

# GUN COLLECTORS NEWS

NEW MEXICO GUN COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION MARCH / APRIL 2011

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NMGCA  
Membership Dues:

Annual renewal for  
regular members,  
under age 62, is  
\$35.00.  
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spouse: \$15.00.

Annual Renewal  
for senior mem-  
bers, over age 61,  
is \$30.00.  
Renewal for senior  
spouse is \$10.00.

## Bumper Stickers Seen in Albuquerque

These gun-relevant bumper stickers were seen on cars in Albuquerque:

“My Other Auto is a 45.”

“If Guns Kill, Do Pencils Misspell Words?”

## March Gun Show Winners: More Pictures Inside



The following were display winners at the March Gun Show: shown above, John Eckert, First Place, “The Luger Pistol – The Luger Makers”; Don Couchman, Most Educational, “From Deadly to Decorative, Adaptive Use of Military Materiel”; and Jim Covell, Second Place, “Odds and Ends” (an Eclectic Collection).

Congratulations to the winners who put so much time and effort into their displays and a special thanks to the judges who conscientiously evaluated and rated the displays. Their time and effort is very much appreciated.

## Bataan Military Academy Honors POWs

At the NMGCA March Gun Show, the Bataan Military Academy had a table, manned by their cadets. The school serves high school students in grades 9 through 12. Cadets strive for excellence in academics and personal development. There are no tuition fees to attend the Academy, however there are

costs related to uniforms and activities.

The Bataan Military Academy is a fully authorized New Mexico public charter high school. Students are accepted through a lottery. Teachers work toward helping cadets learn and practice respect, honor, courage, commit-

## Gun Show Rules Reminder

Our March Gun Show was well attended and vendors seemed pleased. The Show Host and crew and the volunteers worked very hard to make the show a success. Most vendors at our shows comply with the rules stated on the back of the Gun Show application form. However, there are recurring problems that the NMGCA as an organization must address and solve. The following are critical issues:

1. Vendors moving tables. The tables are set up to provide adequate aisle spacing for vendors as well as to meet the Fire Marshall's requirements. Please respect the safety rules and be considerate of your fellow vendors. Non compliance can result in the Gun Show being shut down.

2. Vendors leaving through doors not authorized during show hours. Certain doors are manned during hours that the Gun Show is open. These are the doors that should be used for entry and exit. Exiting through doors that do not have security jeopardizes your merchandise and the merchandise of other vendors. Please comply with these rules to help minimize the potential for loss due to theft.

3. Vendors leaving early. Show Rule number 14 states: "As a courtesy to the public as well as to minimize security risks, all table holders are expected to keep their table(s) open for business during the designated hours that the Show is open to the public. Table holders closing their table(s) and/or leaving the Show during these hours (without the approval

of the Show Host) will forfeit preferred table locations at future Shows." Attendees pay to come to our Gun Show and it's disappointing when they find empty tables because vendors have left early. Unless there are extenuating circumstances, please be considerate of our customers and abide by this rule.

### Displays Encouraged

The NMGCA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and as such, we are charged with providing an educational element to the public. One way we accomplish this is through displays at Gun Shows. We encourage all to consider setting up displays at our shows to promote interest and education.

Tables for display are free and displays are judged for monetary awards. When completing the table application, indicate that you will be setting up a display. Rules and regulations for displays include the following: "No item may be sold, traded, or removed from a display during the show. Eligibility for competition requires a display to be set-up from 10: a.m. Saturday morning until 3:00 p.m. Sunday. A display may not be covered during the hours the show is open to the public."

In the past we have been privileged to have displayers who put much time, financial resources, and energy into providing a quality product. They take pride in their displays and work hard to make them the best they can. We invite you to join the ranks of these dedicated individuals and consider providing a display at our future shows.

ment, personal integrity and patriotism.

To meet educational requirements at the Academy, cadets complete core curriculum, U.S. Naval Science courses, and physical training. The Academy supports all military services and is dedicated to educating and preparing cadets for civilian as well as military careers.

"The Bataan Military Academy is dedicated to the honor and memory of the men and women who were prisoners of war in the Philippine Islands following April 9, 1942. Many were from New Mexico's 200th Coast Artillery Regiment. Bataan Military Academy is a living memorial dedicated to these brave World War II heroes and their families." (Quote from the Bataan Military Academy Brochure)

For more information regarding the Academy contact them at this address: Administrative Officer, 8001 Mountain Road Place, NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110, or Phone: 505-292-5588. The Website is: [www.bataanmilitaryacademy.org](http://www.bataanmilitaryacademy.org).

### Members Welcome At Board Meetings

We, the NMGCA Board of Directors represent you, our members, and we encourage you to attend the regular Board meetings, held the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Calibers. The NMGCA can't exist without the support of our members. You are a vital part of our organization and your suggestions and comments on how to improve the NMGCA are always welcome.

### LIFE MEMBERSHIP DUES INCREASED

To remain a viable organization, the NMGCA Board voted at our last meeting, to increase the cost of Life Memberships to the following: Regular Lifetime \$350.00, Spouse \$250.00, Senior Lifetime \$250.00, Spouse \$150.00.

The cost of yearly membership dues remain the same. We appreciate your understanding and support.

# March Gun Show Display Winners



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## 2011 SHOW CALENDAR GUN SHOWS

June 4th and 5th    October 1st and 2nd

### Albuquerque Old West & Military Show:

August 6th & 7th

### MINI SHOWS\*

March 23th    April 27th

June 22nd    August 24th    October 26th

\*Mini Shows are free and open to the public.

For 2011 the NMGCA Mini Shows have a new location. The Mini Shows will be held at the Sandia Courtyard Conference Room (behind Sadie's on Eubank), 10300 Hotel Ave.

## Special Offer For New Vendors

If you have never been a vendor at an NMGCA Gun, Sword and Knife show (or haven't been a vendor in at least in the last 10 years) we would like to invite you to be one.

The NMGCA is offering one discount table to new vendors at the introductory rate of \$25.00 (additional tables would be at the normal member or non-member rate per table,) at either our June 4th & 5th show or October 1st & 2nd show.

Contact us at, [newmexicogca@aol.com](mailto:newmexicogca@aol.com) or 505-262-1350, or NMGCA P.O. Box 13687, Albuquerque, NM 87193. We look forward to hearing from you.

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