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## Lobby Day 2026—More Important Than Ever

*by Patricia Webb, Secretary/Treasurer*



The political landscape has changed drastically for Virginia. VCDL Lobby Day 2026 may well be the most important event in the history of 2A rights in Virginia—or even the nation.

Looking back on 2020, are we poised to see a repeat of those attendance levels? Will we smash that record? Do Virginia gun owners care enough about their rights to show up and make their voices heard? Only you can answer that question.

One thing I can tell you is that the new administration will try to intimidate people into not attending. They did it in 2020 and will do it again in 2026. They will, no doubt, throw up every barrier they can think of to discourage attendance. Yet we NEED YOU ALL TO ATTEND!

I remember the rumors in 2020 that there would be violence, or that ANTIFA had planned to attack, or that there were terrorist threats. Was that legitimate, or were these “threats” intended to scare people away? One can only speculate, but we know that many, many people chose not to attend because they were

intimidated by these widely publicized reports. If you think about it, though, what could be safer than being in a group of 50,000+ armed patriots?

The ONLY way we can stem the flood of gun control headed our way is to not be dissuaded from voicing our position. We have put out a survey to gauge interest in buses. If you want to ride a bus into Richmond and you have not already submitted the survey, please do so immediately. Each bus costs around \$4,000 and holds 55 people. If the bus is full, we only recoup half of what we spent. But it is more important to make sure people have an affordable way to get to the event, so we bite that bullet.

We have a web page that answers most of the questions people ask. Visit [VCDL.org/LobbyDayFAQ](http://VCDL.org/LobbyDayFAQ) if you have questions. Please check out all of the Lobby Day pages for important information. If you don't see the answers you need, reach out to us. Many people will choose to come to Richmond on Sunday. If you do, or if you live in the area, consider attending the pre-lobby day dinner. We will put a reservation link up on our website.

We are accepting sponsors for buses and other expenses associated with Lobby Day. If you are interested in more information, please reach out to [treasurer@VCDL.org](mailto:treasurer@VCDL.org) or visit [VCDL.org/Donate](http://VCDL.org/Donate) to contribute. Businesses who sponsor a bus will get recognition on our website as well as have their information distributed to the passengers on the buses.

We will be putting up carpool links as well for those who want to share a ride. Parking may be severely limited, so consider coming the day before or very early.

### VCDL Public Meeting Dates

In-person meetings are held around the state, usually on the 3rd Thursday of each month.

Check [VCDL.org/Events](http://VCDL.org/Events) for a current list.

VCDL holds **live virtual monthly meetings on the second Sunday of each month**. These meetings are simulcast on Facebook and YouTube at [VCDL\\_TUBE](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCvcdLUBE) 8:00 PM Eastern Time.

Watch the events at [vcdl.org/events/event\\_list.asp](https://vcdl.org/events/event_list.asp)  
Check the website and VA-ALERT emails for meeting updates.

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## The Elections are Over. What Infringements Can We Expect to See?

### From the Editor

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Common sense—it isn't so common, it seems.

Groups like Everytown and Brady United promote “common sense gun laws” as a tactic to get your support. You're a sensible person, aren't you? Then surely, they say, you must be in favor of their proposals.

But disarmers have rewritten the question. The question is not whether gun owners are reasonable people. The question is why are magazine capacity limits reasonable? Why are limits on where a CHP holder can carry reasonable?

The answer, as every VCDL member knows, is: they aren't!

We have to own up to the fact that many Virginians harbor a different view on gun rights (i.e., “common sense”) than we do. We also should admit issues other than gun rights played a role in this election. So what can we do going forward?

1. Support VCDL with time and treasure. We are a one-issue organization and we fight for Virginians' gun rights.
2. Talk to your (reasonable) friends and relatives. Make the case—calmly and confidently—that gun rights are civil rights. A trip to the range also helps.
3. Show up for Lobby Day 2026!

