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President's Column

Spring has sprung, and we will begin sprucing-up the facility. Here are a few of the projects that are slated to begin:

- Complete the creek cover
- Repair the Archery Range roof.
- Replace the southwest AC unit.
- Re-finish dance floor. (Upstairs of the clubhouse will be closed May 12 through June 1.)

Mark your calendar: Spring Clean-Up of the grounds is scheduled for May 18 from 9am–1pm. Grounds Chair Tim is asking for someone with an older pick-up truck and a trailer to help pick up limbs and branches, and he could use another person with a chain saw. Contact grounds@tcsl.org.

The annual Board Walk-Around has been scheduled for Sunday, April 7 at 10am. Any member is welcome to join and walk the property to help identify potential projects. A Hearty Breakfast is also scheduled that Sunday so come on out to the club, enjoy breakfast, and take a walk with us at 10:00.

You may have noticed that we closed the pistol house for a few weeks this winter. This was due to a safety issue since the berm froze. Pistol shooters were still able to use the 25-yard rifle range or the action bays when they were opened. Safety is reviewing both short term and long term solutions. We have put a call out for clean sand for all berms and, so far a neighbor is willing to donate 100 tons. Much more is needed, but this is a great start.

We still have a few spots left to send kids to MUCC camp. Camp weeks are filling up quickly. If you have kids/grandkids ages 5-16, there are day camps for the younger ones, week-long camps, and counselor camps available. Contact me for an application.

At the last Membership Meeting, there were many good ideas brought up to help increase membership rolls. Along those same lines, should you have an idea you would like to share to increase our roll, send a note to membership@tcsl.org.

The next Membership Meeting will be held on April 18, immediately following the Board Meeting at 6:30pm. It's also a Burger Night from 5-6:30, so catch a meal and support your club by attending.

As the weather warms and you get out to the range this spring please be safe. Enforce the Three **Fundamental Gun Safety Rules**:

- ALWAYS Keep the Gun Pointed In a Safe Direction.
- ALWAYS Keep Your Finger Off the Trigger until Ready To Shoot
- ALWAYS Keep the Gun Unloaded Until Ready to Use.

As well as TCSL Specific Site Rules:

- Everyone MUST sign in the book and pay the range fee.
- Guns cased to the firing line, unloaded.
- One gun and one ammo allowed on the firing line.
- Paper targets, non-human, or self-healing targets allowed. No rollers.
- No blue sky, no skips allowed.
- Guns horizontal when benched.
- Know your target and whats behind, "HIT THE BERM"

For the complete set of TCSL Range Rules, go to www.tcsl.org. Be safe and enjoy your club!

[Mark Smokowicz](#)

Memorial / Well Being

Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers:

Tom Lewandowski's whose wife is healing from surgery.

Dick Cupka's daughter who has been admitted to the hospital.



High School Trap Shooting is Wildly Popular!

That was the recent headline from an article in the March 7 issue of "Time Magazine." While the article seemed to be concerned about the role of the NRA in this sport, it did accurately report on the large numbers of high school students participating in organized youth trap shooting.

Tri-County Sportsmen's League is the home range for the Saline High School Team. Started in 2018 with nine members, the team is ready to start its second season with seventeen boys and girls. The team has had several informal practices using our indoor DriFire simulation system. Outdoor practices will commence on April 2 and 3 and run for nine weeks. The team practices and competes at TCSL on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from five to seven. We have had a great response to our request for volunteers and thank all of our members who will be helping the team have a safe and successful season.

Stop by and meet the team members and their families. Remember, they are the future of our club!

contact: [Steve Jolliffe](#)





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Family Air Rifle

Our March Family Air Rifle was a fun event, and once again we had a new shooter who proved to be quite efficient with the air rifle!

Round 1	Ilene Smith	1st Place
	Valerie Mercieca	2nd Place (new shooter)
	Kiera Kirbs	3rd Place
Round 2	Ilene Smith	1st Place (tie)
	Valerie Mercieca	1st Place (tie)
	Kiera Kirbs	2nd Place (tie)
	Sue Smokowicz	2nd Place (tie)
	Carol Parent	3rd Place
Round 3	Sue Smokowicz	1st Place
	Valerie Mercieca	2nd Place (tie)
	Ilene Smith	2nd Place (tie)
	Kiera Kirbs	3rd Place



Instead of Air Rifle on Sunday, April 14, we'll be hosting a community Easter Egg Hunt from 1-3pm. (See above for more information.) Stay tuned to see what we come up with next. We're looking forward to being outside soon!

contact: Val Kabat, Carol Parent, or Sue Smokowicz

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Winter Military Rifle Match Held

Our third and last winter Military Rifle bench match for 2019 was held on Saturday, March 16, at the 100-yard rifle range with 7 shooters.

