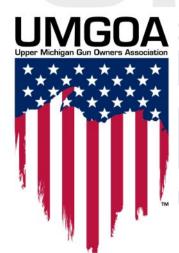
The Inalienably Right

Newsletter of the

UPPER MICHIGAN GUN OWNERS ASSOCIATION JANUARY 2024



UMGOA MISSION STATEMENT:

To promote the safe and legal ownership and use of firearms as expressed in our inalienable rights under the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America so that those who are legally permitted to purchase and sell firearms may collect and use firearms for self defense, competitive events, other sporting uses in the community, and for preservation of our constitutional republic.

Also preserving and defending the right to keep and bear arms as guaranteed by the Bill of Rights and Article I, section 6 of Michigan's Constitution:

"Every person has a right to keep and bear arms for the defense of himself and the state."

A well-regulated Militia being necessary to the security of a Free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms shall not be infringed.

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THIS MONTH'S MEETING IS ON JANUARY 9th

Meetings are held at Mead Rod and Gun Club at 5523-5559 County 420 21st Road on the second Tuesday of the month @ 6:30 PM unless notified.

Weather permitting we can shoot at the range between 5:00 and 6:30, bring targets eye and ear protection!

Next month's meeting is Feb. 13th 2023

Announcements & NOTICES

UMGOA elections will be at the Annual Meeting on February 13th and new bylaws presented for approval.

New Michigan Gun Laws take effect February 13th

UMGOA Banquet is April 27 at the Ruth Butler Building, U.P. Fair Grounds

GUN and KNIFE Shows

United Sportsmen Inc. Gun and Knife Show

Jan 12th and 13th W7689 Sportsman's Club Road, Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Annual Cabin Fever Gun & Knife Show

Jan 27th -28th Delta County Commerce Center 1001 Lincoln Rd Escanaba Mi.

Negaunee Knife and Gun Show

Feb 2nd - 3rd Negaunee Township Hall 42 State Hwy. M35 Negaunee Mi.

Menominee Gun Show

Feb 10th Pullman Center Banguet Hall 2190 US 41 Menominee Mi.

UMGOA MEETING NOTES

Brian opened the meeting promptly at 6:30. After the secretary's and treasurer's reports, Brian reported on how the banquet planning is progressing. Several announcements were made about new attacks on the second amendment. Pizzas and soft drinks were provided. Brian then passed out the Christmas gifts. Diane G had made Christmas decorations with fresh pine boughs that were also given away.

Welcome to 2024. I hope all have had a happy and joyous holiday season. As this organization is growing, more members will be needed to volunteer for the activities we do. The Banquet in April, U.P. State Fair, Youth Shoots, and Parades to name a few activities. Expect more 2nd Amendment marches and rallies in the new year that we will need help with. We have been attracting attention from the state politicians as we are beginning to represent a sizable voting block. Our goal is to hold our state legislators accountable to the constitution and the second amendment. We will expose any politician that does not uphold the citizens civil right to keep and bear arms.

2A Legislature news

As the legislature has been on holiday not much new has been proposed. Expect a flurry of gun control legislation in 2024 as the regime has promised to destroy the second amendment.

STATE legislature:

The Governor signed the Domestic Protection Act into law (SB 528) and other anti-civil rights laws. See The Mi new gun laws under 2nd amendment news.

FEDERAL legislature:

SB 1819 3D Printed Gun Safety Act (Markey D-MA) Makes sharing software over the internet of instructions to automatically program a 3D printer to produce a firearm. (Note: some states are requiring all 3D printers to be registered with the state).

2nd Amendment news

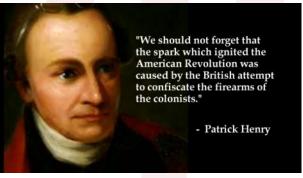
Michigan's New gun Laws for 2024 Effective February 13, 2024:

- 1. Gun storage law requires a gun owner to lock up all firearms in the presence of anyone under the age of 18. If a minor gets possession of your gun it up to a 93 day jail sentence. If the minor hurts someone its 5 years if the youth kills someone its 15 years in jail for the owner.
- 2. Sales tax on gun safety devices (AKA locks, safes, etc.) is eliminated.
- 3. All guns long guns, hand guns, and short barreled rifles must undergo a background check even private sales.
- 4. Red Flag Laws: anyone suspected of having a mental health crisis, or is distressed can have his firearms confiscated by order of a judge without due process.
- 5. Domestic Violence regulations: anyone convicted of a misdemeanor related to a domestic violence crime will have their gun confiscated. (Now it would require a felony conviction to remove the guns) Realize if convicted of "harassment" by calling an ex-partner you loose.

As the regime reports that Americans are turning against gun ownership, NBC poll reports 52% of voters say they or someone in their household own guns. The 2023 "Black Friday" gun sales was the highest "Black Friday" on record. Concealed carry permits declined 0.5% due to the 27 states passing Constitutional carry. This as the regime ignores soaring crime rates. It is estimated almost 22 million permits have been issued. Expect the Biden regime to attempt to attack states with constitutional carry this year. He is pushing the narrative: "Trump's America in 2025: More guns More Shootings, More deaths". This as the Biden regime allows criminals flooding over the southern border, while pushing the anti-self defense narrative. You can not have a gun to defend yourself only the government is allowed to have guns to defend itself from it's unarmed citizens.

