

**NEW
WEBSITE**

FRIENDS & FAMILY AT ANNUAL HOLIDAY EVENT

DECEMBER

**ANNUAL HOLIDAY
MEETING**

**COUNTDOWN
CLOCK**



Friday

December 14, 2018

5~6pm Meeting Time

6~7:30pm Free Range Time

[More info at MGO Forum](#)

LOCATION WESTLAND, MI



[Map Here](#)



WHAT TO EXPECT

AT YOUR MGO HOLIDAY EVENT

In person BOD meeting
Meet MGO President & Board
Meet MGO Members
All Family & Friends are invited!

"GUN OF THE YEAR" DRAWING

FOR VOLUNTEERS

MORE, MORE, MORE

*Several additional prizes
for Volunteer Drawing and...*

"DOOR PRIZE DRAWING"

FOR EVERYONE*

to enter

Will you have a winning ticket?

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*Must be 18 or older for door prizes
*Note there will be no guns in the door prize drawing

LEGAL NEWS FRONT LINE



DECISIONS

More discussion with details
on the MGO Forum [here](#)

GENERAL FIREARMS RIGHT'S

More discussion with details
on the MGO Forum [here](#)

Special Legal News Bulletin Release In Partnership with Michigan Open Carry

12 / 04 / 2018

Michigan Court of Appeals AFFIRMS Arena Authority Preemption

Last week, a three-judge panel for the Michigan Court of Appeals issued a ruling in MOC & MGO v. CAA & SMG (the Grand Rapids Arena Authority).

In the opinion, the court affirmed that the authority is a preempted

local unit of government subject to
MCL 123.1101 et seq. as held in
[CADL v. MOC](#).

[RULING HERE](#)

If you recall, in 2016, members of MOC and MGO were asked to disarm or leave a women's expo in Grand Rapids at which the groups had leased a booth.

The groups tried in vain to speak with management, whom only dug their heels in, leaving the groups no choice but to file suit. Last summer, the trial court [AGREED](#) with MOC and MGO causing the arena authority to appeal.

However, while the preempted status of the arena authority was clear to the court, much was not.

In what has been characterized as an opinion in search of a case, the court analyzed hypothetical facts not at issue.

Even though no one was carrying concealed, the court ruled that the authority may regulate concealed carry in so far as it is already regulated under state law (MCL 28.425o) - something we agree preempted entities may do. Further, even though the private event promoter was fine with us there, and had no policy regarding weapons, the court ruled that the arena authority can enforce private lessee policies, despite the clear language of 123.1102. Despite the court doing its level best to find things to rule against us on, the court ultimately had to agree with us when it came to our purpose for being there;

The arena authority is preempted, and the enforcement of their policy against MOC and MGO was illegal, **PERIOD!**

[Michigan Gun Owners](#) and [Michigan Open Carry](#) teamed up on this one to fight for the gun community, and we are pleased to say that we came out on top.

If you like how we are fighting for you, please consider joining each organization and donating to our legal defense funds.

We would not be able to fight these very important fights were it not for the support that we receive from our generous members and donors.

[Donate MOC Legal Fund](#)

[Donate MGO Legal Fund](#)

Lastly, we would like to thank our attorney **Dean G. Greenblatt of Dean G. Greenblatt, PLC** for representing us through this endeavor. Mr. Greenblatt has been a longtime supporter of both organizations and we would not be where we are without him. Also, to **Steve Sundeen**, whom represented MGO at the trial level.

Thank you for your continued support!

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Michigan Gun Owners and Michigan Open Carry, are Not-For-Profit organizations that depend on our dues paying members to continue our operation.

WE ARE ALL VOLUNTEERS

As such, no one is paid a salary and very few of the personal expenses of our officers are reimbursed.

Will you consider joining or renewing membership in one or better yet both groups, so we can continue the fight for all of us?

FOLLOW LINKS BELOW



[Join or
Renew Now](#)



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IN MEMORORIUM JIM "KAETO" DEATON

It is with great sadness that we announce Jim "Kaeto" Deaton passed away late last month.

Jim was a proud Navy Veteran and did all that he could to help MGO and our gun rights. Jim was an active MGO member since 2011 and served on two committees; Election Committee and Marketing Committee.

He embraced the sharing of knowledge and especially his love of black powder firearms and Civil War history. Jim showed up to volunteer at the Outdoorama booth for MGO many times and attended the Lansing rallies as well as helped staff the raffle table. He was always ready to do what he could for MGO.

Those who only knew Jim of late, would have no idea that back in the late 80's he was one heck of an active paintball player!

Every year one could find Jim at the firing line at the Annual July Picnic, demonstrating his firearms and meticulously loading them to have them ready to offer anyone an opportunity to experience them. **That rifle of his sure threw a chunk of lead! Knocked**

that large steel target right over every time! Jim was always eager to help anyone new to black powder firearms to learn, to load and shoot whatever they brought to the range.

His company and contributions will be very much missed!!