Results of the match:

Place	Shooter	Rifle	Round	Score
Iron Sight Division				
1st Place	Ed Benko	M1 Garand	308 Win	98-2x
2nd Place	Chris Leite	M1 Garand	30/06	96-3x
3rd Place	Scott Beaudry	M1 Garand	30/06	94-1x
	Dave Vandermark	1878 Swiss Vetterli	10.4x38R	92-2x
Scoped Division				
1st Place	Dave Harris	AR-15	223 Rem	100-6x
2nd Place	John Burke	AR-10	6.5 Creedmoor	100-3x
3rd Place	Jim Szocik	AR-15	223 Rem	96-2x

Our next Military Rifle Match (a 45-round regular match) will be held on Saturday, April 20, and is open to all TCSL members and guests. Registration starts at 9am, and the match begins at 10am. A short safety briefing will be held prior to the match. Fees for the match will be \$10 for members and \$15 for guests. You can compete with any military-style rifle (no full autos), foreign or domestic, modern or vintage, with iron sights or scope. You will need 45 rounds of safe ammunition, a shooting mat or something to lie on, safety or shooting glasses, and ear protection. Spotting scopes and sling are helpful.

The course of fire for the event shall be: (5) rounds of slow fire in the prone position for sight-in within 5 minutes. For score: (10) rounds slow fire in the prone position, (10) rounds of rapid fire in the prone position, (10) rounds rapid fire in the sitting position, and (10) rounds of slow fire in the standing unsupported position. For the slow fire portion, single-fed rounds are fired within 10 minutes, while rapid fire is within 80 seconds with a magazine or stripper clip change.

Please Note: You need not be a military member to compete, though they are surely welcome; you only need to own a military-style rifle.

For further information or questions



Japanese Type 1 Arisaka

contact [Dave Vandermark](mailto:dave.vandermark@tcsl.org)

Positive Thoughts



Keep your face to the sunshine and you cannot see a shadow.

-Helen Keller

Help Wanted

Archery Committee Members contact: archery@tcsl.org
 Bartenders contact: kitchen@tcsl.org
 Grant co-ordinator, writer. contact: president@tcsl.org
 Hunter Education Instructors. contact: huntereducation@tcsl.org
 Kids on the Range Day volunteers & 2020 chair. contact: KORD@tcsl.org
 Kitchen Chair, Kitchen Help, Servers contact: kitchen@tcsl.org
 Newsletter Help (design, etc.) contact: newsletter@tcsl.org
 NRA Instructors contact: education@tcsl.org
 Range Safety Officers contact: education@tcsl.org
 Women on Target volunteers. contact: womenontarget@tcsl.org

Wish List

Cardboard backing for pistol range targets contact: pistol@tcsl.org

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Outdoor Children's Play Area
Plenty of Free Parking

contact: Carol Parent
reservations@tcsl.org

Rent Our Range

contact: safety@tcsl.org

Spring Clean-Up

Saturday May 18 • 9am-1pm

We need an older pick-up truck and a trailer to pick up limbs and branches, and we could use another person with a chain saw.

Please consider joining the Grounds Committee. We need three or four more people this season.

contact: Tim, 734-431-9138

What's Happenin' at the Club in April?

To see the full calendar online,
please click here.

Want to know more about any of these events?
Click on the link to send an email with your questions.

