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## Lobby Day 2025

Reflections on attendance, the weather, and allies by Patricia Webb, Secretary/Treasurer







from L-R: VCDL rallygoers listen to speakers; VCDL member "Wild Bill" Pearson with Del. Nick Freitas; Philip Van Cleave speaks at the rally

First, let me thank each and every one of you who showed up for Lobby Day 2025! I also want to send a special thank you to US Law Shield. They sponsored a bus from Virginia Beach. When there was a problem with the bus and the route was cancelled, we asked if they wanted their sponsorship money back. Their response was, "Thank you for the consideration, no reimbursement is needed. Consider it a donation and use the funds however you feel necessary for the VCDL. Y'all continue to do good work for the Commonwealth and would like to see the money be used for 2A efforts."

#### **VCDL Public Meeting Dates**

**February 20, 8:00 PM**, XCAL Shooting Sports and Fitness, 44950 Russell Branch Pkwy, Ashburn, VA 20147

March and April meeting locations and times to be announced.

Check the website and VA-ALERT emails.

For future in-person meetings, visit vcdl.org/events.

VCDL holds live virtual monthly meetings on the second Sunday of each month. These meetings are simulcast on Facebook and YouTube at <a href="VCDL.TUBE">VCDL.TUBE</a> 8:00 PM Eastern Time. Watch the events at <a href="vcdl.org/events/event\_list.asp">vcdl.org/events/event\_list.asp</a> Check the website and VA-ALERT emails for meeting updates.

Now for the not-so-great part. Turnout this year was pitiful. Between the weather forecast and the Trump inauguration, we saw lackluster attendance. Still, we formed our groups and made sure every senator and delegate received our legislative packet.

The anti-rights factions worked extremely hard to cram their agenda through BEFORE Lobby Day. And they refused to allow testimony on the bills that were reintroduced after Governor Youngkin's vetoes last year. The games continue as the session moves forward.

By the time you read this, the session will be over, or close to it. Watch for another campaign encouraging Governor Youngkin to break out the veto pen yet again.

We must stand together as a unified force. Gun owners have many faces, many races and many interests. We are as varied as the world population, yet we have a common denominator. If we want to preserve our right to keep and bear arms we must focus on that common goal and work together as one unit.

Moving forward, there is hope. But the future depends on all of us making that commitment.

See more Lobby Day photos on page 6.



# From the Secretary's Desk

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I'd be lying if I said I wasn't disappointed in the turnout for the 2025 Lobby Day. I'd also be lying if I said I was surprised at the antics of the anti-rights factions in the general assembly. Perhaps those who would steal our rights feel emboldened by the lackluster attendance. Or perhaps they are simply following party lines. Either way, we've given them the ability to say the majority of people WANT more restrictions on our rights. WE CAN'T LET THAT HAPPEN,

Moving forward, we can only hope that Governor Youngkin will, once again, veto the legislation that is being crammed through. But what about next year? I urge you to read The PAC Corner for some insight into what may lay ahead if we don't become engaged immediately.

**EVER AGAIN!** 

Let's not wait until we face a crisis. It is far easier to deal with issues when we are proactive instead of reactive. We can and must take steps now to turn Virginia back into a safe haven for freedom and a shining example for the rest of the country. With your help, we can accomplish our goals, including repealing the 2020 gun bans, reinstating statewide preemption, and permit-less carry and safer schools for our children. But we must make the commitment and work together.

Secretary/Treasurer Pat Webb

## The President's Pen

## The NATO Doctrine for gun rights

The gun controllers are counting on gun owners being selfish and apathetic to successfully dismember the right to keep and bear arms—one piece at a time. Sadly, that ploy has worked for gun grabbers in the past. It's how they have gotten a lot of gun control passed into law.

By "selfish and apathetic," I am referring to a certain kind of thinking, which is basically: "If it doesn't affect me personally, I don't care." Some examples:

I don't have a concealed carry permit, so I don't care if they put more restrictions on where a permit holder can carry.

I'm not a hunter, so I don't care if they make it illegal to hunt with a firearm.

I only own long guns. I don't care if they restrict handguns.

I'm a hunter and see no need for anyone to have an "assault rifle."

I'm law abiding, so I don't care if they take away someone's gun rights permanently if they break the law, no matter how minor the crime.

Gun owners cannot afford to be selfish and apathetic, as all that attitude does is divide the 2A community into smaller, less cohesive, and less powerful factions.

We need to follow the NATO Doctrine's Article 5, but for gun rights: "An attack on the rights of any gun owner is an attack on the rights of all gun owners."

