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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE from Leonard Zick

Well, it is that time of year when many of us take time to reflect on our accomplishments of this past year, as well as to look ahead to the future. Some of you will be making 2012 resolutions; however, I consider this a waste of time. Like some of you, I'm not sure where I've been, or where I'm going and enjoy the surprises that life brings!

Reflecting back on this past year, our Club made good progress in many areas. Regarding our long range planning, the Club has retained the services of a local CPA group and law firm. Under their guidance and advisement, we changed directions forming a new 501c3 corporation to be known as the Lincoln Shooting Sports Foundation (LSSF). The Articles of Incorporation for the LSSF are being filed. This new organization will allow us to retain the Lincoln Rifle Club (LRC) which will exist under the Lincoln Shooting Sports Center (LSSC), a 501c7. Although this seems so very complicated I want to assure the membership that we are in good "legal" hands and our committee is doing it's very best to retain the integrity and vision of our Club, which is to provide a safe and educational shooting venue for the community and its members.

We have located a sizable piece of property; however, we have not started formal negotiations with the owner. We have also met with our local government informing them of our intentions. So far we have received positive feedback.

I do realize that to some this is old news. I have to admit that even to myself, I sound like a "broken record." Even though this is the case, I feel it is important to keep the facts about the efforts of our long range plans out in front for all to hear. It is important to keep our vision(s) alive.

In looking to the future, it is our plans to mount a massive financial campaign. Our most difficult step will be the property purchase. Once this is started, the construction will be planned, scheduled, and initiated. The first phase will be to establish a shooting venue similar to what we are currently using and grow from that point.

In closing I would like to shout out, "HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR" to our Board of Directors, match directors, office staff, volunteers, and the membership. It is your efforts and dedication that continue to keep our Club operating and protecting our 2nd amendments rights. My personal, "thank you" for all of your hard work, support, and loyalty.



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THE PASSING OF A PATRIOT



On November 17, 2011, we lost a long-time friend and fellow shooter. Robert (Bob) Ledbetter was born on May 27, 1927 and passed away after an extended illness, at the age of 84. Bob served in the US Navy in the Asiatic Pacific Theater during WWII and was honorably discharged in 1946. He joined the Lincoln Rifle Club in February 2003, and worked with Carol, his wife of 34 years, in support of the LRC/LSSC ladies firearm use/safety programs. He was a lifetime member of the NRA and will be missed by friends, family, and our organization. Donations in memory of Bob may be made to the Sutter Roseville Hospital foundation of the Leukemia Lymphoma Society.

AT THE RANGE WITH PHIL

Submitted by Phil Pennington, Chief Range Safety Officer

As the New Year approaches, we take pause to look back at 2011. This past year proved to be one of the best for activity, improvements, and generated revenue at the Dillman Range. Many thanks are in order for all of you who keep our club moving toward the future and especially to those of you who keep our day to day operations running so smoothly. Commitment to our Club's future is in the hands of the membership. With that said I personally would like to see an increase in the number of members attending our monthly meetings and volunteering to keep our Club running.

Now on to the Dillman Range... Please and I repeat please do not staple target frame cardboard to the target frames. The staples left after the used cardboard is removed snags clothing and will puncture your hands. Please make use of the wooden wedges. While on the subject of cardboard, if you replace cardboard please bring it to the attending RSO for disposal. Don't place it behind the new cardboard located in the frame room! Requests for assistance with cardboard and frame construction and repair are an on-going effort. Thanks to all of you who willingly give of your time and energy to keep this and other maintenance requirements rolling at the Range

Remember that our club RSO's are not only there to insure your safety but are also receptive to suggestions for the betterment of our facility. If you have an idea or suggestion please let the attending RSO know. Our Club RSO's represent the ambassadors for our Club, as they interact the most with both member and public shooters.

Increased firearm ownership and proficiency training continues to make weekends at our Range quite active. Please be patient and understanding if you are placed on a waiting list. Generally speaking, the waiting time does not exceed twenty to thirty minutes. Currently our Range closes at 4:30 PM. As the daylight hours lengthen the Range hours will likewise be extended, offering more shooting time on the line.

On a personal note I wish to thank those of you who voiced your support and confidence in me as an elected member of your Board of Directors this past year. Providing a safe and secure shooting environment and the protection of our 2nd amendment rights is always my top priority.

As always please keep your finger off of the trigger until your intended target is in your sights and make sure you are aware of what is beyond your target. Have a happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year.

