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Reserve your seat at the Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner.

To be held **January 23, 2010** at DAV chapter 17 building at 5054 Monticello Rd., Jefferson City, Mo.

Meeting to begin at 2pm. and Dinner to begin at 6pm. Dinner costs will be \$15 per person again this year.

Same great meal. Same great friends. Door prizes and silent auctions will again be among the activities. This is the place where the drawing for the M1 Garand is held. Buy raffle tickets to be eligible.

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During past Annual meetings, we have had a great time of fun and fellowship with other gun owners and sport shooters. Its always exciting to see friends who travel from around the state to be a part of the NRA affiliate for the state of Missouri.

Lots of rumors are going around at what will be given away this year for the event but we know many people are looking forward to the drawing for the M1 Garand.

So if you haven't yet, get those dinner reservations in and show up for some of the fun. It wouldn't be the same without you and we always enjoy seeing new faces every year.

Merry Christmas &
Happy New Year

-MSSA Board Members

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The President's Podium

Kevin L. Jamison, MSSA President

Our Board Member Zac Bauer bears watching. He found us a phenomenal deal on our State Association pins. Then he found us a deal on a very impressive mobile booth. Now he has taken over as editor of this newsletter. If a guy is going to show off like that, we may as well watch.

Lee Koester meticulously handles his duties as treasurer. While not a glamorous position, without his work with our cash, bills and memberships we would not have the funds to support the critical activities which ensure the future of our sport.



John Leinberger travels widely teaching junior shooters and providing the next generation of MSSA members.

Other Board members and Officers continue our daily function so that our children and grandchildren will enjoy the sports that we have enjoyed.

My only accomplishment has been attendance at the Gun Rights Policy Conference in St. Louis in late September, 2009. Seven-hundred people gathered to discuss the future of the gun rights movement.

Topics ranged from restrictions on knives to the effect of treaties on our rights. The Constitution clearly has priority, but some politicians seek excuses wherever they can. Of great interest was the City of Chicago case. The Heller decision required the federal government to respect the Second Amendment as an individual right. Following this decision, the City of Chicago was sued to force it to respect the Second Amendment as an individual right. It is a peculiarity of our system that not all

of the Bill of Rights has been found to be binding on the states through the 14th Amendment. The Supreme Court has accepted the case, and its adventures may be reviewed at www.ChicagoGunCase.org. Speakers on this case included Alan Gura, the attorney who argued the Heller case to victory and is now the lead attorney in the City of Chicago case. It is interesting that even the anti-gun people seem to believe that we shall win this case. The critical point is



how we win it. The opposition seizes on language in the Heller decision which indicates that certain restrictions are reasonable, and claims that this means all restrictions are reasonable. The Court could issue a decision which allows for a ban on all lead ammunition, or set a standard of review so high that no person could ever prove that his rights had been violated. MSSA has signed on to an amicus brief submitted by most of the NRA state associations. This has cost us some money, and may cost us more. However, the Board believes that it is cheaper to prevent problems than to solve them.

Missouri has not suffered from the restrictions seen in other states but at the Gun Rights Policy conference we learned that what begins in one state will travel to another, much like the flu. The real value of the Gun Rights Policy Conference was networking with people from other states.

Zac Bauer was at the Conference with our magnificent booth. He was busy recruiting members for our Association. The boy bears watching.

2010 Missouri Gun Show List

Dec 18-20 Cape Girardeau, Arena Building
Dec 19-20 Pacific, Pacific Eagles Club
Dec 19-20 Sedalia, State Fairgrounds
Dec 19-20 Pacific, Pacific Eagles Club

Jan 1-3 Columbia, Boone County Fairgrounds
Jan 9-10 Joplin, Hammons Convention Center
Jan 9-10 Kansas City, KCI Expo Center
Jan 16-17 Farmington, Farmington Civic Center
Jan 16-17 Stover, Stover Community Center
Jan 22-24 Bridgeton, Machinist's Union Hall
Jan 23-24 Springfield Ozark Empire Fairgrounds

Feb 5-7 St Louis, Heart of St. Charles
Feb 6-7 Kansas City, KCI Expo Center
Feb 13-14 St Joseph, Civic Arena
Feb 19-21 Branson, Lady of the Lake Parish Ctr
Feb 20-21 Pacific, Pacific Eagles Club

Mar 27-28 Saint Charles, Convention Center

Apr 2-4 Clinton, Convention & Expo Center

May 15-16 Pacific, Pacific Eagles Club

More shows to be listed soon. MSSA thanks Gun Shows USA for getting us this information to provide to our members.

For individual show contact information, please see gunshows-usa.com for up to date show information and show phone numbers.



2009 MSSA DINNER!!

THE ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER IS TO BE HELD JANUARY 23, 2010 AT THE DAV HALL SAME PLACE AS LAST YEAR.

