

# Howell Shooting Club

## MARCH 2003

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### HSC Events Calendar 2003

All General Membership meetings begin at 9 a.m.

Please note: The "Police Dates" are ALL Wednesday's . only the South Berm will be open for Club Members

#### March 2003

- .March 12 Basic Shotgun 6 PM
- .March 12. Police Date
- .March 15 Basic shotgun 9 AM
- .March 26 Basic Rifle 6 PM
- .March 29 Basic Rifle 9 AM
- .MARCH 31 MEMBERSHIP DUES DEADLINE**

#### April, 2003

- . April 2 Police Date
- . **April 6** General Membership Meeting
- . Basic Instructor Training Class
- . April 12 Pistol Instructor
- . April 23 Police Date

#### MAY, 2003

- . **May 4** General Membership meeting
- . May 7, Police Date
- . MAY 30, 31, JUNE 1 Youth Camp

#### June, 2003

- . June No general Membership Meeting
- . June 21 Personal Protection

#### July, 2003

- . **July 6** General Membership meeting
- . July 9 Basic TBA 6PM
- . July 12 Basic TBA 9AM

#### August 2003

- . **August 3** General Membership Meeting

#### September 2003

- . **September 7** General Membership Meeting
- . Sept 3 Basic TBA 6PM
- . Sept 6 Basic TBA 9AM

#### October, 2003

- . **October 5** General Membership Meeting
- Basic class-tba -- Oct 15 at 6 pm and Oct 18 at 9 am

#### November 2003

- . **November 2** General Membership Meeting

#### December 2003

- . **December 7** General Membership Meeting
  - . **Club Fun shoots first Sunday of the month May through October**
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### REMINDER: Membership renewals are due March 31

Please Mail to :  
**David Lombardo**  
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**General Membership Minutes  
General Meeting March 2, 2003**  
Meeting called to order at 9:10 AM by VP David A. Lombardo, as President was having difficulty with talking today. Board members present - Tom Yackley, David A. Lombardo, Larry Yackley, Richard Kimler, Clyde Howell and Kris Krohn. Tom agreed to take notes in the absence of the Secretary. Dennis Davidson discussed who gets to vote on Family membership. Then pointed out correction needed in minutes

before approving. Discussion of whether reading of Minutes can be waived under Robert's Rules of Order. Since the Secretary was absent, the President asked Keith Tomes to read the minutes as published in the monthly newsletter. Minutes of the previous meeting with correction on 13 aye to 8 nay on reading of minutes approved with motion by Keith Tomes and seconded by Clyde Howell.

Treasurer's report ending balance of \$12927.50 approved by Keith Tomes and seconded by Dennis Davidson

**President's Report:**

Club has been awarded NRA Gold Medal Award for the third year in a row.

**Vice President's Report:**

There is interest in starting up black powder shooting. Want to help ? Contact David A. Lombardo

**Secretary:**

Absent

**Treasurer's Report:**

Balance \$12,297.50. Wants to discuss how to handle ammo for club guns used at club fun shoots.

**Match Director:**

Working on club shoots. Club guns available. NEEDS IDEAS

**Range Safety Officer:**

No Report

**Member at Large:**

Work list for spring with requested completion prior to camp NEED NEW WORK CO-ORDINATOR. All persons on range should wear identification.

**Director Youth Camp:** Tim O' Meara Submit wish list, Camp Meeting today, raffle Drawing April 1, 2003 get tickets in.

**Membership Committee:**

Membership renewals due BY April 1, 2003

**OLD BUSINESS**

Status of County Board and trailer still up in the air until a Court Case of Feb. 26, 2003 is decided.

.17 Caliber - President has been requested to find a member or two who have such a

rifle and do test on .22 rimfire targets to see if the .17 can be used without damaging the targets.

**New Business:**

Keith Tomes reported that the American Legion is advertising our classes in their newsletter.

Keith needs two more instructors for range portion of the Basic Pistol Class this week.

Vice President described NRA recruiter position as we need a new one due to the resignation of Dennis Davidson.

Guests were introduced

Membership Chairman - described procedure for new membership badges.

