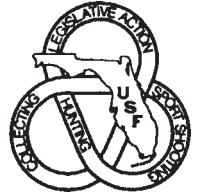


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WHAT! IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN?

Yes, our annual memberships expire on the 31st of December every year.

Yeah, but do I have to pay the \$100 renewal plus \$7.00 sales tax before the end of December? No, you do not. However, you will not be able to use any Club facilities in 2006 unless you have a 2006 renewal sticker on your membership badge. And, just like the highway patrol looking for expired car license plates, our Range Officers look for "expired" membership renewal stickers. Well, \$107 is a lot of money. Yes, it is. However, consider what you get for that amount.

1. Free shooting on spacious, safe outdoor ranges for rifle, pistol, shotgun and pellet shooting on an indoor range, 362 days of the year, from 8:00 am until dusk. Compare that to the indoor pistol ranges in gun stores here in Duval County as there are no other outdoor ranges for rifle.

2. Family membership? Yes, spouses and children under the age of sixteen can shoot with you at no extra charge. Your spouse can even get his/her own membership badge for that year to shoot without your being present on the range. Who else has that kind of deal? Nobody we know of.

3. We have general membership meetings (with swap meets beforehand to look for firearms deals) twice a year with free food provided. Try comparing that to Burger King, Subway Sandwich or local gun shows. With the free food on November 5th of this year will be our annual Club officer and Director elections.

4. Our membership fees are a bargain compared to the dues of other clubs here in Florida or other states that have nothing comparable to our facilities. If you do not renew for 2006, your annual membership will expire and you will be required to re-pay the initiation fee for 2007 just like as if you were a new member.

NOW, THE BAD (?) NEWS.

It costs our Club almost \$1,000 in first class postage, envelopes and labor to send out renewal notices in a separate mailing. So, this will be your written notice that your annual membership expires of the 31st of December of this year. You can pay in person at the office with cash, check or credit card. If you renew by phone using a credit card, you can get the renewal sticker the next time you are at the range. Thanks!

For the Board of Directors:

Bill Craig

OUR CLUB ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION

Saturday, the 5TH OF NOVEMBER

The morning will start with a "swapmeet" between 8:00 AM and 11:00 AM where you can offer for sale your unneeded firearms and accessories. You can also take advantage of any "bargains" you see. The meeting and annual elections will begin at 11:00 am. After the annual meeting is concluded, ballots will be passed out. While we are filing out ballots and our election committee is counting ballots, our lunch will provided by our master chef "Grit" Preston. After, or during lunch the election results will be announced. So, please come, participate, eat and really be a true contributing member of Gateway Rifle & Pistol Club.

Cut off date for submission to the next issue is Dec. 20, 2005

OBI's Required on ALL Ranges

Open bolt indicators are now required on ALL Ranges. This applies to members, guests and daily members alike

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2005

LADIES FIELD DAY

You Are Invited To A Day Filled With

LEARNING FIREARM SAFETY, DOOR PRIZES, SHOOTING A FIREARM, FELLOWSHIP WITH OTHER LADIES

IF YOU HAVE YOUR OWN FIREARM YOU MAY BRING IT, IF NOT LOANERS WILL BE PROVIDED

THE DAY WILL BEGIN WITH A BRIEFING SESSION LADIES WILL BE DIVIDED INTO GROUPS WITH EXPERIENCED INSTRUCTORS EVERYONE WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHOOT

REGISTRATION: 8:00 AM — 8:30 AM

SHOOTING TIMES: 9:00 AM — 12:00 NOON

LUNCH: 12:00 NOON — 1:30 PM

SHOOTING TIMES: 1:30 PM — 4:30 PM

Cost: \$20.00

INCLUDES REGISTRATION & LUNCH

PLEASE REGISTER EARLY; WE CAN ONLY ACCOMMODATE 125 LADIES

TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, YOU MAY CONTACT:

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Elect Bill Craig for our 2006 Club President!

