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All Members – JANUARY 24 – Be There!

## MSSA Members Meeting & Awards Dinner

BY ZAC BAUER

It's that time of year again to make plans to attend the annual MSSA meeting and dinner event. Over the last few years we've had great turnout, and it's always fun to socialize with like-minded sport shooters and those who honor the importance of the 2nd Amendment.

Both events will be held January 24. Like in years past, the members meeting will start at 2 p.m. and will be culminated by Board elections. After a short break of socializing and solving of the world's problems, we will then enjoy a wonderful dinner and awards program at 6 p.m. Like last year, the meeting and dinner will be held at the Disabled American Veterans Hall (of which I'm a life member) in Jefferson City.

Dinner this year I'm sure will be great as in years past. Plan on fried chicken, roast beef, mashed potatoes, vegetables, and a desert. Like always, there will be a great selection of fine door prizes to give away to some lucky folks to come home with. (A special thanks to Michael Meyer, our primary "go to" guy for soliciting door prizes, who manages to surprise us every year with a fantastic collection of items.)

Dinner price will be \$15, but all the fun and fellowship with shooting buddies will be free of charge!

So be sure to make plans now to attend one or both of these once-a-year events. See what MSSA is doing and planning for the future of Missouri Shooting Sports. It's always a fun time when we get to meet the members who make the organization work, and we rely heavily on *your* input for what we do.

Also be sure to bring your membership card so you can participate in the elections. If you would like to run for a position on the Board, please show up! We are always looking for people willing to help make the shooting sports a success in Missouri.

We need a good estimate for the caterer of how many to expect for dinner, so get those reservations in! To attend the dinner, send us your name and the names of any guests, along with \$15 per person, to:

MSSA  
P.O. Box 10170  
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# The President's Podium

*Kevin L. Jamison, MSSA President*

## Eighty Years

The Missouri Sport Shooting Association was founded on 20 September, 1928. We have just completed eighty years of service to Missouri. At the annual dinner on 24 January, 2009, I am assured there will be a cake with 80 candles. I am promised an entertaining method of blowing out the candles.



It has been a long eighty years. I have a July, 1931 American Rifleman magazine account of "The Fifth Annual Missouri State Matches" put on by the Missouri State Rifle and Pistol Association, the original name of our Association. I cannot account for the fifth annual match being held only three years after we were founded, but perhaps that provides a subject for another column. A total of 237 shooters participated in forty events, including a machine gun match. The National Guard was represented by eight teams, the American Legion by four. High schools and colleges contributed teams, including "girls teams" for the Women's Division. It was a successful event, and we did it.

I have a bumper sticker "Celebrating 50 Years of Hunter Education 1957-2007". A million hunters have gone through this program, and we did it. A tax on the sale of guns and ammunition funds the Missouri Department of Conservation and wildlife conservation, and we did it. Individual Missourians have honed their skills for the Olympics, for scholarships, and for their own amusement, and we did it.

Of course, we have not done these things alone. Other groups and clubs have contributed. We are justly proud of our contribution. We have done these things through individual members. Recently, John Leinberger and Tim Oliver provided air rifle instruction to a group of Cub Scouts. There were no trophies, rankings or champions, just a morning's fun. A new generation discovered that shooting is fun, and the parents found that it did not turn their Scouts into psychopaths. These Scouts will start the next eighty years of MSSA. In eighty years, someone else will be writing this column; however, with clean living and the family genes, I might see our 100th year. I look forward to our 100th annual dinner. I will not be president then, not if I have anything to say about it.

### MSSA MISSION STATEMENT

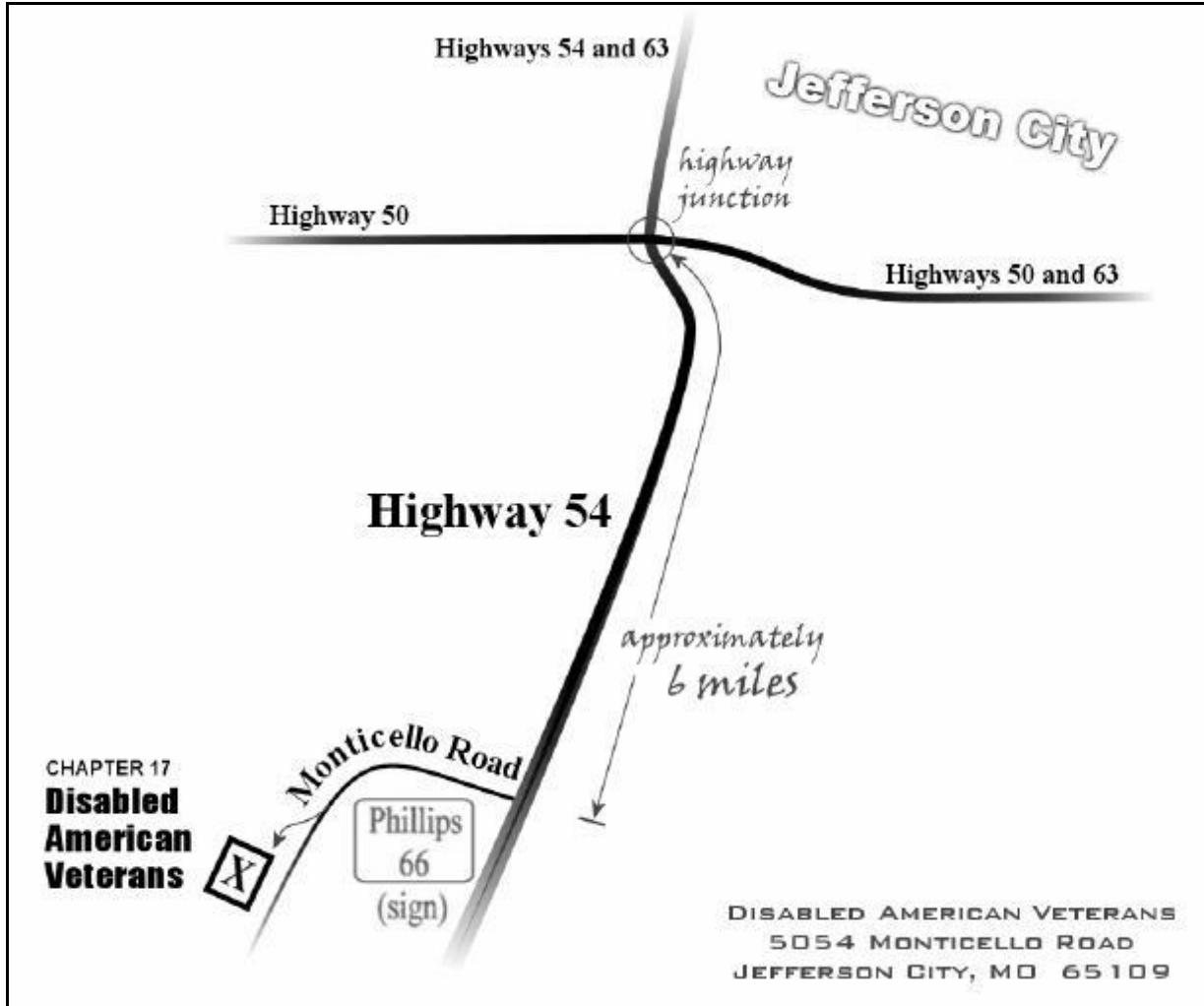
The Mission of the MSSA is to protect and preserve the shooting sports at the state level. MSSA will promote and improve the shooting sports by sponsoring marksmanship training and competitions throughout the state of Missouri. MSSA will work for the rights of the gun owner, shooter, collector, hunter, archer, black powder enthusiast, and trapper. MSSA will support the free exchange of ideas, information and education related to gun ownership, shooting, hunting, firearms and related topics.