CARRY CONCEALED WEAPON CLASSES

Submitted by Grant Macomber

For the present I am giving individual, private lessons at my home in Applegate on weekday afternoons. I allow 2 hours for people to read case materials on their own time and at their convenience, then meet with me to discuss the cases, which takes about 2 hours. This completes the four hours needed for renewal. For original issue applicants, I ask the CCW aspirant to read my book, "Not Looking to Die," on their own time. The book is available at some retail locations or from me. That takes care of the eight hours required for original issue.

As you may know, I encourage people to envision situations and try to decide what they would do in specified situations. Often, people cannot visualize what might actually happen, so I provide actual cases for people to analyze and discuss. After the discussion I give them my view as a prosecutor. At the end of the session I give them printed advice.

The Placer County Sheriff's Office implemented the policy requiring shooting for qualification last summer. The shooting requirement takes place at the Dillman Range on weekday mornings. The new shooting requirement makes it impossible for me to shoot for my own enjoyment when I have a lot of people to attend to, so I am not giving the large classes this year. This actually proves to be better for everyone, allowing applicants to get more out of the private lessons and enjoy the shooting sessions more. I enjoy working with the applicants and we have a lot of fun. If you are interested in CCW renewal or initial application classes, please contact me at macnmac@inreach.com.

THE BACHELOR GOT "TRAPPED"



On Saturday, December 10th, the Lincoln Shooting Sports Center provided a shooting venue to a group of young men celebrating the wedding of one of their friends. I guess specifically, we could call this a "bachelor party." We were contacted and asked if we could provide a trap shooting experience for the wedding party. After assurances that there would be no alcohol, we agreed to provide the requested shooting venue.

On time, at 12:00 noon, six young men arrived very excited to begin their "bachelor celebration." The LSSC provided them with shotguns, ammo, a safety briefing, and all the coaching needed. **Anita Marquez, Robert Warn, Barbara Webster, Margaret Moore, and Mark Hixson** instructed/coached/and encouraged these young men in their very first trap shooting experience.

There was some apprehension to begin with, however, by the end of their shooting session, everyone was "breakin birds" and "grinning from ear to ear." Following their shooting session, we were informed that they were off to Lake Tahoe to snowboard and spend the night in a rented cabin.

It is through these types of community outreach efforts that we can expose new shooters to the fun and safety that we all enjoy as members of the LSSC. Thanks to everyone who worked to make this a very memorable event for the new groom. We wish him and his new bride many years of happiness.



WANNA GET AWAY? TRY THE MONTH OF MAY

If you are a "weekend" shooter at the Dillman Range, you might want to consider the month of May for your family getaway. The month of May will see the Dillman Range closed to general use on two separate weekends, so you might want to schedule your family vacation during this time. For one weekend the Range will be closed as the Lincoln Junior Division will be hosts the State Smallbore Championships. On a second weekend, our Range will be the site used for a charity fundraising event, sponsored by the Placer County Sheriff's Council. Both of these occasions will provide us the visibility and fellowship we seek as we continue to expand our reach deeper into the community. Your support of these events is appreciated. Specific dates and more details about each event will be available in the March/April issue of the Kinetic Energy.

FULL-AUTO FAMILY FUN @ FRONT SIGHT WITH THE MOELLER FAMILY

Submitted by Julie Moeller, with help from Charles Moeller, age 9

For my 40th birthday in January 2011, my husband **Glenn**, his brother Jim, and some of our friends took me to **Front Sight Firearms Institute** outside of Las Vegas for a four-day defensive handgun course. They have been Front Sight members for years. This was my first time at Front Sight and a rare time away from the kids (grandma extended her Christmas stay so she could watch the kids). While there, we talked to kids that were the same age as our son **Charles** (9 yrs.) and daughter **Jillian** (6 yrs.). They told us they were taking a four-day kids course while their parents were in classes. I started getting sad; missing the kids, and not knowing that Front Sight offers quarterly courses for kids at the same time as the adult classes. Long story short, we took Ignatius Piazza (the founder of Front Sight) up on one of his many email promotions offering life memberships to friends and family of current members at ridiculously low prices. At that point, all four of us became life members of Front Sight.



Julie shooting a Glock



Charles with an Uzi

The kids' fall break from school partially coincided with one of Front Sight's four-day Children's Achievement Camps offering kids ages 5-10 a "smorgasbord of adventures". We decided to load up the camper for a family road trip to Front Sight! Our children got to explore rope courses, rappelling, wall climbing, Martial Arts, the Children's Color Code of Mental Awareness, desert survival, Internet safety, and firearms training with 42 other kids. Their first day started with a 1.5 mile hike in the hot desert learning survival skills and then they did the ropes course, rock wall, and climbing net all with climbing gear. Independent study work from school required them to keep a daily journal. Charles' journal entry that day read, "Today we started Front Sight. I just started and my legs are in great pain. I wish I was in school." But his tune quickly changed.