Meeting adjourned at . Motion by Dennis Davidson, second by Keith Tomes , approved

**Desk of the President**

A big THANKS to CLIF HORVATH for all his efforts as work coordinator.

Welcome to our new work coordinator - KERRY KRICKEBERG.

A big THANKS to DENNIS DAVIDSON for all his efforts as NRA recruiter. Welcome to our new NRA recruiter - KEITH TOMES

There are three items that will be on the April agenda for consideration. 1) How to handle membership badges, 2) How to define a family membership and voting, 3) How to handle minutes of the meetings. These items have been brought up by a number of members and we need to clarify how the membership wants to have these handled. If you have concerns one way or another, please plan to attend this meeting so we get maximum input prior to any action or inaction being taken. Unable to make the meeting - email, fax or mail your comments to the president so they may be presented on your behalf. If it turns out that we cannot cover all three topics at this one meeting, the topics will carry over to the next meeting.

REMINDER: Worker appreciation dinner is Saturday March 15, 2003.

As of this date, nothing further has

transpired on the issue with the county. It appears that all that is necessary is to file some paperwork to amend the current approved zoning. Along with that, we may ask for some changes to allow improvements on the berms and ranges. If you have any input on this matter, contact a board member. This will come up at a later date if the county allows a reasonable amount of time for consideration.

Get your raffle tickets quickly so you qualify to get a shot a winning a side of beef or \$500 cash on April 1, 2003.

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**2003 Membership Badges can be picked up at the April 6, 2003 General Meeting**  
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**Basic Pistol Class**

Members \$65 Non-members \$85  
 Checks payable to Howell Shoot Club  
 HOWELL SHOOTING CLUB, INC  
 10712 CHURCH ROAD  
 YORKVILLE, IL 60560

**FOR REGISTRATION CALL:**

Keith or Lou Tomes  
 home: 630-369-1474  
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**IDPA**

I plan to follow the same schedule as last year (actually, this year). **The season will start on the 4th Saturday of May with a classifier, and go through the 4th Saturday of October with another classifier for the final event.**

**From the Editors**

**If you need to email articles or information for the newsletter, PLEASE include the word "Howell" in the heading. We apologize, but with all the junk email around if we see an address we do not recognize we are more likely to delete or block than to open .**

**Time to Renew Memberships**

**Deadline is March 31, 2003**

**“Gun owners have nothing to fear from me”**

Candidate Rod Blagojevich, August 2002

**All of the legislation listed below can be reviewed, passage status updated by visiting the website for the Illinois Legislature**

**“/www.legis.state.il.us/legislation/”**

***Today a LEGAL gun-owner, tomorrow a FELON.***

***Anti-Firearms, Anti Firearms-owner***

**CRIM CD-PROHIBITED FIREARMS**

**HB0551** In Committee

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Provides that the Department of State Police shall publish a list of handguns having a barrel, slide, frame or receiver that is a die casting of zinc alloy or any other non-homogeneous metal which will melt or deform at a temperature of less than 800 degrees Fahrenheit. Provides that a building used for the unlawful sale of firearms may be abated as a public nuisance only if the person using the building for the unlawful sale has been convicted of the offense and the Department of State Police has published the list of prohibited firearms. Effective immediately.

**CRIM CD-SNIPER WEAPONS**

**HB2513** In committee

Synopsis As Introduced

**Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Prohibits the distribution, transportation, importation into this State, sale, offer for sale or possession of 50 caliber sniper weapons. Establishes penalties and exemptions. Effective immediately**

**FIREARMS DEALERS LICENSE**

**HB2532** In committee

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Firearms Dealer Licensing Act. Requires a person who engages in the **business of selling or transferring firearms to be licensed by the Department of State Police.** Establishes qualifications for licenses. Provides that it is a Class 4 felony to engage in the business of selling or transferring firearms without a license. Requires a licensed firearms dealer who sells or transfers a firearm to a person who is not a licensed dealer to report that sale or transfer to the Department of State Police

**CRIM CD-AMMUNITION FEEDING**

**HB2580** In committee

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Criminal Code of 1961.