# January 24, 2009

MSSA ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING – 2:00 PM

MSSA AWARDS DINNER – 6:00 PM

Both events will be at the DAV (Disabled American Veterans building) in Jefferson City.



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# *Letter from the Editor*

Greetings Fellow MSSA Members,

Well, this newsletter is not only late, but I failed to get the third quarter's newsletter out entirely. I have no excuse except that I've been swamped. (Boy, but I do sorely miss Ms. Sheila!) Normally, wintertime helps in that I have more free time to devote to volunteer activities; but, so far, no luck. My sincere apologies to everyone. Now, I am working on a resolution to the problem with another Board member who has good past experience doing newsletters; he seems amenable to switching out volunteer duties. We plan to talk it over at the Annual Meeting. I've high hopes that everything will work out well.

On to other matters: The national election did not exactly produce good results for gun owners or the pro-gun-rights community. Worse, *everything points to this being an historical time period of dramatic changes*. We're really going to have to be extra vigilant and stay on top of national legislative issues to not lose any more Second Amendment ground. It's *vitaly* important that we strengthen pro-gun-rights activist groups like the NRA. If you're not a member of the NRA, join them, and encourage friends, family, and co-workers to do the same. NRA members are the strength behind the NRA's political voice and clout. *Most* important – and I can't emphasize this enough – if you get a Legislative Alert requesting you contact your legislator on a critical issue, be *sure* to make that call or write that letter!

The news is better locally. In Missouri, we appear to have gained two pro-gun seats in the Legislature; however, no doubt there will be new political pressures brought to bear on our allies there in the next few years, so we also need to stay in contact with State senators and reps when issues do arise. Of course, numbers matter at the local level as well, so a strong MSSA membership is more important than ever. Renew your MSSA membership, and help us grow our organization, too.

Just about everyone's noticed an increase in Missouri concealed-carry applications of late – to be expected given the national political situation – which is a Good Thing! The more law-abiding citizens with ccw permits, the better our political leverage. For this reason, even if you're *not* particularly inclined to carry, you *should* consider getting a ccw permit. Too, you never know, you might want to have that option available to you *someday* – when you wouldn't then have to wait until after you finished an 8-hr course, applied for the permit, gone through the background check, and stood in line at DOR to get the license. (Hey, just the *approval* process can take up to 45 days!)

Finally, buy up those raffle tickets! ALL proceeds go to the Junior Programs – programs which help to instill that deep appreciation of the Second Amendment into our *next* generation, along with, of course, a love for shooting sports. Tickets are included on back of this newsletter... but you can also go get more at the MSSA website: [www.MissouriSportShooting.org](http://www.MissouriSportShooting.org) The drawing will be at the Awards Dinner; hope to see you there!

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# MSSA/NRA JUNIOR SMALLBORE CAMPS 2008

BY JOHN LEINBERGER

The Missouri Sport Shooting Association sponsored two NRA Junior Competitive 3-Position Smallbore Rifle Camps at the Bucksnort Gun Club rifle range near Marshall, MO. The camps were held June 19,20,21 and 22 and July 10, 11, 12, and 13, 2008 with 21 juniors attending the camps.

Junior shooters were coached individually and attended classroom instruction including firearm and range safety, the fundamentals of shooting (dominant eye, sight alignment, sight picture, aiming, breathing, trigger control, natural point of aim, and follow through. Each position was explained and demonstrated and then coached on the line. Practice matches were also held.

Junior Shooters in the first camp were: Clayton Hinton, Aaron Kesinger, Aaron Starbuck, Tanner Ginter, Brian Grinter, Ben Bellamy, Toni Marie Johnson, Aaron Brown, Lucas Moore, Ethan Carder, Kenneth Butler, Zack Painter, Hawk Harris, Garrett Spurgeon, and Christine Manhart.

Staff for the first camp were: Sheryl Teeters, Harold Miederhoff, John Leinberger, Missy Manhart, Phil Anderson, Paul Villmer, and George Hamilton.

Junior Shooters in the second camp were: Jacob Angell, Bendan Wren, Cale Suppes, Alyssa Manhart, Nicholas Manhart, and Jesse Erin Johnson.

Staff for the second camp were: Harold Miederhoff, John Leinberger, Kurt Schinze, Christine Manhart, and Don Angell.

The Juniors were very attentive at the camps and the camps were very successful. Each junior showed much improvement during the camps.

Each camp was culminated with an NRA Approved Match and an Awards

Ceremony.

As MSSA Director for Junior Programs, I thank MSSA, all the volunteers that helped with the camps, and all the parents for bringing their junior shooters to the camp.



# CAMP PERRY 2008

## by John Teachey

This year at the National Rifle Matches was a very successful one for the MSSA. We had some folks shooting some great scores, and several individuals accomplished incredible feats of marksmanship that would make anyone proud.

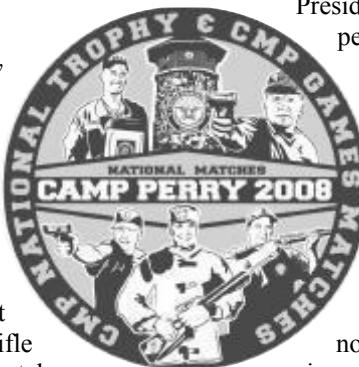
In late July, several Missouri shooters packed their gear and headed north to Ohio to once again prove that the Show Me State can shoot with the best in the nation. The MSSA Junior Rifle Team took four members this year, the most we've taken to the national matches in quite a while. If all goes well, we may double that for the 2009 National Matches! We all wait the entire year to go to Camp Perry, and every round put down range in Missouri is preparation for the shooting in Ohio.

### The President's Hundred

The week starts off with the President's Rifle Match. The top 100 shooters in this match are awarded the President's Hundred medal for their accomplishment. Now, I know 100 shooters sounds like an awful lot of folks, but you have to keep in mind that this determines the top 100 shooters in the entire country!