There are somewhere near 100 million gun-owners in America and 2.5 million or so in Virginia. If we all stood shoulder-to-shoulder and pushed back on every piece of gun control—whether it affected us personally or not—we would be the most powerful voting bloc in the country! We would make any attempt at gun control a third rail that politicians would touch at their own political peril.

Gun owners are really one big family. You would come to the aid of any family members if they are attacked. It is the same thing with this much bigger family that we are part of.

Once the General Assembly has finished, I plan on creating a campaign to unite the various factions of gun owners (CHP holders, target shooters, plinkers, hunters, collectors, home defenders, police, military, etc.). We will begin with VCDL members and VA-ALERT subscribers who are members of shooting clubs and hunting clubs to spread the word to the other members of those clubs. And, in turn, those other club members can reach out to any other clubs they belong to, as well as to their family, friends, coworkers, fellow parishioners, etc.—kind of like a chain reaction in nuclear physics.

The next step will be for VCDL to bring the campaign to sister organizations in other states, so they can spread the word and bring their diverse gun owners into the fold. Materials, including videos, that VCDL creates for the campaign will be shared with those sister organizations to help them get the ball rolling.

If you have any ideas on a good name for this campaign (like "Gun Owners Standing United"), drop me an email at: president@vcdl.org.

The time has come for all gun owners, as brothers and sisters, to gather with the unified goal of restoring and protecting the right to keep and bear arms for everyone alive today and for all those yet to be born!

Philip an Cleave

#### **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 February 18, 2025.

CHANTILLY, Dulles Expo Center

Apr 11-13 | Jun 13-15 | Jul 18-20 | Sep 26-28 | Nov 21-23

DALE CITY, VFW Post 1503

Apr 5-6 Virginia Gun Collectors Association

**DOSWELL** | Farm Bureau Center at Meadow Event Park Feb 15–16

FISHERSVILLE, Augusta Expo

Feb 21–23 Western Virginia Sport Show | Apr 26–27 Sep 6–7 | Nov 29–30

**FREDERICKSBURG**, Fredericksburg Fairgrounds Oct 11–12

GLEN ALLEN, Gilman Farms

May 16-17

**HAMPTON**, Hampton Roads Convention Center Mar 29–30 | Jun 21–22 | Nov 29–30

**HARRISONBURG**, Rockingham County Fairgrounds Feb 15–16 | Nov 1–2

RICHMOND, Richmond Raceway Complex
Mar 22–23 | May 3–4 | Jul 12–13 | Aug 23–24 | Nov 15–16
Aug 1–3 Virginia Outdoor Sportsman Show

**RICHMOND COUNTY**, Farnham VA Convention Center Mar 15–16 Gun & Knife Show

**SALEM**, Salem Civic Center Mar 8-9 | Jul 19-20 | Oct 4-5 | Dec 20-21

**STAFFORD**, Fraternal Order of Eagles Mar 8–9 | Dec 6–7

VIRGINIA BEACH, Convention Center May 17–18 | Oct 18–19



#### **COORDINATORS**

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

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

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SGK Gun Shows www.sgkshows.com

Showmasters <u>www.showmastersgunshows.com</u>

#### THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS

#### Fishersville, Nov 16-17

Twyman Andes, Gaert Sime, Elijah Walters, Brian Myer, Bill Albright, Charlie Winkler, Jim Kiser, Walter Anderson, Kenneth Cunningham, Robert Mortenson, Jeff Miller

### Chantilly, Nov 22-24

Terrell Prude, Charlie Beuttner, Jack Braddon, Mitch Darling, Josh Goodaire, Brionna Harris, Troy Hayes, Nicholas Lardas, David Lee, M. Morris Minkahm, Rowley Molina, Dave Morgerson, Salvatore Palatucci, Richard Richardson, Alexander Rogge, Mathew Schor, Corey Sinay, Sameet Singh, Thomas Van Meter, Robert Wilson, Larry Zabel

#### Hampton, Nov 30-Dec 1

Lanny Moore, Billy Taylor, Nicole Beckett\*, Monty Oakes, Gregg Horne, Penny Adams, Bryan Dunn, Ciara Staniz, Billy Taylor, Matthew Taylor, Clem Tuttle, Roberta Tuttle, Dennis Endres, Steve Toth, Rowley Molina, Randy Braddock

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#### Stafford, Dec 7-8

Rowley Molina, Samuel Redwine, Lee Hurlock, Brian Gudmundsson, Alexander Rogge, David Lee, Harry Thompson, Theron Keller, Matthew Brewer