Mark Ching  
Editor

Warnings about the importance of voting were not heeded by too many gun owners and now the fight to protect our Second Amendment rights begins earnest. **If we have a large Lobby Day, that will help in blunting or stopping some of these bills from becoming law, just as the massive Lobby Day did in 2020.** But make no mistake, we are in for a rough ride. Looking at the bills anti-rights lawmakers introduced (and the governor vetoed) over the last two years, here's what we are likely to see passed and signed into law:

- Severe restrictions/elimination of reciprocity with other states for concealed carry
- Prohibition on carry of many semi-automatic rifles, pistols, and shotguns on public roads, parks or any other place open to the public
- Prohibition on new “assault firearms” or magazines holding more than 10 rounds made on or after July 1, 2026; no one under 21 may possess an “assault firearm”
- Five-day waiting period when purchasing a firearm or renting a firearm
- Permit required to purchase a firearm
- Concealed carry prohibited on premises of restaurant that serves alcoholic beverages
- NRA and USCCA instructor's courses will no longer be valid training to get a CHP
- Firearm training required every five years to purchase a firearm
- Fingerprinting required for getting a CHP
- Repeal of exception for non-CHP holders to be able to store their handgun in a secured compartment or container while in a motor vehicle
- All homemade firearms must be serialized, and gun kits must be serialized and sold through a gun dealer
- 5% tax on firearms and ammunition to fund “Gun Violence Intervention and Prevention Grant Program”
- Prohibition of home-based gun dealers from operating within 1.5 miles of any elementary or middle school, which will wipe out almost all home-based FFLs
- No semi-automatic firearms with any modification that “increases the rate of fire”
- Firearms prohibited in hospitals and emergency care facilities
- Firearms prohibited at universities and colleges inside of buildings
- No one under 21-years-old can purchase an “assault firearm”
- A person convicted of battery in a “dating relationship” loses the right to possess a firearm for 3 years
- A person convicted of a misdemeanor “hate crime” (whatever that is) cannot possess a firearm
- A second offense of misdemeanor drunk driving prohibits a person from possessing a handgun for 5 years
- A conviction of simple assault, assault and battery, or stalking prohibits a person from possessing a firearm for 5 years
- Extends the prohibition on carry outside of a polling place from 40 to 150 feet
- Firearms in a home with a minor or prohibited person must be unloaded and locked in a container, if not carried on the person
- \$500 and towing for a visible handgun stored in an unattended vehicle

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## UPCOMING GUN SHOWS AND EVENTS

If you'd like to work a show, email the coordinator and ask to be put on the mailing list used for volunteers. Volunteers get free admission to the show, and some vendors offer discounts to other vendors, including our volunteers. It's an excellent way to easily recruit members. Verify all schedules; this list is correct as of November 15, 2025.

**CHANTILLY**, Dulles Expo Center  
Nov 21–23

**FISHERSVILLE**, Augusta Expo  
Nov 29–30

**HAMPTON**, Hampton Roads Convention Center  
Nov 29–30

**HARRISONBURG**, Rockingham County Fairgrounds  
Nov 1–2

**RICHMOND**, Richmond Raceway Complex  
Nov 15–16

**SALEM**, Salem Civic Center  
Dec 20–21

**STAFFORD**, Fraternal Order of Eagles  
Dec 6–7

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### President's Pen *continued from page 2*

- Felony prohibition on the possession of a pneumatic gun on school property
- Crime for gun owner to allow a minor to possess a firearm and that firearm is used unlawfully
- Expansion on the items a judge shall consider when issuing a red flag order
- Creation of a Red Flag training program to encourage the use of Red Flag orders
- A person under a protection order can only turn their guns over for safe keeping to someone over 21-years-old and that does not live with them
- Firearm industry can be sued civilly, even if not selling firearms, but only firearm accessories, if they don't "properly" protect items from theft or criminal misuse
- Gun dealers must provide a locking device for handgun sales, along with a warning message in the gun's box
- Creation of a state agency named "Virginia Center for Firearm Violence and Prevention"

VCDL will be fighting new laws in the courts, but that is expensive and time consuming. Please consider a tax-deductible contribution to the Virginia Citizens Defense Foundation to help us defray the cost of litigation. Buckle up!