[Link to forum thread on members thoughts of Jim & short video of him home on the range...](#)

EAGLE SCOUTS TROOP 87

Jim was a teacher for Troop 87 and gave Civil War History lessons as well as their first experience at "Bullet Casting". Because of the joy and nonstop stories, he became a living legend in the eyes of the troop. His love for the Civil War history and Re-enactments was shared and received in the hearts of the troop and thus Jim has passed on his passion and it will live on through these young men.

Eagle Scouts Troop 87 salutes Jim "Kaeto" Deaton for his contribution of knowledge and knowledge through experience, as well as his service to our country in the United States Navy.

**BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S
MEETINGS
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Additional resources in [MGO FORUM](#)

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SITREP REPORT

FROM PRESIDENT TREK

October 2018 [Click Here](#)
September 2018 [Click Here](#)



GET ON THE LISTS!

Our monthly newsletter is now open to all who provide an email address, you can refer friends to the MGO home page to sign up!
OPT-IN ONLY

"LATE BREAKING ACTION NEWS"

releases will be sent as determined by MGO President Trek.

**ACTION NEWS
SIGN UP HERE**

MOBILE PHONE ACCESS EASIER!

With so many now opening emails on mobile devices, the Newsletter Team has made phone reading easier.

Note: If it doesn't seem to be all there, scroll to the end and look for "show the rest of this message" or some dots to click which will expand text.



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&
renewals*

OPTIONS FOR DISCOUNTS

**"LIST YOUR BUSINESS"
NEW OPPORTUNITY
FOR MEMBERS ONLY**

Find listed discounts from
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supporting businesses
and their benefits for you!

- 1) Members Only** [Benefits Sub - Forum](#)
2) And for Everybody [MGO Small Business Directory](#)

A one stop listing - No more hunting for it!

Here you will find businesses that you can
support that also support Pro 2A values!

**Are you a member?
Have a business?
Would you like it to be listed?**

**With your MGO membership
it is FREE
to list your business.**

**-NOTICE-
MEMBERSHIPS & RENEWALS**

So that you can you better understand
the current process & delay, the Board has asked Jon to outline the current process he
inherited to help clarify the work, effort and timing involved with membership
administrative duties.

-Jon's reply-

Now keep in mind before step #1 it has to get to Jon and the outlined process is as
follows.

1. Receive new or renewal membership via email or paper copy.
2. Update Excel membership database.
3. Fill out new membership card (Microsoft Publisher). I then print and laminate them. I

try to do 10 cards at a time because I print them on Avery business card stock. The process when I took over was to print 4 cards on card stock and cut them out with scissors.

4. Print out welcome or renewal letter (Microsoft Power Point). It is standard letter. I just change the name and date.

5. Print out envelope (Microsoft Publisher). I was printing labels, but I found it was easier to throw a stack of envelopes in the printer.

6. Stuff envelopes and apply postage via the postage meter.

7. Then it needs to be taken to the post office.

This process takes approximately 30 minutes per membership package from start to finish.

If I email a welcome letter and a PDF copy of the membership card, I can do it in 10 minutes per member as well.

This process times say 100, takes a lot time for a volunteer that has a job & family to attend to, thank you for your consideration.

Further note that once his process is about finished then Jon has to wait for new members to reply on the forum by way of requesting to join the "members group" and then after he approves it, a new member is granted "Full Member Privileges" on the forum.

It is currently the priority of MGO BOD to completely automate this process, making it as "instant & painless" as technology allows for the benefit of all of us. However this effort does not take away from trying to process memberships & renewals, we are putting multiple board members on the effort to get it done.

A gentle reminder that the volunteer work going into this process has been "a job well done" by prior boards over the years, so thank them when you get a chance as well as a good thought for Mike Borders who did a lot of administration as well.

A interim system is being put into play to email all this to you, cutting your wait time down.

Memberships effective start date is when you are emailed your "Welcome Packet".
Check your SPAM folder !

If you find your membership has lapsed and you didn't get a notice, no worry - you have a grace period until we get that notice out to you.

Thank you
MGO Board of Directors

NEW MEMBERSHIP TIPS

We welcome you to ask questions
& share by participating in
discussion at the [MGO Forum](#)

set up for Members Only.
MGO sponsors events which are posted at [MGO Event Announcements](#)
with upcoming events and activities,
Open to all viewing this Newsletter.

MGO forum also has a [Members Only Events section](#)
listing events we sponsor and
classes and training on guns.

LET'S TALK TRAINING!

MGO has an abundance of training opportunities,
classes and active shooting events posted
in the forum at the
[Training Talk Section](#).

Member Service Announcement

It has come to our attention that some members have had issues
in accessing articles that hot link in this newsletter.

Some content is by it's nature in the members only section.
If you cannot access an article see below 1,2,3 to insure you have full access to
content.

- 1 Be sure you are logged into the forum, check the box
"Remember Me" under the login box to stay in.
- 2 Check to see that your membership has not lapsed, just click on "My Profile"
link and next to your Avatar shows your current membership status.
- 3 Note that sometimes there is a delay between a membership renewal
being sent in and it's update in the database.
Thank you for your patience.

[RENEW MEMBERSHIP NOW](#)

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