

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

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Colorado Springs City Council Candidate Meet and Greet

The Pikes Peak Firearms Coalition has invited all 22 city council candidates to our March 10th meeting for a “meet and greet”. Each candidate will be given 5 minutes to address the members on their stand for firearm rights and their vision for Colorado Springs. If there is enough time, a question or two will be posed to them. **We will need a strong showing at this meeting as the media will be there and we must make sure the candidates understand that we are a political force.**

The PPFC PAC Steering Committee has modified its Standing Rules to allow for an early endorsement vote—prior to taking the straw poll—when an endorsement is timely. This endorsement can only be made if both a majority of the PAC Steering Committee and the PPFC Board of Directors approve.

Under the new rule, the PAC Steering Committee has **endorsed Lisa Czalatdko in the District 3 race** and provided a \$250 contribution to her campaign. Lisa is running against anti-gun rights liberal Democrat Michael Merrifield. Go to Lisa website to offer your support: www.electlisac.com.

There are four candidates for District 2, two candidates for District 3, and sixteen candidates for the five at-large council seats. You can see who is running on the PPFC website. Also on the PPFC website is the responses from the candidates to our survey. Please check their answers prior to the March meeting so you can be prepared to discuss their answers and vote.

As required by our By-Laws and PAC Steering Rules, we will take a non-binding straw poll on endorsements for the remaining council candidates after they have spoken.

According to the PPFC By-Laws, **you must be a member in good standing to vote in the straw poll. 2010 members who have not renewed for 2011 must renew before receiving a ballot at the March 10 meeting.**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- **March 10, 5:30 PM: PPFC Board Meeting**
- **March 10, 7:00 PM: PPFC Membership Meeting**
- **March 12—13: Sertoma Gun Show, Event Center @ Rustic Hills (Palmer Park and Academy)**

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Next PPFC Meeting
Thursday, March 10, 2011
VFW Post 4051
430 E Pikes Peak Ave
Colorado Springs CO
7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

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Check the expiration date above your address. If you have recently sent in your renewal, it may not have been processed yet, but we will have an up-to-date list of members at the meeting.

You can renew on-line using PayPal from the link on the PPFC website or pay at the meeting. If you are planning to attend this forum and have not renewed, please plan on renewing either on-line or at the meeting to make sure we get your renewal (that is, don't mail your check at this late date).

New members who join at the March 10 meeting will not be able to vote as the By-Laws requires a person to have been a member for at least 21-days to be eligible to vote (to prevent a candidate from "buying votes"). With seven of the nine seats 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. We will need to work to make sure it stays that way.

The PAC Steering Committee is reviewing the mayoral candidates for an endorsement and that endorsement will be announced at the March meeting.

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 March meeting so we don't have to mail you a renewal notice.

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 asking to be put on his e-mail alert.**