### COORDINATORS

#### LEADERS NEEDED

*Do you have what it takes? VCDL is looking for gun show coordinators for Doswell, Fishersville, and Southwest Virginia (Roanoke/Salem). If you have the right stuff, contact John Gosney (gunshowcoord@vcdl.org).*

Chantilly—Matt Schorr, Sean Kennedy—  
gunshows.chantilly@vcdl.org

Doswell—**Need coordinator and co-coordinators**—  
gunshows.doswell@vcdl.org

Fishersville/Harrisonburg—Jim Kiser—  
gunshows.vawest@vcdl.org

Fredericksburg/Stafford—Stephen Rochkind, **need co-coordinators**—gunshows.fredericksburg@vcdl.org

Hampton—Randy Braddock, Bryan Dunn, Michael Mumford Lee Affholter—gunshows.hampton@vcdl.org

Louisa—Brandy Polanowski—events.louisa@vcdl.org

Richmond—John Gosney, Dave Eckart, Dave Troxel, Patrick Schrek—gunshows.richmond@vcdl.org

Roanoke/Salem—**Need coordinator and co-coordinators** (Thanks, Nat Weigle for serving!) gunshows.swva@vcdl.org

Virginia Beach—Phil Terrazas, Vic Nicholls—  
gunshows.vb@vcdl.org

Winchester/Woodstock—Mark Lintz, **need co-coordinators**—gunshows.winchester@vcdl.org

#### State Gun Show Coordinator

**John Gosney**, gunshowcoord@vcdl.org

Rowley Molina, Stephen Rochkind, Brandan Mooney, assistants

### PROMOTERS

C&E Gun Shows [www.cegunshows.com](http://www.cegunshows.com)

SGK Gun Shows [www.sgkshows.com](http://www.sgkshows.com)

Showmasters [www.showmastersgunshows.com](http://www.showmastersgunshows.com)

### THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS

#### Fishersville, Sept 6–7

Larry Blankenship, Michael Pickwood, Charles Winkler, Elijah Walters, Brian Meyer, Dave Morgenson, Bob Bossi, Robert Hollembeak, Jim Kiser, Brad Allen

#### Hampton, Sept 13–14

Joe Hemphill, Rieko Matayoshi, Steve Toth, Monty Oakes, Bryan Dunn, Dave McCain, Dennis Endres, Daniel Blackburn\*, Ciara Stanisz, John Gosney, Rowley Molina, Tim Waters, Daniel Farnsworth, Sarah Crumpler, Annamarie Foyles, Michael Durig

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### **Louisa Bowling Pin Shoot, Sept 20**

Brandy Polanowski

### **Chantilly, Sept 26**

Brian Melde, David Lee, Brian Wren, Larry Zabel, Donald Ng, Victor Morales, Robert Morris, Josh Goodaire, John Gosney, Michael Gross, Corey Sinay, Rev. Bob Wilson, Gordan Passuer, Chris Karanski, Ralph Wright, Brianna Harris, Alexander Rogge

### **Roanoke RRRC Benefit Match, Sept 27**

Robbin Weigle, Ken Modica, Larry Lewis, Mike Poff, Nat Weigle

### **Virginia Beach, Oct 11–12**

Rowley Molina, Steve Rochkind, Steve Toth, Mark Ashley, Philip Terrazas

### **Salem, Jul 26–27**

Larry Lewis, Lexi Wiggins, Mike Poff, Robert Schaller, Sam Hollingsworth, Kevin Grimes\*, Dave Knight, Neil Motter, Robert Lutjen, Fred Picini\*, Faye Curren, Walter Drew, Jeff Miller, James Osten, Nat Weigle

### **Harrisonburg, Nov 1–2**

Twymann Andes, Charles Winkler, Randy Molina, Dave Morgerson, John Gosney, Kellen Davis, Bob Bossi, Bob Schmidt, Brian Meyer, Elijah Walters, Jim Kiser

\*Indicates a first time volunteer.

## **Lobby Day 2026** *continued from page 1*

We begin lobbying at 8:00 a.m. Teams will form at 9th and Bank Streets and enter the General Assembly building as a group. Each team is assigned specific offices so that we make sure that every senator and delegate receives our bill analysis packet. Then we recommend that you visit your own senator and delegate. It is advisable to make an appointment in advance to make sure you get face time with your representative or their aide.

Our expectations are rather fluid right now. Much depends on the turnout. But we can tell you this. If we have a poor turnout, you can guarantee that all of your Second Amendment nightmares will become a reality! The anti-rights faction is feeling empowered right now. They will dig deep for every form of restriction they can imagine—and they've got a long list!!!

For those who think that 2020 Lobby Day didn't work, just look at what DIDN'T pass, and what the original bills looked like for the bills that did pass. We scared the pants off those gun-grabbing tyrants! So much so, that they banned carry in state buildings and Capitol Square! They did this to try to prevent us from showing up in force like that ever again. If we let this discourage us, they have won.

