

2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Meeting  
March 7, 2016

Tom thanked Tony Simao for the many contributions he has made to this committee. Among the latest was our Facebook page and our logo.

Our project involving a warning card to be issued with each "License to Carry" cards has met with some success. Sheriff Weaknecht from Berks County brought the proposal to the Pennsylvania Sheriffs Association conference and was scheduled to make a presentation to the Board. If accepted, they will print these cards and distribute them. We are looking forward to learning the outcome from the Sheriff at the next luncheon with him.

### **Second Amendment Rally Day**

May 24<sup>th</sup> is 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Rally Day in Harrisburg. Tom had 300 full color flyers printed at a cost of \$100. A number of members agreed to place these at various sport shooting clubs and gun shops. The flyer was developed by Rep Metcalfe and therefore had to conform to legislative standards in color and content. Tom went over the "Stand Up Against the Obama/Wolf Attacks on Your Right to Bear Arms". On the reverse side is further news about the Rally with our email and 2A LVTP information.

Once we determine the level of interest, we will consider organizing a car pool and attending as a group. The rally will be held inside the Capital rotunda. After lunch, we will go to the offices of our representatives, presenting cards or speaking personally with them about opposing the gun-grabbing legislation.

**Raffles:** Winning raffle stub #12 was chosen by a member after spinning the drum. Our account balance now stands at \$5,300. Bob and Maureen had new raffle tickets available at \$15.00 each. The prize firearm is a retail value of about \$800. Alternatively, the winner may choose a cash prize of \$500.00

**Chairmanship & Vice Chair:** While no 'formal' election is held, it was proposed that with our growth, we are the first L.V. Tea Party Committee to vote for both chairman and vice chair. Tony Simao moved, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Carroll that Tom Campione remain as chairman. Maureen Gyory was elected Vice Chairman.

Last week, Tom requested a meeting with the Sheriffs of Northampton and Lehigh Counties but as of now has no response. He plans on going with two or three representatives from our 2nd Amendment group, LV Oath Keepers, and PA4SP (Pennsylvanians 4 Self Protection). This is to show seriousness about finding ways to support the Sheriffs' offices. If we formed a Sheriff's Posse we might be an interface in time of crisis and assist if they are comfortable with that concept.

Another idea that really speaks to the law enforcement groups and the public is support for their K-9 Unit. Perhaps in late spring we could fund an event with profits going to K-9 units. This would bring a lot of attention to us and to the units.

**Training seminar:**

There is still interest in a seminar on the subject of Pennsylvania law for self-protection with a presentation based on the subject of "I Want to Carry...What Now?" Time (one and one-half hours, 1 – 3 pm) and day of the week (Saturday?) were discussed. Tom Carroll would go over the questions on the application process. A date after the Primary Election was felt to be best.

**Oath Keepers:** George Umberger invited members to a newly formed chapter of Oath Keepers who meet twice monthly. On May 10, from 6:30-10 pm there will be several videos on use of deadly force – legal aspects. On May 23 another meeting from 6-9 pm at the Borderline will cover 'Stand Your Ground' and Castle Doctrine.

**Educational Strategy:**

Tom mentioned that letters to the editor appearing in the newspapers on gun control should be countered by our members' rebuttal. Items mentioned by Maureen for sending positive articles were those on home defense, and ways to keep guns out of the hands of children. Safety of children led to discussion on use of safes, locks, information from NRA on Eddie Eagle, etc. There were many variations to fit the situation (age, some knowledge for the child of danger but also respect for unknown weapons, etc.)

Tom went over another scenario for member participation by citing a PA. resident, 19 year old was given a gun by ? Can she even accept the weapon? What can she do, not do, carry? Carry where? Many interesting questions and comments were expressed. These 'exercises' are used as a way of learning the intricacies of PA law. To know the law is our responsibility

The next meeting is Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan Rosenthal, Secretary