Sam Grimes will not be able to run for reelection as President as our bylaws limit our Club's President to only two consecutive years. We were lucky that Sam is retired from teaching school and had the time to manage the Club's operation. As we grew to be so large a Club, so did the complexity of our Club's day to day operation. We hired a Club Business manager to help daily operations and an accounting firm to aid with bookkeeping. But, our Club's business operation involves many forms of taxes, multiple types of insurance, numerous federal state and local laws, regulations from the EPA, Department of Health, Water Management District and so on. Many years ago, we elected Club President based primarily on that person's active participation in Club firearms matches. That has changed. The scope of our Club's activities and required adherence to laws and regulations now demand that our Club President have the time available to manage the Club. However, in addition to having time available, several other qualities are also highly desirable. These include:

1. Knowledge of the Club's operation. I joined our Club in 1972, became life member # 12 in 1975. Since then, I served as Vice President, President, Treasurer and on the Board of Directors for the past fifteen years. I serve as Chairman of the Hunter, Plinkers and Casual Shooters Committee that represents the vast majority of our Club members. As a Board member, I did my best to represent all Club members including those people who only shoot a few times a month or even in a year. I am also Chairman of the Policy Committee and have served on the Financial Audit Committee and Construction committee for several years. These activities required a lot of time which I willingly gave. In these jobs, I gained an intimate and detailed knowledge of how the Club functions and what is necessary to manage the Club.

2. Management experience and time available.

I am a retired Lieutenant Colonel from combined service in the Active Army and the Army Reserve. I served in Vietnam, Central and South America on active duty. I am now also retired from Anheuser Busch. Between the two jobs, I have over forty years of management experience in the military and in a Fortune 500 company. I have both the time available and desire to do the job and do it well. My formal education includes an AB degree from Georgia State University as well as graduation from the Army Command and General Staff College.

3. Firearms interest. I am an avid military firearms collector, a shooter, a hunter and reloader. I have a life/endowment membership in both Gateway Rifle & Pistol Club and the National Rifle Association.

4. A vision for the Club's future. My personal goals as Club President will be:

1. Work to keep our Club a safe place to legally shoot our firearms.
2. Help the Club continue with its prosperity.
3. Promote the safe and legal use of firearms.

Your vote is important and will be appreciated.

Bruce Wells for Board of Directors

I have served as the Public Relations Officer for three and 1/2 terms and would like the support of the membership to serve as a Board member. I have for the past two years managed the Ladies Field Day, and presently putting it together again. I have been successful in acquiring grants from the Women on Target group of the NRA to help fund our event. This year I have managed the RO's for the Glock Match and have become the Match Director for SEPSA. I have the past two years helped direct a Three Gun match for charity with all the funds going for cancer research.

On a personal note, I am married and have a son that is married and on his own. My wife Nancy has been a great help at the Ladies Field Day, Cancer match, and our match days for SEPSA and is committed to helping me with the tasks at hand. I believe if you enjoy something, such as our club, you need to give back and try to leave it in better condition than what you found it. If elected I will serve to the best of my ability, and if you choose another candidate I will support the one you elect.

Thank you for your consideration

Bruce Wells

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LARRY GWALTNEY FOR BOD PRESIDENT

My name is G. Larry Gwaltney and I have had the honor of serving on the BOD at Gateway Rifle and Pistol Club for the past three year's. I must say it has been an educational experience, however I would like to submit my name for President.

Prior to being on the BOD I was employed with Jacksonville Fire and Rescue. I loved being a fireman and helping people but unfortunately I sustained an injury that forced me to retire from the Fire department, Certification from Oklahoma State University, was a Public Educational Officer, Fire Inspections Officer, Fire Officer 1 & 11, Emergency Medical Technician, and CPR Instructor. Also involved in the Division of Forestry, Florida Fire Behavior, Incident Command System, ICS Orientation and National Board of Fire Service Professionals. I was employed by Kings Bay Submarine Base Fire Department. At that time I had the honor and privilege serving as Captain of Fire Inspectors, Ladder Trucks and Crash Trucks. Sent down from Kings Bay assign captain on Crash Truck with NASA Cape Kennedy that was an honor.

Before my fire career, I was in business for my self as a commercial photographer. I belonged to the Florida Professional Photographers and received many awards over the years.

In 1970, I became a member of the Gateway Rifle and Pistol Club and am now a lifetime member. With the help of Sidney Gains, Ed Edwards and Jim Rose I found myself in another competitive field. I will never forget five words drilled into my head, line of sight and squeeze. I love all aspects of shooting, Shot Bulls Eye Pistol, Black Power Cartridge Rifle, High Power Semiautomatic Military Rifle, 22 Plinking, Outdoor Air Pistol, just to name a few. Of course when ever anyone is involved in handling a weapon the most important issue is SAFETY FIRST.