Well, when the smoke settled and the firing line went cold, three Missouri residents had made the Presidents Hundred. Cpl. Kyle Hoelscher from Holt's Summit, Missouri shot a 288-5X out of a possible 300-30X to take 58th. Cpl. Hoelscher is a member of the Marine Corps Rifle Team stationed out of Quantico, VA. I

was able to minimize my mistakes, prevent my brain from getting in the way of my shooting, and turned a 290-10X to take 28th in the Presidents Match this year. Without a doubt, the best performance of the President's Match by a Missouri resident belonged to Greg Meredith of Jefferson City. On top of being nothing but a true gentleman, Greg is one of the finest shooters I know. Greg has been trying to make the President's Hundred since 2002, but the award had illuded him until this year. Greg shot an impressive 290-5X with his Springfield M1A to take 36th overall in the country. We're not 100% certain, but everything we've seen leads us to believe that Greg was the high shooter with an M1A in the entire match. The MSSA Junior Team had an impressive showing in this year's President's Match. Christopher Calumpong was 25th in the Junior rankings with a 281-0X. Kenny Jewell was 75th, Austin Zimmerman was 172nd and Charles Jones was 190th out more than 200 Juniors in the match. The boys did very well this year, especially considering that Charles and Austin were new shooters this year. Congratulations to all the Missouri Shooters that made the



President's Hundred and to the Juniors for having a fine performance this year.

### National Trophy Individual

The next match of the week was the National Trophy Individual. The top 10% of the non-distinguished shooters in the match would earn EIC points towards their Distinguished Rifleman's Badge. For those not familiar with the Distinguished Rifleman Badge, it is one of (if not the most) prestigious awards that will ever be given to an American Rifleman. We had several Show Me riflemen earn points this year, and we had two of our own earn their Distinguished Rifleman Badge this year. Lt. Scott Young of the Columbia Police Department finished 124th with a score of 479-9X out of a possible 500-50X to take a silver medal and earn 10 more points towards his badge. Scott now has 14 of the 30 points required for his badge. Frank Harles shot a 476-10X, earning a silver medal and 10 points towards his badge. Frank has 20 points now, meaning that he could go distinguished in the next EIC match he shoots. We'll all be pulling for you Frank! MSSA Junior Christopher Calumpong of Rayville shot a 475-5X for a Bronze Medal, and Alex Belt of Jefferson City shot a 483-12x to take a Gold Medal. In addition to their medals and

the 10 points for making the cut, both Christopher and Alex earned the final points they needed to get their Distinguished Rifleman Badges. Congratulations to both Christopher and Alex for their fine accomplishment, both of you should be very proud of your shooting. I'd like to note that Christopher earned his badge at

the ripe ole' age of 14! That's right, there are grown adults out there that would trade all their riches for a Distinguished Rifleman's Badge, and Christopher does it at 14 without breaking a sweat. What he did is nothing short of amazing. Alex is a few years older than Chris, but he's been shooting about the same amount of time. There are several shooters here in Missouri that are happy to see Alex finish up so that they don't have to compete with him for points any more. Both of these shooters have done something that only a very small portion of society will ever accomplish. Be sure to congratulate them the next time you see them at the range.

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to go to Camp Perry, and every round  
put down range in Missouri  
is preparation for the shooting in Ohio.*

### Whistler Boy Rifle Match

The next match of the Nationals is by far the best of them all. It showcases what we have to look forward to in the shooting sports. The Whistler Boy Rifle Match is a 2-Man match open only to Junior shooters. It is incredible to watch these kids and see what they're capable of. The MSSA had an outstanding

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showing this year, with two teams competing in the match. The MSSA Gold Team consisted of shooters Christopher Calumpong and Kenny Jewell, and they were coached by SSgt. James Hicks of the Marine Corps Rifle Team. They fired a 938-26X out of a possible 1000-100X to take 14<sup>th</sup> overall and earn a Whistler Boy Medal. The MSSA Silver Team featured shooters Charles Jones and Austin Zimmerman and they were coached by Missouri's own Steve Finnell. The Silver Team finished 66<sup>th</sup> out of 92 teams with an 852-6X, a very impressive score for two new shooters. If Austin and Charles keep progressing like they are, Christopher and Kenny had better be on their toes next year! Congratulations to the boys for their outstanding shooting, and I would like to express my gratitude to SSgt. Hicks and Steve Finnell for an outstanding job of coaching. They both pushed the boys to shoot their best and they should be proud for what they did to help preserve our shooting sports.



**MSSA Jr. Rifle Team** headed back from the firing line  
after the Whistler Boy Rifle Match

## For More Information

Unfortunately, I can't cover everything that happened at the National Matches in this article. After the Whistler Boy, there were many, many more days of shooting, but I simply don't have the room in the article to talk about it! To see the complete results of the 2008 National Rifle Matches, visit the CMP at [www.odcmp.com](http://www.odcmp.com) and the NRA at [www.nrahq.org/compete/nationalchampion.asp](http://www.nrahq.org/compete/nationalchampion.asp). Take the time to see what some of America's Riflemen are capable of, and if you're curious about the sport, contact me\* and/or the MSSA. Who knows, maybe you'll be making the trip to Camp Perry next year.



(L to R) **Lt. Scott Young**, NTI Silver Medalist; **Greg Meredith**, President's Hundred; **John Teachey**, President's Hundred

*\*John Teachey has since resigned his position on the Board of the Missouri Sport Shooting Association to accept an offer of employment with Para Ordnance in Charlotte, NC. John was an outstanding and very active member of MSSA while serving as Executive Officer during the time he was with us, and he will be sorely missed. That said, we do want to extend to him a hearty congratulations as we wish him all the best in his new job and home in North Carolina. Lucky state, that.*

-Editor



**Chris Calumpong** with his new Distinguished Rifleman Badge



**Alex Belt** with his new Distinguished Rifleman Badge



**Frank Harles**, NTI Silver Medalist, after a hot day on the range  
(and a bit surprised by the camera)

# NRA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS – CAMP PERRY 2008

by Kent Finlay

Soon to be famous quote from a Missouri Shooter: “Next year I’m bringing Scuba gear, just in case.” This year did not start out like last year’s Nationals. Jeff Schotland and I and most of the Mo folks did not shoot a match on the way to Camp Perry. We showed up there Monday afternoon to get checked in and see the changes. I believe I counted 10 or so Missouri folks there to partake of the competitions.

Tuesday was Revolver Match day for us with the Harry Reeves match and the Distinguished Revolver match to be fired. Jeff happened to be on the 1st relay of each and I on the 2nd. The 1st relay of the Reeves match went off without a hitch (maybe just a little wind). But by the time the 2nd relay started, the rain was approaching from the south. It rained on the 2nd relay guys for most of the 30 shots; big drops coming right straight down. I had a rain jacket, but no pants or boots and got soaked from the waist down. I had cover for my score card, but apparently most folks did not. Even though the relay got finished, enough of the score cards were not eligible, and they all got tossed (we found out later). They tried to start the Distinguished Match, but it got postponed for the day. Jeff and I were drying out everything including our billfolds. We had cash drying under the AC all night. It rained 6” overnight and ,coupled with 4” from the previous weekend, made conditions for the rest of the week terrible. Camp Perry’s ranges are built from land recovered from Lake Erie, so the ground felt like a water soaked sponge for the next 5 days. There are approximately 400 firing points for the pistol phase, and about ½ of them were in muddy, sloppy water. I got lucky, but Jeff got good at drying shoes on his truck. The weather for the rest of the week was not bad, just the conditions.