**WE CANNOT GIVE UP OR BACK DOWN!**

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## **From the Secretary's Desk**

### **Election Aftermath—Now What?**

*by Patricia Webb, Secretary/Treasurer*

**H**ere we are again, a repeat of the 2019 elections. Between Trump Whiplash and voter apathy, the anti-rights party has made a clean sweep of the Executive Branch and gained 13 seats (is that number an omen?) in the House. They already have a majority in the Senate, and the Lt. Governor has the tie breaking Senate vote on the off chance that a tie occurs.

#### **So, what do we do now?**

VCDL has been swamped with emails asking this question. "What will VCDL do to stop the inevitable gun control?" My answer has (always) been, YOU are VCDL! Yes, VCDL Leadership decides which lawsuits to file, etc., but it takes EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU working with VCDL Leadership to show up at meetings, send emails, and show up for Lobby Day!

Just think of where we would be if every single Lobby Day had a turnout of even 1/10 of that in 2020?! The legislature would see gun control as the third rail. Some say that 2020 was not effective. I say it was phenomenally effective. If it weren't why would they have passed what the Democrats openly called the "VCDL Bill" banning lawful carry in state buildings and Capital Square?

But back to the question. Here are SOME of the things we, as a grassroots group, must do to stop the flood of infringements.

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- Show up for Lobby Day, January 19, 2026
  - Contact your local sheriff, commonwealth's attorney and city council/board of supervisors and ask them to reaffirm their commitment to not enforce unconstitutional laws passed by the general assembly
  - Watch the VA-Alert and follow the Action Alerts when they come out
  - Sign up to testify in committee meetings (it's really easy!)
  - Call your representatives and talk to them about your concerns (do this often!)
  - Monitor what your local governments are doing and let VCDL know when we need to take action
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The short answer is that we must all work together to stem the flood of gun control coming our way. We know what is on the horizon. But we also know that "grassroots" means all of us doing our part. VCDL depends on you as much as you depend on us! We must stand together, or we will fall apart. We can do this! We've done it before and we will do it again.

No compromise means standing our ground, even (especially!) in the face of eminent threat.

# Emergency Response: You and Responders

by William Moore

Many people buy guns because as the old saying goes—when seconds count, help is minutes away. However, defending against criminal acts aren't the only reasons we contact emergency services. The questions here are how fast they'll actually arrive and can you really cope with your problems before they arrive.

A little background—while working, I had to be certified as an Emergency Vehicle Operator. One of my firearms instructor courses included a phase on Stopping the Bleed conducted by a decorated combat medic, and my son spent several years as an EMT in Richmond.

## First Principle: Communication with Emergency Services Dispatchers

Absolutely the first thing you should say is the address/location where the emergency exists. Repeat it as calmly as you can, they need to have all that information. If you're using a hardwired landline to call 911, the address will pop up, but dispatch will want to confirm it. If you're using a cell phone, they've no clue where you are AND if you called 911, the system will route you to the EMS provider nearest to whatever cell tower you're connected to. That may NOT BE the proper EMS provider. If your normal travels involve several counties or political subdivisions, having the landline numbers of those dispatchers in your favorites list can be a literal lifesaver. State Police forces often have an 800 number for this sort of thing—have that in your contacts, too.



## Emergency Medical Help: Getting To You

Where you live is going to affect EMS staffing and how quickly they can arrive, as can traffic patterns. The modern ambulance is an 8 foot wide, 10 or more feet tall, 5 ton rolling emergency room. But it doesn't accelerate, brake or corner like your car does. I live 3.5 miles from a fire and EMT station and I estimate their arrival at about 7-8 minutes from when the call is made—assuming they're not out on another call. If they are, backup services will take at least twice that if not more. I expect that's probably a fairly decent response for most folks. NOTE: if your request for EMS is due to being attacked in some manner, EMS will be very close, but will not enter the scene until law enforcement declares the scene clear/safe. They're EMTs, not combat medics.

## Emergency Gear, Equipment, and Skills: It's On You

Now, the real question is: do you have materials at home to cope with a situation while help is on the way and some idea of how to use it? (bleedingcontrol.org is an excellent resource) Big item here—wounds that affect arteries (pulsing blood loss) are serious. If alone, you have about 1 minute to stop the bleed before you pass out. About another 1 ½ minutes and you're gone.



