

# GUN COLLECTORS NEWS

NEW MEXICO GUN COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION JULY / AUGUST 2004

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## New NMGCA

### Membership

#### Dues:

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

Renewal for spouse is \$15.00.

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

Renewal for senior spouse is \$10.00.

## A Call to Arms

# Seeking More Sympathetic Voters Judges Getting Attention

By Paul C. Lisle

**W**e have started our drive to get more pro-gun people registered to vote. Four years ago, had we gotten 400 more votes in New Mexico for President Bush, the five New Mexico electoral votes that went to Gore would have gone to Bush and the Florida vote dispute that had to be decided by the U.S. Supreme Court would not have happened.

Again in the 2004 election, victories in many New Mexico contests will be decided by a very few votes. We are planning to have voter registration applications at all the places that pro-gun people gather including shooting ranges, gun stores, gun shows, and gun clubs. If you know of some pro-gun person who might not be registered to vote, pick up an application and give it to them. I will have these applications at all of the gun shows that I attend.

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## Minutes: May NMGCA Board Meeting

The NMGCA Board has met several times since our last newsletter.

At the May 12th meeting, Treasurer Ron Rymarz presented the April Income and Expense Reports. There was discussion regarding gun show advertising costs, payments, and the billing address. The NMGCA tax exempt status was also discussed.

Membership Chair, Tom Laury, presented the following names as new member candidates: Valerie Mendibles, Candice Mendibles, Armando Mendibles, and Richard Jaramillo, Jr. A motion to accept the new members was made, seconded, and approved-with the normal one-year probation period.

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Bob Sully reported that preparation for the upcoming NMGCA Old West Collectors' Show was going well. He indicated that "Pony Panels", including one in Las Cruces and one in Los Lunas, were being used to advertise the show. Bob also requested an increase in his show budget for radio and newspaper advertising and a motion was made, seconded, and approved authorizing the increase. A motion was also made and approved stating that in the future all proposals to increase budgets need to be presented to the board in writing.

There was discussion regarding the future of the Old West Collectors' Show. Bob Sully indicated that the board needed to seek someone to replace him as Show Manager. (See RFP inside.) A three-member committee was appointed to discuss and

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review the show status and Show Manager replacement.

Also, the Gun Show Committee currently doesn't have a chairperson.

A report regarding the June Gun Show status was given by Mark Covell. He indicated that the display of military vehicles would again be part of the show. Also, he reported that table sales were going well, but there were still tables available for the show.

Under "New Business", Darlene Couchman and Bob Sully are to coordinate efforts with respect to the NMGCA Newsletter. Also, it was indicated that a Chairperson is needed for the monthly "Swap Meet".

The next meeting of the NMGCA Board was scheduled for June 9, 2004, at Calibers. A report from that meeting will be summarized in the next newsletter.

The July board meeting will be held July 14, 2004, at 7:00 pm at Calibers. All NMGCA members are welcome and encouraged to attend as guests.

## New Hours: All Shows

The new hours for all Gun Shows are:

Saturday: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Sunday: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Gun Show set-up will be from noon until 8:00 pm Friday. Table holders will be able to access the building at 8:00 am on Saturday and 8:30 am on Sunday.

# New Mexico Gun Collectors Assn Old West Collectors Show

## Request for Proposal -- Show Manager

The NMGCA seeks a manager for its annual August "Old West" Collectors' Show which features collectible items from the era of western expansion i.e. the nineteenth century and the first half of the 20th Century (1800-1950). Collectible items from this period (guns, cowboy memorabilia, western movie collectibles, etc. are offered for sale/trade by dealers and individuals. The dates of the show are determined by a circuit of when the dealers are available. The show must be held in August.

The NMGCA will take applications from interested parties until July 9. All proposals must be in written form and sent to NMGCA, P. O. Box 13687, Albuquerque NM 87192. The Association's selection committee will conduct oral interviews with the top candidates and select the new manager. A contract will then be negotiated.

The selected new manager will be required to attend the August 2004 Old West Show to become familiar with the procedures and begin taking applications for the 2005 show. The manager will report to the NMGCA Board of Directors.

The manager should be prepared to move items from store-room to the show and back (cash registers, table covers, clerical items, signs, etc.) The NMGCA will supply funds to cover the show expenses, i.e. security, advertising, rent, insurance, clerical help, etc. The responder to the RFP should state the fee that they would require to manage this show in their response to this proposal.

Responses to this proposal should be in letter form and include the following:

- A. Previous experience managing promotional shows including type show and years of experience.
- B. Prior experience in developing and placing advertising including both print and electronic.
- C. Knowledge of and previous experience in the Western Collectibles market
- D. Computer literacy (Microsoft Access).
- E. Appropriate references.