MEETING TO START AT 2PM. DINNER TO START AT 6PM.

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Do you have a firearm or a firearm related accessory that you want to sell? We have a limited amount of space every newsletter that we can share with our members.

Log on to our website and send us an email with the item you would like to sell.

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Detailed Item Description
Price
Your Phone Number
City or Town Location

So if you have something in your gun safe that you want to “unload” let us know and we’ll see if we can help out.

This is a free service for members of MSSA.

AFFILIATE OPPORTUNITIES

The Missouri Sport Shooting Association has **NRA Instructor** training opportunities through NRA Training Counselors and Senior Training Counselors. There are active MSSA members who are qualified for such duties. NRA shooting disciplines include Instructor training in:

- **Basic Pistol shooting**
- **Basic Rifle shooting**
- **Basic Shotgun shooting**
- **Muzzleloading Pistol, Rifle and Shotgun**
- **Personal Protection in the Home**
- **Home Firearm Safety**
- **Metallic and Shotgun Reloading**
- **Range Safety Officer and Chief Range Safety Officer**

And for the more advanced

- **Training Counselor**

training can be acquired.

Training is available on site. For qualifying Affiliate Clubs, financial aid is available to help offset the costs. For info, contact:

LEE KOESTER

leekoester@hotmail.com
or, call Lee at 573-449-2849

Though MSSA may not be able to help with finances, non-affiliated and out-of-state clubs can also contact Lee for training information.

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| Arkansas Combat Pistol League | Owensville Gun Club |
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By John Lienberger P1.

Junior Shooters

Making A Mark



Linn State Technical College Hosts Civilian Marksmanship Program Camp

Linn MO – Linn State Technical College (LSTC) hosted one of eight Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) camps held around the nation in the Activity Center.

“I was very impressed with all the assistance the camp received from Linn State Technical College,” stated Leinberger. “The housing, the cafeteria, the activity center and the maintenance personnel really helped make the camp a success.”

There were 51 shooters and 18 coaches that attended the week-long camp. Shooters came from nine different states and ranged from 13-18 years of age. John Leinberger, CMP – Missouri State Director of Junior shooting programs in Missouri, was responsible for bringing the camp to the Activity Center.

Dr. Dan Durben a 1988 Olympian shooter was a guest speaker during the camp. He coached the Olympic Rifle team in 2000 and the Paralympic Shooting team in 2004 and 2008. He is a professor at Black Hills State University in South Dakota and was instrumental in designing the current camp curriculum when he served as the CMP Camp Director from 2004-2008. Durben spoke about the importance of discipline and opportunities available in the shooting world.

During the camp shooters were taught self-discipline, focus and goal setting. Leinberger comments “This is not just about a sport, it’s about skills those juniors will use for the rest of their lives.”

The camp was directed by Sommer Wood, 2003 Clemson University Rifle Team Alum, Katie Harrington, 2009 University of Nebraska-Lincoln Rifle Team Alum and Keegan Singleton, University of Memphis Rifle Team member. Camp directors are all veterans of the camp, six years, five years and three years respectively. The camp staff is comprised of ten National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) athletes from the top college shooting programs in the country.

“The Activity Center was very fortunate to host this year’s Civilian Marksmanship Program camp,” said Aaron Grefrath, Activity Center Director. “We would love to be the host site again and are thankful for the support from Missouri Department of Conservation for assisting in the development of our indoor archery/air rifle range.”

Three-Position Air Rifle is a feeder program for the Olympic disciplines of Standing Air Rifle and Three-Position Smallbore. Only junior (high school age and younger) shooters can compete in three-position air rifle. There are two classes, Sporter and Precision, in the Three-Position competition. The Sporter class uses less equipment and lighter rifles, while the Precision class has exactly the same regulations as International level competition.



Competitors shoot a total of 60 shots, 20-shots each in the prone position, standing position and kneeling position towards a target that is less than two inches in diameter and ten meters away. The 10-ring “dot” in the target is the size of a period at the end of a sentence. The highest possible score is 600, and the National Record for Three-Position Air Rifle is 598 in the Precision class and 573 in the Sporter class.

Shooting is a gender equity sport allowing men and women to compete shoulder-to-shoulder on an even playing field. Only at the International level are men and women separated into their own categories.

“The comments I heard from all the attendees were very positive,” said Leinberger. “I would like to see another camp held here in the future.”

The CMP was established in 1903 by President Teddy Roosevelt to enhance the marksmanship skills of civilians through competition. The camps were established shortly after the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta, and have expanded to reach over 500 juniors and their coaches across the country every year.

Visit www.odcmp.com for information about the CMP. For information regarding shooting programs in Missouri contact John Leinberger, Missouri CMP State Junior Director and MSSA Board Member, at coaches02@gmail.com.

