

## **Meet SF Supervisor Ed Jew @ 5/15/07 Meeting**

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### **President's Column**

It is imperative that we all participate in the ONE-CLICK system DAILY. The immediate action is on the bottom of the website page. Bill information and legislator contact information is also available on that page. Go to <http://calnra.com/legs.shtml> You can also reach the website from our webpage <http://www.ggnra.org>.

A new bill has been added. AB 1634 MANDATORY PET SPAY/NEUTER by Levin. OPPOSE.

This is a horrible bill and needs to be defeated.

For all the information on this bill, go to: <http://nramemberscouncils.com/legs.shtml?summary=ab1634.1&year=2007>

This is on the one-click list too.

### **We still need donations and volunteers!**

Many things are happening nationally and locally and we need to be prepared. Send whatever you can afford to GGUNRAMC, 3739 Balboa Street, #147, San Francisco, CA 94121. We are taking on a bigger role in representing the NRA and the council at the gun show and if you want to designate the money for that activity, please make a note of that on the check. Otherwise, it will be used for overall activities of the council.

Volunteers are also needed. It is our goal to have a crew dedicated for gun shows and events. Once this is put together and smoothed out we can be ready anytime an opportunity arises. This would make our council AWESOME. To volunteer, please contact Paul Norris at (415) 221 – 7043.

See everybody at the May 15 meeting.

Gerard J. Cecchettini  
President

### **N.Y. Mayor's Anti-gun Program Unraveling**

New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg's anti-gun program, the Mayors Coalition Against Illegal Guns, is slowly unraveling as more and more mayors pull out. The latest mayor to see the folly of gun-hating Bloomberg's efforts is the Honorable Mayor Mary Wolf of Williamsport, PA.

In a letter dated Feb 26, 2007, Mayor Wolf stated that she was fully in favor of mandatory sentencing of repeat violent and drug offenders caught using illegal firearms. What she did NOT like was Bloomberg's coalition may be "working on issues that conflict with legal gun ownership and that some actions on your behalf are dubious."

To date, the states of Arizona, Alaska, Idaho, Nevada, Kansas, New Hampshire, and Wyoming do not have any mayors aligned with this blatantly anti-gun effort. These states seem to know and appreciate the true value of a free society. There are mayors in other states who can also see the lies in Mayor Bloomberg's agenda. Go to [www.mayorsagainstillegalguns.org](http://www.mayorsagainstillegalguns.org) to see if your mayor is listed.

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## Calendar of Events

### NEW CALIFORNIA NRA NEWSLETTER!!

A new state-wide NRA Members' Council newsletter is available at : <http://calnra.com/freedomsadvocate/download.shtml>

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### Crossroads of the West 2007 gun shows at the Cow Palace, Daly City, CA:

August 18-19

Sept 22-23 (pending)

Nov. 17-18

<http://www.crossroadsgunshows.com>

<http://www.cowpalace.com/schedule.html>

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### Bill Tidwell Firearms Safety classes :

Bill and Cathy Tidwell teach basic NRA pistol classes, Hunter Education classes, NRA Instructor training classes, and many others.

See <http://train2besafe.com/> for a list of 2007 classes by Bill and Cathy Tidwell , or call (510) 713-8907

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### BAYPROFS ( Bay Area Professionals for Firearms Safety and Education ) Firearms Classes :

This is a not-for-profit organization that teaches NRA classes in Firearms Safety, Basic Pistol, and NRA Personal Protection in the Home. They use various San Jose area ranges for their classes.

See <http://www.bayprofs.org/> for information on their 2007 classes

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For information on Bay Area NRA events and meetings, see <http://www.ggnra.org/calendar>

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Firearms forum : [www.calguns.net](http://www.calguns.net)

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Help the troops in Iraq get free gun cleaning kits . Go to [www.projectboresnake.org](http://www.projectboresnake.org) and donate. You can even nominate a soldier or outfit to receive these cleaning kits. Over **10,000 donated kits** have been sent to our soldiers already!

## NRA on Background Checks

On April 27, 2007, the NRA released a statement regarding the National Instant Background Check System. With the recent tragedy in Virginia, the issue of "instant checks" has again become a political football between those who support the lawful ownership of firearms and those who wish to take away our precious 2nd Amendment rights. The NRA wants to firmly establish it's position on the NICS and responsible firearms ownership.