A three judge federal panel ruled Michigan's redistricting in 13 districts violated the constitution. The democrats' Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission gerrymandered these districts to insure a democrat majority in the state senate and house. They purposely combined high population density areas that voted democratic with lower density republican suburban areas. The democrats used their "independent" redistricting committee to dilute the republican vote. This denies a segment of the population it's right to have it's vote counted. This from the democrats that are crying that a voter ID law denies minorities their right to vote.

A judge denied the city of Flint's restriction on carrying firearms in city hall. The city has removed the "Gun Free Zone" signs and a metal detector. This was after the city's mayor was threatened with contempt of court for not obeying the restraining order from November. The issue was that it violated the open meetings act in denying citizens with personal protective devices from attending the meeting.



Editorial

Supreme Court of the United States: Ashcroft v. ACLU, 535 U.S. 564 (2002)

"[A]s a general matter, the First Amendment means that government has no power to restrict expression because of its message, its ideas, its subject matter, or its content."

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If you know your history of the communist regimes since 1900 you see the pattern of first we must arm the revolutionaries, then when in power the commies register all guns, then comes confiscation. The communist know the guns represent power and only the regime will have the power. Unlike the traditional commies that take guns by force, the American commies will do it by thousands of laws that incrementally remove the guns from the populace. First ban guns that look "scary", then register all guns, then ban all semi automatic firearms, then ban magazines that hold more than 10, then ban guns that have removable magazines, enact "red flag" laws that allow your neighbor to report you as a threat and confiscate the gun with out due process.

I hear the useful idiots repeat the axiom "It will never happen here". It reminds me of a news reel from 1930's a German citizen when asked about the possible genocide of the Jews stated "It will never happen here". History may not repeat but it damn well echos.

The Biden regime refuses to sell M4 rifles to Israel for emergency defense. Why seems the regime is afraid of "armed citizen Jews". The Jewish citizens, the Biden regime believes, would use the weapons to threaten the innocent Palestinians living in Israel and not to defend themselves from Islamo-terrorist Palestinians. This regime has promised they will remove the second amendment here in America. Elite totalitarian politicians' biggest threat is an armed populous. I wonder why governments don't trust the people that put them in power?

I don't know who first said this but it is so true:

If a conservative doesn't like guns, he doesn't buy one.

If a liberal doesn't like guns, he wants all guns outlawed.

If a conservative is a vegetarian, he doesn't eat meat.

If a liberal is a vegetarian, he wants all meat products banned for everyone.

If a conservative is down-and-out, he thinks about how to better his situation. A liberal wonders who is going to take care of him..

If a conservative doesn't like a talk show host, he switches channels. Liberals demand that those they don't like be shut down.

If a conservative is a non-believer, he doesn't go to church. A liberal non-believer wants any mention of God and Jesus silenced.

If a conservative decides he needs health care, he goes about shopping for it, or may choose a job that provides it.. A liberal demands that the rest of us pay for his.

Quotes of the month:

"They have guns, and therefore we are for 'peace and reformation through the ballot.' When we have the guns, it will be through the bullet." \sim Saul Alinsky

"First they came for the Jews, but I did nothing because I'm not a Jew. Then they came for the socialists, but I did nothing because I'm not a socialist. Then they came for the Catholics, but I did nothing because I'm not a Catholic. Finally, they came for me, but by then there was no one left to help me." - Martin Niemoller

"Destroy the family, you destroy the country. The way to crush the bourgeoisie is to grind them between the mill-stones of taxation and inflation". And "Give me four years to teach the children and the seed I have sown will never be uprooted." ~ Vladimir Ilyich Lenin



Useful Links for Firearms Owners Info



Upper Michigan Gun Owners Association

https://www.dcgoa.net/

https://www.umgoa.org

Open carry information State Police information site.

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/msp/MSP_Legal_Update_No. 86 2 336854 7.pdf Michigan CPL Laws State Police information site.

http://www.michigan.gov/msp/0,1607,7-123-1591_3503_4654---,00.html

Michigan Open Carry

https://www.miopencarry.org

Michigan Coalition for Responsible Gun Owners

https://mcrgo.org/

Michigan Gun Owners

https://home.migunowners.org/

National Association for Gun Rights

https://www.nationalgunrights.org/

Firearms Policy Institute

https://www.firearmspolicy.org/

Great Lakes Gun Rights

https://greatlakesgunrights.org/

NRA

http://home.nra.org/

USCCA

https://www.usconcealedcarry.com/

National Shooting Sports Foundation

https://www.nssf.org/

Civilian Marksmanship Program

https://thecmp.org/

Citizens Committee for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms (CCRKBA)

https://www.ccrkba.org/

1 million moms against gun control

https://www.1mmagc.org/

Armed American Radio

https://armedamericanradio.org/

Second Amendment Foundation

https://www.saf.org/