Linn State Technical College is Missouri’s only state technical college with campuses in Linn, Jefferson City, and Mexico. For more information about LSTC, visit www.linnstate.edu.

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With more than 25 programs, Linn State Technical College is Missouri’s only public two-year technical college with a statewide mission. LSTC prepares students for profitable employment and a life of learning. Visit our Web site at www.linnstate.edu for details.

Winners of the Sporter Competition for the Missouri Camp were:

1st Place - Tyler Ferguson – Ozark, MO- -----Aggregate score of 635 –17

2nd Place – Lacie Norris - Ozark, MO. - ---- -Aggregate score of 617 – 18

3d Place – Michael Taylor – Forsyth, MO.----Aggregate score of 609 - 9

Tyler Ferguson ranked #2 overall in the Sporter Competition for all sever camps held for the summer of 2009.

Winners of the Precision Competition for the Missouri Camp were:

1st Place - Garrett Spurgeon – Canton, MO. – Aggregate score of 682 – 37

2nd Place – Kenneth Butler - Joplin, MO. - Aggregate score of 667—29

3d Place – Lucas Hugenberg – Quincy, IL. – Aggregate score of 663 –29

Garrett Spurgeon ranked #1 overall in the Precision Competition for all sever camps held for the summer of 2009.

I was very impressed with the shooters that attended this camp and with the quality of coaching at the camp.

Thank you all,

*John E. Leinberger
MSSA Junior Program Director
CMP – Missouri State Junior Director*



Pictures by John Leinberger

The Shooters Box

A Trap Shooters Recognition—At Last

by Sheila Stokes-Begley

I also went to a Headstone dedication recently, for Tobias (Tobe) Cohron. Mr. Cohron was amazing. He was born on June 5, 1871 in Oxford, Mississippi, one of 15 children. The family moved to Pleasant Hill in Cass County in 1876. He died on March 28, 1955 at the age of 83.

Tobe had been a trap shooter and gun smith in the Pleasant Hill area, he was well known as a very good gunsmith (he made his own gun parts), a very good shot and a gentleman. He was also colored. In 1897 he attended the Grand American Handicap, but was not allowed to shoot because he was colored. He again went to the Grand American Handicap in 1899, and this time was allowed to shoot. He withdrew after a few days when he was offered \$500 by some of his competitors to do so.

It is possible that by accepting the sum of \$500, he may have actually taken home more money than if he had won.

In 1903 Tobe organized the Afro-American Trap Shooters League. The color barriers were there, but blurry. The colored (as it was said at the time) gun club was located very close to the white gun club, when the turn outs for the Afro-American Trap Shooters competitions were too large, they were moved over to the white gun club. It would seem “gun nuts” have a long and proud history of seeing people more so than color. Judging someone by the content of the character rather than the color of their skin.

Tobe died basically penniless and so the beautiful headstone was paid for by a collection taken up by trap shooters, and the NRA donated too. It is a beautiful headstone, in the Pleasant Hill cemetery. I bet he met Gary Davis (Past President, Vice-President, Gun Show Director at various times of WMSA) when Gary got to heaven and they have had some grand conversations about kicking the Jim Crow gun laws in the teeth.



LEE's SHOUTBOX

Secretary:

We welcome our new affiliates

Shamrock 4H Club from Lawson, Mo.

Midway USA in Columbia, Mo

Welcome new or upgraded Life members:

John Schroy from Shelbina, Mo.

Raymond La Pointe from Cabool, Mo.

Treasurer:

We are looking good financially. Full quarterly and yearly reports will be presented at the Annual Meeting.

REMEMBER to reserve your place for the Annual Awards Dinner. \$15 per person to the club address.

NRA Women's Wilderness Escape

By John Vandergriff - MSSA Member

NRA Women's Wilderness Escape

I just came off staff for the NRA Women's Wilderness Escape which was held at the NRA Whittington Center in Raton, NM. This was a 9 day event for the women that included Archery, Black powder, Shotgun, Pistol, and Rifle. I served on the rifle range.

The women were divided into 5 groups of 10 each and they spent a day at each event. On the rifle range they started the with safety briefing and getting familiar



with the gun. In the morning they shot a Remington 597 semi-auto at paper and reactive targets.

They were made familiar with all shooting positions, but only shot from supported prone and supported bench. In the afternoon they shot the FNH PS90 at reactives.

This is a bullpup design semi-auto in 5.7x28 equipped with a Seemore red dot sight. This was shot standing in the combat position.



On day 6 after all 5 groups had rotated through they then went on to the high power range to take a few shots at the silhouette targets to 600 meters. And a



shot or 2 at the white buffalo that is at 1200 yards. The rifles used were again from FNH, 308 bull barrel sniper rifles.

On day 7 the women got a chance to fire a full auto belt fed machine gun. This gun was also furnished by FNH.