There's a couple of specialized products you can pick up that are reasonably priced and very effective. The first is the Israeli Battle Dressing or IBD. This is a multipurpose item that's in worldwide use. The other is a product known as Combat Gauze; a sterile gauze treated with a coagulating agent to stop heavy bleeding. Note: while the demo video on this item shows it being stuffed into a leg wound to stop arterial bleeding DO NOT PUT THIS OR ANY OTHER PRODUCT INTO A WOUND IN THE TRUNK OF THE BODY!

The Red Cross is only one source of first aid/CPR/AED and/or Stop The Bleed training, there are many others at no/low cost. That's the first step. You may find you have more materials around the house already that can be used to help the injured than you think. "Personal care" items like diapers, incontinence pads and the like can be dressings, duct/medical tape can hold them in place and so forth. But you need to get them organized and every member of the family should know where they are and how to use them. If you can afford it, there are specialized kits available for treating gunshot wounds or other serious injuries, but again, you need some training.



## Fire Response: A Hot Issue

Moving on, fire can be a devastating event. Fire trucks aren't as tall as ambulances, but they're a lot heavier, 40,000 lbs and up. So, they're slower and the responders have to get into their gear before they do anything about the fire. Arrival is going to be slower than the EMTs. Do you have an evacuation plan? Have you ever practiced it? Every kitchen now comes with a

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# The Second Amendment is a Living Guarantee of Freedom

## Defeat is Not Permission to Disengage

by Jill McDaniel, Director of VCDL Academy

Let's be blunt: the recent election didn't go our way. The results were a gut punch to every Virginian who believes in constitutional rights, the Second Amendment, personal agency, and the power of grassroots action. But if you think this is the moment to give up, retreat, disengage, or wait for someone else to fix it, I highly encourage you to think again.

This is not the time to fold. It's THE TIME to fortify. Because the opposition didn't win on merit. They won on messaging. They won on optics. They won because they were louder, more coordinated, and better funded. While we were busy assuming common sense would prevail, they were busy rewriting the narrative and redefining the movement.

Defeat doesn't mean we're wrong, though. It means we've been outmaneuvered, and that's fixable. Giving up doesn't just mean silence: it means surrendering the conversation. It means letting fear-based propaganda dominate school boards, city councils, and legislative chambers. It means abandoning the next generation to a culture that treats self-defense as a threat and government control as virtue. If we

disengage now, we don't just lose ground, we lose credibility, and we hand over the moral high ground to those who distort it.

What do we do instead? We regroup. We "rearm" with facts, strategy, and unapologetic truth. We get involved, educate our communities, and challenge every manipulated narrative with clarity and courage. We promote moral understanding. We stop waiting for perfect conditions and start creating them. **We... show... up!**

Not just at the ballot box, but in classrooms, town halls, and public forums. We train, we teach, we testify, and we make sure every Virginian knows that the Second Amendment isn't a partisan relic—it's a living guarantee of freedom. The new political structure in Virginia may be hostile to our cause, but it's also a wake-up call. Complacency cost us. Silence cost us. But now we know, and now we become PROACTIVE against what's to come—just like our opposition has always been.

**So no, we don't give up. We double down!  
We get louder. We get smarter. We get to work!**

### Emergency Response *continued from page 5*

fire extinguisher. Does everyone in the family know where it is, how to use it and is it past its expiration date? When you replace them, safely start a few fires outside and let the family learn how to use the old extinguishers. I've got larger than normal units in the kitchen, garage and shop. I've used exactly one seriously. A neighbor with an under-hood car fire pulled into my driveway (and right up to my garage!) one night.

#### Law Enforcement Response: Danger Close

Response time is going to vary widely because responding units may be anywhere within your particular political unit. It'll also depend upon weather, staffing, traffic and whatever else may be tying up personnel when your call goes out. If you have an emergency situation, someone should notify law enforcement immediately. The first thing said to the 911 operator should be the address as I've explained above. Then the contact person/you should stay on the line until law enforcement arrives (if possible) so that clear communications between you and responding officers can be established. EMTs may be dispatched, but you should ask for them specifically if someone has been injured. You

want assistance to any injured persons but also documentation of any injuries/your physical condition caused by the incident.