The second day they learned firearms safety and got to shoot an Uzi submachine gun (on full-auto if they so chose...and they did), several rifles, a shotgun, and two pistols (all weapons and ammo were fully provided and well-supervised). Each of them liked the chipmunk rifle best...it had the least "kick". The third day they learned archery and also got to go in tunnels. Charles' journal entry summed up day four, "Today is the last day of Front Sight. We did shooting until we ran out of ammo. It was a good day."

While the kids were in their class the rest of us took the handgun course again (we didn't get to shoot an Uzi). I thought it was much easier the second time, although in January it was cold with snow on the ground and this time in late September/early October it was in the upper 90's and wearing concealment garments was not fun!

Our 1st and 4th grader had a great time and learned all about gun safety in a safe and fun environment. I just wanted to let all you shooting parents know that you can take a relatively inexpensive family road trip to Front Sight with your kids where they will have as much fun (OK, more fun) than you! If you have any questions, feel free to "shoot" me an email at moeller@surewest.net.



Jillian taking aim with a rifle

NRA BASIC PISTOL CLASS— “FOR THE LADIES”

(yes, the gents are also welcome)

April 21, 2012, 9:00 am to 4:00 p.m., at the Indoor Range in McBean Park

The popularity of this course is just unbelievable. One class was scheduled for January 21, and immediately we had registrations equaling over 40 individuals. Therefore, a second class was scheduled and filled for February 11, and now a third class scheduled for April 21 is being announced. **REGISTRATION IS LIMITED** at these classes to 18 participants, as we use the coach/shooter format, allowing 9 active shooters at each relay. If you are interested, or know anyone who is interested in taking this very popular class, make sure that they **REGISTER EARLY**, by contacting Club headquarters at 916-434-0308 or via email at lincolnrc@sbcglobal.net.



Barbara Webster, NRA Certified Pistol instructor, has a passion for the shooting sport that shines as she introduces ladies to the sport in a safe and empowering atmosphere. This course is appropriate for beginners and for those who have been away from the sport for awhile, or for anyone wanting a “refresher”.

This class uses NRA’s Basic Pistol Class outline but with the personal touch gleaned from years of experience teaching new shooters. “This class was designed with the ladies on my mind and in my heart.” We will learn about firearms in a safe and empowering setting. No more jargon or intimidation for us!! We will learn how firearms work, how ammunition works, how to operate a variety of firearms, and how to take control of firearms. Each student will experience the excitement of the sport and the thrill of “hitting the bull’s eye”.

The course will provide a variety of .22 caliber firearms to use during the class, and ammunition, course material, eye and ear protection, and targets are all provided.

You bring your enthusiasm and curiosity, a bag lunch, and come in comfortable clothing. We will send you home with a certificate of course completion, confidence, excitement, and a smile on your face.

A \$50.00 donation to the Lincoln Rifle club is requested at the end of the day; however, if you don’t feel like you got your money’s worth . . . Keep the donation and come back to the next class!

ANNUAL AWARDS AND POTLUCK DINNER

The Club will celebrate the 2011 Shooting Season with an awards dinner “potluck style” on Saturday, January 28, 2012, at 6:00 pm, at the Pavilion building located in McBean Park. This long-standing club tradition is a family event and quite possibly the most impressive potluck spread that you will ever see. Each attending family brings a dish that can feed eight hungry eaters, and beyond that; this event is a “no charge” affair. If you last name begins with:



A-F; bring dessert **G-M**; bring salad, side dish, or bread **N-Z**; bring main dish, or just bring along whatever you would like to share.

Awards will be presented to shooters participating in Club events throughout the 2011 shooting season. A huge array of raffle prizes will be available for the cost of a ticket or two. Included in the raffle will be our “traditional” Ruger 10/22 rifle hidden somewhere in an old “ammo can”.

The Club’s 2011 Participation Program will come to a close with the raffle of a nice firearm or two. If you have collected initials on the back of your membership card, be sure to bring them to the event and receive one ticket for each initial you have on your card. Each ticket represents a chance to win the Club’s Participation Program firearm(s).



HIGH POWER SHOOTING

Submitted by Ryan Watts, Match Director, NRA High Power

This has been another great season shooting High Power. Though Club High Power 2011 (CHP) has come to a close, NRA High Power (NHP) will continue through the winter and into the summer.