**Prohibits the knowing manufacture, delivery, and possession of a large capacity ammunition feeding device (a magazine, belt, drum, feed strip, or similar device that has a capacity of, or that can be readily restored or converted to accept, more than 10 rounds of ammunition and any combination of parts from which such a device can be assembled).** Establishes penalties for violations. **Requires a person who possesses a large capacity ammunition feeding device on the effective date of the amendatory Act, within 90 days after that date, to destroy the device, render the device permanently inoperable, relinquish the device to a law enforcement agency, or remove the device from the State.**

Establishes as an affirmative defense to a violation, the delivery or possession of a large capacity ammunition feeding device while in the performance of their official duties by peace officers, correctional institutional employees and officials, and members of the Armed Services or Reserve Forces of the United States or the Illinois National Guard. Establishes penalties for violation

**Note: Any violation would be a FELONY, there goes ALL your gun**

**rights**

**PISTOL & REVOLVER BALLISTIC ACT**

**HB2583** In committee

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Pistol and Revolver Ballistic Identification Databank Act. Provides that beginning April 1, 2004, any manufacturer that ships, transports, or delivers a pistol or revolver to any person in this State must, in accordance with rules adopted by the Department of State Police, include in the container with the pistol or revolver a separate sealed container that encloses: (1) a shell casing of a bullet or projectile discharged from the pistol or revolver; and (2) any additional information that identifies the pistol or revolver and shell casing as required by the rules adopted by the Department of State Police. Provides that beginning April 1, 2004, a gunsmith or federally licensed firearm dealer must, within 10 days after delivering to any person a pistol or revolver received by the gunsmith or dealer on or after that date, forward to the Department of State Police, along with a description of the firearm, including its make, model, caliber, and serial number, the sealed container enclosing the shell casing from the pistol or revolver either (1) received from the manufacturer or (2) obtained through participation in the program operated by the Department of State Police. Effective immediately.

**CRIM CD-BANS SEMIAUTOMATIC**

**HB2632** In committee

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Prohibits the knowing manufacture, delivery, and possession of semiautomatic assault weapons, large capacity ammunition feeding devices, and assault weapon attachments. Provides for an affirmative defense to a violation for peace officers, correctional institution employees and officers, members of the Armed Services and Reserve Forces of

the United States, and the Illinois National Guard while these persons are in the performance of their duties.

Establishes penalties for violations

**Note: This bill would also include ANY semi-automatic firearm, including rifles, pistols and shotguns**

#### **CRIM CD-ONE GUN PER MONTH**

**SB0238** In committee

Synopsis As Introduced

**Amends the Criminal Code of 1961.**

**Prohibits the transfer or possession**

**with intent to transfer of more than one handgun during a 30-day period.**

**Creates a handgun database**

**maintained by the Department of State**

**Police that may be accessed by law**

**enforcement officers to determine**

**whether a person purchased more than**

**one handgun within a 30-day period.**

#### **CRIM CD-BANS SEMIAUTOMATIC**

**SB1195** In committee

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Criminal Code of 1961.

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semiautomatic assault weapons, large

capacity ammunition feeding devices, and

assault weapon attachments. Provides for

an affirmative defense to a violation for

peace officers, correctional institution

employees and officers, members of the

Armed Services and Reserve Forces of

the United States, and the Illinois

National Guard while these persons are in

the performance of their duties.

Establishes penalties for violations.

**Note: This is the SENATE version of**

**HB1195**

#### **FIREARMS OWNERS ID CARD**

**ACT**

**SB1320** In committee

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Firearm Owners

Identification Card Act. Provides that a

Firearm Owner's Identification Card

(FOID Card) may not be issued to a

person who, in this or any other

jurisdiction, is on bond or awaiting a preliminary hearing, trial, or sentencing for the commission of a felony, domestic battery, or a violation of Article 24 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or a violation of this Act or substantially similar laws of another jurisdiction pertaining to firearms. Provides that an applicant for a FOID Card must be fingerprinted and photographed by a law enforcement agency and must also complete a basic firearms safety test. Provides conditions for the issuance of a FOID Card to minors. Provides that every applicant for a FOID Card must provide a password or other private information to be used by a firearms dealer to verify the identity of a person seeking to acquire a firearm. Increases the fee for a FOID Card from \$5 to \$25. Provides that a FOID Card is valid for one year (instead of 5). Makes other changes

**Note: Same rules as for sex offenders, get fingerprinted !**

#### **CRIM CD-FIREARMS UNLAWFUL**

**SALE**

**SB1326** In committee

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Criminal Code of 1961.