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We will also be concentrating on the judge races this year. One of the problems with concealed carry is that we are prohibited from carrying in places that sell packaged liquor like grocery stores and convenience stores. This was not the fault of the legislature with their wording of "dispensing" but of the New Mexico Supreme Court that ruled the possession of a firearm where any liquor license is held is a 4th degree felony. This has been interpreted as meaning if you go into Smith's or Albertson's on Sunday morning with a firearm, even though the liquor department is closed, it is still a 4th degree felony.

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We hope to provide you with the information on judge candidates so you can help cure this disease come November.

**Back on the Air**

After a nine-month "vacation" from producing and co-hosting the TV show "Gun Collectors of New Mexico", during Channel 27's studio move, we are back on the air. Unfortunately, this TV show on issues dealing with firearms and sponsored by the New Mexico Gun Collectors Association is only available on Comcast Cable in the Albuquerque area.

"Gun Collectors of New Mexico" is on the fourth Thursday of each month from 8:00 to 9:00 PM. It is a live, call-in program that has been on the air for four years and has developed quite a large audience. If you cannot tune the program in on your TV set, come to the studio

and view it live. Give me a call at (505) 299-3933 to make arrangements for your visit to Channel 27. Also give me a call if you would like to show and talk about your guns on live TV.

**Dickerson Sets Auction**

It has been a little over a year since we held a large gun auction with Charles Dickerson in Las Cruces. Charles has scheduled another gun auction to be held at Dickerson's Auction Barn in Las Cruces on Saturday, August 28th at 9:00 AM. As at last year's auction, we again hope to have hundreds of guns. The Fish and Game Department has consigned a large number of guns that they have confiscated. The auction is open to private individuals as well as dealers so you can both consign guns to be sold and buy guns.

Since Charles has a Federal Firearms License, he can do the background check and gun transfers at the time of sale to non-licensed individuals. These auctions are a lot of fun where you can get a great buy on a gun. As in most auctions, the guns will be sold "as is". Many of the guns, like Taurus, come with a lifetime factory warrantee, but it is up to the buyer to examine the gun and know what he is buying.

**Assault Ban Reintroduced**

In Washington, DC anti-gun Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA) has once again introduced legislation that would reauthorize the Clinton assault weapon ban. S.2498 has been placed on the Senate Calendar and could come up for a vote at any time. Please contact our two New Mexico Senators and urge them to defeat this bill. And do keep on trying to change Sen. Jeff Bingaman's mind concerning this legislation. To learn more about how bad this bill really is, go to [www.ClintonGunBan.com](http://www.ClintonGunBan.com).

**Gun Show Calendar**

Albuquerque Old West Show, August 7-8

Contact: Bob Sully, Phone: 831-9460

Ruidoso Gun Show, September 4-5

Contact: Jackie Powell, 257-6171; after 5 -- 653-4072

Los Alamos Sportsman Club, September 18-19

Contact: Rick Staroski, 672-3411 or Will Schmitz, 829-9180

Albuquerque NMGCA, October 2-3

Contact: Mark Covell, 262-1350

Tulsa Arms Show, October 23-24

Contact: Joe Wanenmacher, 918-492-0401

# NMGCA to Sponsor State Fair Booth

The NMGCA is again sponsoring a "Firearms and Accessories" booth at the State Fair. Take entries to the Creative Arts Center on the fairgrounds. Entries may be delivered August 26 from 3 to 6 PM or August 27 from 8 AM to 5 PM.

## Ten Entry Classes:

1. Metallic Cartridge Shoulder-Fired
2. Metallic Cartridge Handheld
3. Flintlock and Percussion Shoulder-Fired
4. Flintlock and Percussion Handheld
5. Swords
6. Bayonets
7. Other Edged Weapons
8. Weapons not listed above (miscellaneous)
9. Cartridges (display board not over 144 square inches)

10. Collection display (3 or more items not over one shelf 60-inches by 18-inches)

## Judging Criteria

- Weapon Description
- Collector Interest
- Rarity (rated by market availability)
- Condition

## Premiums

The following premiums will be offered for the 10 entry classes: First Place, Ribbon; Second Place, Ribbon; Third Place, Ribbon; and Best of Show, Rosette.

## Special Awards

The Special Awards from the NMGCA will be: Best of Show, \$100.00; Judges Choice Award, \$50.00; Outstanding Entry, \$25.00.

## Special Rules

The following special rules apply for entries:

- All firearms to be unloaded and be legal with respect to all City, State, and Federal laws.
- Weapon description and information must be printed or typed on a 3-inch by 5-inch card.
- There will be a Judges Panel to consist of recognized gun collectors and authorities; panel members will not compete for prizes.
- Each entry to consist of one item (except class 10).
- Only one entry per class per person.
- Each item to be judged individually in each class according to the judging criteria.
- Exhibitor must own entry.

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