This was the second year for this event and the turn out is good. Only 50 women per year may attend. This year there were 24

women who had been on the waiting list from last year. I don't know how many were put on the waiting list this year.

They were women from all over the U.S. I know of one from Alaska, one from N.Y. and one from Missouri. The youngest was 29, and the oldest well past 80. They all enjoyed the activities and were eager to learn.

More information can be found on the NRA website under women's programs.



CAMP PERRY 2009 - By Greg Meredith



The National Trophy Rifle Matches were held August 1 – 8 at Camp Perry, OH on the shores of Lake Erie. Several Shooters from the state of Missouri made the Pilgrimage to the Holiest of High Power sites in the Nation. Even with the economy in reflux, the National Matches saw a record number of competitors this year. Even the Missouri Contingent fielded a larger number of shooters than has been seen in over 10 years which included six juniors. We went scrambling up to the last minute for adequate housing. However, after filling truck beds, car trunks and tow along trailers full of gear, we made the trip absent mechanical breakdowns, flat tires, motion sickness to find a restful place to sleep for all.

The week started out with two High Power clinics, one sponsored by the Marine Corps and one sponsored by the CMP. The Marine Corps clinic was primarily a clinic for juniors and four juniors from Missouri participated: Ashley Blevins, Justin Blevins, Charles Jones and Austin Zimmerman. In the two day clinic, they received some valuable advice on position, trigger control, sight alignment and most importantly, live fire practice.

The remainder of the shooters had the opportunity to participate in either the CMP sponsored High Power clinic or shoot in the squadded practice. Some of us including yours truly chose instead to spend as much time and money as I could afford on Commercial Row which is an outlet mall for High Power shooters. As seen throughout the country, there were limited supplies of reloading supplies at Camp Perry as well. What small amount of primers, powder and bullets there were, they were sold out in minutes. I saw 25,000 small rifle primers disappear before my eyes in less than three minutes. Springfield Armory Inc could not bring a single M1A rifle for sale since they had not one in inventory. Nonetheless, there is always great bargains and thing available you never knew you needed till you saw it there.

The week's competition started out with the President's 100. There were a total of 1262 competitors firing on two ranges. Even though there were some good scores shot in difficult conditions, only one Missouri shooter was able to break into the top 100. Jeff Lindblom from Rocheport shot a 286-5X to finish 51st overall. This was his second time to make the President's 100. Congratulations, Jeff! Also notable was Chris Calumpong from Rayville who shot a 282-2X to finish 11th of all junior shooters in the event.

The second event of the week was the National Trophy Individual Match which was a 500 point match. The top 10% of the shooters earn LEG points toward their Distinguished Rifleman's badge. There were 1202 competitors shooting in the event. Noteworthy scores included a 484-8X by Jeff Linblom and 483-14X by Greg Meredith who had both already received their distinguished badges. Jeff and Greg finished 49th and 53rd respectively in the event. Lt. Scott Young of Columbia shot a 483-12X to finish 57th overall. For this effort Lt. Young also was awarded the top Law Enforcement Trophy at the National Trophy Matches. He was not allowed to bring the traveling trophy home, but will have his name engraved forever on the trophy located at the National Matches. We all expect to see his name on the trophy many times over. Too bad he waited till mid life to start shooting high power competitively. In addition to Scott's accomplishments, we saw fellow Missourian, Larry Ailor of St. Louis finish out his requirements for a distinguished badge at Camp Perry. Larry shot a 475-10X to finish 147th overall. This gave him the necessary 30 aggregate points to receive his Distinguished Rifleman's badge on stage during the awards assembly. Larry joined both Lt. Scott Young and Frank Harles of Blue Springs on stage



Lt. Scott Young standing next to the Law Enforcement trophy



to receive their badges. Both Lt. Young and Harles completed their distinguished badge requirements earlier in the summer, however, were able to receive proper recognition during the awards ceremony.

Following the two individual events of the week, the juniors had their special day on Wednesday during the National Trophy Junior Team Match. This was the first year the two person event was shot in place of the Whistler Boy event which moved to a date during the NRA matches. Junior shooters from Missouri comprised three teams this year.

The teams were comprised of:

Ashley Blevins/Jessie Johnson - coached by Steve Satern

Justin Blevins/Charles Jones – coached by Scott Young

Christopher Calumpong/Austin Zimmerman – coached by Steve Finnell

Calumpong/Zimmerman took highest honors by shooting a 920-9X and finishing 16th overall. Blevins/Jones shot an 857-8X and finished 55th. Blevins/Johnson shot a 798-5X to finish 70th.