Provides that the knowing delivery of a firearm that may be concealed upon the person, incidental to a sale, without withholding delivery of the firearm for at least 10 days (now 72 hours) after application for its purchase has been made is an unlawful sale of firearms.

**Note: 10 day waiting period**

#### **Pro Firearms, Pro-Firearms owners, Anti-Crime**

**CRIM CD-FIREARMS LOCAL REG**

**HB 1095** In Committee

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Criminal Code of 1961.

Provides that the provisions of any ordinance or resolution of a unit of local government that impose restrictions or limitations on the acquisition, possession, transportation, storage, purchase, sale, or

other dealing in rifles and shotguns, and ammunition, components, accessories, and accoutrements of rifles and shotguns other than those imposed by the statute concerning the unlawful possession of firearms and firearm ammunition are void. Preempts home rule. Effective immediately.

#### **WILDLIFE CD-HANDGUN-DEER**

**HB1096** In committee

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Wildlife Code. Permits the use of handguns during the open season for deer. Provides that any centerfire

handguns of .30 caliber or larger with a minimum barrel length of 4 inches may

be used. Provides that the only legal ammunition for a centerfire handgun is a

cartridge of .30 caliber or larger with a capability of at least 500 foot pounds of

energy at the muzzle. Prohibits the use of full metal jacket bullets. Provides that the

Department of Natural Resources shall make administrative rules concerning

management restrictions applicable to the firearm and bow and arrow season.

Effective immediately

#### **CRIM CD-FIREARM SALES-FED LIC**

**HB1379** In committee, 3<sup>rd</sup> reading

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Criminal Code of 1961.

Provides that it is a Class A misdemeanor for a first offense and a Class 4 felony for

a second or subsequent offense to sell or give a firearm while engaged in the

business of selling firearms at wholesale or retail without being licensed as a

federal firearms dealer under the federal Gun Control Act of 1968. Effective

immediately.

#### **FIREARMS-CONCEALED-PERMITS**

**HB2821** In committee

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Family and Personal

Protection Act. Establishes statewide

uniform standards for the issuance of

permits to carry concealed firearms in this State. Vests in the Department of State

Police, the authority to issue concealed firearms permits to qualified applicants. Requires an applicant to complete a training course in handgun use, safety, and marksmanship. Also requires instruction in the law relating to firearm use. Requires an applicant to be at least 21 years of age. Prohibits an applicant who has been convicted of a felony or has a history of mental illness, addiction, or habitual alcohol use from obtaining a permit. Creates the Citizen Safety and Self-Defense Trust Fund administered by the Department. The moneys in the Fund shall be used to administer the Act. Establishes restrictions on carrying concealed firearms. Establishes standards for the training course and for certifying instructors. Amends the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act. Provides that the Family and Personal Protection Act supersedes an ordinance of a unit of local government inconsistent with that Act. Prohibits a home rule unit from regulating the issuance of permits to carry concealed firearms. Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Exempts from an unlawful use of weapons and aggravated unlawful use of weapons violation, persons who carry or possess firearms in accordance with the Family and Personal Protection Act. Effective immediately

#### FIREARMS-PREEMPTION

**HB3631** In committee  
Synopsis As Introduced  
Creates the Local Government Firearm Regulation Preemption Act and amends the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act. Provides that a person who possesses, transports, stores, purchases, sells, or otherwise deals in firearms, ammunition, components, accessories, and accoutrements in compliance with U.S. and State law is entitled to possess, transport, store, purchase, sell, and otherwise deal in these items throughout this State. Preempts units of local government, including home rule units, from regulating firearms, ammunition, components, accessories, or

accoutrements, except as provided in the Local Government Firearm Regulation Preemption Act. Effective immediately