While someone is on the phone and help is on the way, there's other information you should pass to dispatch. How many persons are/were involved, if weapons were used, what type and if they're still there. A description of those involved is most helpful. Use the LAPD GROUT system. Gender, Race, followed by upper body clothing (Over) and lower body clothing (Under) color/type and ending with what each subject did (Task).

One great thing about being a private citizen is that you're under no duty to take someone into custody. Don't misunderstand that comment. A lot of LEOs are injured doing exactly that. If a burglar decides to flee, let them go. Don't chase them, definitely DON'T shoot at them unless they present an imminent threat. If you can get a picture/video of them inside the house/garage/whatever fine and dandy. They're likely to be known to the police.

I apologize if I've dented a few cherished notions of emergency response. However, emergency response is a reactive response and you need to realize that you have to effectively deal with the situation you've got until emergency services arrive.

# VCDL Membership Application

Recruiter last name/member # \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_ Family members @\$15/each:\* \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Donation to **VCDL**: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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## Method of payment

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Name as it appears on the card

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Signature of Card Holder

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Billing Zip Code

## Mail to:

**VCDL Membership Processing Center**

P.O. Box 77

Willis, VA 24380

Save time and postage! Use a credit card or eCheck at [vcdl.org/join](http://vcdl.org/join).

**\*For family memberships, the primary member is \$25 annually and each additional member \$15 annually.** List primary member on application and family members on separate sheet. We need the full info for all family members. Full details on [VCDL.org](http://VCDL.org).

VCDL and VCDL-PAC contributions, gifts, or membership dues are not deductible for Federal income tax purposes.

The unspeakable has happened. We've lost many major allies in the General Assembly. It wasn't for a lack of trying! With your help, the VCDL PAC launched a major campaign to educate the public on the Second Amendment Infringement Agenda of the Democrat party. Yes, we are non-partisan, but there is no denying that Democrats have become the "party of gun control."

Sadly, it seems that many voters have either given up or, worse, succumbed to "Trump Derangement Syndrome" and voted for people who WILL support any gun control bills offered.

The Democrats picked up 13 seats in the House as well as winning the Governor, Lt. Governor and Attorney General races. This means that there are 64 Democrats to 36 Republicans in the Virginia House of Delegates. The Virginia Senate is currently 21 Democrats to 19 Republicans, with the Lt. Governor having the tie-breaking vote should a tie occur. Some long-standing allies have been ousted, like Mark Early and Amanda Batten. A complete list of the flipped districts are below.

Moving forward, the VCDL PAC is refilling our war chest for the 2027 elections, when the entire House and Senate will be up for election. If we can motivate people to vote with 2A rights as their primary concern, we can win back a favorable legislature. Sadly, we would still have a governor likely to veto any good bills we get passed, but we need to do everything we can to restore freedom to Virginia. There is a light at the end of the tunnel, but it is a distant light for now.

Flipped seats (all except Mike Lamonea were incumbents. Dist. 89 was an open seat.)

Dist 22: Ian Lovejoy - Prince William | Dist 30: Geary Higgins - Loudoun/Fauquier (lost by 636 votes)

Dist 41: Chris Obenshain - Blacksburg/Roanoke County (lost by 766 votes)

Dist 57: David Owen - W. Henrico | Dist 64: Paul Milde - Stafford

Dist 66: Bobby Orrock - Spotsy/Caroline | Dist 69: Chad Green - Peninsula

Dist 71: Amanda Batten - James City/Williamsburg | Dist 73: Mark Earley - W. Chesterfield

Dist 75: Carrie Coyner - Chesterfield/Hopewell | Dist 82: Kim Taylor - Petersburg/Dinwiddie

Dist 86: A.C. Cordoza - Hampton/York/Poquoson

Dist 89: Mike Lamonea - Chesapeake/Suffolk



*Yours in Liberty,*  
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VCDL-PAC Acting Chair



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**CHP RENEWALS**

Virginia law provides that you can get the full five years of your Concealed Handgun Permit if you apply for renewal at least 90, but no more than 180, days prior to expiration of your current permit (Section 18.2-308.010). Members can add their permit expiration date to their member profile for email reminders during the 90-180 day window.

<b>EXPIRES</b>	<b>RENEW IN</b>
January	August–October
February	September–November
March	October–December
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