Newly distinguished Riflemen: Frank Harles, Lt. Scott Young, Larry Ailor, Sgt. Emily Windmassinger USMC

The final event of the week involved the National Trophy Team match which includes 6 firing members, one coach and support staff of target puller, scorers, scorer verifiers. The Missouri squad fielded its first 6 person junior team in recent memory. The team of Jessie Johnson, Ashley Blevins, Charles Jones, Justin Blevins, Austin Zimmerman, Christopher Calumpong and coached by Steve Finnell made a great showing for their inaugural debut. The match consists of each firing member shooting a 500 point National Match Course and totaling all scores for the aggregate. The combined score of 2600-32X earned the team a 43rd place overall including all military and adult civilian teams. This score placed them 16th of all junior teams in the event. It was a good showing for their first time out. And fun was had by all.

Unfortunately, the wonderful week had to come to an end.



Everyone packed up their gear and purchases at Commercial Row and headed for their respective homes. Many of us had to go through weeks of therapy to recover from the bliss of being around so many people who like us, love to shoot. It was intoxicating but already making plans for the trip next year with anticipation.

Shooting News



Missouri Sport Shooting Association

2009 STATE SB CHAMPIONSHIPS

By Harold Miederhoff

The second and fourth weekends of September were the time for the SB state Championships for Prone and 3-P respectively. Both were blessed with excellent conditions for quality shooting and the competitors didn't disappoint. Temperatures were nearly perfect and the breezes were enough to provide a little challenge.

The resident prone championship was won by Garrett Spurgeon from Canton with a score of 3186 out of 3200, which, by the way, is a Master class score. Within 5 points were 3 other resident shooters, two of whom are recent prone champions. This is Garrett's first prone championship. In all likelihood, his presence will be felt for several more years as he has two more years of high school before heading off to college. Kevin Thomas donated 3 bricks of Lapua ammunition which was given to the three highest scoring juniors. They were Garrett Spurgeon, Clayton Hinton, and Aaron Kesinger. In all there were 8 junior shooters out of the 23 total competitors. It should be noted that the overall winner of the match was David Mayfield from Arkansas with an excellent score of 3194.

The resident 3-P championship was also won by Garrett. He was also overall match winner with a score of 2261 out of 2400. This, again, is a master class score. For iron sights, Garrett set or tied 2 range records. This is the second 3-P championship for Garrett. To have won 3 open shooting championships before turning 16 years of age is a feat that has no precedent in Missouri. I have been around rifle competitions for about 40 years and don't recall a junior winning more than one open championship.

As a side note, Garrett also was the high scoring competitor at the Missouri 4-H shooting championship on the weekend between the above championships.

MSSA JUNIOR DIRECTOR & EXECUTIVE OFFICER ATTEND 2009 COACH COLLEGE AND CONFERENCE

By John Leinberger

Philip Anderson, MSSA Executive Officer, and John Leinberger MSSA Director for the Junior Program recently attended the 2009 Coach College and Conference. The Conference was sponsored by the Civilian Marksmanship Program, USA Shooting, and the National Rifle Association. The conference was held October 9-10-11, 2009 at the United State Olympic Training Center, Colorado Springs, CO.

This year's conference theme was "Motivation... A Critical Key to Success". The first day of the conference was Discipline Specific Training and the coaches each went to the session that they coach. The sessions were taught by the National and Assistant Coaches for USA SHOOTING. Mark Weeks taught shotgun, David Johnson and resident athletes taught rifle, and Sergey Luzov taught pistol. Philip Anderson attended the pistol sessions and John Leinberger attended the rifle sessions. These sessions were very informative and time was allowed for questions and answers.

The second day of the conference, topics taught, included: Overview – introduction to Motivation concepts, High Performance Concepts: Practice, Sport Psychology: making the "Connection" through Motivation, and the Paralympics program for shooters.

The third and final day of the conference, lectures included Physiotherapy and Training for Shooters, and Mental Toughness.

Following the conference there was a meeting for all the Civilian Marksmanship State Junior Directors. John Leinberger the CMP State Junior Director for Missouri, and Philip Anderson attended this meeting. Topics that were discussed included the CMP Summer Camps for 3 Position Air Rifle.