#### WILDLIFE CD-HANDGUN-DEER

**SB0257** In committee  
Synopsis As Introduced  
Amends the Wildlife Code. Permits the use of handguns during the open season for deer. Provides that any centerfire handguns of .30 caliber or larger with a minimum barrel length of 4 inches may be used. Provides that the only legal ammunition for a centerfire handgun is a cartridge of .30 caliber or larger with a capability of at least 500 foot pounds of energy at the muzzle. Prohibits the use of full metal jacket bullets. Provides that the Department of Natural Resources shall make administrative rules concerning management restrictions applicable to the firearm and bow and arrow season. Effective immediately

#### Neutral FYI

##### RETIRED POLICE-FIREARMS

**HB1379** In committee  
Synopsis As Introduced  
Amends the Illinois Police Training Act and the Criminal Code of 1961. Exempts from provisions prohibiting the carrying of a firearm concealed on one's person or in a vehicle, retired peace officers who present certified documentation of their retired peace officer status to the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board.

#### From the ISRA News alert !

##### The Firefight Begins Tuesday - Your Presence Needed

Senate Bill 1195 - Richie Daley's Semiautomatic Rifle and Pistol Ban will face Senate Judiciary Committee hearings on Tuesday, March 11th.

**You** need to be there to show support for the right to keep and bear arms. The hearings will be held in Room 400 of the Capitol building at 3:30 PM.

**Also**, Wednesday the 12th is probably

going to be the day when other Daley Gun Grab bills will be heard. We don't have all the info yet. But we need people in the Capitol on the 12th too.

Call (815) 635-3198 for further information.

#### [ISRA](#)

##### Daley Lapdog Jones Stifles Progun Bills

Daley's lapdog in the Senate, Emil Jones, has made sure that all our progun legislation will never see the light of day by keeping it bottled up in the Senate Rules Committee.

At the same time Jones has scheduled all the Daley Gun Grab bills for hearings.

Bottom line...Illinois gun owners have no voice in the Senate because the gun grabbers own Emil Jones.

**Call Emil Jones at (217) 782-2728 and let him know what you think of his tactics.**

Information submitted by Dennis Davidson from another email alert source. "www.gunlaws.com"

#### NOTES ON FEDERAL GUN LAW

Federal gun law has grown 6.5% since Oct. 2000, to a new total of 94,333 words. I've boiled out the new federal gun laws tucked away in The Patriot Act, the Aviation and Transportation Security Act, and the Homeland Security Act. The latest edition of Gun Laws of America (the 4th) has the whole ball of wax: 5,749 new words of law, in 22 separate sections, from four enacted federal laws.

#### German Gun Control and the Illinois FOID

by Raymond Benwood

April 29, 2002

*"Laws that forbid the carrying of arms, disarm only those who are neither inclined nor determined to commit crimes."* --Cesare Beccaria, quoted by Thomas Jefferson

In 1968 a new gun control act was passed in response to race riots in some of our major cities. From this Act a whole new generation of gun control laws were created in the states. In 1992 [Jews for Preservation of Firearm Ownership Inc.](#) published [Gun Control: Gateway to Tyranny](#), which contains the

actual text of pre Nazi, and Nazi gun control laws. In *Gateway to Tyranny*, JPFO shows the stark comparison between the 1938 Nazi law and our 1968 Gun Control Act. In fact evidence exists in the library of congress, that the late Senator Thomas J Dodd, who was the chief framer of the '68 Act, owned a text of the Nazi weapons law. *Gateway to Tyranny* exposes the usage of terms and phrases in Nazi law, and how they were deliberately applied to our '68 Gun Act. Its obvious that the late Senator Dodd, who was a lawyer at Nuremberg, must have liked what he saw in the Nazi gun laws, since he used them as a guide when he wrote our '68 Gun Act. With passage of the '68 Act another door opened under the color of law, this time in the state of Illinois. Since white liberal racism energized the '68 Act, seeing it as a tool to further their socialist agenda, Mayor Daley Sr. of Chicago used his influence to bring about a Firearm Owners Identification (FOID) card in Illinois as a response to race riot concerns in Chicago. The FOID card was believed to be a powerful tool, to keep guns out of the hands of certain groups in the state deemed dangerous to Daley. *Gateway to Tyranny* shows that the Nazis both created and used gun control laws that were legally passed. One such terrible law was the Waffen Oder Munitionserwerbscheins (German for "License to obtain a weapon or ammunition"), a firearms Owners Identification permit (FOID). The Illinois FOID card, like the German permit, was designed to force gun owners to comply with the new law, by requiring the use of the permit (FOID) for the legal purchase of ammunition. The stark comparisons between the Illinois FOID and the laws created and used by the Nazis are not just a matter of terms and phrases, but are synonymous in their intent. In Germany "the district police administrated the application process." In Illinois, "the state police administrates the application process."