#### Salem, Dec 21-22

Michael Johnson, Neil Motter, Donny Doyle, Larry Lewis, Sam Hollingsworth, Mike Poff, Madison Poff\*, Bill Goodman, Chris Fennell, Dave Knight, Dave Morgerson, Rowley Molina, Nat Weigle

#### Chantilly, Dec 27-29

Charlie Buettner, Mitch Darling, Michelle Cox, Josh Goodaire, Marin Goldstein, Bionna Harris, H.B. (Hyo Bok) Jenkins, Sean Kennedy, David Lee, Thomas Merkel, Rowley Molina, Dave Morgerson, Donald Ng, Mitch Robby, Alexander Rogge, Mathew Schor, Corey Sinay, Carl Simchick, Glen White, Larry Zabel

#### Richmond, Jan 4-5

Cathie Gosney, Dave Eckart, Keith Winston, Sam Penn, Richard Roberts, Harry Thompson, John Schuler, Doug Shackelford, Donna Grebas, Tony Grebas, Brian Melde, Lee Hurlock, Dave Troxel, Dave Crosby, Steve Rochkind, Dan Liberty, Patrick O'Conner, Rob Hofrichter, Markus Kahn, John Gosney

#### Hampton, Jan 11−12

Lanny Moore, Randy Braddock, Rieko Matayoshi, Gregg Horne, Kristjan Justesen, Penny Adams, Rowley Molina, Bryan Dunn, Dennis Endres, Ken Harper, Joseph Hemphill, Monty Oakes

#### Salem, Jan 18-19

Larry Lewis, Mike Poff, Sam Hollingsworth, Maury Sharp, Nat Weigle

#### Fredericksburg, Jan 18-19

Rowley Molina, Stephen Rochkind, John Walt, Alexander Rogge, Gordon Passauer, Theron Keller, Matthew Brewer, Lee Hurlock

#### Fishersville, Jan 25-26

Twyman Andes, Gaert Sime, Elijah Walters, Brian Myer, Jim Kiser, Rowley Molina, Bob Bossi, Pavel Vorobyev, Kenneth Cunningham, Dave Morgenson, Thom Verga, Mike Weaver, Russ Meiss

#### Chantilly, Jan 31-Feb 2

Jack Braddon, Charles Buttner, Michelle Cox, Mitch Darling, Mike Enloe, Josh Goldaire, Jonathan Harrill, Brianna Harris, Chris Karanski, David Lee, Brian Melde, Rowley Molina, Dave Morgerson, Dave Platte, Matthew Schor, Corey Sinay, Rick Stewart, Al Thexton, Pavel Vorobyev, Glenn White, Robert Wilson, Brian Wrenn

#### Virginia Beach Feb 8-9

Rowley and Christine Molina, Mark Ashley, Mike Ferris, Mike Durig, Steve Toth, Phil Terrazas

#### Harrisonburg, Feb 15-16

Thom Verga, Brad Allen, Brian Meyer, Elijah Walters, Bob Bossi, Rick Laughlin, Rowley Molina, Jim Kiser

# How Safe Are Virginia Schools? FASTER saves lives

## by Patricia Webb, Secretary/Treasurer

There's an old saying that the definition of insanity is doing the same thing repeatedly and expecting different results. Virginia schools are guilty of this—most of the safety protocols they use today are the same as those used at Sandy Hook, Parkland, and other schools.

There IS a better way. FASTER Saves Lives, an organization founded by the Buckeye Firearms Association is dedicated studying what went right and what can be improved in these tragic mass murders, and developing new, more effective ways to save lives in traumatic emergencies.

VCDL President Philip Van Cleave, and Secretary/Treasurer Patricia Webb wanted to know more about the program. So we participated in the Level I training and spoke with teachers, school administrators and others who were in the class.



The premise of the program is that time is all that matters. When there is traumatic injury, a victim can bleed out before EMS can arrive on the scene.

Having people and equipment on site to stop the bleeding can prolong lives long enough for medical professionals to arrive. But the FASTER program goes deeper.

The FASTER training is three-fold. It not only covers medical, including triage and trauma first aid, but delves into situational awareness, conflict de-escalation, and ways to harden the schools. The full program involves training faculty and staff who VOLUNTEER how to stop a threat and even seek out the perpetrator when necessary. In addition, they encourage the schools to train with local law enforcement on a regular basis. This builds familiarity and an environment of cooperation, increasing success.