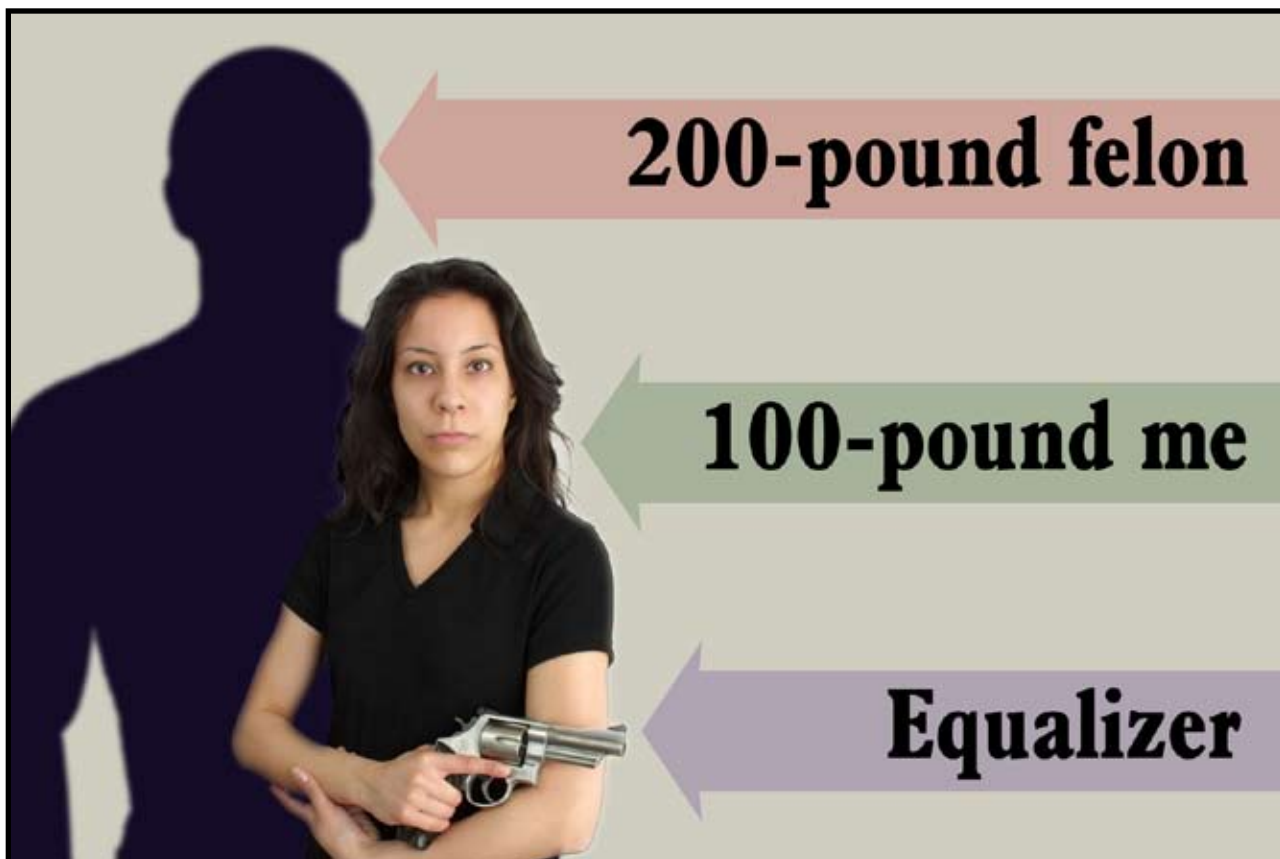
And in other News...

It was recently reported on MissouriCarry.com that an Illinois town called Oak Park is now going to begin issuing whistles to its citizens for self defense. An article providing the details was published on a website called Examiner.com.

According to the website article; “In a move that promises to deter the town’s notorious armed robbers as thoroughly as loud car alarms deter car thieves, Oak Park police officers waited for returning commuters on train platforms and gave out **small whistles** engraved with the name of the program’s corporate sponsor. Oak Park officials say the whistles will help residents deal with the increasing incidence of armed robbery and street crime in the handgun-free town by allowing them to summon help, if not actually do anything in their own defense.”

Of course the law abiding gun owners from MissouriCarry.com had plenty to say about the whistle giveaway. Here are some of their responses.

1. Do those whistles come in various calibers?
2. What is their muzzle velocity? Are they teflon-coated?
3. I really don’t mind the idea of handing out whistles.....just wished that they were tethered to a Glock!!!!!!!!!!
4. What kills me is that these are apparently the product of “liberal” policies, and liberals will be the first to tell you that they respect the equality of women, etc., etc. However, they obviously don’t trust them to be able to use a firearm to defend themselves? Hypocrisy much?
5. Anyone make IWB holsters for said whistles?
6. Small whistles? What are we doing, referreeing a sporting event?
7. OMG! What happens if someone chokes on said small whistle? Ban all whistles!
8. Illi-noise. How stupid.
9. I think they should’ve issued turkey calls. Then all the idiots that sponsor this stupidity would come running every time someone’s being attacked.
10. How long til they start regulating evil black assault whistles?





TIME TO RENEW...?

If your MSSA membership expiration is close, please use the application on the back of this issue and renew now!

Hint: the newsletter envelope's label includes the expiration date in YYMMDD format.

MSSA MEETING NOTICE:

The next MSSA Board of Directors meeting will be held at NOON on **October 17, 2009**, at the Department of Conservation's Runge Nature Center in Jefferson City, Missouri.

All MSSA Members are strongly encouraged to attend.