CHP 2011 brought us new shooters and shows promise for fierce competition in the summers to come; with the new shooters, we have been able to make new friendships and build club camaraderie. The help we received this summer has been great. I would like to thank **Kent Dove** for bringing his skills to the table and offering help to those in need. Kent is always willing to offer a helping hand and though he is also willing to offer you a smack down when it comes to the final scores. In addition, is also quick to offer you tips and instructions. **Lane Buxton** is another shooter we just couldn't live without. Lane's communication skills are unparalleled and without his words of encouragement like, "you're out" or "trim your spring," I'm not sure what we would do. **Scott Bonivert** and **Mike Martin** also add brutal competition to the line, while bringing an air of professionalism with them. You can always count on Scott and Mike to be at the range, help others and of course, destroy the X ring. Lastly, I want to thank **Ed Wais** and his son Jonathan for all their help in repairing our targets and always doing so with a smile.

NHP 2011 has also been great. We've consistently seen shooters from Chico, Nevada City, and Sac Valley. This year, NHP has also seen its fair share of new shooters, welcoming **Aaron Zambranna** and **Robert Warn**. Additionally, **Terry Wildman** has been a regular at NHP this year, proving to be a great asset to both NHP and our Club. Terry is always there to offer a friendly handshake and a smile.

Our Club members are blessed to have not only have a 200 yard range, but also great members and shooters. I look forward to High Power shooting in 2012 and competing against each and every one of you. Happy New Year!

TEAM COMPETITION ADDED TO DEFENSIVE MULTI-GUN MATCH

Submitted by Jay Kuca, DMG Match Director

In an effort to enhance the competitive aspects of the DMG match, beginning with the 2012 season, participants in the match will have the opportunity to compete not only as individuals, but as 2-man teams. Here is how it will work:

Shooters who wish to participate in the team competition will be given the opportunity to sign up anytime up to and including the day of the March match. When they sign up, they will need to designate a team name and provide the names of the two shooters on the team. They will also need to pay a one-time \$20 team registration fee. Proceeds from the team fees will be used to defray the cost of team awards that will be given out at the end of the year.

Team results will be based on the sum of the overall times posted by the two shooters for each match in which they both participate.

In order to receive a team ranking at the end of the year and to qualify for a trophy, the team must participate in a minimum of 7 matches between the time they sign up and the end of the year.

Substitute shooters are not allowed. In order for a team score to be posted for any given match, both of the registered members of the team must participate in that match.

Participation in the DMG team competition is optional. We will continue to post individual scores for each match and award trophies for individual performance at the end of the year.

If you're interested in forming a team, I'll have a sign-up sheet available at the January match. If you have any questions, send me an email at jaykuca@gmail.com

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LRC JUNIOR CLUB REPORT

Submitted by Steve Katsuyama

Happy New Year from the Junior Division! The beginning stage for new shooters (ages 9-20) is held on Monday nights at the indoor range, located in McBean Park, starting at 5pm from September thru May, following the academic calendar. This is when shooters learn the basics of marksmanship and firearm safety. The Monday night shooters progress through the different stages of marksmanship eventually learning the different positions required for Precision Rifle competition. It is during these sessions that all shooters begin their training, including the many Junior Olympians and National Champions emerging from our Junior Program over the years.

Junior competitors continue shooting at the indoor range to hone their marksmanship skills. We have seen an amazing increase in new shooters over the last couple of years and are already at 95 Junior shooters, welcoming new shooters every week!

The Advanced Junior team is gearing up for the busy part of the season with matches almost every weekend for the next several months. The first match of the New Year is the Junior Olympic qualifying match for a spot at the National Championships in Colorado Springs in April. Following this initial match, we will participate in matches held on successive weekends in Modesto, Lincoln and Chico. This year is already shaping up to be a good year for Lincoln as we have a strong cadre of veteran shooters and a promising group of new shooters.

Lastly, to welcome the New Year, the Lincoln Rifle Club Junior division is selling raffle tickets for a chance to win a Sig Sauer 1911 with custom Triggerfish LSSC Jr. Div grips, courtesy of Scott Fisher. Tickets are \$20 each with only 200 tickets available for sale. Tickets can be purchased at our monthly meeting, and from the Junior Division members. Tickets are going fast so purchase them while they last! All proceeds will be used to for travel expenses used to send our Junior shooters to the Nationals competition in Alabama this year.

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11. This nation possesses an amazing capacity for self-renewal.
12. America is a nation that looks to God for guidance.

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