The program is functioning in dozens of states with great success. VCDL is working to bring the FASTER Saves Lives program to Virginia. We will do this in phases, starting with the medical and situational awareness aspects. We have bills introduced to establish grants so that schools can afford to train people and purchase trauma kits to keep in strategic locations around the campus. You can help by taking our survey, letting the legislators know that this program has overwhelming bipartisan support. Visit VCDL.org/FASTER to learn more and complete the survey. When you see our videos on social media, please share them.

Our children are our greatest resource. They deserve the same protection that those in the legislature enjoy.

## Once the Decision is Made: The Aftermath

by William Moore

In the last issue of *The Defender*, William Moore covered the factors leading up to a decision to use a firearm in self defense. This article covers the mental, physical, and legal repercussions following the decision to draw your gun in self-defense.

Over decades I accumulated a lot of training hours about defensive use of firearms. However, there's a subject only one course covered: how you/your body may respond to an attack and what comes afterward. I dug out my notes and about nine hours of a nominally 40 hour course (which went longer) explored this. I can't go into all of it—the material covered was intense and extensive enough to generate flashbacks, but I can cover the key points. I'll include some suggested reading material. It's not light reading.

#### Situational Awareness and Making a Plan

I've mentioned one of the things you should do when you're out and about is to remain aware of your surroundings. Also, you should know where exits are and have a plan to escape/defend and an idea of what will trigger one or the other. The primary reason you do this is so you have a decision tree in place and know what you will do if you have to. This can prevent either hesitation or being unable to make a decision, sometimes called brain freeze.

When a threat presents itself, your mind—if it doesn't freeze—will alter your perceptions, flood your body with hormones, and make survival its primary task. This is known as the "flight or fight" reflex. I've previously noted that we have a body alarm posture that we should use as the basis for our shooting stance. You should be aware that what I'm describing here are normal reactions. You may or may not experience all or any of what follows, but some reaction is likely.



### The Effects of Adrenaline

The adrenaline flood can cause increased strength, reduce sense of touch, and might cause your hands to shake. The trembles may not happen until everything is over. You can simulate shaky hands in practice by increasing your grip strength on the gun until your hands quiver. If you do this occasionally while shooting at 5-7 yards, you'll find you can shoot very effectively despite the shaking. If it happens after a real incident, you might need both hands to holster the gun. The reduced sense of

touch/increased strength is why you need to make a habit out of keeping your finger off the trigger unless in the act of firing. It also shows why a light trigger on a defensive gun is a bad idea.

#### Altered Perceptions: Auditory Exclusion, Tunnel Vision, and Tachyphysia

Altered perceptions can include hearing, vision, time distortion and short term memory. Your ability to estimate distance and time will be badly affected—all good reasons for you and your lawyer to wait 24-48 hours and review all available video before making a formal statement about the incident. Your memory isn't a precise record of the event due to altered perceptions.



Auditory exclusion causes your mind to ignore sounds not related to the threat, magnify sounds made by the threat (including gunshots) while muting sounds you make. Auditory exclusion could also totally shut down your hearing.

With tunnel vision, your vision narrows to see only the threat and blocks out your surroundings. Tachypsychia describes the distortion of time in the mind. Everything happens in slow motion. If your mind isn't frozen, you seem to have a lot of time to make decisions. Use the time wisely.

There's also a couple of mental states where your mind may be an observer of what your body is doing to resolve the situation. That's rare.

#### **Dealing with the Aftermath**

Moving on to post-incident, one common reaction is logorrhea—literally, diarrhea of the mouth. You'll have a nearly uncontrollable urge to explain what happened. You need to restrict yourself to describing that you were attacked, identify the attackers, the threat they posed, including the weapons they had, and that you'll testify. Then ask for a lawyer and invoke your right to silence. Keep your silence—to everyone but your attorney—until after the case is resolved!

With that out of the way, the Hollywood idea that you're a psychopath or sociopath if you're not psychologically destroyed by your use of force isn't accurate. Those with strong religious beliefs seem to do better dealing with the aftermath, but there are some things that you will experience. There's a long list of possible reactions, I'll cover the two most common.

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### **Once the Decision is Made: The Aftermath** (continued from page 5)

The first is that to many, you're no longer neighbor Bob/Bobbie. You are now not only a person who owns guns, **you're a person who kills**—or at least is willing to shoot someone. The NYPD psychologist called this the "Mark of Cain". Don't be surprised if some folks no longer speak to you or let their kids play with yours. There may well be some who want to know how it feels to kill, others who think they're being funny or supportive by calling you "killer". There are also those who think there is always an alternative that doesn't involve violence. These people almost always have little or no experience with the dynamics and/or realities of violence.

