# GUN COLLECTORS NEWS

**New Mexico Gun Collectors Association Sept / Oct 2006** 

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### NMGCA Membership Dues:

Annual renewal for regular members, under age 62, is \$30.00.

Renewal for spouse: \$15.00.

Annual Renewal for senior members, over age 61, is \$25.00.

Renewal for senior spouse is \$10.00.

## 52nd Anniversary Gun, Sword & Knife Show

Buy, Sell, Trade, Browse,
October 7 and 8
EXPO NEW MEXICO
(New Mexico State
Fairgrounds)
Manuel Lujan Building,
Central Ave. & San Pedro, Albuquerque

8 ft. Table \$65.00 (Member \$55.00) Cost for electrical hook up is extra

#### For Table Reservations,

Contact 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 the 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 Police Officers with Badge - Free
Under 18 must be accompanied by adult. I.D. required.
No Alcohol, No Smoking, and No Dogs.

#### A Call to Arms

# National Police Pistol Competition Coming to Albuquerque, Oct. 1-5

By Paul C. Lisle

he NRA sponsored National Police Pistol Competition is coming to Albuquerque. The legislators in February approved and the Governor signed a bill for almost \$1.4 million to build a new100 turning target range at the city's west mesa range. From September 28 to 30 the regional competition will be held and 250 shooters are expected to participate. The national competition will take place October 1 to 5 with 500 shooters expected to compete. The competitors will shoot at 7, 15, 25 and 50 yards. They will each shoot 150 rounds in their attempt to reach the top score of 1,500.

Approximately 80 volunteers per day will be needed to make this event successful. Shooting hours will be from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The volunteers will be doing a variety of jobs such as target handling, verifying scoring and directing parking in the new 500-car parking lot. A new vendors building is being built to house the displays of all of the gun manufactures and related venders that will be attending this event. To volunteer, give me a call at 299-3933. Since I am a NRA qualified range safety officer, I assume that is what I will be doing during the competition.

It appears that the Department of Public Safety is still having problems issuing concealed carry licenses. I submitted my request for a new 4-year license exactly 60 days before my current license expired. I was told that was the earliest that I could submit the paper work, money and fingerprint cards.

Guess what? My old license expired and I still hadn't received my new license. Since I thought something like this might happen, I have a valid Florida concealed carry license that allowed me to still carry in New Mexico. Last month I applied for, but have not received, a Utah concealed carry license, which will allow me to carry in a few more states than my Florida and New Mexico licenses now allow. On August 5th I did receive my new license, two weeks after my old license expired.

There are a number of pro-gun bills pending in Congress that require your action. The following list was e-mailed to me by the NRA and I am passing it on for you to take action. You can contact your U.S. Representative at (202) 225-3121, and your U.S. Senator at (202) 224-3121 and urge them to support the following measures.

H.R. 5092 – This bill would improve BATFE's process for punishing the few FFL's who violate the law.

This bill was drafted in large part to address BATFE abuses at the recent Richmond, VA gun shows.

H.R. 5005 – This bill rolls back restrictions and corrects errors in federal firearm laws.

H.R. 5013/S. 2599 – Legislation to prohibit the confiscation of lawfully owned firearms during states of emergency, as happened in last years hurricanes.

H.R. 1384 – This bill would remove several antiquated and unnecessary restrictions imposed on the interstate firearms business by the 1968 gun control act.

H.R. 1288/S. 1082 – Legislation to repeal the D.C. gun ban so that people can arm and defend themselves in the District.

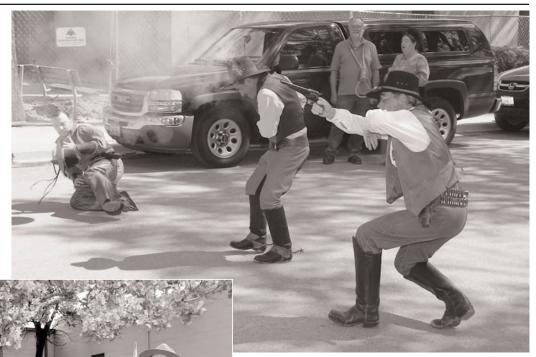
H.R. 4547/S. 3275 – Legislation that would allow any person with a valid carry permit or license issued by a state to carry a concealed firearm in any other state when they meet certain requirements. The laws of each state governing where concealed firearms may be carried would still apply.

On July 7, 2006, a two-week UN conference on how to eliminate private ownership of guns worldwide ended. This meeting was a confutation between the U.S. and the

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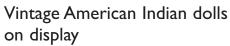
# The Old West Show

Gunfighters perform.



Longhorn rides were popular.

An example of collectible guns





## NRA National Police Shooting Championships

The Albuquerque Police Department (APD) is hosting the NRA Regional (September 28th -30th) and National Police (October 2nd - 5th) Shooting Championships.

The APD is currently seeking volunteers to assist in running these matches. Interested parties may contact: Officer Neal Terry at 505-873-6604 or email nterry@cabq.gov."

The NMGCA members were saddened to learn of the death of Gene O'Connor and we extend sincere sympathy to his family. Gene was a dedicated volunteer who checked guns at the door of our shows. He will be greatly missed."

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rest of the world. Thanks to our progun administration, the conference ended in deadlock with nothing being decided. This was a huge victory for U.S. gun owners. I would hate to think what would have happened at this conference if we had an anti-gun Clinton (either President or Senator) administration.

This will be my last column before the November elections. I can't stress hard enough the importance of voting for pro-gun candidates. You should know by now who the good guys are. Since this newsletter will be published with-in the 60 days before an election band on my freedom of speech, my recommending whom to vote for, at this time, would be breaking the law.

"The taxpayer: That's someone who works for the federal government but doesn't have to take the civil service examination." - Ronald Reagan NMGCA
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will be available at the
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Members are
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