

GUN COLLECTORS NEWS

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Membership Dues:

Annual renewal for
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\$35.00.

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bers, over age 61,
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June 2010

Gun, Sword & Knife Show

Buy, Sell, Trade & Browse Over 400 Tables

June 5th & 6th

EXPO NEW MEXICO

(New Mexico State Fairgrounds)

Manuel Lujan Buildings A & B

Central Ave. & San Pedro

Albuquerque

8 ft. Table \$75.00 (Member \$65.00)
Cost for electrical hook up is extra

For Table Reservations, Contact Our Show Host:

NMGCA Show Host, P.O. Box 13687, Albuquerque, NM 87192.
Ph. 505-262-1350. Email: newmexicogca@aol.com.

Set-Up (Table Holders Only) Fri 12:00 Noon - 8:00 pm, Sat. 8:00 - 9:00 am.

Open to Public: Sat 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Sun. 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Admission: 13 and up \$6.00 - Children under 12 - Free with Adult
NRA Members with Card \$5.00.

NMGCA Members: Free with Current Membership Card.

Under 18 must be accompanied by adult, I.D. required.

No Alcohol, No Smoking, and No Dogs.

Why the American Flag is Flown for My Birthday

By Dianne Jones

The American flag and I share a birthday -- June 14. Of course the flag is older -- much older. To establish an official flag for our then new nation, the Second Continental Congress passed the first Flag Act on Saturday, June 14, 1777. Although our American Flag came in to existence at this time, it took over 170 years to nationally recognize its birthday. On August 3, 1949, President Truman signed an Act of Congress designating June 14th each year as National Flag Day. Hence, they fly the American Flag for my birthday every year!

As befitting its importance, federal law stipulates American Flag etiquette. Some general guidelines concerning flag use and display from the Flag Code include:

- The flag should be lighted at all times, either by sunlight or by an appropriate light source.
- The flag should be flown in fair weather, unless the flag is designed for



inclement weather use.

- The flag should never be dipped to any person or thing. It is flown upside down only as a distress signal.
- The flag should not be used for any decoration in general.
- The flag should never be used for any advertising purpose.
- The flag should not be used as part of a costume or athletic uniform, except that a flag patch may be used on the uniform of military personnel,

Reduce Use of Salt; Come to Gun Shows

Many years ago in the Southwest, wars were fought over salt. One example is The El Paso Salt War which was an extended conflict over ownership and control of the large salt lakes at the base of the Guadalupe Mountains in West Texas.

Common table salt (Sodium Chloride) is the salt most responsible for the salinity of the ocean.

Good information and interesting facts, but that's not the emphasis here.

According to an article in the April 28, 2010 issue of USA Today, a noted cardiologist stated that more than half of Americans have either

high blood pressure or pre-hypertension. Sodium can be a primary contributor. He said cutting back on salt could save thousands of people from early deaths caused by heart attacks and strokes each year. And, although cutting back on salt in our diets is very hard in today's world with our current life styles, it's something that could be quite beneficial health-wise.

Why is that important to NMG-CA members? Well, we want to keep our gun collectors alive and well so we can continue to enjoy their friendship at the gun shows. We look forward to seeing you soon at the upcoming June show!

fireman, policeman and members of patriotic organizations.

- The flag should never have any mark, insignia, letter, word, number, figure, or drawing of any kind placed on it, or attached to it.
- The flag should never be used for receiving, holding, carrying, or delivering anything.
- When the flag is lowered, no part of it should touch the ground or any other object; it should be received by waiting hands and arms. To store the flag it should be folded neatly and ceremoniously.
- The flag should be cleaned and mended when necessary.

When a flag is so worn it is no longer fit to serve as a symbol of our country, it should be destroyed by burning in a dignified manner. (Note: Most American Legion Posts regularly conduct a dignified flag burning ceremony, often on Flag Day. Many Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops, and Girl Scout Troops retire flags regularly as well.)

So, this June 14th, think about flying the flag for our great nation (and also for my birthday).



Right to Carry Summary; Volunteers Sought

By Paul C. Lisle

The restaurant bill, SB 40, became law when the Governor signed it. The House of Representatives passed it 54 to 12 with 2 absent and 2 excused. The Senate passed it 27 to 15. It was great to see such overwhelming support for our bill. The amendment that was attached in a house committee last year limiting the bill to restaurants serving only beer and wine stayed with the bill, thus excluding restaurants with full liquor licenses.

