PPFC PAC Endorsements

At the September PPFC membership meeting, members were polled on endorsing local candidates in the November election. The following candidates have received an endorsement from the PPFC PAC and four candidates received financial support from the PPFC Small Donor Committee:

- 5th Congressional: Rep Doug Lamborn
- 3rd Congressional: Rep Scott Tipton ($200 SDC Donation)
- CU Regent At-Large: Brian Davidson
- CU Regent 5th Congressional: Kyle Hybl
- State Senate 10: Owen Hill
- State Senate 12: Bill Cadman
- State House 14: Daniel Nordberg
- State House 15: Mark Waller
- State House 16: Janak Joshi
- State House 17: Mark Barker ($200 SDC Donation)
- State House 18: Jennifer George ($500 SDC Donation)
- State House 19: Amy Stephens
- State House 20: Bob Gardner
- State House 21: Lois Landgraf
- 4th Judicial District Attorney: Dan May
- El Paso County Commission District 2: Amy Lathen
- El Paso County Commission District 3: Sallie Clark ($200 SDC Donation)
- El Paso County Commission District 4: Dennis Hisey

The members also overwhelmingly supported the proposed sales tax increase in support of Sheriff Maketa (County Issue 1A). For the last several years, Sheriff Maketa has used every cost-cutting method and efficiency to keep his officer properly staffed while “begging” the county commissioners for additional funding. This small (0.0023% - $0.23 per $100) increase, which sunsets after 8 years, will allow the Sheriff to hire much needed additional deputies and staff. 100% of the revenue will go to the Sheriff and the county commissioners have pledged to not reduce the county’s funding of the Sheriff’s office. While the PPFC didn’t make a formal endorsement on this issue, we do recommend you consider supporting it.

On to November!

Okay, the primaries and conventions are over. Mitt Romney is the Republican presidential candidate and Paul Ryan is his Vice President running mate. Our

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choice is clear: 4 more years of failed policy and ever increasing debt or a proven businessman with a plan to get us back on track? Colorado is a swing state and El Paso County needs to carry the rest of the state. We also have some local races that need our help. See the PPFC website for contact information and who you can help with time and/or money. This is a very important year for gun owners, especially after the recent mass shootings.

**Popular Friends of NRA “Gun-O-Rama” Returns**

More than 400 people attended last year’s *Friends of NRA “Gun-O-Rama”*. The local FNRA committee is holding another event on Saturday, November 10, 2012. This FREE event will be at the Academy Hotel, on North Academy at I-25 and will start at 5:30PM. Several local firearm dealers will have tables of firearms. Raffle tickets will be sold for $20. As soon as 50 tickets are sold, a drawing will be held and the winner will have their choice on ANY firearm in the room. Your odds are 1 in 50. Come on out for some fun and a chance to win a firearm for only $20!

**PPFC October Program**

On October 11th, Charles Knight of the 57th Patriot Association, will gives us a very moving presentation of the United States Declaration of Independence. On July 4th, 1776, John Hancock signed the Declaration of Independence. Most of the other 55 Founding Fathers did not sign until August 2nd. The question posed by the 57th Patriot organization is, “If you had been there on that day in 1776, would you have been the 57th signer of the Declaration of Independence?” This will be an educational opportunity for our youth. Please consider bringing them. We will also hear from some of the candidates on why this is an important elections.

**Membership News**

(1) If you renewed for 2012, your PPFC membership cards are available at the check in table at the PPFC meetings. If you would like your card mailed to you, please send a sale-addressed stamped envelope to our Membership Director at the above address.

(2) Check the expiration date of your membership above your name on this newsletter. If your membership expired on December 31, 2011, it is time to renew. To save the cost of printing and mailing renewal notices, please consider renewing on-line through PayPal. There is a link on the PPFC home page for on-line renewal. You can also print out a renewal form and mail it in if you prefer. You can also just mail a check to the above address. Dues are only $20 for an individual membership or $30 for a family membership.

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