Wednesday’s WarmUp match was delayed while the refired Reeves & Distinguished Revolver Matches took place. I was not prepared for it to take place then (not logical) and was somewhat shocked when Chris Guerrero called us at 6:50 a.m. to let me know I had 10 minutes to get to the range. I did not make it, still thinking somehow that my protected score card would still be “good.” It wasn’t. That set the tone for Camp Perry 2008 for me. Some of the guys did do good. In the Reeves match, out of 339 shooters, Guerrero placed 62nd, John Warner 66<sup>th</sup>, and Thomas Hile, of Harris, Missouri, 79th. In the Distinguished Revolver match, Warner was 88th and Hile 89th.

## Highlights

Shooting Highlights, ah yes! Our “Missouri Star of the Match” this year was Chris Guerrero, who I believe shot his best Camp Perry match and came away with the 1<sup>st</sup> Place Civilian Master Class award. Chris just missed the 2600 mark and beat 103 other Civilian Masters. We put together 2 teams this year. The Centrum Silver Squad consisted of Jeff Schotland, Darrell Wilson, Hadley Wild, and Rick Ruecker. Jeff was the young sprout again, and could have been the son of any of his team mates. In the

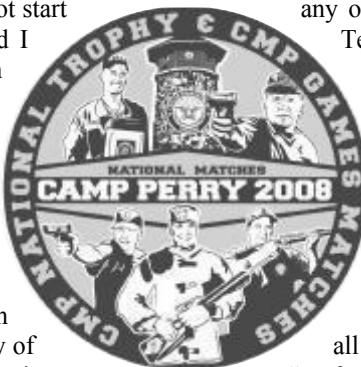
accompanying photo, you can see them smiling, but I doubt that any of them found a single piece of fired brass in their Team position mud hole. MSSA Gold, consisting of Chris Guerrero, Eric Pearson, Mike Gaddis and myself, fared much better in the firing point department, with only a “squishy” position. But we had a meltdown in Centerfire on the way to a repeat performance of last year’s Gold team. Chris got “snakebit.” No, not really, only figuratively. Chris shoots “perfect” Nosler bullets at 50 yards, and they cut “perfect” holes.

In slowfire at 50 yards, his target had 9 holes in it, all in the black. The team believed 8 holes were

“perfect” and one not as it had 2 bullets pass thru it. The scorer did not agree and, unfortunately, the Referee did not either. So Chris’s 93-1x became a 84-1x and Mike became \$8 poorer. (Sorry, Mike. We owe ya one.) Eric was shooting next to Chris, and he had a 91-3x. The Timed fire went great with Eric’s 100-7x and Chris’s 99-5x. During the Rapid Fire string, that ol’ snake showed up again. The first 5 shots on each target looked all 9s or better. But during the second 5 shots, Chris got a little toooo focused. I thought his were all black again, but noticed an awful lot of target paper flying off of Eric’s target. Yep, he crossfired. Chris got a 46-2x, and Eric got the low 10 shots of the 15 on his target, a 92-0x. Chris had shot a “knot” of 10s & Xs on Eric’s target that would not count for score. We’re all laying the blame firmly where it should be, on the Team Captain’s shoulders, whoever “HE” might be!!

On Service Pistol Day, I was “blessed” when Hadley Wild loaned me his rubber boots for the day. He had seen firing point 167 and knew I’d need them. I don’t know how many times I thought I’d have to leave them in the sucking mud, but I got them back home for him to use again. Guerrero (57th) and Warner (68th) took home badges from the President’s 100 match. And in the National Trophy Individual match, Chris Guerrero placed a very respectable 60th.

Looking back, we all had a pretty good time, and we are looking forward to next year’s match.



## CAMP PERRY 2008



*Centrum Silver Squad*

*Jeff Schotland, Darrell Wilson, Hadley Wild, and Rick Ruicker*



*MSSA Gold Team*

*Chris Guerrero, Kent Finlay, Eric Pearson, and Mike Gaddis*



# **MISSOURI STATE OUTDOOR CONVENTIONAL PISTOL**

## **Championship Results**

**by Kent Finlay**

The 2008 Championship, held at Green Valley R&P Club, was well attended by 23 shooters this year. A couple of familiar names were in the "Win" column. Paul Noles of Florissant puts his name on the trophy again as Mo State Champion with a 2616-115x. And Will Sisson of Grandview repeats as Senior Outdoor Champion with a 2446-50x. 2nd place overall was Chris Guerrero with a 2603-103x. 3rd place went to Eric Pearson with a 2569-103x.

1st Ex/SS was John O'Donnell with a 2535-72x, followed by Mark Owensby of Illinois with a 2524-77x & Nick Gordanier of Kansas with a 2517-68x. George Small of Illinois took the Marksman class with a 2228-19x.

As part of the championship, a Missouri State Postal Team is selected from the top 10 resident shooters in the 22cal

National Match Course. This team's scores are compared to other state's teams for an overall State Championship Postal Team. The team members were: Noles, Guerrero, Pearson, O'Donnell, Mike Gaddis, Kent Finlay, John Warner, Dennis West, George Monahan, and Dick Champagne. Their combined score was 2859-83x or about 95.3%.

The 2700 match was followed by a CMP Distinguished Pistol match where the competitors are required to use the iron sighted Service Pistol in either .45ACP or 9mm to vie for Distinguished Pistol points. 17 competitors fired in this match. It was won by Distinguished shooter Chris Guerrero with a 277-7x. High non-distinguished shooter and winner of 6 points toward his badge was John Warner III from St. Louis with a 275-8x.



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# MISSOURI JUNIOR SHOOTERS TRAVEL TO FORT BENNING, GA

BY JOHN LEINBERGER

Two Missouri Junior Shooters attended the UNITED STATE ARMY MARKSMANSHIP UNIT SMALLBORE RIFLE CAMP at Fort Benning, GA. The camp was held August 11,12,13,14, and 15, 2008. The camp was for intermediate and advanced shooters with 30 juniors attending. The United State Army Marksmanship Unit, International Rifle Team, conducted the camp.

Christine Manhart of Washington, MO and Garrett Spurgeon of Monett, MO were the two juniors from Missouri. The first day, they shot a diagnostic match to determine their level of shooting skills and were then assigned their coach for the camp. Christine Manhart was coached by 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Lucas Leinberger (former Missouri Junior Shooter) and Garrett was coached by Staff Sgt. Armando Ayalla. Each shooter was coached in the fundamental principles and techniques of 3-Position Smallbore rifle and International Air Rifle. The junior shooters received individual coaching, practiced shooting finals, and made adjustments to their shooting positions and equipment.