Having already served on the board I feel I am qualified to be your President, but for those of you who do not know me I have been a member of NRA for over 30 years. Currently member of United States Practical Shooting Association (USPSA), National Range Officer Institute (NROI), and Glock Sport Shooting Federation (GSSF). As of August 22, 2005, completed NRA Pistol, and Personal Protection in Home Instructor course.

As your President I will always strive to improve myself and provide a clean and safe range. Our number one priority always are safety and you know to keep

stray bullets from leaving the range. I strongly believe that we need to start planning for the future, looking for other land to build a range on in case we are shutdown, which could very well happen in the next ten years. We as members and directors need to carefully think about all the construction going on. I believe that being a President or Board Member means helping other members address problems that may arise. So, if any of you feel there is something that we can improve, do not hesitate in asking me. I am here to assist you. Shooting sports and disciplines continue to grow at an astonishing rate. The junior's Program at GRPC, Ladies Field Day, and many other local, national and international events are hosted by Gateway. These events bring in new members, which I totally support.

In closing, I would like to say it has been an honor to serve all Gateway members. I would enjoy serving you as President this next term, being your voice and bringing your ideas before the BOD.

Thank You, G. Larry Gwaltney

Thomas Beattie for Sec/Treas.

I am asking for your support and vote on November 5th to keep two very important positions on the BOD in experienced and knowledgeable hands. As treasurer I have returned the Club's finances to a solvent and stable state. I have put procedures in place where outside vendors who supply products or perform services do what they supposed to do before getting paid. Bringing in an outside payroll service to correct an insurance issue and cut down on bookkeeping and paperwork was another improvement I made. As Secretary I have tried to keep the membership informed with Muzzleblast articles and accurate meeting minutes being published. I have tried to make the Club safety rules uniform and easy to understand.

Every member of Gateway is important to me, not just a small group or clique.

John Graves Board of Directors

My name is John Graves. I have had the privilege of serving on your Board of Directors for over six years. I am up for re-election for my seat this term. At one time or another, I have served on just about every committee. Most of you know me from seeing me at the range – asking you questions about what you think, answering your questions, and getting back to you if I didn't know the answer. For those of you who are not as familiar with me, I'll tell you a little about myself. I am a husband, father, Mason, Elk, union member, and a fire fighter Captain for the City of Jacksonville. I shoot both pistol and rifle.

Being a fire fighter, I am concerned always with safety first. We can not have bullets leaving our ranges. We must have a safe line. Being a father, I believe our youth program is very important to continue our sport for the future. Being a working man, I am also concerned with how our money is spent.

As a member of charitable social organizations, I know our club is an important part of our community – and we give back to our community in many ways.

I joined our club in 1981 and have watched it grow through the years with the help of many dedicated members. When it was discovered that GRPC was on the agenda of the airport to acquire our land a few years ago, I was among the group who met with the attorneys. Recently, I have talked to one of our past presidents (probably our most politically connected past President) and he assured me it is still on the agenda. This is a very important election. Please, when you go to vote (whether you are voting for a board of director, officer, or President), ask yourself the hard question – “Do I trust the person I'm voting for to keep us safe and fight to keep our club open?”

Always proud to serve you,
John Graves

Roger Bump for Board of Directors

I have been a member of GRPC since 1980, and have served as Treasurer, Secretary, and President. My present shooting interests are Black Powder Cartridge Rifle and Cowboy (SASS) competition. Our Club is one of the finest shooting facilities in the South-

east United States due to the past board members that have represented our membership. I fully support our club's efforts to stress safety and improve our shooting venues for all members. I would appreciate your support in electing me to the GRPC Board of Directors.

Sam Grimes for Board of Directors

39 years of service to the club

FOR SALE

Members may list firearm related articles for sale at no cost. Send your ad to dbglasscock@comcast.net

Revolver – Ruger Blackhawk .45 LC/.45 ACP Convertible 4 inch barrel Like New in Box \$300.00.

Rifles - Winchester Model 94 Trapper 30-30 Win Like New \$250.00 and Winchester Model 94 Trapper .44 Mag Both Like New \$250.00 or both for \$450.00.

Randy Thompson, Phone 264-4283 or E-mail rbev@bellsouth.net.

