as a verb, meaning to maintain or add content to a blog." Some of the more popular blogs are even breaking news stories first, especially when a national candidate misspeaks. Apparently, blogs can be informative and a great way to exchange information or present your thoughts and opinions.

Since blogs can be a useful tool for the Second Amendment community, as well as political junkies, we have invited Colorado State Representative Amy Stephens and former Colorado Springs Gazette Editorial Page Editor Sean Paige to speak to us on blogging.

### **Win a special dinner for two**

The PPFC will be raffling off a dinner for two, but not just your run of the mill dinner. The lucky winner of the PPFC December raffle and a guest will join El Paso County Sheriff and Mrs. Terry Maketa for dinner at the Broadmoor! There will only be 100 tickets available at \$10 each. Tickets will be available at PPFC meetings for members. PPFC board members will also be selling tickets to non-members as a means of introducing the Pikes Peak Firearms Coalition to them. The PPFC will pick up the tab for dinner. This will be a unique opportunity for some one-on-one time with the sheriff. These tickets will go fast, so be sure to attend the October 9th meeting and get yours.

Our \$500 Visa gift card raffle was a complete success. It was sold out and resulted in a net profit of \$496.05 for the PPFC. Thank you to all the members who purchased a ticket and to our raffle manager, Dick Gandolf, for conducting the raffle. This was our first full-fledged raffle after getting our raffle license earlier this year. Proceeds from the raffles will be used to further PPFC programs, like youth firearm safety, gunsmithing scholarships, etc.

### **PPFC Elections**

Next January, we will be holding elections for the following positions: Vice President, Secretary, Director of Membership, Legislative Director, PAC Steering Committee Chair, and 4 At-Large PAC Steering Committee members. If you are interested in running for any of these positions, see President Dane Nowels at the October 9th meeting.