It was a great experience for the junior shooters as they were using electronic targets. They were shooting on a range that has been the host to many international competitions and learned a lot about preparing for and shooting a final.

The last day at the camp they shot a full course International 3-Position Smallbore Match and a Prone Match. The competition was tough, and our Juniors did well. In 3-Position, Christine placed 14<sup>th</sup> with a 1094, and Garrett placed 18<sup>th</sup> with a 1081. In the Prone Match, Garrett placed 17<sup>th</sup> with a 571, and Christine place 23d with a 558. Aggregate Score for each shooter was 1652.

Grace Leinberger, Vice President of MSSA, and John Leinberger, MSSA Director for Junior Activities, accompanied the juniors on this trip.

*Top right: A good view of the firing line; Christine Manhart, shooter.*

*Center right: Garrett Spurgeon on the firing line.*

*Bottom right: Christine Manhart on the firing line.*

*Below: Christine Manhart and Garrett Spurgeon.*



# MU Extension 4-H Sharpshooters Place Second in National Contest

**Missouri home to 4-H sharpshooters  
University of Missouri Extension 4-H'ers  
fare well in national contest**

COLUMBIA, Mo. — University of Missouri Extension 4-H shooting team took second place overall at the 2008 4-H Shooting Sports National Invitational in Grand Island, Nebraska., June 23-26. Thirty-four Missouri youth competed against more than 400 young people from 28 other states in the national contest.

MU Extension 4-H placed second in the shotgun, smallbore rifle and hunting skills competitions. They placed third in muzzleloading, fourth in recurve archery and fifth in the compound archery and air pistol contests.

Gerry Snapp, University of Missouri Extension 4-H youth specialist, said the event has become a family affair.

"Nearly 90 family members traveled to Nebraska to share the experience with their 4-H member," he said.

MU Extension 4-H has been sending shooting sports teams to the 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational since the contest's beginning in 2002. Teams from Missouri have placed second in the sweepstakes since 2004. This year, Missouri is second only to Texas when it comes to quality shooters.

"There are many ways to measure success of a program. The results of competition are just one," Snapp said. "The best measure of success is the personal development of the young people participating in that program. Youth in the MU Extension 4-H shooting program develop life skills, such as goal-setting, self-discipline, responsibility and decision-making. They have an opportunity to increase skill levels in pursuit of excellence, build self-esteem, experience the mentorship of caring adults and enjoy relationships developed with their peers."

For more information on MU Extension 4-H shooting sports, visit: <http://4h.missouri.edu/go/projects/shootingsports>

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Air Pistol team, from left, Gary Brigance of Fair Grove, Mo., assistant team coach; Tyler Brigance of Fair Grove; Kyle Dunda of Pacific, Mo.; Matt Brooks of Fair Grove; Shelby DeOrnellis of Paris, Mo.; and David Brooks of Fair Grove, team coach. The team placed fifth.



Air Rifle team, from left, Steve Coulson of Bevier, Mo., team coach; Austin Rash of Macon, Mo.; Jesse Johnson of Odessa, Mo.; Adam Kehl of Jefferson City, Mo.; and Justin Jones of Lawson, Mo.



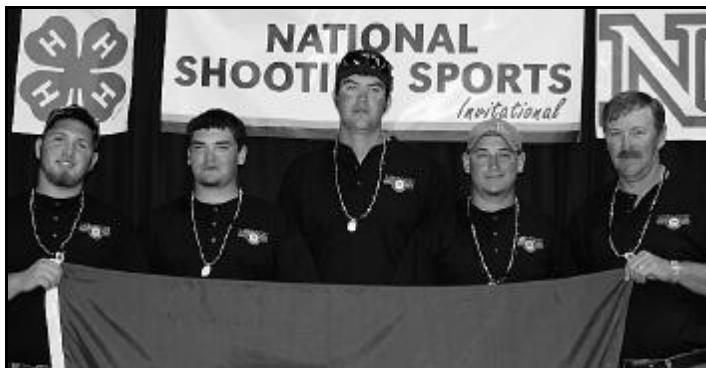
Compound Archery team, from left, Derek Wilson of Jefferson City, Mo.; Sterling Sappington of Hartsburg, Mo.; Jim Sappington of Hartsburg, team coach; Dallas Spurgeon of Canton, Mo.; and Ben Jennings of Centralia, Mo. The team placed fifth.



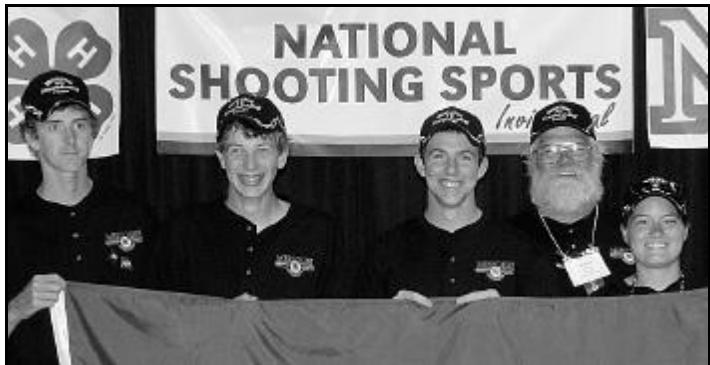
Recurve Archery team, from left, Chip Branson of Warrenton, Mo.; Kyle Meyer of Rocheport, Mo.; Mike Cook of Fair Grove, Mo., team coach; Ben Harrison, Greenwood, Mo.; and Mike Blades of Holliday, Mo. The team placed fourth.



Hunting Skills team, from left, Tim Coy of Lewistown, Mo., team coach; Kirby Asher of Brookfield, Mo.; Merle Ann Jaster of Concordia, Mo.; and Claire Jeffery of Columbia, Mo.  
The team placed second.



Shotgun team, from left, Nate Meyer of Rocheport, Mo.; Matt Holder of Peculiar, Mo.; Branden Gudehus of Edina, Mo.; Daniel Perotti of Wentzville, Mo.; and Jim Turner of Ewing, Mo., team coach. The team placed second.



Muzzleloading team, from left, Ben Morris of Macon, Mo.; Shaun Athey of Granby, Mo.; Ethan Burchell of Richards, Mo.; Walter Branson of Warrenton, Mo., team coach; and Shelby Dunseith of Bevier, Mo.



Smallbore Rifle team, from left, Greg Van Hove of Columbia, Mo., team coach; Toni Johnson of O'Fallon, Mo.; Christine Manhart of Washington, Mo.; Seth Krause of Bethany, Mo.; and Jonathan Lagemann of Bowling Green, Mo. The team placed second.



