



# Second Amendment March

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## What's New

### How I obtained my first shotgun

After agreeing to several rules of gun safety and proper gun handling I received my first gun from dad at the age of eight. It was a bolt action Remington 22. I used that prized possession for countless hours of exciting and pleasurable hunting.

On October afternoons when the school day conclude and after completion of my assigned farm chores I would uncase my 22 and rush out to the hickory and acorn laced forest. The forest was 6 acres in size but it seemed endless to the perception of a young boy. The forest was beautiful with a rainbow of colors and on a sunny and warm afternoon it seemed to be my world all alone Then as now, hunting represents freedom. I was outdoors and in control of my destiny; success or failure rested in my hands and skills.

I would relax in the forest for hours on end in wait of prey, gray and red squirrels. Dad's forest seemed to be filled with these crafty creatures. Patients as well as being a good shot were required to harvest two squirrels a day. After cleaning my two trophies of the day, mom would soak them in salt water and prepare them for the next day's delicious meal.

Reaching the age of eleven I began to dream of bigger game than squirrel. I wanted to hunt ring neck pheasants and cotton tail rabbits. Bagging this type of wildlife was not feasible with a 22 rifle; so I quickly concluded I needed a shotgun.

I borrowed and tested several 12 gauge shotguns and found them to be too big and have too much recoil for a small boy of 75 pounds. Next, I borrowed a 410 and concluded it too light for my intended use. Finally, I narrowed my selection to a 16 gauge shotgun. To me it seemed to have the right feel...

Now, the big question was how to acquire a shotgun of my dreams. My parents were agreeable to me acquiring a shotgun because I had reinforced their confidence by the way I handled the 22. However, I knew my parents could not afford to purchase it outright for me and the odd jobs I perform provided only a little spending money for items such as candy and bicycle repairs. Therefore, I had to devise an alternative that would be realistic and agreeable to my parents.

One day as I looked through my mother's Top Value stamp redemption catalog I saw a 16 gauge shotgun I knew I would be happy to own. In the 1950's and 60's Top Value redemption stamps were awarded to customers as an inducement to purchase merchandise. Customers would receive one stamp for each ten cents of purchase price. You only needed 50 stamps per page and there were only 20 pages per book. The seemingly good news was I only needed eleven books in total to be the proud owner of my very own 16 gauge shotgun. To a ten year old it seemed like an easy and reachable task.

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### Did You Know?



**It takes a substantial amount of money to organize an event like Second Amendment March. Our fundraising advisors have set specific milestones that we need to meet in order to make the march happen. Right now we are VERY short of that goal and need your help! If you can help, please click on the Contribute Now button above to donate via our secured donation page. Thank you!**

My mother was a little apprehensive when I first broached the idea. She cautioned me by saying "do you know how long it will take to fill eleven books of Top Value stamps?" In my eagerness I responded with "a couple of weeks." No, maybe a year" she replied. My smile dropped for a few seconds and I said "ok we can work together on this project."

For the next several months I anxiously awaited mom's return from each trip to the store and upon her entering the house I would ask how many stamps today? Progress was slow but steady until several of my aunts, uncles and neighbors jumped in and assisted this little boy with big dreams.

It took almost a year to assemble enough stamps to reach my shotgun goal. Of course I was impatient during this time period and my one fear was the Top Value redemption center would raise the required number of stamp books. After assembling the required number of stamp books mom drove me to the stamp redemption store

Much to my relief they had not increased the number of stamps needed but to my dismay I learned I could not take my gun home with me. They did not carry guns in their inventory. But I exclaimed "I need the gun for opening day of pheasant season which was only a few weeks away." The nice lady clerk informed this sad little boy that I should have my gun in time.

Disappointed, mom and I departed with the hope my prize would arrive by mail in time for me to bag a rooster on opening day. As you can imagine every day upon returning home from school I would ask mom if we received a package in the mail. For many long days the answer was no. However, much to my delight two days before opening day her reply turned to a happy yes.