The new bill becomes effective 1 July 2010 and it has been decided not to try to change the law for a couple of years. If no problems arise, we will change the law down the road.

Since the New Mexico concealed carry law went into effect, not one of the almost 17,000 New Mexican concealed carry licensees have been reported doing anything wrong. Keep it up CCW license holders. The bill eliminating the two year requalifying for CCW license holders died in a House Committee.

NRA Report: Right-to Carry 2010 Summary

There are 40 RTC states. Thirty-six have shall issue laws, requiring that carry permits be issued to applicants who meet uniform standards established by the state legislature. Three have fairly-administered discretionary-issue carry permit systems. Vermont respects the right to carry without a permit. Alaska and Arizona, two of the shall issue states, have permit systems for the purpose of permit reciprocity with other states and have allowed concealed carrying without a permit since 2003 and April 2009 respectively.

Of the 10 non-RTC states, eight have restrictively-administered discretionary-issue systems, and two, Illinois and Wisconsin, have no permit system and prohibit carrying. As reported by Gun Week and supported by MSNBC, 6 million are licensed to carry in the US. At a time when anti-gun groups appear to be grasping at publicity straws and the homicide rate has declined dramatically, a record number of American citizens are packing guns for personal protection. After hold-

ing stable at 8.5 to 5 million checks from 1999 to 2005, the FBI reported a surge to 10 million in 2006, 11 million in 2007, nearly 13 million in 2008 and more than 14 million last year, a 55% increase in just four years.

New Mexico will no longer recognize Utah Concealed Carry Licenses. The Department of Public Safety John Denko said "We've had situations where certain concealed carry instructors in New Mexico solicit clients with the promise that if they train here and obtain a Utah license, which entails significantly less training than does a New Mexico license, it will qualify here.

"This is incorrect and is nothing less than an effort to circumvent New Mexico concealed carry requirements which are designed to protect the public safety while honoring individual rights under the Second Amendment of the constitution."

I am still keeping my Utah license so that I can carry in Utah and the states that are reciprocal with Utah.

Last week, NRA-ILA learned that quantities of once-fired small arms cartridge cases recovered from firing ranges on military bases, which by federal law the Department of Defense is prohibited from demilitarizing or destroying, were being sold for scrap. I wonder who issue the illegal change. This is one reason that brass prices have risen.

On June 26 Charles Dickerson will be holding another gun auction

in Las Cruces. This is the fourth gun auction of Charlie's that I have been involved with and they all have been good. There will be over 200 guns in the auction. Charlie gets his guns for state agencies such as Fish and Game, State police and confiscated guns from local police and sheriffs departments. He also gets guns from "out of Pawn", estate and individual collections. The address is 3920 West Picacho Ave., Las Cruces. You can contact Charlie for more information at e-mail charles@cfdaction.com. Charlie's cell number is 575-644-7445 and his fax is 575-526-0880. If you contact him, tell him you got the auction information from me.

We need new volunteer activist to lobby in Santa Fe and around the state. Steve Aikens, Clovis, is doing an excellent job. However, Ben Berg and David Bern have had to drop out due to health problems. We owe these two volunteer lobbyists a huge vote of thanks. They were in Santa Fe for many years doing a great lobbying job. Charlie Weisleder has done a magnificent job for many years and is now in poor health. We will sure miss Charlie and all his past efforts in getting concealed carry passed.

I will soon be 77 years old and am having serious health problems so I do not know how much longer I will be traveling to Santa Fe and meeting weekly with our Senators and Representatives. We need a few good people

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2010 SHOW CALENDAR

GUN SHOWS

June 5th and 6th
October 2nd and 3rd

OLD WEST SHOW: August 7th & 8th

MINI SHOWS*

June 23rd August 25th October 27th

*Mini Shows are free and open to the public. All NMGCA members are welcome to set up a table at no charge to sell gun related items.

The NMGCA Mini Shows for the rest of the year will be held at the La Quinta Inn, 2011 Menaul Blvd., NE, Albuquerque, NM. The location is just East of University Blvd. on the North side of Menaul.

For more information call 761-5600.

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who are knowledgeable and articulate and have the time to get involved. When the Legislature is in session, it can take a lot of time. It appeared to me that Steve Aikens was in Santa Fe almost every day during the last few sessions.

Don't leave home without your cell phone and gun.

"A free people ought not only to be armed and disciplined, but they should have sufficient arms and ammunition to maintain a status of independence from any who might attempt to abuse them, which would include their own government" George Washington

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