Smallbore Pistol team, from left, Libby Beetem of Jefferson City, Mo.; Chris Henning of Odessa, Mo.; Ed Meyer of Marshall, Mo., team coach; and Ryan Ponzer of Harrisburg, Mo.

#### AIR PISTOL

5<sup>th</sup> place overall

- **Tyler Brigance**
- **Matt Brooks** – 6<sup>th</sup> place overall; 6<sup>th</sup> place, rapid fire; 8<sup>th</sup> place, 10-meter slowfire
- **Kyle Dunda**
- **Shelby DeOrnellis**

#### AIR RIFLE

- **Adam Kehl**
- **Jessee Johnson** – 7<sup>th</sup> place overall; 7<sup>th</sup> place, 10-meter offhand; 10<sup>th</sup> place, three-position sporter
- **Justin Jones**
- **Austin Rash**

#### COMPOUND ARCHERY

5<sup>th</sup> place overall;  
3<sup>rd</sup> place, FITA

- **Ben Jennings**
- **Sterling Sappington**
- **Dallas Spurgeon**
- **Derek Wilson** – 4<sup>th</sup> overall; 6<sup>th</sup> place, 3-D archery; 8<sup>th</sup> place, field round

#### RECURVE ARCHERY

4<sup>th</sup> place overall

- **Mike Blades**
- **Chip Branson**
- **Ben Harrison** – 10<sup>th</sup> place, 3-D archery
- **Kyle Meyer**

#### HUNTING SKILLS

2<sup>nd</sup> place overall;  
1<sup>st</sup> place, wildlife identification;  
2<sup>nd</sup> place, hunter skills

- **Kirby Asher** – 2<sup>nd</sup> overall; 1<sup>st</sup> place, wildlife identification; 2<sup>nd</sup> place, hunter skills; 3<sup>rd</sup> place, hunter decision-making
- **Merle Ann Jaster** – 9<sup>th</sup> overall; 2<sup>nd</sup> place, wildlife identification
- **Claire Jeffery** – 7<sup>th</sup> place, wildlife identification

#### MUZZLELOADING

3<sup>rd</sup> overall;  
2<sup>nd</sup> place, 50-yard bull's-eye;  
3<sup>rd</sup> place, silhouette;  
3<sup>rd</sup> place, 25-yard novelty

- **Ben Morris** – 3<sup>rd</sup> overall; 2<sup>nd</sup> place, 50-yard bull's-eye; 3<sup>rd</sup> place, silhouette; 3<sup>rd</sup> place, 25-yard novelty
- **Shelby Dunseith** – 9<sup>th</sup> place, 50-yard bull's-eye
- **Shaun Athey** – 4<sup>th</sup> place, 50-yard bull's-eye
- **Ethan Burchell** – 10<sup>th</sup> place, 50-yard bull's-eye

#### SMALLBORE RIFLE

2<sup>nd</sup> place;  
1<sup>st</sup> place, silhouette;  
3<sup>rd</sup> place, three-position

- **Toni Johnson** – 10<sup>th</sup> place, CMP sporter rimfire
- **Seth Krause** – 7<sup>th</sup> place overall; 6<sup>th</sup> place, CMP sporter rimfire; 8<sup>th</sup> place, three-position
- **Christine Manhart** – 3<sup>rd</sup> place overall; 1<sup>st</sup> place, silhouette; 2<sup>nd</sup> place, three-position

#### SMALLBORE PISTOL

- **Libby Beetem**
- **Ryan Ponzer**
- **Chris Henning**

#### SHOTGUN

2<sup>nd</sup> place

- **Branden Gudehus**
- **Matt Holder**
- **Nate Meyer** – 10<sup>th</sup> place, skeet
- **Daniel Perotti**



# Liberty Notes

BY KEVIN L. JAMISON

## 16 November, 2008

It is STILL a good day for Liberty.

Remember when our greatest worry involved Sheila declaring martial law?

Remember when the greatest threat to our rights was the candidacy of Hillary Clinton?

Remember when John McCain was unacceptable to us? Things change.

Obama is the next president; that is the reality we must face. We need to stop talking about the prospect of someone shooting him. If that happens, we get President Biden, who is just as bad and has the Washington experience to make things happen. In the aftermath of even an attempt on Obama, we can expect a horde of anti-gun bills to march through congress. The next four years will be difficult enough without making our enemy a martyr.

It is said that Obama did not "pal around" with terrorists. It is said that Weatherman Bill Ayers only bombed buildings and thought that it would be terrible if people were killed, and besides, thousands were being killed in Viet Nam. Obama was also close to a person who had been a PLO spokesman when the PLO was unapologetically terrorist. It is said that Obama's friend was only the spokesman. And Joseph Gobbels was only a spokesman for the nazis. The very purpose of terrorism is to have something for the spokesman to speak about. When the PLO murdered a Jewish tourist in his wheelchair, the purpose was not to reduce the number of elderly Jewish cripples. The purpose was to send a message: "We can kill anyone. We will kill anyone. You make us do this. Pay attention to us. Give us what we want or we will kill more; we will kill you." Modern terrorism commits war crimes in order to get its message noticed. Spokesmen for terrorism exploit war crimes. They are part of the war crime. They are an essential part of the war crime. Without the spokesman there would be no point in committing a terrorist act.

Obama had many advantages, although I refuse to accept the inevitability of his victory. Republicans had held the White House for eight years. Americans like to see change from time to time, even if it is mindless and irrational. It is often said that we are in the midst of an unpopular war, as opposed to a war people are really enjoying. This is often expanded to claim that we have two wars even though we do not. We have one war with two primary fronts and a number of lesser fronts in the Philippines, East Africa and elsewhere. The enemy says that these are all one war and there is substantial reason to indulge them on this one point, but only this one. Obama had more money than God. He had paid staff in Harrisonville and other rural areas. He had a media which functioned more like groupies than newsmen. Gas prices were high, although dropping by election day. McCain was ahead until the financial crisis caused voters to panic. Still, we kept Missouri for McCain, even if narrowly. Nationally, Obama got little over half the popular vote and will not have the mandate he would like.

I grow uncomfortable with presidential candidates going on variety shows. This was unheard of in my youth, which accounts for my discomfort. Like many uncomfortable things, it is traced to President Clinton going on the Arsinio Hall show. Now it is a given that presidential candidates will go on to speak about their dreams for the future of the Republic between the comedians and the singers. They even go on Saturday Night Live, and not to enhance the dignity of the office.

Congressman Sam Graves' race was a priority for us. Our great friend Sam Graves won overwhelmingly. His massive victory over a strong, well-financed candidate will make running against him less popular in the future. We lost the governor's race; but Jay Nixon, the winning candidate, has been less willing to attack our rights in recent years. This is probably not because of a change in attitude, but due to practical politics. It seems that we are just too formidable an opponent for him to antagonize. I will take what I can get. In the legislature, we have lost no ground. Congress is another matter. A party led by

people who hate us has a decisive majority. The new President can do a great deal by executive order, and it is apparent that he has every intention of doing so. It appears that the next threats to our rights will come from Washington D.C. This is not an unusual threat. We have faced this threat before, but it will take all of us.