**"The National Rifle Association has always supported including the records of individuals adjudicated mentally defective into the National Instant Background Check System. We believe that the NICS should serve the intent of Congress, which is to prohibit the sale of firearms to criminals and other prohibited persons, such as adjudicated mental defectives. However, we must not forget that the NICS also serves the purpose of clearing firearm purchases by law-abiding Americans. Too often, the system has been abused and has not delivered on the promise of a fair and instant check.**

**In order for NICS to be effective and efficient, it should not be bogged down with unnecessary information or duplicative records. It should not be used to charge transaction fees on background checks; as a permanent repository of gun purchase information; or to unnecessarily delay the ability of law-abiding Americans to purchase firearms. "**

**"The NRA will continue to work for the quickest and most accurate NICS possible on behalf of our members and law-abiding gun owners across the country."**

For more on the NRA and the NICS, go to [www.nraila.org](http://www.nraila.org).

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## Alternative to NRA????

The enemies of the Second Amendment are always trying to subvert and disrupt our efforts to preserve our uniquely American right to keep and bear arms. Sometimes it is an out-and-out frontal assault by things like the “Million Mom March”, or groups like Sarah Brady’s “Handgun Control”.

While these weak attempts gain much publicity but little results, there are new and more subtle attempts that we must be vigilant against. Since the firearms prohibitionists can’t seem to beat us, they want to appear to “join” us now!

In the 2006 Missouri Senate race, a group calling itself the “American Hunters and Shooters Association” put together a direct mail campaign that charged “The NRA Is Selling Us Out!”. The AHSA accused the NRA of trying to take away access to public lands for hunting. The truth is that the NRA is partnered with the Great Rivers Habitat Alliance to save hundreds of thousands of acres of wetlands from being developed.

A careful look at the AHSA directors shows that each and every one has worked closely with national anti-gun groups and politicians. The AHSA Founding President, Ray Schoenke, a former Washington Redskins football player, has actively donated to Handgun Control, which is Sarah Brady’s infamous anti-gun organization.

Bob Ricker, the AHSA’s Executive Director, has worked both sides of the gun issue. First as a lawyer for the NRA, and then switching sides to work with President Bill Clinton to support Clinton’s policies on gun control.

John E. Rosenthal is the AHSA Foundation President. He is also the founder of Stop Handgun Violence, a leading Massachusetts-based anti gun group.

This phony ‘sportsman’s advocacy group’ seems to define the classic “snakes in the grass” warning, as these camouflaged gun-grabbers wait to bite and poison the unwary and unsuspecting firearms owner.

Another “alternative to the NRA” has reared it’s ugly head in the guise of the “Union Sportsmen’s Alliance” (USA). A joint effort of the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation partnership and over 20 different labor unions, this group vows to “lure the political allegiance of gun-owning union members away from the NRA and it’s political agenda”.

The lies that the USA are trying to promote involve the supposed “anti-union” views of the NRA. The truth is that the NRA is purely a ONE-ISSUE organization ... Preserving America’s Second Amendment. Labor issues are well outside this singularly focused goal.

**The NRA does not support or oppose any political party, but will stand and fight ANY politician or legislation that infringes on the Second Amendment.** The fact that many union-supported candidates also hold strong anti-gun positions is a political reality. It is this truth that the NRA seeks to inform it’s members about, and NOT any supposed “anti-union views”.

American working families are the backbone of the NRA’s strength. Let us not let these bogus “gun rights” groups fool honest union members who truly support America’s precious rights.

( see <http://www.nraila.org/Issues/Articles/Read.aspx?id=236&issue=011> for more information )

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### NRA Websites

**NRA Homepage :** [www.nra.org](http://www.nra.org)

**NRA-ILA Legislation Homepage :** [www.nraila.com](http://www.nraila.com)

**NRA News :** [www.nranews.com](http://www.nranews.com)

**Women On Target Program :** [www.nrahq.org/women/wot.asp](http://www.nrahq.org/women/wot.asp)

**Refuse To Be A Victim Personal Safety Seminar :**  
[www.nrahq.org/rtbv](http://www.nrahq.org/rtbv)

**The NRA Online Store :** [www.nrastore.com](http://www.nrastore.com)

### California Legislative Alerts

To view the latest legislative alerts check here:  
<http://NRAMembersCouncils.com/legs.shtml>

To receive CAL-ERT email alerts derived from direct input of the Sacramento NRA-ILA lobbyist, Ed Worley, sign up at:  
<http://calnra.com/calerts-signup/index.shtml>

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**NEXT GGUNRAMC MEETING :  
 TUESDAY, 7PM, ON MAY 15, 2007  
 TENNESSEE GRILL (UPSTAIRS)  
 1128 TARAVAL ST.  
 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94116**

These private meetings are for NRA members, NRA Member's Councils members and invited guests only. NRA proof-of-membership and personal identification are required to attend these meetings. We reserve the right to refuse entry.