In Germany, "a record keeping system was required for the transfer of handguns with the requirement that the records be kept for a period of 10 yrs and must include a description of the firearm."

In Illinois, "any person within this state who transfers or causes to be transferred any firearm shall keep a record of such transfer for a period of 10 yrs and must include a description, serial number, or other

information identifying the firearm and must include the transferee FOID number."

In Germany, "a valid permit was required for transfer of a firearm, commercial or private."

In Illinois, "a valid FOID is required for transfer of a firearm, commercial or private."

In Germany, "all records were subject to police inspection on demand."

In Illinois, "on demand of a peace officer such transferor shall produce for inspection such record of transfer."

In Germany, "the police maintained a list of the identities and personal information of all licensees."

In Illinois, "the state police maintain a record of all FOID cardholders."

In Germany, "license denial could be made by race, inimical behavior or those deemed unreliable."

In Illinois, "Chicago requires registration of all firearms and acceptance is near impossible and reports of FOID denial for bad attitudes have been reported else where in the state."

In Germany, "certain permits were valid for up to 3 yrs."

In Illinois, "the FOID card is valid for a period of 5yrs."

In Germany, "a prohibition for the transfer of a firearm and ammunition to adolescents existed".

In Illinois, "a prohibition for the transfer of a firearm and ammunition to adolescents exists."

There are requirements for the transportation of a firearm. In Germany, "a certain type of permit was required." In Illinois, "a valid FOID is required, and the firearm must be unloaded and properly cased."

In Germany, "good Nazis could legally conceal carry, if they were issued the proper permit."

In Illinois, "no conceal carry law exists."

It should be obvious by now, as it was in *Gateway to Tyranny*, comparing the German gun laws to our '68 gun act, that the framer of the Illinois FOID Act had knowledge of German gun control laws, used by the Nazis

and annotated those ideas into the Illinois FOID Act. There has been a misconception in Illinois and around the Nation, that a statute passed by Legislators bearing the appearance of law constitutes the law of the land. The constitution is the supreme law of the land; for any statue to be valid, it must be in agreement. Marbury vs. Madison, 5 (2 cranch) 137, 174, 176, (1803) states "All laws which are repugnant to the constitution are null and void." Many laws have been passed, but that does not make them lawful. Laws like the Illinois FOID card violate original intent of the 2nd Amendment of a general prohibition against state and federal legislation that infringes the right of the people to keep and bear arms.

The potential abuse of laws like the Illinois FOID are apparent, and should be repealed immediately. Illinois, under the color of law, has the potential of being the first state in the Union to impose a complete gun ban, with door to door confiscation, an act of Treason! Today we live in a nation where the wearing of a swastika or a confederate battle flag patch or the questioning of the Holocaust, brings about a violent reaction in some people.

So why are so many people willing to accept the same types of laws that were the foundation of Genocide? Why do the big pro gun groups not fight against such laws that are so obviously unconstitutional and morally wrong? Our rights are self-evident and must be defended, if we are to remain FREE!

Raymond Benwood

Free Illinois

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#### **Reference Material:**

1) "Gun Control: Gateway to Tyranny" by Jay Simkin and Aaron Zelman, available at [www.jpfo.org](http://www.jpfo.org), Hartford, WI. (262)-673-9745

2) "Nazi Firearms Law and the Disarming of the German Jews" by Stephen Halbrook Ph.D. Attorney, available at [www.stephenhalbrook.com/article-nazilaw.html](http://www.stephenhalbrook.com/article-nazilaw.html)

3) Firearm Owners Identification Act for the state of Illinois

4) Senate doc. 2807 Feb 1982 on the Right to Keep and Bear Arms, available at

[www.barefootworld.net/senate82.html](http://www.barefootworld.net/senate82.html)