



# RidersUSA's

## Keeping The Greasy Side Down

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"Riders USA's primary mission is to create awareness of local, state, and national policy that directly or indirectly impacts the Sovereignty of the United States. We will accomplish this through participation in, and leadership of focused rallies, educational events and other activities. RidersUSA will be known as an organization of law-abiding American citizens that believe our country should be governed from within and by the United States Constitution."

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## RidersUSA's *Signature* Event

### The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual "Flags For Our Fallen"

#### Memorial Day Weekend Rally

#### May 22-25, 2020



into the National Cemetery for the 8:00 am official State Sponsored Event. Event pins for the first 300 bikes. Each of the 500 American Flags will be sponsored by individuals wishing to honor a Veteran with their name on a ribbon attached to the flagpoles. Those sponsoring the flags can come to the event and retrieve their ribbons if they desire. Flag sponsorships at 1 for \$10 or 3 for \$25 and can be purchased at: [www.RidersUSA.net](http://www.RidersUSA.net)

Started in 2006 by a handful of patriotic bikers, this event now draws 300+ of the best bikers around. Who else would get up this early to pay tribute to those that have served our Country? We line Cave Creek Road with 500 American Flags on 10' tall flagpoles, position the bikes in between them and salute the family members going



### MARCH MOTORCYCLE RIDE

Arizona Military Museum  
5636 E McDowell Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85008  
Sunday March 15, 12:00 PM

Meetup for lunch at Burger Theory, 4401 E McDowell Rd and then ride in together. All the details at [www.RidersUSA.net](http://www.RidersUSA.net) or our Facebook page. Don't have a bike, cages are welcome to join. Please note that Firearms are not allowed on the Base where the Museum is located. If you carry, they must be locked up in the saddle bags while in the Museum.



## “The Good, The Bad and The Ugly”

by Vince Ansel

### “2nd Amendment Rally Helps to Defeat AZ Anti-Gun Legislative Efforts”

RidersUSA along with our Partners AZFirearms and Gun Freedom Radio drew nearly 4000 2nd Amendment supporters to the Arizona State Capitol for the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual “Celebrate and Protect the 2nd Amendment” Rally on February 15, 2020. This dwarfs the 500 gun rights supporters who graced the Senate lawn last year. This year was different and here is why.

With millions of dollars pouring in from ideologically rigid anti-gun concerns, an unprecedented effort has been underway to confiscate guns from the law abiding in Arizona and the nation as a whole. Anti-gun legislative efforts are most often disguised as “public safety” measures. Bill sponsors generally insist that your 2nd Amendment would be protected while simultaneously going about the business to strip you of those rights. This tactic of deception has long been exposed and most gun rights advocates are very much aware of this “sleight of hand”.

When I hear wayward politicians trying to cajole gun owners in supporting anti-gun measures in the name of “public safety”, I cringe. Real public safety actually comes in the form of the citizenry having the effective means to address a tyrannical government, foreign invasion and to self-defend against the criminal element. There’s nothing more infuriating in knowing that a sizeable portion of our political “representation” are ignorant in how firearms played an integral part in the shaping of our nation. We must never forget that it was an armed citizenry who vanquished evil and tyranny and a great nation was born! That same dynamic holds true today.

According to Arizona Citizens Defense League (AzCDL) February 21, 2020 was the deadline for all Bills to be heard in committees in their perspective originating chambers (AZ House or Senate). Only 5 of the 38-gun related bills have survived. Over two dozen anti-gun Bills are now dead for this Legislative Session. Bills regarding Red Flag laws, “assault weapons” ban, bump stock ban, universal background checks, ammo storage requirements and doctors required to ask if you own firearms, are all dead.....for now! As of this writing three pro-gun measures are still alive and kicking and continue through the process! The anti-gun lobby is nonetheless still hell-bent on disarming you. They apparently do not tire. Predictably, expect more of the same in the next Legislative Session!

Is it coincidence that our 2nd Amendment Rally was held on February 15, and within 6 days so many anti-gun Bills were killed before going through the legislative process? Imagine 4000 determined gun owners’ in unison and just mere yards away from where legislative actions are taken, demanding that their gun rights not be infringed upon. This is a powerful message to the AZ Legislature that “We the People” are to be taken very seriously. I don’t know if this was the tipping point of why so many of these anti-gun measures were killed. However, it would be reasonable to assume that it was a major factor in a concerted effort by many to quash these Bills! We can continue to best usurpers of our Gun Rights as long as we remain engaged, vigilant, resolved and stay united!!! God Bless the 2nd Amendment!

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## “As Smooth Sees It”

by Keith Lefevbre

### “Cyberspace and Guns”

I feel compelled tonight to share a bit of rambling about guns, the 2nd Amendment and the importance of being connected. I want to congratulate RidersUSA and every other Pro 2nd Amendment group involved on a great event this past February at the Capitol. Though I was 1860 miles away, I was able to see the end results through cyberspace.

