

*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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## Happy New Year!

Another year gone and a new year started! 2011 will be a year of changes. The Republicans have regained control of the US House of Representatives and the Colorado General Assembly House.

Colorado Springs will elect seven of it nine council members and a new strong mayor. With seven of the nine seats and a strong mayor up for election, the makeup of the Colorado Springs city council could change and not necessarily for the better as far as gun rights are concerned. For the most part, the current council is pro-gun rights. We will need to work to make sure it stays that way. Only Councilmen Hente and Herpin are sure of being there after the April election. The PPFC PAC Steering Committee is trying to arrange a candidate forum for our February meeting. Check out the PPFC website under Elections 2011 for a list of potential candidates.

We will do an endorsement straw poll at our February meeting.

## PPFC Elections

Speaking of elections, in January, we will elect the following PPFC officers: Vice President, Secretary, Membership, Legislative, PAC Chair, and four at-large PAC Steering Committee members. The PPFC Board presents the following candidates (nominations will also be taken from the floor):

### Board of Directors:

- Vice President: Teri Goodall
- Secretary: Laura Carno
- Membership: Dan Wandell
- Legislative: Doug Davis

### PAC Steering Committee:

- Chair: Paul Paradis
- At-Large: Bernie Herpin
- At-Large: Amy Lathen
- At-Large: Steve Hasbrouck
- At-Large: Dan Martin

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **January 13, 5:30 PM: PPFC Board Meeting**
- **January 13, 7:00 PM: PPFC Membership Meeting**

### PPFC Officers

- President ..... Jeff Crank
- V President..... Bob Heinrich
- Secretary .....Laura Carno
- Treasurer ..... Bernie Herpin
- Membership ....Dan Wandell
- Programs .....Bob Balink
- 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, January 13, 2011**  
**VFW Post 4051**  
**430 E Pikes Peak Ave**  
**Colorado Springs CO**  
**7:00 - 9:00 P.M.**

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## **Time to Renew for 2011 (and a new way to do it)**

Check the expiration date above your name. If your membership has expired, it's time to renew. You can now renew on-line through the PPFC website using the PayPal service. Please renew either on-line or by mailing your renewal to the above address. We need a strong membership if we are going to remain a political force. Our dues are only \$20 per year for an individual membership and \$30 for a family. Please help us save on printing and postage by renewing on-line or at the January meeting so we don't have to mail you a renewal notice.

### **January Membership Meeting Program**

To start off our new year, we have a great program lined up for the January meeting. In addition to electing new officers and a PAC Steering Committee, Tim O'Brien, owner of Bravo Arms, will speak on a favorite subject: gun shot wounds and long range distance shooting with big bore firearms. It's unclear if the gun shot wounds were caused by a big bore firearm from a long way off, so you'll just have to attend to find out. This will be an interesting program. Please plan on attending and bring a friend, and potential new member, with you.

### **Is your Colorado Concealed Permit Valid in a State You Plan to Visit?**

The Colorado Bureau of Investigation (CBI) maintains a list of those states whose CCW permits are valid in Colorado. To be recognized by Colorado, the state must recognize Colorado permits. A list of those states that will recognize your Colorado CHP is available from CBI through a link on the PPFC homepage. There is also a link to the NRA's state firearms laws. You should check out these two sites before traveling to another state if you intend to take a firearm with you—concealed or open carry.

### **Stay Informed**

As the new Congress and Colorado General Assembly convene, you should stay alert for possible legislation that could impact our right to keep and bear arms. We will need to help defeat legislation that weakens our rights and support good legislation. If not already subscribed, join Doug Davis' alert list. Your email will never be shared with anyone: **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.**