Reloading Equipment For Sale - All items included for one price \$1750.00 - Will not sell items separately. Contact Gary Butler @ 904-287-2097 or Email gary.butler@ajilon.com

Dillon XL 650, Low Powder Sensor, Roller Handle, Strong Mount, XL650 Instruction Video, Competition Reloading Video, (4) Powder Check System Electric Case Feed System, Large Pistol Case feed Plate, Large Pistol Case feed Plate, Small Pistol Case feed Plate, XL650 Pistol Conversion Kit, (3) Deluxe Caliber Quick Change Assemble, Machine Cover, Bench Wrench, (3) Powder Dies, Primer Flip Tray, (2) sets Primer pick-up tubes, XL650 Machine Maintenance Kit, XL650 Cartridge Bin & Bracket, XL650 Priming System - Small, XL650 Priming System - Large, 9mm 3 Die Set, 38 Super 3 Die Set, 45 ACP 3 Die Set, 38/357 3 Die Set, Case Gauges (5), Case Cleaner w/media, Case/Media Separator, Pact Electronic Scale, Assorted Fired Brass / separated 45 ACP new brass (500), 38 Super new brass (1000), 9mm 124gr JHP bullets, 45 ACP 185gr SWCBB (1500)

REMINGTON 870 Express 3" 12ga with 28" vent rib and Rem Choke (mod) plus 18" cylinder bore blade front sight, all excellent condition. □ \$320.00 for both.

MAUSER 98 8mm, Yugo M42. □ All matching no's w/teak stock & issue sling. □ Good condition but dark bore. □ \$100.00.

RUGER .357 Security Six 4" barrel with holster, trigger shoe, wood & rubber grips. □ Very good. □ \$250.00.

PHONE: □ 396-3007 (Bullock, Sr.) or e-mail bullock@bcprlaw.com

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Groover Robinson
716-7531

**Called for Printer
pickup on
Aug. 31**

Schedule of Events

CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS

The club will be closed on Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas days each year.

This is the Election Issue

Newsletter
next issue due in
Jan 06
Veterans Day
Nov 11

**Please Limit
Parking in
front of the
OFFICE to
10 minutes**

and wipe your feet

*Merry Christmas
and Happy New
Year from the Staff
and Management*

Concealed Carry Permit Classes

Classes have a revised pricing schedule:

Club Members	\$35.00
Non-members	\$40.00

For information or reservations, call the office at 771-2937

Required Maintenance WILL be performed according to this schedule

Monday 8 AM.-11 AM 100 yard rifle line will be closed.

Tuesday 8A.M.- 11A.M. All Pistol ranges, 7.5, 15, 25 & 50 yard lines will be closed.

Wednesday 8A.M.- 11A.M. Silhouette Range will be closed

Thursday 8A.M.-11 200 yd. line will be closed closed

Friday 8A.M.-11 All purpose line will be closed .

In order to encourage more people to participate in the election process, I am placing the absentee ballot in the newspaper. Please cut out your completed ballot, have your signature notarized and mail it to the Club. Please mark the envelope "ABSENTEE BALLOT".
Thank you, Thomas A. Beattie Sr.

**ABSENTEE BALLOT
2005 ELECTIONS GATEWAY RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB**

OFFICER POSITIONS

Vote for ONLY 1 candidate per position. Indicate your vote by CIRCLING the name of the candidate or CLEARLY PRINTING the name of write-in candidate. **Write in votes will only be counted if their availability is declared to the Club Secretary prior to the election and the candidate is eligible for office as defined in the club by-laws.**

PRESIDENT	BILL CRAIG	LARRY GWALTNEY	Write In: _____
VICE PRESIDENT	GRIT PRESTON (Incumbent)		Write In: _____
SECRETARY**	THOMAS BEATTIE (Incumbent)		Write In: _____
TREASURER**	THOMAS BEATTIE (Incumbent)		Write In: _____
CHIEF INSTRUCTOR	LLOYD WATKINS (Incumbent)		Write In: _____
PUBLIC RELATIONS (No declared candidate)			Write In: _____

**Per Club by-laws, Pg. 4, para 5b Officers. The office of Secretary and Treasurer may be combined.

DIRECTOR POSITIONS

Vote for no more than three (3) positions. Circle the name of the candidate or clearly print the name of the write-in candidate. Ballots indicating a vote for more than (3) candidates and/or write-ins will void this portion of the ballot.

