

# GUN COLLECTORS NEWS

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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.

## 53rd Anniversary Gun, Sword & Knife Show

Buy, Sell, Trade & Browse  
Over 600 Tables.

March 3rd and 4th  
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. (Unless you notify the Show Host before  
Saturday that you need to check in after 8:30 am Saturday, your tables  
may be sold to those on the waiting list.)

**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

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

NRA Members with Card \$5.00. Police Officers with Badge Free

No Alcohol, No Smoking, and No Dogs.

A Call to Arms

# Legislative Wrap Up: “No Duty to Retreat”

By Paul C. Lisle

When you read this column the fate of our bills in the New Mexico Legislature will have been decided. Our NRA representative, Tara Mica, had two bills drafted and has found sponsors and lined up support. The first bill is the Castle Bill that is modeled on Florida’s landmark law, creating presumptions of reasonableness for the use of defensive force in or around your home or occupied vehicle.

Codifying that you have “no duty to retreat” from a violent attack if you’re in a place where you have a right to be, if you’re not the initial aggressor, and if you’re not engaged in criminal activity yourself: and establishing additional protections from civil liability if you lawfully protect yourself or your family.

Senator Robinson introduced SB 39 in the Senate and Rep. Heaton introduced HB 163 in the House. The second bill, one I have been pushing very hard for, is to change the concealed carry law to allow us to carry in places that sell packaged alcohol like convenience and grocery stores. One of the most dangerous places is a convenience store after dark.

Senators Ingle, SB 111, Neville SB 168 and Sharer SB 167 have all submitted bills in the Senate to change this part of the concealed carry law. Representative Heaton has submitted a similar bill, HB 588, in the House. We our looking at opposition and a fight to get these bills passed.

I was very disappointed with the NRA when they announced their support for requiring all sales at gun shows to have a background checks, be Federally registered and file an after gun show report. This 7-page bill, HR 96, will end gun shows if passed into law. Most gun show sales now are done by FFL’s with a buyer filling out a 4473 form and the dealer running an FBI background check. Studies have shown that only one or two percent of the guns used in crimes come from a gun show. So all that they are accomplishing is harassing

honest gun buyers by ending gun shows.

The anti-gunners in the U.S. House are keeping their promises on introducing very bad gun laws. HR 256 titled “To Prevent Children’s Access to Firearms” will end many of our junior shooting programs as it

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bands handguns from children up to age 21 and bands many long guns to children under 18.

Another bill that really makes me mad is HR 428 “To Require the Consumer Product Safety Commission to Ban Toys Which in Size, Shape, or Overall Appearance Resemble Real Handguns.” Many of us learned about real guns from our parents but spend many hours practicing and playing with very realistic toy

guns. I would hate to see our kids deprived of this fun and enjoyment.

Another bill that gives me great heartburn is a nine-page bill, HR 297, “To Improve the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, and For Other Purposes.” This bill also has NRA approval and would provide \$625 million dollars over 5 years to the states so that every mental health case, every domestic violence restraining order and every misdemeanor crime, among many other bits of information, will be reported by the states to the FBI. The FBI background check system (NICS) is working quite well with few delays and I see no need to spend another \$625 million and tons of government rules and intervention on this system. This bill will not affect the delays that we are now receiving from the NICS system.

Senator Jeff Bingaman joined 13 other anti-gun democratic senators to sign a letter to Secretary Rice urging support of the UN ban on private gun ownership. The UN also maintains that individuals have no right to self-defense and would make the use of force for self defense a felony as now in England. The other 13 anti-gun democratic senators that signed the letter are Diane Feinstein and Barber

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Boxer, California; Patrick Leahy and Jim Jeffords, Vermont; John Kerry, Massachusetts; Carl Levin, Michigan; Frank Lautenberg, New Jersey; Daniel Akaka, Hawaii; Dick Durbin, Illinois; Byron Dorgan, North Dakota; Barbara Mikulski, Maryland; Tom Harkin, Iowa; and Russ Feingold, Wisconsin.

I strongly urge that you contact Senator Bingaman and let him know how you feel about him wanting to

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There is a new “most powerful handgun” that has just been announced. It is an Austrian Pfeifer-Zeliska .600-nitro express magnum. It fires 5 rounds and was designed for a wealthy Swiss – Mr. Zeliska. The gun weighs 13.23 pounds and you can buy one for the very nominal sum of 13,840 euros which equates to an exchange rate of \$16,501 at the exchange rate of February 24th 2006.

There is only one company that is making the .600-nitro express magnum rounds, Kynoch, and they are selling for \$40.00 for each round. They will go through a 10mm steel plate at 12 meters. They also have it in .458 Winchester Magnum which is now the second most powerful handgun. I will be happy to order one for you for a 10% fee plus shipping and tax.

“The nearest thing to eternal life we will ever see on this earth is a government program.” Ronald Reagan

Remember; do not leave home without your cell phone and gun.

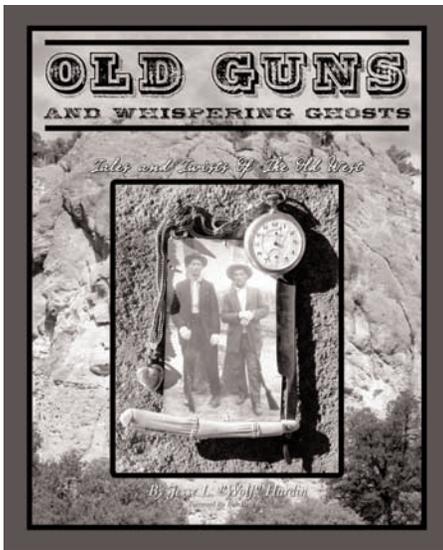
## Hunting in the Good Old Days



## Summary of Minutes from the 10 Jan 2007 NMGCA Board Meeting

**T**he NMGCA Board of Directors met 10 February 2007 at 6:30 pm at Calibers, 5600 Holly NE. The November 2006 minutes were approved. Treasurer, Dan Brovont, presented the Treasurer’s Report. President, Jim Covell, reported that approximately 80 members and guests attended the Annual Banquet in December. There was discussion regarding a planned Billy the Kid exhibit opening in April at the Albuquerque Museum.

Gun Show Host, Mark Covell, reported that plans for the March 2007 Gun Show were in progress. Ken McCorkle distributed the finalized version of the Gun Show Table Regulations, a copy of which will be filed with the association’s records.



The January / February newsletter featured an excerpt from "Old Guns & Whispering Ghosts: Tales & Twists Of The Old West" by Jesse L. Wolf Hardin. The cover of the book is shown above.

## Mini Shows To Be Six Times a Year

The NMGCA Board of Directors voted to change the monthly Mini Shows to only 6 per year.

The Mini Shows will still be held at the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center on the 4th Wednesday of the month but there will be no shows in November and December as well as in months where there is a Gun Show. Therefore, the following are months when Mini Shows WILL BE HELD: January, February, April, May, July, and September.

Please mark these changes on your calendars. We look forward to seeing you at the Mini Shows.

## Special First Time Table Fee Set

In an effort to encourage new participants at our Gun Shows, the NMGCA Board of Directors voted to offer first time table holders their first table for \$25.00.

Additional tables will be available at the regular rate.

## Auction Brings \$129

The Silent Auction held during the NMGCA December Annual Banquet brought in \$129.00 that was donated to All Faiths Receiving Home.

Thanks to all who contributed items for the auction and thanks to all who purchased items. It was a worthwhile effort and a worthwhile cause!

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