I immediately set down my books and quickly preceded to the kitchen table where I found a box 2 inches in depth, 6 inches in width and about 30 inches long. I hesitated awhile in amazement before picking up this grand package. Mom said "go ahead and open it, you have been waiting in anticipation so long."

I opened the box carefully, not wanting to damage the valuable contents. Taking the contents out and with mom's assistance I assemble my first shotgun. I was so proud. I knew I had achieved and reached a very important milestone in my life.

Looking back on the events leading up to my first shotgun I realize it gave me a foundation that would serve me well in later years. Lessons including recognition of a need, identifying options to success, working with others and patients. Gun ownership then and now has proven to be valuable in many, many ways.

Michael Trebesh, CPA  
Candidate for 33rd District, Michigan Senate

*About the author: Michael Trebesh is a dedicated advocate of the second amendment and member of the NRA, Pheasants Unlimited, North American Hunting Club, and Whitetails Unlimited.*

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## Our Mission

The mission of the Second Amendment March is to galvanize the courage and resolve of Americans; to petition our elected officials against establishing anti-gun legislation; and to remind America that the Second Amendment is necessary to maintain our right to self defense.

It is the one right that protects all others.

We will accomplish our mission by a centralized, peaceful march in Washington DC, the United States Capitol, supported by satellite marches to State Capitols and other cities all across America.

## Advertisement



[CCWTargets.com](http://CCWTargets.com) is offering Second Amendment March combo packs, with a portion of every purchase being donated to Second Amendment March.

We now have an RSVP form on our website that allows our supporters to let us know if they plan on attending their state march, the national march, or both.

This information will help us greatly in determining how many attendees to expect, additional resources that we may need to secure, and how many hotel rooms we should block off.

We have created the form to require only a minimal amount of information. However, the more information you provide to us, the better we can serve you. Rest assured that we value your privacy, and this information will not be shared with ANYONE outside of the Second Amendment March organization or our event planning partner, One Step Promotions.

To RSVP now, please go to <http://www.secondamendmentmarch.com/rsvp>

## Leyla Myers - American Citizen

Recently, Leyla Myers, SAM's Virginia Coordinator, became a United States citizen.

She talked with News Radio WRVA about her experience.

[Listen to the broadcast here!](#)

## New Advisory Board member

Second Amendment March is pleased to announce that Larry Pratt, executive director of Gun Owners of America, has joined our advisory board and will be helping to make the Second Amendment March a success.

Welcome Larry!

## One-Step Promotions & Incentives

Christine Drawdy with One-Step Promotions & Incentives will be partnering with Second Amendment March to help coordinate hotel and transportation arrangements for the event.

More information will be available on our website soon.

## New Coordinator!

### **NEW MEXICO**

Mike Buckingham

We are pleased to announce that Mike Buckingham has been appointed as the state coordinator for New Mexico.

Mike is a Vietnam era Veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving from 1971 thru 1976. He came to New Mexico in 1978 to work for the Federal Aviation

Administration as an Air Traffic Controller and was a shop steward for the Professional Air Traffic Controllers Organization. Later, he was involved in the Automobile business in Albuquerque.

Mike is a NRA member and a card carrying member of Oath Keepers as well as an avid gun rights advocate.

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## Virginia State Coordinator Needed

**Virginia State Coordinator position will become vacant at the end of the year.**

Current VA Coordinator Leyla Myers needs someone in Virginia to step in and take over her responsibilities as the state coordinator, as she will step down from this position at the end of this year.

She will provide you the information you would need to start working on the final phase of the event.

If you feel strong about the 2A as an individual right, and want to help us make the Virginia State March a success, please contact the Board at [info@secondamendmentmarch.com](mailto:info@secondamendmentmarch.com).

## State Announcements

### NATIONAL

Second Amendment March founder Skip Coryell will be a speaking guest at the 2010 Free State Project NH Liberty Forum on March 18th -21st in Nashua, NH!

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### OHIO

A Town Hall meeting is scheduled for February 27th and is being coordinated by Terry Jeffries.