This brings me to my subject at hand. The importance of staying connected and informed of what is happening on the 2nd Amendment front. Seeing all those freedom loving people in Arizona getting together like that warmed heart during another fine Wisconsin winter. People from all walks of life, enjoying and supporting their God given right to express and support the 2nd.

Coming on the heels of the rally in Virginia and others around the country (with more coming) I thought it important to put a word out there about the importance of staying connected and supporting other events. I have a few connections that I follow online and garner a good amount of information and opinions and most rewardingly, some great firearm training information. I am going to share some of those with you, though none are approved or endorsed by RidersUSA or its Board (hopefully the editors don't cut it).

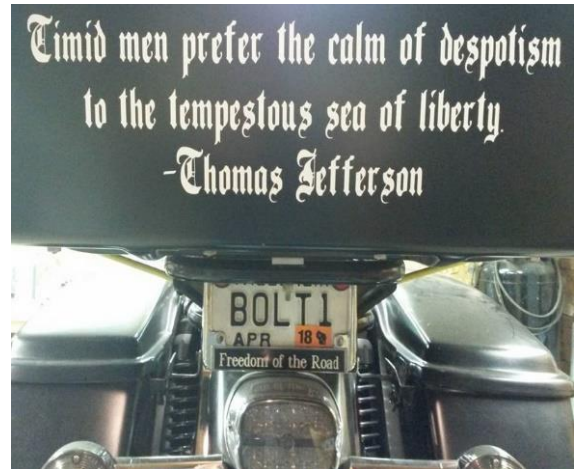
One of my favorites is a YouTube channel called [iraqvet8888](#), if you're not familiar with Eric and Chad I recommend that you check them out, while you may or may not like their message, they share some great information, 2A news, and firearms related discussion. I've watched these guys for years and have learned some cool stuff from both young men. If you're into old military and getting great information from a wealth of knowledge I recommend Military Arms Channel. Tim is a guy who truly appreciated fine military firearms, has an incredible collection and is also very well connected and respected in the world of the 2A community. He's not only well spoken but he's also a great voice for “No more new gun laws” and has been represented by the GOA in some important legal hearings. He's a GREAT source of what's going on with laws across the country.

I bring this up because one of my goals from here in Wisconsin is to put the bike on the road and go and support some neighboring states 2nd Amendment rallies. It's important that we never ever let the state know how many we are when we come together under one calling. Politicians get nervous when thousands of 2nd Amendment loving patriots stand up to be counted. We cannot let the momentum slowdown in 2020 and I think it's important that we all take part in every way we can. Make no mistake, they're coming for your guns. Whether calling themselves Democrats, Socialist or Republican or Libertarian they are slowly pecking away, one red law after the other. I challenge each one who reads my miniscule thoughts on the subject, to get involved with the 2nd Amendment community. Whether you're pro NRA or anti NRA or a member of any other gun group. I urge you to sign up with them all. Find out where rallies are and attend them if you can.

Get connected online and follow some gun channels if you don't already. You'll be amazed at what you don't know that you should know. One of the cool things about the internet is the people that you can meet and become good friends with. The most solid connections I have made with people has usually centered on my love for the shooting sports and firearms. There is not a finer group of people.... well.... except bikers maybe, but I don't know a biker that doesn't love firearms, though I have met some firearm owners that didn't like bikers.

I think that it's incredibly important that regardless of what the coronavirus hype is doing, or who's running against Trump it's important to stay connected and keep the momentum of the 2nd moving forward. There are 50 YouTube gun channels I could recommend but I hope you will take a couple of minutes and find some that you like and stay connected and informed with up to the minute updates in most cases.

Till next time, go spend time with an old friend, none of us are getting out of here alive.



# THE WRAP UP

## Second Amendment Celebration

### Gun Raffle Winners!

Amy Rakofsky – Ruger AR-15  
Tammy Orletsky – Ruger SR22  
Mark Anderson – 500 rounds 9mm

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

MAY - 14th. Annual Phoenix Memorial Day Rally

JUNE – Adopt a Highway Continues

JULY – Beat The Heat Ride

AUGUST – Hawaiian Luau with the Vets!

SEPTEMBER – 911 Ride

OCTOBER – Annual Membership Meeting

NOVEMBER – National Day of Remembrance

DECEMBER – Wreaths Across America

### **DON'T FORGET**

**MARCH 01, FOR MEMBERSHIP DUES TO BE PAID**

## “Celebrate & Protect the 2A”



Pinal County, AZ Sheriff Mark Lamb was a guest speaker.



Past President, Kurtis Baxter!

A cannon..... just because!

**3500+ Second Amendment Supporters joined RidersUSA at the Arizona State Capitol this year!**



RidersUSA's Regular Bi-monthly Meetings are held the First and Third Monday of each Month.  
For RidersUSA Voting Members, their family members and invited (approved) guests only.

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