Since her explosion on the national scene, the opposition to Governor Sarah Palin has insulted her clothing, accent and mannerisms. They are upset that she is conservative. They believe that women must be the Stepford Wives of the Democratic Party's left wing. According to them, a woman who thinks for herself is apostasy. Opposing opinions are blasphemy. For a woman to be a conservative is treason to the left wing.

A voter in Cass County was identified as a gun owner who was voting for Obama. He was asked why, when Obama has a long history of attacking gun ownership. He replied that he did not care, that he had an AR-15 and 1,500 rounds of ammunition. The implication was that they would take it from his cold dead hand. I doubt it. I cannot imagine this fellow waiting in a cold ditch for government tanks and helicopters. He will not sacrifice a tax break, medical care or social program to preserve his rights. I cannot believe that he will sacrifice his blood.

"From my cold dead hands." Good, now you're dead and the government has your gun. This is often an excuse to do nothing. The idea is not to die but to pass on these rights to our children and grandchildren. This forces us to sacrifice time and money now, so that our children and grandchildren need not sacrifice blood.

"From my cold dead hand." This was a great line from a great man, but its time is gone. It is often used as an excuse to do nothing. I see men lounging around gun shows proclaiming that their gun will only be taken from their cold dead hands. They do not write a letter to the editor, they do not contribute money to the movement; they do not even join the NRA. They will not sacrifice their time or money. I cannot imagine them laying in a cold ditch waiting for government tanks. I cannot imagine them sacrificing their blood when they do not sacrifice time or money for rights that can be saved with less sacrifice now. We want to pass these rights to our

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children and grandchildren. I will do what is necessary now to pass on our rights so that my children and grandchildren will not have to say "from my cold dead hands."

I am informed that Darwin was intelligently designed.

Jim Supica of Old Town Station is running away from home. For many years, Old Town Station has distributed its famous catalogue of treasures. Jim is an authority on Smith & Wesson products and has concentrated on providing antique firearms to the advanced collector. He may be forgiven for abandoning us because he is going to run the National Firearms Museum for the NRA. He shall be missed.

On the first of November, I began to hear Christmas Carols on the radio. This is a little much. We did not have this problem during Ramadan. Of course, Islamic holidays are solemn and quiet, but St. Patrick's Day was solemn and quiet until we got hold of it. Ramadan commemorates the revelation of the Koran to Mohammed. It lasts for an entire month. Imagine what retailers could do with a holiday that lasts for an entire month. The "Twelve Days of Christmas" seems interminable; imagine if it was thirty days. I don't think there are any Ramadan carols, but no doubt we could fix that.

At a gun show I saw an old vendor whose NRA cap had turned gray with time.

I notice that the Missouri Valley Arms Collector's gun shows are unique. In the small shows where the vendors are all collectors, I note that they would just as soon explain a piece to customers as sell it. They are an experience.

President-elect Obama requires prospective members of his administration to fill out an extensive questionnaire. The list includes questions regarding "complete ownership and registration information" of any firearms owned. It goes on to ask how and by whom it is used and whether it has been the cause of any personal injuries or property damage. The phrasing of the question indicates a prejudice against gun ownership and an assumption that ownership indicates that personal injuries or property damage has occurred. This is not a good sign.

The Springfield Missouri City Council is reviewing a proposal to ban License To Carry from City parks. They have no history of a problem with LTC, neither has anyone else, but they plan to do so as a "preventative" measure. They are spending a great deal of time to develop a solution in search of a problem.

Christopher Monckton in "News Releases" of 5 December, 2007 in an article entitled "Dishonest Political Tampering With the Science on Global Warming" is quoted as saying "The correct policy response to a non-problem is to have the courage to do nothing. Take courage! Do nothing . . ." Unfortunately no known political group has the courage to do nothing when nothing is exactly what needs to be done.

At a gun show I asked a vendor to sell me a magazine for a Colt .25. He said that he did not have a Colt .25 magazine. I told him that I did not want to hear his excuses; I needed the magazine. He refused to sell me one. You just can't do business with some people.

During the campaign we were told over and over again that Obama cannot go after our rights and would never go after our guns. We were told that claims that he would were a lie. Persons citing his history against guns were threatened with

legal action, even prosecution, for telling "lies." Now we are beginning to hear that Obama can go after our rights, should go after our rights, and will as soon as things are organized. It will be a long four years. Everyone will have to do his part. If we can hold the line for two years, the congressional elections will suspend the war against us while they pretend not to hate us. There is a chance that we may elect more of our friends.

We are maintaining the network we established in the 6th District as a basis for next time. There will be something for everyone to do. Hold onto the Graves signs and election materials, and any other candidate who is likely to run again. We will use them again.

I was in a Quick Trip one night. The trip was not as quick as usual because an obviously underage punk was trying to buy cigarettes. When the clerk refused, the punk directed an obscenity at her. My cowboy instincts kicked in, and I told the punk that, "Where I come from you do not talk to ladies like that, and I come from around here!" This is actually correct, wherever you go, there you are; sort of the ACORN theory of residence. The punk started to abuse me, called me an old man (also correct) and asked if I was going to hit him with my cane. I had no intention of doing so, but it is not wise to tempt an old man. The punk left and that was the end of it. Other men in the store made approving comments to me, this is easy when the punk is not throwing punches. You cannot let people get away with rudeness of this caliber. The punk left muttering disparaging comments about me, and no doubt threats, but he no longer thinks he can behave in this fashion without reprimand. This is little, but it is something. Some days I am very glad to have a License To Carry.

We shall overcome.



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# THE SECRETARY'S NOTEBOOK

July 12, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Grace Leinberger at noon. Board members present: Grace Leinberger, Lee Koester, Mona Oliver, Terry Struse, Terry Brookman., Stu Strickler, Michael Meyer, and Zac Bauer; absent: Harold Meiderhoff, Larry Crawford, Sheila Stokes-Begley, John Leinberger, Dave Jones, John Teachey, Greg Jeffery, Greg Meredith., Tim Oliver, and Roscoe Morris. Kevin had notified he would be late; Grace would preside in the meantime. A motion to pass the minutes of the last meeting as printed in the newsletter was seconded and passed. Board reports were delayed until Kevin's arrival. (12:45).

## **BOARD REPORTS**

*Treasurer's Report:* Lee Koester reported that the Junior Camp account totaled \$2,571.84 with the Junior Highpower account at \$2,031.50; he advised the certificate of deposit renewal was in June, and reported that the CD was at \$11,203.86; General fund plus undispersed Junior funds totaled \$14,199.80. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was seconded and approved. Lee then reported on raffle sales and the membership. He advised the new MSSA brochures had arrived.