**When:** Feb. 27, 2010

**Where:** Mercer County Sportsman Association (7052 State Route 703, Celina, Ohio 45822)

Subscribe to the [Ohio SAM newsletter](#) to keep informed, or watch this space.

## State Coordinators

Check the list below for your state Coordinator. If you don't see a Coordinator for your state, email [Skip Coryell](mailto:Skip.Coryell) to volunteer!

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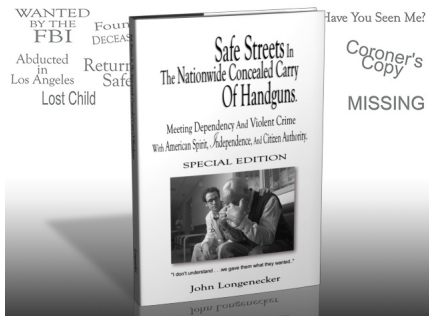
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Safe Streets In the Nationwide Concealed Carry of Handguns



## Safe Streets In the Nationwide Concealed Carry of Handguns

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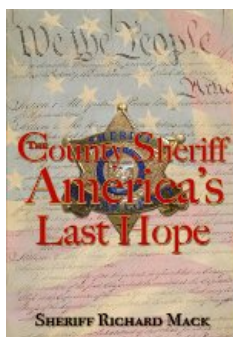
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## The County Sheriff: America's Last Hope



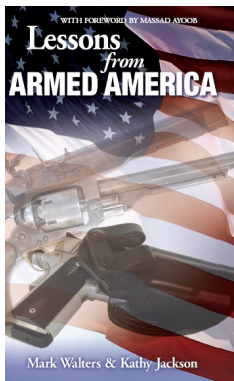
Sheriff Mack's newest book covers decades of research to prove once and for all that the sheriffs in this country are indeed the ultimate law authority in their respective jurisdictions. The sheriff absolutely has the power and responsibility to defend his citizens against all enemies, including those from our own Federal Government. History, case law, common law and common sense all show clear evidence that the sheriff is the people's protector in all issues of injustice and is responsible for keeping the peace in all matters. He is the last line of defense for his constituents; he is America's last hope to regain our forgotten freedom. This short but

powerful book is a must read for all citizens, sheriffs, and government officials that we may all work to return America to the constitutional republic she was meant to be. Amazing as it might be, the sheriff can make this happen!

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## Lessons from Armed America



### **True stories of men and women who defended themselves and their families!**

Written by Kathy Jackson and Mark Walters

Don't rely on others to protect yourself and your loved ones. "Lessons from Armed America" is the essential primer for self defense. Kathy and Mark are the experts that answer all your questions on stalking, real-life firefights, prevention and awareness, as well as carjacking and use of nonlethal force. They tell it like it is with candor and compassion, speaking through both experience and well-thought-out-research. If you're serious about protecting your family, this is the one book you MUST read!

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## Join the NRA



Fellow Patriots...

Receive a discounted NRA Membership (\$10 off) and support Second Amendment March at the same time! Now when you join or renew your membership with the NRA through Second Amendment March, we receive a portion of the membership fee from the NRA. Click the image above to get started, or go to <http://membership.nrahq.org/default.asp?campaignid=XP022115>

Thank you for your support!

## Second Amendment March on Twitter

Second Amendment March is now on Twitter! Twitter is a free service that allows people to stay connected via short messages, called "tweets". Second Amendment March is utilizing this tool to provide updates and news to our supporters.

You can follow us at: <http://twitter.com/2AMarch>



## How You Can Help

**There are many things you can do TODAY to make a difference for future generations:**

- [Join our forums](#)
- spread the word
- pass out flyers
- set up a town hall meeting in your area
- write articles for the Second Amendment March website
- write to your legislators
- [make a donation](#)
- write to the media
- Set up a Second Amendment March fundraiser in your area
- Share your special skills/knowledge

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--Samuel Adams

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Contact SAM newsletter editor Daniel White at [dwhite@OhioCCW.org](mailto:dwhite@OhioCCW.org) for more information!

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