

February 2014

Meetings are held at Smoke'n Pit Bar-B-Que, 1641 North Tamiami Trail, North Fort Myers, located on Rte 41 (Bus) between Pine Island Rd (SR78) & the Edison Bridge. First Tuesday of every month, at 4:30



Ft Myers Knife Club - Last Meeting Update

The January meeting of the Ft. Myers Knife Club had an attendance of 21 members and guests. This month's door prizes consisted of a Case XX NASCAR Lockback and Meyerco Neck knife. The winner of the lockback was Rita Miller and the Neck knife was won by Ray Cogley. The 50/50 drawing of \$30.00 went to Bill Cyphert. Congratulations to all the winners, you too can be a winner of our monthly door prizes, 50/50 and/or raffles just simply attend one of your monthly FMKC club meetings.

This month's **BEST SPECIAL KNIFE** was for the best Custom Knife. The winner for the month was Jim Roberts for his Mini Wasp made by Rainy Vallotton. The Best knife for February is: The best **CASE XX Folder**. So bring your knife to impress the club members and maybe win yourself a prize.

Next meeting Date: February 4th – Free Door Prizes Drawing
Bring your favorite knives for Show & Tell and share with the members
February's Best Special Feature Knife is : Best Case XX Folder
Bring your best to win a Prize

Monthly Gun & Knife Show Schedule

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL GUN & KNIFE SHOW – GO THIS WEEKEND !!!

Jan 31-Feb 1-2	35th Annual Gator Cutlery Knife Show - Lakeland Civic Center (<i>See You There</i>)
Feb 1-2	Cape Coral - German American Club Gun & Knife Show - Pine Island Road
Feb 8-9	Labelle - Lee County Gun Collectors Show - Labelle Civic Center
Feb 8-9	Ft Myers - Suncoast Gun Show - Lee Civic Center
Feb 15-16	Sarasota - 2 Guys Gun & Knife Show - Roberts Arena
Feb 22-23	Bradenton - Lee County Gun Collectors Show - American Legion Post 24
Feb 22-23	Ft Lauderdale - Suncoast Gun Show - War Memorial Auditorium



35TH ANNUAL GATOR CUTLERY CLUB CUSTOM, MODERN & ANTIQUE KNIFE SHOW

Date:	Jan 31 - Feb 1-2, 2014
Location:	Lakeland Center Lakeland, FL
Time:	Friday 10am - 5pm Saturday 9am - 5pm Sunday 9am - 3pm
Admission:	\$5 - one day, \$8 - two days \$10 - three days

FREE PARKING

AUCTION - Saturday Night - 7pm



FMKC WEB SITE

www.FtMyersKnifeClub.mgmikutis.com

FMKC NEWSLETTER



Pending Knife Laws Need Your Help

By: [Steve Shackelford](#) | Blade Magazine - December 10, 2013

State knife laws designed to protect your rights are pending in Florida and Tennessee, according to a [Knife Rights](#) news release.

In Florida, SB458 is a knife law preemption act. Knife law preemption prevents local governments from passing knife ordinances more restrictive than the state's current laws.

If passed, it would make Florida the eighth state to implement knife law preemption. Florida State Senator Thad Altman reintroduced the bill for the state's upcoming 2014 legislative session.

In Tennessee, state senator Mike Bell has introduced SB1438, which would complete the job of updating the state's knife laws. Along with Knife Rights, Bell helped pass knife law preemption in Tennessee last year. However, the Tennessee Sheriff's Association (TSA) assisted in defeating an attempt to overturn the state's outdated ban on [automatics](#) and knives with blades over 4 inches long.

Meanwhile, according to the release, Knife Rights has worked closely with TSA Executive Director Terry Ashe to address TSA's concerns over the removal of the ban while at the same time eliminating its oppressive effect on the state's law-abiding citizens. SB1438 is the result of those negotiations.

INSIDE SB458

As for Florida's SB458, it contains a number of stipulations that should appeal to anyone in favor of controlling oppressive governance, including the provision that certain elected or appointed officials are liable for damages and attorney fees as the result of violations of the act. It would also mandate the termination of employment or removal from office of an official in violation of the act.

SB458 would also impose penalties for enacting or failing to repeal rules or ordinances that conflict with the act, and also prohibit the future enactment of rules and ordinances relating to knives, common pocketknives and weapons by any entity other than the legislature. It would also prevent a state agency or political subdivision from enacting a rule, ordinance or tax relating to knives, knifemaking components, common pocketknives or weapons, including but not limited to the use, transportation, possession, carry, sale, transfer, purchase, gift, licensing or registration of such knives or weapons.

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Knife Rights

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For additional info go to:
Kniferights.org

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Annual Membership Dues: Membership fees for 2014 are due. The annual membership dues are \$10.00 or you may consider a lifetime membership which is a one-time fee of \$75.00. If you are unsure of your membership status contact the club secretary at: 230.233.5611 or e-mail: rsmegal@comcast.net. You may pay your dues at any upcoming meeting or submit payment to the club's address: FMKC, PO Box 706, St James City, FL 33956-0706. Checks will be accepted, however, all checks must be endorsed to **RUSSELL SMEGAL**. Any other endorsement will result in return of your check. **SORRY..**

NOTICE: *Receive your monthly newsletter via e-mail instead of snail mail. Contact the club secretary, Russ Smegal at: rsmegal@comcast.net By doing this you will save the club the newsletter mailing cost.*