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MSSA will send a free one-year membership, including our quarterly newsletter, "THE MISSOURI SHOOTER," to any active-duty service member from Missouri. Here's how the free one-year membership works:

- ✓ Be full-time active military duty.
- ✓ Be a current or former Missouri resident, and register Missouri as your state of residence.
- ✓ Be recommended by a current MSSA member, or request your own free 1-year membership.

If you qualify, or know someone who qualifies, just fill out an MSSA membership application, obtainable from either the MSSA website www.MissouriSportShooting.org or from the back of this publication.

Instead of a membership dues check, send a signed note and pledge that you (or they) are active duty military and a current or former Missouri resident and register Missouri as your/their state of residence.

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AD/ARTICLE DEADLINES

Feb 1 • May 1 • Aug 1 • Nov 1

THE MISSOURI SHOOTER newsletter is published quarterly and normally mailed in the first half of the month following a quarterly Board meeting. **DEADLINES:** Articles and advertisements are due by Feb 1, May 1, Aug 1, and Nov 1 for inclusion in that month's publication.

THE MISSOURI SHOOTER is distributed to MSSA members and interested parties free of charge at the discretion of the MSSA Board of Directors for the purpose of the free exchange of ideas, information and education related to gun ownership, shooting, hunting, firearms and related topics. Authors and article sources will be attributed if known. **THE MISSOURI SHOOTER** shall endeavor to print true and factual information and note when facts and figures are not verifiable. Readers are cautioned to corroborate for themselves the validity of any questionable information. Errors or corrections should be submitted in writing and will be printed in the following issue. In no case shall MSSA, its officers or members be liable for any accidental misinformation. In any event, the Editor reserves the right to reject submissions or edit for clarity, length, accuracy, language and appropriateness, and to prevent libel.

MSSA is soliciting true and original shooting, hunting or firearms related articles by members and other interested parties for publication in THE MISSOURI SHOOTER.

Junior members may submit school compositions and reports. We will also publish a range or club's upcoming events, matches, and gun shows. Graphics and photos may be included with your article (image files preferred). Please indicate if you would like photos returned, and we will do our best to do so; however, neither MSSA nor its members shall be liable for loss or damage of submitted materials.

All submissions should include name, address, and phone number so we may contact you regarding questions or editing. Articles may be sent via email as attachments. (Most document types are acceptable: Word, Wordperfect, OpenOffice, AportisDoc, etc., or plain text files.) Send all submissions to be considered for publication to the Editor of **THE MISSOURI SHOOTER**, at the postal or email address provided above.



Liberty Notes

By Kevin L. Jamison

Winter 2009

It is a good day for Liberty.

An attorney with the Missouri Attorney General's Office has claimed that the LTC law only applies to firearms. He is wrong. He answered a citizen's inquiry with an informal opinion. Even so, he is wrong. The LTC exempts the holder from the provisions of Missouri's concealed weapons law. The definition of weapons includes far more than firearms. The law does refer to firearms at one point. This allows us to carry through cities that might have ordinances against open carry of firearms; there is always a chance of a gun being seen.

For Halloween the newspaper asked readers opinions of the scariest movie scene. For me it was a scene in Cabaret. In a beer garden an angelic child with a clear soprano voice sings about the beauty of nature as the camera pans to his Hitler Youth uniform as the song changes to "Tomorrow Belongs To Me." To me that was the scariest of all movie scenes because it was true and remains true. The ideology changes and the uniform changes, the words change, but the song is always "Tomorrow Belongs to Me."

The Star advised continuation of the anti-drug tax, it never having seen a tax it did not support, but advised the police not to raid drug house citing the possible trauma to children. It urged the police to find some other way to enter drug houses but did not indicate what other way might exist.

It is proposed that the Medal of Honor be awarded to Father Emil Kapaun. Father Kapaun was an Army Chaplain during the Korean War. When his unit was surrounded it had to leave the wounded behind in order to break out. Father Kapaun volunteered to remain with the wounded who couldn't run. Although wounded himself he helped the other prisoners. He improvised means to clean their clothes, stole food for the sick and encouraged the men to resist Chinese indoctrination. He became sick himself and the Chinese sent him to the "hospital" from which no man returned. Father Kapaun is also up for Sainthood, there have been some miracles attributed to him. I think he qualifies for both honors.

The Elks organization has a Veterans Leather Program. They ask for deer hides to provide vocational training for veterans and gloves for veterans in wheelchairs.

Future Junior Shooting Dates

January 9-10, 2010. Junior Olympic MO State Qualifier Match for 3 Position Smallbore Rifle, International Air Rifle, and Sport Pistol.

Location: Pioneer Gun Club indoor smallbore rifle and pistol range, Contact: Ed Camp; ECAMP56961@aol.com .

January 16-17, 2010. Junior Olympic MO State Qualifier Match for International Air Pistol.

Location: Owensville, MO. at the 4H Youth Bldg. in the Gasconade County Fair Grounds. Contact Philip Anderson: phil3845@mail.com

For more information on future competitions contact John Leinberger:
coaches02@gmail.com

Anyone with a deer hide to contribute should call Jerry Mullins (816) 322-9555.

