

*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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## **It's a New Year (and the Legislature is in session)**

With Congress and the State Legislature in session, look out for further attacks on our gun rights! There is continuing talk about reinstating the Federal assault weapons ban. On the state level, "safe" storage may come back. As the state legislature starts introducing bills, we will post any firearm related bills (good or bad) on the PPFC website. You should also subscribe to Doug Davis' e-mail alert list if not already on it (see bottom of page 2). We will be having major off-year elections in November. With Ritter not running for re-election, we can take back the governor's office to put a check on the Democrats in the legislature. It's a new year and you can contribute up to \$50 to our Small Donor Committee to help elect pro-gun rights candidates.

### **Colorado State University Bans Concealed Carry**

CSU has joined the other Colorado state universities in denying the right of lawfully licensed students, faculty, and visitors from having the means to protect themselves from a killer. Now, should a West Virginia Tech type attack occur, the only option for students is to become a victim.

### **PPFC Elections**

We will hold PPFC elections at the January meeting. The Board recommends the following candidates. Nominations will be taken from the floor:

President: Jeff Crank  
Treasurer: Bernie Herpin  
Director of Programs: Cherish Schaffer  
Director of Publicity: Harry Dierks  
Director of Fund Raising: Richard Gandolf  
Director of Hospitality: Pat Smelser

Job descriptions are in the PPFC By-Laws on the website. Terms are two years and officers may succeed themselves or stand for election to another office. If you are interested in running, please send an e-mail to [board@ppfc.org](mailto:board@ppfc.org) with the office you would like to seek.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **January 14, 2010:  
PPFC General  
Membership Meeting**
- **January 21, 2010:  
PPFC Board Meeting**
- **January 9 - 10, 2010:  
Prospector's Sertoma  
Gun Show, Phil Long  
Event Center**

### **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 ..... Jeff Crank

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**Next PPFC Meeting**  
**Thursday, January 14, 2010**  
**VFW Post 4051**  
**430 E Pikes Peak Ave**  
**Colorado Springs CO**  
**7:00 - 9:00 P.M.**

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## 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 clinic in Colorado Springs.

Our first Women on Target clinic was held on November 15. Even with the bad weather, 6 women showed up. The clinic director was Cherish Schaffer. The range portion was postponed due to the snowy weather. A make up clinic was held on November 18 with 6 more women.

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!

An additional clinic will be held in the Spring. Doug Davis has assumed the role of WOT coordinator for the PPFC. If you know of a woman who would benefit from this program, please give contact information to Cherish or Doug.

## Time to Renew

Please check the expiration date on the address label. If your membership has expired, please mail a check to the above address. Due are \$20 for individuals and \$30 for a family living at the same address. In these uncertain times, it is important that we remain strong. We will be electing ALL state representatives, ALL US representatives, the Colorado Governor, a US Senator, and several state senators in November 2010. We have a chance to take back some local seats, the US senate seat, and the governorship. Pro-gun rights candidates will be seeking our support and we must present a strong front. Numbers do matter. Please renew today!

**If you are not signed up for e-mail alerts from our Legislative Director, Doug Davis, then you need to sign up so you can get timely notice on legislative happenings. Send an e-mail to Doug at: [doug@dougdavisent.com](mailto:doug@dougdavisent.com) asking to be put on his e-mail alert.**