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From the President

Monday night Work Parties. We need your help. We'll be holding our work parties every Monday night at 6:00 PM through the summer. If everyone comes just one night, we'll get everything done we have planned. The more people who show up, the easier everyone's job will be.

It's a good time to start practicing for the fall small game season. Well, it may be a little early but, it's a great time of the year to get out your shotgun and shoot some Trap. We're still shooting Tuesday mornings at 9:00 and Thursday evenings at 6:00. Give it a try – in fact, bring a friend. The club has a policy that allows a non-member to shoot Trap 3 times before having to join the club. It's a great way to introduce new shooters to our club and the great sport of Trap Shooting.

Action pistol shooting is held every month on the 1st, 4th and 5th Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm. There is no better way to get some great practical experience with your handgun. All you need is an out of the box handgun, a belt holster, and a mag pouch. Stop by and check it out – it will only take one try to get hooked. The club's policy of allowing non-members to shoot Action pistol is the same as Trap.

This policy of non-members shooting does not apply to rifle, pistol or archery range shooting.

See you at the club, Jim Bambu

L.V.P.R.L

Chuck Adams - 610.252.3169

We are half way through our season. It is time to check your scores and make sure you will finish and be

eligible for your free banquet ticket. Scores are in the league score book and are available in the lobby on league nights.

It is becoming harder to find components for reloading. If you are out and find a spot that has a good supply let us know and we will announce it on Wednesdays and post it on the league bulletin board.

Camp Perry is around the corner. If you are going out to Ohio let us know and we will supply you with a league shirt. It would be great to have a few league members compete.

Now is the most comfortable time to shoot. Get your scores in and have a night out with your league. Hope to see you here!

Shoot Safe,
Chuck Adams, President, L.V.P.R.L

Committee Reports

• Don Jenny shared that HSA will be sponsoring two youths to attend the Conservation School again this year. The dates are July 19th to the 26th. A Women in the Outdoors program is being held at Ontalinee Rod and Gun Club on Saturday June 13th.

The Al Stair memorial fishing tournament was held on Saturday, May 16th with 81 kids attending. Junior Archers will begin on Monday September 14th.

• Susan Piscator read a letter of appreciation from Boy Scout troop 131 of Wescosville for the educational and enjoyable night that the boys had trap shooting on April 28th.

• Glenn Hoffert and Barry Doster reported Family Night Archery's first night will be Thursday June 18th. Time will be 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Everyone is welcome, but remember there will be beginners and kids.

Cost will be \$3.00 for adults and kids are free. Starting August 12th and ending September 30th, every Wednesday we will be having 3D outdoor archery courses, time will be from 6:00 pm until dark. As always Adult members pay \$3.00, Adult non members pay \$4.00, and kids shoot free.

• Paul Piscator stated all of his scheduled courses are currently filled but NRA Basic Pistol Courses are available.

A Special Thanks

Brock & Justine Williams would like to thank all the volunteers below that came out to help with the Al Stair Memorial Fishing Tournament for Kids.

• Don Jenny, Jonathan Jenny, Tiffany Snyder, Bob Weikert, & Gabby Hartnett for helping to stock fish, set up & clean up.

• Jim Kruge for watching the steam overnight & for use of the "starting" cannon!

• Rich Fenner, Don Jenny, Jonathan Jenny, & Rob Price for superior netting skills & making sure all kids caught a fish.

• Lynda Price for being our gourmet breakfast & lunch chef!

• Darlene Jenny, Tiffany Snyder, & Niki Williams for help with registration, fish weigh-ins, & clean up.

• Valerie & Blair Ferguson for taking pictures & selling our raffle tickets & t-shirts

This great day for kids just wouldn't have been possible with out everyone's extraordinary support & donation of their time!!! Thanks a million, we truly appreciated your help to make such a great day happen for kids & we look forward to next year!!!

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Range Hours and Rules

9:00 AM – 9:00 PM Every Day

Use of Ranges Limited to
Members Only

When using any of our outdoor ranges you must have your membership card visible.

Due to insurance requirements and liability issues guests are not permitted to use the facilities except for organized events.

Members who permit guests to use the ranges will immediately lose their membership for a minimum of one year. *Guests may observe but under no circumstance may participate or take an active role in use of the ranges.*

USE PAPER TARGETS ONLY

After shooting, please take off all used targets and pick up your spent brass.

Observe all club/gun safety rules printed on the back of your membership card and also posted at the ranges. You will lose your membership privileges for not obeying the rules.

Calendar of Events

Monthly Membership Meeting
Third Tuesday of every month 7:30 PM

Action Pistol

1st, 4th, & 5th Tuesday - 6:00 PM
Ken Ortbach 908.310.2079

L.V.P.R.L. Bullseye

Wednesdays 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Chuck Adams 610.352.3169

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Wednesdays 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
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Mondays 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
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Trap Shooting

Tuesdays 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Thursdays 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Rich Geyer 610.838.8908

2009 Firearms Training Schedule

Introduction to the Handgun
(One day program)

Saturday, June 13, 2009

Sunday, October 25, 2009

NRA Basic Pistol Shooting Course
(One day program)

Saturday, June 27, 2009

Concealed Carry Level I
(Day and half program)

Sunday, July 19 & 26, 2009

Saturday, November, 14 & 21, 2009

Concealed Carry Level II
(Two day program)

Sunday, December 6 & 13, 2009

Private instruction is available.

For further information on these courses and other programs available, please contact Paul Piscator, S&W Certified Instructor at 610.847.5396 or padona@epix.net

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Geyer's Corner
Richard Geyer

If you ever get sick and tired of some of the real junk they have on TV (and there is plenty) perhaps you'd be interested in reading some really great stuff from one of our GREATEST PRESIDENTS... Theodore Roosevelt. One rather short edition is "RANCH LIFE AND THE HUNTING TRAIL," which I have before me in soft cover. Oh, to have a guy like him just now. Anyway, one particular paragraph had me reading... and re-reading the same words over again. It may be a month since Mother's Day... but let's call this a late tribute to them all.

"There is an old and true border saying that the frontier is hard on women and cattle. There are some striking exceptions; but as a rule the grinding toil and hardship's of a life passed in the wilderness, or on its outskirts, drive the beauty and bloom from a woman's face long before her youth has left her. By the time she is a mother she is sinewy and angular, with thin compressed lips and furrowed, sallow brow. But she has a hundred qualities that atone for the grace she lacks. She is a good mother and a hard working housewife, always putting things to rights, washing and cooking for her stalwart spouse and children. She is faithful to her husband and, like the true American that she is, exacts faithfulness in return. Peril cannot daunt her, nor hardship and poverty appall her. Whether on the mountains in a log hut chinked with moss, in a sod or adobe hovel on the desolate, prairie, or in a mere temporary camp, where the white topped wagons have been drawn up in a protection giving circle near some spring; she is equally at home. Clad in a dingy gown and a hideous sunbonnet she goes bravely about her work, resolute, silent, and uncomplaining."

If there was ever a president... or an individual who has gained a grand following... a no BS rancher... writer... student of nature, or one who has done more to preserve our grand outdoors... let me hear about him!

Today I attended the funeral of my wife's brother-in-law, Warren L. Laubach. I would like to comment favorably on the military funeral arrangements that were there today. John Meka and the firing squad were well appreciated... and the bugler... was OUTSTANDING!! My personal thanks and admiration to the entire group!

Improvements... Improvements...! You may well ask "Where does my donation money go? Look around... again! Take a gander at the nifty planned macadam area just behind the 100 yard benches to make it more convenient for the 'bench shooters.' Again, a huge "thank you" to Mark Walters and company!

Farmer Brown and his wife had invited the local minister to a fine Sunday chicken dinner. After the meal, the minister was admiring the farmer's flock of chickens. "That's a fine proud lookin' rooster you have there." Farmer says: "He should be proud one of his sons just entered the ministry!"

Throughout the summer of 1908, Hammerstein's Victoria Theatre on Broadway featured an exhibition during intermission, a woman called "SOBER SUE" and they offered \$1,000.00 in cash to anyone who could make her laugh. Her agent alone knew that she couldn't even smile... because her facial muscles were paralyzed. To stimulate interest in this added attraction, the house challenged New York's leading comedians to make Sue chuckle. As a result, they accepted, each being certain of their ability and eager for the publicity and prestige. Sue's act was a great success before realizing that they had been tricked into giving away hundreds of dollars of their valuable talent.

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**All Outdoor Ranges Closed
Every Monday Evening
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
During Work Parties**

**Rifle Range Closed
Every Tuesday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Every Thursday 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
During Trap Shooting Sessions**

**All Outdoor Ranges Closed
Every Wednesday Evening
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
During 3D Archery Sessions**

Closed for Special Activities

**All Outdoor Ranges Closed
Saturday October 10th.
8:00 am - 7:00 pm
During Cub Scout Activities**

Please direct all requests for special activities to the HSA Board of Directors so the facilities can be made safe with closings if necessary and the posting of the event in the newsletter.

Training Opportunities Scheduled

HSA will host a National Rifle Association Basic Pistol Shooting Course on June 27, September 19, December 5, 2009. Contact John Meka - 610.865.6309 or email: jmeka@verizon.net.

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