

THRU THE SIGHTS

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THRU THE PRESIDENT'S SIGHTS

Hello Fellow Members,
I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable holiday.

Due to the diligent work of many members, I am happy to announce that as of December 2005 we increased our membership cap and welcomed

our 301st member! Please remember the membership meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month. Take this opportunity to ask questions and let your opinions be heard.

This club is **our** club. Not my club, not the

"Board's" club. Everyone's opinion is welcomed!

As always, stay safe and shoot straight.

Marla Lekarczyk,
President

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THANK YOU

Jeff Lane, Darin Clark, Greg Crane, Larry Nelson, Bill Stratton, Lance Schoripray, Lee Bruce, Scott Bruce, Mitch Smolen, Bob Walker and John Yoshida for cleaning out the traps!

Pat / Erick / Paul Schudlich, Larry Nelson, Bill Stratton, Jack Krueger, John Yoshida, Andy Lekarczyk, Al Stevens and Joe Poland for the bar renovations in the Banquet Hall.

Chuck Hubbert for organizing and holding CCW classes.

Jeanne Crews for

organizing the New Year's Eve Party.

An excellent time was had by all at the New Year's Eve party. Thanks to Lane O'Neill (fellow member and DJ with *Acclimated Sounds*). He really kept the party moving. The kids even had a great time! Mark you calendar and plan on attending the 2006-2007 New Year's Eve party!!!



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WOMEN CAN'T SHOOT

I have been asking Marla and Andy, "why there aren't more women shooting at the club?" As a result, Andy asked me to write a column for the newsletter using the eye catching title Women Can't Shoot. My first thought was the only eye that is going to be catching anything was his when it caught my fist! After he explained that he had called most of the membership and invited them to come out and participate in the indoor league, and had actually spoken to several of the shooting community's wives also encouraging them to join their husbands, I determined he was the ever helpful "Andy" and had not mutated into a male chauvinist piglet.

Andy and Marla had asked my husband John and myself to spend those long winter months with them at the indoor range shooting PPC. I was very reluctant at first. There was no way I was going to try, but Andy insisted. I went out with a few of the other shooters standing behind me. I was never really a pistol person, so I got the quick loading and safety

explanation and began to shoot. I was by no means an expert, but it was actually addicting. We shot on and off through the winter last year.

This summer, Marla, being a pistol shooter and club president, was taking some heat from her fellow members that she was not shooting the sporting clays course. One Sunday morning Marla, Andy, John, Monte Cleary, Jim Rodey, and I ventured into the



clays course. None of us had a clue! Monte didn't plan to spend the better part of the day with us, but he did. Jim kept asking "where was the bird when you pulled the trigger?" Where was the bird? Who knows? The clay was flying, the gun was pointing, then the next bird was flying... Where was the bird? I barely knew where I was... and surely didn't have time to think of the bird's position! Jim and

Monte pounded the Clays! Monte's son kept score.

Marla, Andy, and John began to get some feel for what was happening or developed some luck in finding their target. I however ended the day with the big 'goose egg'! As we left the course and he turned to me and said "don't get discouraged, there was a lot going on out there." I know he worried I would not want to return. But I did! I been out about five times, and have got my score up to 18

clays. I almost beat my husband, only one behind! I think it may also be a good time to

mention that Andy has only beaten Marla once since they started shooting sporting clays. A little family rivalry is a good thing. Marla said "he always was beating me indoors, so I'm glad I found something I can get him on!"

Now that league is starting John and I will be indoors. I recently dragged him to every gun shop we could find, and purchased a 4"

S&W for my own! I am having a good time with my husband and friends and have met several new people at the club. I hope I caught your attention with the title of my column, but will be changing it to Women Can Shoot; I think the point has been made. If the reverse psychology worked, good. We would all like to see you out shooting. It only takes practice! The PPC crew had put together a new shooter night. Tammy was the only female attendee new to the league. She is also a new member. In speaking with Andy, several people told him that if it were not for the new shooter night, they would have felt a little intimidated to come out and try. I spoke to Marla, and we would like to have a women's shooting night. Leave the men home to clean or watch the pets and kids. We'll get the more experienced women to keep us safe and show us the techniques.

-- Jeanne Crews

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, February 9 Bowling Pin Shoot

Saturday, February 11

Sporting Clays registered shoot

Thursday, February 16

24 hour access training 6:00 pm RSVP: Jeanne (810) 632-4837

Tuesday, February 21

Membership Meeting

Saturday, February 25

IDPA Match (indoor range)

March 17-19th

PPC Match

FUTURE INFORMATION

IDPA Indoor Match

Cost is \$20.00

Relays at 9:00 am and Noon.

Space is limited so register early by contacting Dick at shooter-ready@lindensportsmenclub.com or Jeanne at (810) 632-4837

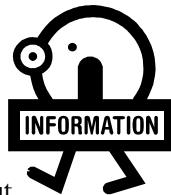
CCW Training

Dates are filling up quickly! Check the website for latest

dates. To register contact Chuck Hubbert at chuckhubbert@yahoo.com or (248) 770-6473

Thanks to Erin Schmidt (Troop 212) and future Eagle Scout.

His Eagle Scout project is to install a new dock onto the lake. Get your



fishing poles ready!

New Shooter Days for Sporting Clays are coming soon.

Sporting Clays League details will be posted soon. Watch the website for more details.

Top Gun Tournament ... see who is the best of the best (all disciplines) at the club.

HELLO SHOOTERS!

Just wanted to remind everyone now that the New Year is here our Indoor Winter League has begun. We hope to see you all soon at the range and have a great season!

League Hours:

Sunday 9:00 am — 1:00 pm

Monday 6:00 pm — 9:00 pm

Wednesday 6:00 pm — 9:00 pm

“WE OF AN OLDER GENERATION CAN GET ALONG WITH WHAT WE HAVE, THOUGH WITH GROWING HARDSHIP; BUT IN YOUR FULL MANHOOD AND WOMANHOOD YOU WILL WANT WHAT NATURE ONCE SO BOUNTIFULLY SUPPLIED AND MAN SO THOUGHTLESSLY DESTROYED; AND BECAUSE OF THAT WANT YOU WILL REPROACH US, NOT FOR WHAT WE HAVE USED, BUT FOR WHAT WE HAVE WASTED...SO ANY NATION WHICH IN ITS YOUTH LIVES ONLY FOR THE DAY, REAPS WITHOUT SOWING, AND CONSUMES WITHOUT HUSBANDING, MUST EXPECT THE PENALTY OF THE PRODIGAL WHOSE LABOR COULD WITH DIFFICULTY FIND HIM THE BARE MEANS OF LIFE.”

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Dear Club Members,

Those of us in who live in a free society sometimes forget that just because we've won a small battle that the war's not over! A few years ago many of us were active in getting the Concealed Carry laws in our state modified to become much more fair. Michigan became a "shall issue" state. That was a victory...but in reality it was a "small" one. Those on the other side of the issue have been hard at work, joining together with those of common ideology to attack the things we hold dear. As "shooters" of all kinds, we need to stand together with each other and recognize the threat that is being posed to our way of life. One of the upcoming battles is the Dove Hunting issue here in Michigan. Please go to the FLSC website at <http://www.fentonlakes.com> and look for the brochure and donation sheet that explains why this is important for us to recognize this threat and get involved. You may not be a hunter...but the true agenda is not just to stop dove hunting...it's to end all hunting and move on to the confiscation of firearms. Read the brochure, pay attention to what it says, join with our fellow gun owners as we fight to maintain our way of life.

—Andy Fralick, Editor