Sleep disturbance is common, as it is with any violent event, like a bad vehicle accident. In fact, you may experience this even if you don't have to actually shoot someone. That you were willing to shoot may be enough of a trigger. You may be unable to sleep or you may have nightmares. There are two common nightmares. One is that you're in the situation and your gun won't work and can't stop the attack. The other is that the bullets don't stop the attacker. Some nights you may experience both. They usually fade away after in 2-3 months. There may be a reaction on the anniversary of the event.

If you experience other, or extended reactions, seek competent help from someone who doesn't think that self defense is a crime or unhealthy. You might check with your local law enforcement agency/attorney about who they use. A point to always keep in mind: would your family be better off if you were killed?

Suggested reading: Russ Clagett, After the Echo, Varro Press, Shawnee Mission, KS, 2003 ISBN: 1-888644-52-4 Lt Col Dave Grossman, On Killing, https://grossmanontruth.com/product/on-killing Lt Col Dave Grossman, The Bullet Proof Mind, https://grossmanontruth.com



from L–R: Delegate Delores Oates (center) meets with Brendan Mooney, Philip Van Cleave, Pat Webb, and Jim Irvine



EM Brendan Mooney, in from Idaho for Lobby Day, Philip Van Cleave, Jim Irvine from FASTER Saves Lives, and Pat Webb in the "command center"

#### **PAC Corner** (continued from page 7)

There is no way that the handful of committee members can have personal knowledge of all the candidates. This holds true now more than ever, as the PAC has turned its attention to local races as well as state. We're asking you to be involved in the process. If you have firsthand information on candidates in your area which you think is relevant to 2nd Amendment rights, please contact VCDLPAC@ VCDL.org and share your experiences. Remember, our mission is 2nd Amendment rights only.

#### The 2025 Elections are Critical

The elections this coming November are vital to the future of Virginia. Governor Youngkin has been our firewall against tyranny for the last two years, but his term is coming to an end. The state offices up for election this year are the governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, and the entire house of delegates. This is huge, and if the results are unfavorable, we will likely see a legislature that makes 2020 and 2021 look tame.

We're asking you to encourage your family, friends, neighbors and coworkers to show up for ALL elections, including primaries. For those of you who complain that there are no good candidates to vote for, the primaries are where we select those candidates.

Explain to people you know that the 2nd Amendment should be one of the highest priority issues when selecting a candidate. No matter what other issues you care about, the right to keep and bear arms is the right that protects all the others.

Now is NOT the time to give up. It's easy to get discouraged, but we owe it to ourselves and to future generations to do what it takes to preserve freedom. The VCDL-PAC thanks you in advance for your support and your participation. As individuals, we are but one small voice. But as a group, we are a force to be reckoned with and can accomplish great things!

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Recruiter last name/member #	Method of payment	
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Many people are unfamiliar with the difference between the VCDL and the VCDL-PAC. VCDL and VCDL-PAC are two separate entities. VCDL is a 501(c)(4) nonprofit educational organization. It is non-partisan and cannot endorse candidates, campaign for them, or contribute to their campaigns. What they can do is educate the public on the voting records and official positions of candidates and those in office.

The PAC in VCDL-PAC stands for Political Action Committee. While still a tax-exempt entity, the mission of the PAC is to support candidates who work to defend our rights. The VCDL-PAC takes the information gathered by VCDL and its members and uses it, along with other information, to decide which candidates to endorse and potentially contribute to. The PAC shares those endorsements with you in case you are undecided who to vote for or which campaigns to support. It is important to note that the VCDL-PAC is a state PAC and does not participate in federal races.

#### **Our Process - How It Works**

The PAC is a committee, whose members are appointed by the VCDL President, Philip Van Cleave. They are selected from the VCDL membership. The committee meets regularly on an as-needed basis to decide which candidates to support and whether to make contributions, spend money on advertising, or give an endorsement.

The first requirement for a candidate to be considered is they must complete the VCDL Candidate Survey. Our position is that if a candidate is unwilling to publicly state their position, they probably don't have the commitment to stand up for your rights once in office.

From the candidates who have submitted surveys, we then look at any voting record, public statements, and personal knowledge. This is where we need your help.

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Please feel free to contact any of the Officers or Directors should you have any questions or if you would like to volunteer your services in VCDL.

#### **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>	RENEW IN
January	August-October
February	September-November
March	October-December
April	November-January
May	December-February
June	January-March
July	February–April
August	March-May
September	April–June
October	May-July
November	June-August
December	July-September