

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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Local Author and Retired Military Member to Speak

Our July 12th PPFC meeting will feature a presentation by local author and retired military member Denise Jelinski-Hall author of *From the Prairie to the Pentagon*.

Raised on a farm in Central Minnesota, Denise Jelinski-Hall attended a one-room country school through fifth grade and never dreamed of opportunities beyond her rural community. After graduating from high school, she took an assembly-line job as a seamstress, then became a teller at the local bank. Although she wanted to pursue higher education, college wasn't an option. A chance observation by a member of the Minnesota Army National Guard changed her life forever: "I see so much more potential in you, Denise. Why don't you join the Air Force and get out of this town?" Over the next three decades, Denise rose through the ranks, ultimately serving as the Senior Enlisted Advisor to the Chief of the National Guard Bureau, a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. She achieved the highest position ever held by an enlisted woman in the history of the U.S. military. Denise's memoir demonstrates what one person can achieve with a strong work ethic and desire to serve. It is a timeless American story of success, determination, perseverance, and faith.

After retiring from the military, Denise Jelinski-Hall returned to school to complete her four-year degree and earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. In 2014, she was recognized in the Top 100 Candidates for the John C. Maxwell Leadership Award; in 2015, she was in the Top 30 for the same award.

With a desire to continue to make a difference, Denise found her way to give back. For the past three years, as a Board of Trustee, she served on the finance and nomination committees for the Military Child Education Coalition. She continues to serve as a Board of Trustee for United Through Reading, as the executive committee secretary and as a member of the strategic growth committee.

Denise is also a volunteer with the Colorado Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) and served as the Director of Air National Guard membership for the National Guard Association of Colorado. She continues to do community outreach in the greater Colorado Springs area.

Denise proudly serves as a Military Advisor with Veterans United Home Loans, where she advocates for and educates veterans on the use of their VA home loan benefits. As an author, she is currently working on a collaborative

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- **July 12, 6:00PM: PPFC Board of Directors Meeting, VFW Post 4051**
- **July 12, 7:00PM: PPFC General Membership Meeting**
- **August 11-12: Gun Show, Colorado Springs Event Center, Palmer Park & Academy**
- **September 15: Women on Target Clinic**
- **December 13: PPFC 25th Anniversary Dinner**

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leadership book.

Denise continues to speak to military and civilian groups on motivational and inspirational topics, including leadership, mentorship, and the importance of personal growth and development.

Denise and her husband, Gary, have four grown children and six grandchildren. They currently live in Colorado.

Happy Anniversary PPFC!

The PPFC was officially incorporated as a Colorado Not For Profit corporation in 1993. So, 2018 marks 25 years as the leading voice for gun rights in the Pikes Peak region. To celebrate, we will have an anniversary dinner on December 13, 2018 at the Colorado Springs Marriott. Save the date for this wonderful event and celebration. Tickets are \$40 per person and include choice of beef, chicken, or vegetable entrée, salad, sides, dessert, coffee or tea, tax, and service charge. A cash bar will be available. Tickets are available on the PPFC website, at meetings, or by mail (if ordering by mail, please include meal selection). There will also be a silent auction.

PPFC Newsletter: Mail or Email?

To reduce costs starting in January 2019, the PPFC will be emailing our monthly newsletter to PPFC members who have an email address registered on the www.ppfc.org website. A hardcopy will only be mailed to those members who do not have email and to those members who specifically request a mailed copy. A survey will be sent to current PPFC members asking if they want a mailed copy. Lapsed and former members will only get an emailed copy.

Win a Bird Hunting Experience!

Rocky Mountain Roosters President, and PPFC member, Brett Axton has generously donated two 2-person hunts at the Rocky Mountain Roosters facility near Calhan. Each hunter can shoot 5 birds, either sex - Pheasant or Chukar. For the hunters with their own dogs, this is the ideal place to run your dogs with the opportunity to get into a lot of birds. For hunters that don't have their own dogs, an experienced guide and dogs will be provided. The hunts will be scheduled between October 15, 2018 and March 15, 2019. The winners will be drawn at the September 13th PPFC meeting. Tickets are available on the PPFC website, at PPFC meetings, or by mail to the above address. Tickets are only \$10 each and only 100 will be sold. There will be ****2**** winners drawn, each for a 2-person hunt. Hunts must be scheduled through Rocky Mountain Roosters and are subject to available dates.

Stay Informed!

Check the PPFC website for info on upcoming PPFC events, gun shows, meetings, etc. Please check the expiration date of your membership above. **If expired, please renew** on line or mail a check to the above PPFC address: \$30 Individual, \$40 Family, \$10 Active Duty Military/Student.