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| 1 9am | Ballroom Dance Lessons | 18 9am | Ballroom Dance Lessons |
| 7pm | Scouts BSA Troop Mtg. | 5pm | Burger Night |
| 2 5pm | Saline High Trap | 6:30pm | Board Mtg. |
| 3 10am | Range Time (Pistol) | 7pm | Membership Mtg. |
| 5pm | Saline High Trap | 19 6:30pm | Dance Party |
| 4 9am | Ballroom Dance Lessons | 20 9am | Military Rifle Match |
| 6 11am | SafeServ Class | 9am | New Member Orientation |
| 7 8am | Hearty Breakfast (Public Invited) | 21 8am | CCW/CPL - PPIH |
| 8am | CCW/CPL - PPIH | noon | PCC & .22 Rifle Pin Shoot |
| 10am | Board Walk-Around | 22 9am | Ballroom Dance Lessons |
| noon | Trap | 6:30pm | Dance Party |
| 8 9am | Ballroom Dance Lessons | 7pm | Scouts BSA Troop Mtg. |
| 6:30pm | Dance Party | 23 5pm | Saline High Trap |
| 7pm | Scouts BSA Troop Mtg. | 24 10am | Range Time (Rifle) |
| 9 5pm | Saline High Trap | 5pm | Saline High Trap |
| 6pm | WOT/KORD Planning Mtg. | 25 9am | Ballroom Dance Lessons |
| 10 10am | Range Time (Rifle) | 26 5pm | Flame Broiled Steak Fry (Public Invited) |
| 5pm | Saline High Trap | 27 8am | IDPA Match |
| 11 9am | Ballroom Dance Lessons | 9am | American Heritage Girls Camping |
| 6:30pm | Education Committee Mtg. | 28 10am | Private Party |
| 13 4pm | Friends of the NRA Annual Dinner/Fundraiser | noon | Bowling Pin Shoot |
| 14 9am | Hunter Education Field Day | noon | Trap |
| noon | Trap | 29 9am | Ballroom Dance Lessons |
| 1pm | Community Easter Egg Hunt | 7pm | Scouts BSA Troop Mtg. |
| 15 9am | Ballroom Dance Lessons | 30 5pm | Saline High Trap |
| 6:30pm | Safety Committee Mtg. | | |
| 7pm | Scouts BSA Troop Mtg. | | |
| 16 5pm | Saline High Trap | | |
| 17 10am | Range Time (Pistol) | | |
| 5pm | Saline High Trap | | |

Wanted (to Borrow)

Two or three 410 shotguns for KORD.
contact: trap@tcsl.org

Planning Meetings for WOT & KORD (Combined)

The Following Tuesdays at 6pm

April 9 • May 7

Volunteer Dinner: May 28

(There will be one additional KORD meeting
on Tuesday, July 9.)

Women on Target Saturday, June 8

Registration officially opened on April 1. If you or someone you know is a first-time shooter, please register early to secure a spot! Registration forms are available on the TCSL.org website (print off and send in, cannot register online) or can be picked up at Tri County Sportsmen's League. Be sure to sign the waiver form, along with the registration form, and attach the tuition fee of \$80. A confirmation letter will be sent to each participant after I have received the registration form and payment.

The next planning meeting will be Tuesday April 9, downstairs of the clubhouse.

If you are a business owner, or know someone who is a business owner, and would like to advertise on the ladies T-shirts, please let me know. We are also looking for donations for our raffle items.

Any questions,

contact:

[Carol Parent](#), 734-417-6895, or
[Sharon Burkhardt](#)



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Kids on the Range Day Saturday, July 13

Registration officially opens on April 1, but folks who've shown an interest in the event were invited to register early. To date, eight families have responded positively to the invitation; and we've received two applications, .

Though not exactly official, I've decided to call April "Kids on the Range Month." Let's see how much money we can raise for the event! Fundraising will include a 50:50 raffle at our regular Steak Fry on April 26 (as well as other Steak Fries). Taking a cue from a number of national nonprofits, we'll be doing what's called an "icon fundraiser" throughout the month. This amounts to members and guests buying "icons"—in our case a paper gun—at the bar, writing their names on them, and the guns will be posted behind the bar (and the walls downstairs if we have a really good response). Later—on June 23—there will be a fundraiser at [Haab's Restaurant](#) (18 W. Michigan, Ypsilanti) 10% of ALL sales that day will be donated to KORD. And the donation jar is always happy to accept random donations. ☺

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 9, at 6pm. If you're interested in either KORD or WOT—or both—please join us. Both events need A LOT of volunteers!

contact: [Val Kabat](#)

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Tri-County Sportsmen League Events

Apr 2019 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 9am - Ballroom 7pm - BSA Troop	1 9am - Ballroom 7pm - BSA Troop	2 5pm - S.H.S. Trap	3 10am - Wednesday 5pm - S.H.S. Trap	4 9am - Ballroom	5	6 11am - Serve Safe
7 8am - Breakfast at 8am - CPL NRA 10am - Board Walk 12pm - Trap	8 9am - Ballroom 7pm - BSA Troop	9 5pm - S.H.S. Trap 6pm - WOT/KORD	10 10am - Wednesday 5pm - S.H.S. Trap	11 9am - Ballroom 6:30pm - Education	12	13 4pm - Friends of
14 9am - Hunter 12pm - Trap 1pm - Community	15 9am - Ballroom 6:30pm - Safety 7pm - BSA Troop	16 5pm - S.H.S. Trap	17 10am - Wednesday 5pm - S.H.S. