



# HSA News



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## From the President

I would like to thank all of the members who gave me their support and elected me for my 14th term as president. It's nice to know that our members feel that I'm doing a good job in managing the club. But remember it's not all my doing. I would like to thank all of the other officers, the board of directors and many dedicated members for their hard work. There is a lot of behind-the-scenes work that goes into the club's operation and they have always come through as needed.

Plan to come to our February meeting. We will be appointing our 2010 committees and delegates. It's your chance to help out your club while making some new friends. We are trying to fill a few positions for the upcoming year. We need help on the following committees: House & Grounds, Special Activities, and the Kitchen Committee. None of these take up a lot of time and the club could really use your help.

Remember to mark your calendars for our annual Spring Ham Shoot on March 28<sup>th</sup>. We are looking forward to a fun afternoon. As usual, there will be block shoots, wheel spins, splash boards, our spring cash raffle, and our silent auction to keep the excitement going all day. Stop by the club or contact any board member if you need additional raffle tickets. Don't forget to check out our new web site at:

[www.hellertownsportsmen.com](http://www.hellertownsportsmen.com)

I would like to thank Jason Schafer for his efforts redesigning the site.

John Meka will be lending a hand to Susan Keogh in keeping our new site up to date. Please send your ideas for additional improvements to the webmaster.

See you at the club,  
Jim Bambu

## L.V.P.R.L

Chuck Adams - 610.252.3169

Thank you everyone for coming to the 73<sup>rd</sup> year of continuous Bullseye Shooting. Members that did not sign up yet, can still join for the .22 cal, Center Fire, and Team Scores. Thank Bill Lambert for sitting at the desk to have people sign up for the new 2010 Season. You can renew your NRA membership with the League. Talk to Bill Books on Wednesday night for more information. Indoor work party will be scheduled soon, look in the Range Lobby for the date.

Shoot Safe....Chuck Adams

## Archery

Barry Doster - 610.248.0651

An information meeting was held on February 5th regarding the start up of an Archery league on Friday nights that will begin on February 19th in addition to the current Wednesday night league.

We now have open indoor Archery on Monday mornings in the clubhouse from 9am to 12noon as well as on Monday evenings at 8pm after Junior Archery. Cost to practice is \$5.00 for 3 hrs. Questions - call Lou Bove at 610.393.0073

## 2010 Membership Renewals

Blair Ferguson - 610.438.8885

The 2010 membership cards are available now at the monthly membership meetings, the Spring Ham Shoot or by mail.

Senior renewals are \$25.00

Spouse & Junior renewals are \$ 7.00

**RENEW NOW TO AVOID THE INITIATION FEE FOR RE-INSTATEMENT**

## Hunter Education

Don Jenny - 610.691.1903

Saturday March 13th from 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM and Sunday March 14th from 7:30 AM to 12:00 PM - both sessions in the main clubhouse. Anyone interested must sign up on the PA Game Commission's web-site.

The Jr. Archery Tournament will be held on Saturday February 27th from 7:30 AM to 2:00 PM in both buildings.

Mike Topping and Don Jenny are looking for kids ages 14-17 for this years Jr. Conservation school to be held in July.

## Geyer's Corner

Richard Geyer

Last portion of December Newsletter... Paul always has last word... *he's my Editor...* Had a line about the mind reader giving me *all my money back. It wasn't me!* He has me confused with Scheier!! (Oh No I didn't Mr. Geyer!) I've had more darn problems with cops, game wardens and young girls because of the

*Please see Geyer p.3*

## Board of Directors

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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

### Hellertown Archers

Wednesdays 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM  
Dave Schweisgut 610.838.0723  
Leon Deleon 610.868.8745

### Jr. Archers

Mondays 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM  
Don Jenny 610.691.1903

### Trap Shooting

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

## 2010

## Firearms Training Schedule

### Concealed Carry Level I

(One and a Half Day program)  
Saturday, March 6 & 7, 2010

Sunday, June 6 & 13, 2010

Saturday, September 18 & 25, 2010

### Concealed Carry Level II

(Two day program)

Saturday, May 15 & 22, 2010

Saturday, July 17 & 24, 2010

### NRA Basic Pistol Shooting Course

(One day program)

Saturday, March 20, 2010

Saturday, June 12, 2010

Saturday, September 11, 2010

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](mailto:padona@epix.net)

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## Lehigh Valley Project 9-12

### Monthly Meeting

1st Friday of Every Month at 7:00 PM  
Charles Chrin Community Center

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Geyer's Corner cont...

mix-up in our names. And another thing, he always seems to take out all the funny stuff and *speels funni* too.

February issue of *Shooting Times* had a long and detailed article with many many shotgun shots fired at various ranges and of course much discussion about chokes. Bottom line... end conclusion, they said the very same thing John Delre and I have been preaching for new shooters.... MODIFIED IS JUST FINE. Now, I will also add that *full choke* is also fine... When you smack 'em with full choke and see an occasional puffball... You know you are 'on' and I'm just as sure that now and then the full choke misses by a little bit...*however, when you shooting a fairly 'open' choke and keep chipping away* and not really breaking the target the way you like.. You begin to wonder *what am I doing?* And so the wonderful mystery of the trap game continues... But you won't go wrong with modified.

As I had planned and promised to put on an actual bullet casting demonstration during the Annual Turkey Shoot held at the club. It all worked out well, it was agreed that Jim Bambu would supply the lead ingots and we would go "*halfies*" on the bullets, HSA would supply the electricity. Since it was necessarily outside Jim Kruge came through with another grand idea for me... he set up a few stacks of clay birds for wind protection and all was goin well... I had cast from Jim's material some time before and found the stuff to be just fine to work with. However, after perhaps a half-hour I began to start feeling a little giddy as they say... a bit longer and I didn't know if I was making shad darts or .45 bullets. Then.... then it dawned on me... I began to detect strong traces of fumes from Jack Daniels and Peach Schnapps! It didn't take a Columbo or Mr. Monk then, to recall that this batch of ingots was made up one Saturday with the help of John Bauman. Figgers.

Chuck Adams didn't mention that the Adams family now has the distinction of being the first THREE GENERATION OF LEHIGH VALLEY LEAGUE MEMBERS!! ALSO... ALSO first FATHER and SON LIFE MEMBERS!!! And they work at it... and deserve it. *Our Congratulations!*

Pat Chontafalsky did another amazing job on that latest annual donated AFGHAN! You really should have seen it... all white... maybe a dozen squares with small puffs of white wool in each 'block.' Now I know this is being presumptuous... and I also know that there will be a time when this grand donation will end... but... in all fairness... I had a plan and it was accepted... IF... IF there is another one donated to the league... I'd like to see more exposure of these grand works of art so... it was agreed that again... if and when... there is another... it will be displayed at our HSA Fall Shoot... with a special raffle section.

Gad, I can't imagine how many miles of wool she has had slipped through her nimble fingers... *Thanks Sooo Much Pat!*

If you live near the beach, and you just got a dog for Christmas... you could call him 'Sandy Claws.'

The latest news is that the famous Tiger Woods will not be playing in some highly publicized tournament... hey, I'll betcha if Geyer doesn't show up for the PA STATE TRAP SHOOT.... they will still hold it!!

*Please see Geyer p.4*

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Geyer's Corner cont...

The famous boxer of Sweden, Ingemar Johanson died this year... knocked Floyd Patterson down seven times before the referee stopped the fight. But Floyd didn't give up... later he won with two rematches with Ingemar, both with knockouts... late in his career a snide reporter asked him "So, Floyd, what's it like to be knocked down the most times?" Floyd simply said: "Pretty good, because I'm also the heavyweight champion who got up the most times"

*Would the boy you were, be proud of the man you are?*

If you aren't aware of it... we have a member with the determination most desirable for various projects regarding club activities. Valerie Ferguson could be compared, favorably, with A two legged Bull Dog. When she sets her mind on a project... it will get done... husband Blair has readily admitted... with some "Yeah, tell me about it" attitude. Shirts, signs... you give her a project that she believes in... it's DONE!

### Help Support Our Troops

Donate your outdoors' magazines such as American Rifleman, Field & Stream, Outdoor Life, Popular Mechanics, Hiking, etc. (no Playboy) to be sent to our troops. There is a green bin inside the club house where you can deposit any pre-read or new magazines Also feel free to donate any other items of need listed on a flyer attached to the bin. These will be shipped to servicemen & women deployed overseas who are from the Lehigh Valley.

Any questions contact Valerie @ 610.438.8885

### Club and Range Closings

*Obey All Posted Signs  
During Special Events & Activities*

#### Regular Ongoing Closings

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

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# Spring Ham Shoot

Block Shoot for  
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