Director

*Roger Bump	Sam Grimes	*John Graves	Bruce Wells
write in _____		write in _____	write in _____

*Indicates incumbent

Absentee ballots may be completed at the Club office. Club members will write or mark their choices on the ballot, to include write in candidates. The ballot will be folded to insure privacy and placed in a plain white envelope supplied by Club office personnel. The Club office person receiving the sealed ballot will verify the Club member active status. The words

"Absentee Ballot" will be written on the front of the envelope. On the backside of the envelope will be written: The printed name and signature of the Club member on one side of the flap and the printed name and signature of the Club employee or Club official receiving the ballot will be on the opposite side of the sealed flap. These ballots will be secured until the elections.

Absentee ballots may be mailed to Club members upon request to Club office personnel or a Club official. The Club member will write or mark his/her choices as well as the write-in candidates on the ballot. The club member will print his/her name and sign his/her signature on the ballot. The signature, however, must be verified by a Public Notary with the Notary's name and seal on the ballot. The Club member will mail the ballot to the Club to the attention of the Club's Secretary with the words "ABSENTEE BALLOT" plainly written on the face of the mailed envelope.

Printed name of Club Member

Signature of Club Member

NOTARY SEAL AND SIGNATURE, IF MAILED IN:

Tournament Schedule

The schedule shows the normal dates for the regular matches shot at Gateway. Clip it out and post it on the refrigerator for future reference.

The listings should be good for each month of 2005. For example, a listing of "1st Sunday" means the first Sunday of each month, unless an exception is listed below. The calendar posted in the office is OFFICIAL and may supersede this list. Lloyd Watkins is the club's Chief Instructor and is responsible for all schedules.

Variations in this schedule will be listed in each issue of the Muzzleblast.

Match	Range	When
Club 1800 Bullseye	1	1st Sunday, 9:00 till 12:00
Smallbore, Silhouette	4	1st Sunday, 10:00 till 2:00
22 Rimfire Benchrest	4	1st Saturday 8:AM till 1:00
Highpower Rifle Silhouette	3	1st Saturday 9: A.M
IDPA	5	1st Saturday
High Power Rifle	3	2nd Sunday
USPSA/IPSC	5	2nd Saturday
Black Powder	4	2nd Saturday
High Power prime 3x600	3	3rd Saturday
N.R.A. 1800 Bullseye	1	3rd Sunday 9:00 till 12:00
Plinking	4	3rd Saturday
Action Shooting	5	4th Saturday
Cowboy	5	4th Sunday 9:00 AM
Mini Palma		4th Saturday
Pistol silhouette	4	4th Saturday
Black Powder rifle Silhouette	3	4th Saturday
Action/ICORE	5	4th Saturday
USPSA 3-Gun	5	5th Saturday

Call the Match Directors for additional information

GRIT FOR VICE PRESIDENT

Hi, my name is Charles Preston, also known to most all of you as "Grit". I am currently your Vice President by Board appointment to fill the vacancy left by SGT. Major Will Hux who is now in Iraq. (Please pray for his safe return!!!) I am running for the Vice President position this fall and would deeply appreciate your vote. I was on the Board of Directors for many years prior to my appointment to Vice President. As most of you know I have been the Cook and the Kitchen Committee Chair for... well, for forever. My campaign slogan is "Vote for Grit or eat else wheres!" Just kidding. I have served on a host of different committees, some of which are the lead re-cycling committee, the budget committee, building committee, and some various other minor committees. I have successfully operated several small businesses since 1984. I am very knowledgeable on sales tax issues, insurance issues, and IRS codes. I was instrumental in the current contract to lease our employees and thereby helped to solve several insurance and tax issues the Club was facing.

As far as my shooting activities go, I have shot, or shoot, just about every discipline except bulls eye pistol. I am for no particular group or discipline; I am for the Club as a whole and though there are some who may disagree with me on issues, from time to time, there is no one who could honestly say that I do not serve in the best interest of our Club.

Well, there you have it in a nut shell.

PLEASE VOTE FOR CHARLES PRESTON "GRIT" FOR VICE PRESIDENT

**Submit info for publication in
our Muzzleblast to
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dbglasscock@comcast.net**