October 18, 2008

The meeting started late and was called to order by Vice-President Grace Leinberger at 12:30 p.m. Board members in attendance at that time included Grace Leinberger, John Leinberger, Greg Jeffery, Greg Meredith, Michael Meyer, Tim Oliver, Stu Strickler, and Terry Struse; absent were Kevin Jamison, Lee Koester, Mona Oliver, John Teachey, Harold Miederhoff, Zac Bauer, David Jones, Sheila Stokes-Begley, Larry Crawford, Terry Brookman, and Roscoe Morris. Some members were running late; general discussion on MSSA matters ensued until their arrival (Mona Oliver at 12:39, Lee Koester at 12:42). Grace presided until Kevin's arrival (1:02). Mona read the minutes of the last meeting; a motion to accept the minutes then was seconded and passed.

## **BOARD REPORTS**

*Treasurer's Report:* Lee provided a written financial report covering the last five months, advising August and September had some big expenses (such as insurance and newsletter expenses), but other than that, MSSA made money every month. Tim asked Lee what the NRA Endorsed Liability Insurance covered; Lee replied pretty much anything that is MSSA-sponsored (e.g., shooting events, shows, and camps) and that it covered all members. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was seconded and approved. Lee handed out a contact list for all the Board members; some members provided updated information for their listing.

*Juniors Report:* John Leinberger advised Linn Tech College just opened an archery/air rifle range on October 6. Re Olympics: John advised that the Junior Olympics Rifle Championship would be held January 10 and 11 (smallbore and air), and the Pistol Championship would be held Jan 17 and 18. Re other: four juniors would be going to Martin, TN on Jan 30 and 31, and then to Murray, KY on Feb 1, to shoot matches; John had also scheduled four shooters for the US Army Marksmanship Unit for June 29. Currently, he was working on getting a 3P air rifle camp at Linn Tech for July 27-31 with the ability to handle 85 (including 35 coaches). John reported on several schools showing interest in getting shooting programs started. John got a \$10K grant through Kyle Larimore for 4-H programs; they bought 3 precision air rifles, 1 smallbore, plus rifle and scope stands, enough equipment to put a precision air team "on the road" in 2009. Re Junior Camp: 2009 date is still tentative. John advised that he was told MSSA had not renewed with USA Shooting; Lee believed MSSA had, but would check on it.

*Newsletter:* Mona reported having difficulty getting the newsletter out, having missed the third quarter; she would still try to get out two,

*Juniors Report:* Grace provided the Junior's Report on behalf of John L., covering the Junior camps. First Junior Camp was full, second had 6 kids plus volunteers, with Christine Manheart coaching at the second camp. Junior shooters were going to Ft. Benning in August.

*Website:* Zac reported that he readying an area of the site for pictures.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Kevin reported tax exemption status accomplished and starts in 2009.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Kevin spoke on the Supreme Court decision regarding Heller case. Lee reported from the Junior's Committee that they were not handling Junior matters that were outside of MSSA Junior Programs. There was general discussion on the MSSA Annual Members Meeting and Awards Dinner, and some discussion regarding announcements of same in the newsletter.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

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## **MINUTES\* – MSSA Board of Directors Meeting**

\*Tentative, subject to Board approval.

however, before the end of the year.

*Legislative Report:* Greg Jeffery inquired whether MSSA could officially endorse/oppose political candidates; Kevin responded that MSSA could, but has traditionally avoided it. A lengthy discussion followed; the general consensus was that, officially, MSSA should likely stick to political issues only, although expressing personal opinions (as in newsletter articles) was another matter, and links on the MSSA website which pointed to information on political candidates would also be fine (e.g., links to NRA webpages of candidate info/endorsements).

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Kevin advised he would provide an explanation at the Annual Meeting re Foundation tax exemption and how it works; re membership pins, Michael reported there is really no good way to ship them for a reasonable cost, after discussion, consensus was that we would not send everyone free pins through the mail, but would instead provide them free at meetings and the upcoming annual dinner.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Terry B reported On Target Sporting Goods was building a range in Fenton, MO. Lee wanted to offer an initial \$10 discount on MSSA membership (membership to be required) for students in his instructor classes and have them do the same (i.e., a recruitment seed program), discussion followed, a motion to approve was then seconded and passed. Tim reported he was now running advanced courses at the Green Valley Rifle and Pistol range. Greg Meredith advised he had McCain yard signs in his car, plus pins for \$2, if anyone wanted them; Greg M. also brought up an issue with cities having old local laws on their books about no guns in city parks which was now in conflict with state law, Greg M. was working with Farmington to resolve theirs; discussion followed about notifying cities that had the conflict to get laws changed and legal challenges. Re Annual Meeting & Awards Dinner: discussion and decision on dinner menu; Kevin advised MSSA just turned 80, discussion followed, there would be cake to commemorate it at the awards dinner; appointed to the Awards Committee was Harold, John T., and John L; discussion followed regarding criteria for the new Gary Davis Leadership Award; raffle sales were discussed; Michael Meyer advised door prizes was ready. Greg J. brought up a need for a press officer, after discussion, Michael Meyer was appointed to that position.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.



# 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.

## ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING

The MSSA Board of Directors schedules quarterly meetings in order to conduct Association business. The next Board meeting will also be the Annual Members Meeting where members nominate and elect directors to the MSSA Board. The Annual Members Meeting will be held at the Disabled American Veterans building at 5054 Monticello Road in Jefferson City, MO. (See front page for details, map and directions.) The date and time of this meeting is:

**JANUARY 24 – 2 p.m.**

NOTE – The MSSA Awards Dinner will be at 6 pm, same day and location.  
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If you qualify, or know someone who qualifies, just fill out an MSSA membership application, obtainable from either the MSSA website [www.MissouriSportShooting.org](http://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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**MSSA is soliciting true and original shooting, hunting or firearms related articles by members and other interested parties for publication in THE MISSOURI SHOOTER.**

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- **Basic Pistol shooting**
  - **Basic Rifle shooting**
  - **Basic Shotgun shooting**
  - **Muzzleloading Pistol, Rifle and Shotgun**
  - **Personal Protection in the Home**
  - **Home Firearm Safety**
  - **Metallic and Shotshell 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**

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

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## MSSA AFFILIATES

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Arnold Rifle & Pistol Club	Outdoor Adventures Sport Show
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Big Game Hunters	Owensville Gun Club
Boeing Employees Rifle & Pistol Club	Ozark Shooters High School Trap
Bucksnort Shooting Club & Jr. Div. Inc.	Ozark Shooters Sports Complex
Bullseye Gun & Rod Club	Piasa Rifle and Pistol Club, Inc.
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Gasconade County Youth Shooting Sports	St. Joseph Rifle and Pistol Club
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Gateway Claybusters	St. Louis Assn. of Firearms Training Instructors
Green Valley Rifle and Pistol Club, Inc.	U.S. Reserve & Special Operations Group
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Annual Sustaining Member \$50 to \$99

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NRA Member?

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email\*: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Affiliates only - Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

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\*optional field

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