Jerry asks only four things,

1. After cleaning, fold the hide in thirds (hair down) then roll tightly.
2. Put into a plastic bag.
3. Put in Freezer.
4. Call Jerry for pickup. The Elks are to be commended for this service, and so is Jerry.

I have been reading, and defending, cases involving drunk with a gun charges. The standard for being drunk is “substantially impaired either mentally or physically” through alcohol or drugs. It does not use the DWI standard of .08% blood alcohol content. However, judges are accustomed to hearing this evidence, and prosecutors are accustomed to putting it on. It has been part of all the cases I have seen since it became a felony. This is interesting because DWI and drunk with a gun measure different standards of impairment. DWI measures the physical ability to control a two ton guided projectile. Intoxicated with a gun measures the judgment to use a firearm. This will be a subject for future litigation.

For some time we have been concerned over the prospects of a Mumbai type terrorist attack in the United States. Now we have had one. Although the authorities insist that the mass murders at Ft. Hood reported to be committed by a person who shares the ideology of the enemy (as distinct from religion) was not a terrorist act. In fact every excuse is being presented for the accused killer by the very government that will prosecute him. The only blame is assigned to us. The anti-gun people are again dancing in the blood of a mass murder. They insist that the blame is on the gun culture, our culture. They say it is the fault of the availability of guns.

The accused killer is said to have pursued the ideology of the enemy and praised suicide bombers on the internet. It beggars belief to claim that he could not have researched the formula for bombs on the internet. Even if there were no guns in private possession, even if he could not get one on the black market, even if he was not issued a military firearm, he wanted to kill. People that strongly motivated find a way. Until the Oklahoma City bombing the biggest mass murders we have suffered were arson attacks. The record is a 1986 hotel arson in Puerto Rico that killed 97 people. Second place goes to a Detroit school in 1958 that killed 92 children and three nuns. Killers kill, terrorists commit acts of terror; they need to do these things, so they find a way.

A new company called Redsky Industries has established itself in the West Bottoms at 1212 W. 8th St 4th floor. See www.redskyindustries.com. They build and sell firearms and accessories. They also have an airgun range. People working downtown can hustle over on their lunch hour with a photo of the boss and work out their frustrations.

A murdered child has been found dumped in the garbage. A TV court commentator has expressed outrage that the defendant will have “right” under the “constitution” to a lawyer. She emphasized the quotation marks around the words “right” and “lawyer.” I am outraged that she questions the right to a lawyer. The right to a lawyer is in the Bill of Rights because it is important. The founders knew how important. We cannot pick and chose the parts of the Constitution we want to enforce; it is a package deal. Vicious crimes of this nature test our adherence to the Constitution and the rule of law. Over a century ago a similar crime was committed. The criminal was caught and lynched by a local mob. A traveling minister volunteered to preach his funeral. He said, “If this man was as crippled in body as he was in his soul, you would have taken him into your homes and cared for him.” We do not take these animals into our homes, but we do give them lawyers to care for them. This is not entirely altruistic; it keeps the prosecutors honest.

The attempt by Customs to expand the definition of switchblades to include “assisted opening” knives has resulted in a new law. The NRA has joined with knife organizations to amend the switchblade law to prevent such an expansion.

Briefs are being filed in the Supreme Court for the City of Chicago Case. This case seeks to expand the Heller decision. That case was limited to ruling that the federal government must respect the Second Amendment as an individual right. The new case seeks to require state and local governments to respect the right as well. The Missouri Sport Shooting Association along with 39 other state associations has contributed to an amicus brief in support of the right. The State Association brief stresses the effect of the Chicago law on Association members in other states. As a transportation hub persons going to competitions on shooting must surrender their right to self-defense at the city limits. It is interesting that even persons who hate the right to own guns assume that we will win this case. The critical question is determining the standard by which we win. We have argued that the Second Amendment is a fundamental right and laws infringing on it must be strictly reviewed. A review by any lower standard runs the risk of courts using a balancing test which upholds a restriction if the government proposes some excuse which seems rational.

We shall overcome.



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We will be happy to print any interesting articles you send us and share your thoughts with the rest of our members at MSSA!

Send any articles via email to

zbauer@missourisportshooting.org

Be sure to put "MSSA Newsletter" in the subject line.



Young Shooters Needed

We are always looking for ways to get youth into sport shooting. If you know a child or grandchild that needs more information on shooting sports, sign them up for a membership for only \$5.

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Official tickets for MSSA raffle drawing. M1 Raffle sponsored by The Missouri Sport Shooting Association and the Civilian Marksmanship Program. Any tickets arriving after drawing date will automatically be entered into the next M1 Raffle. Copies can be made for additional tickets.



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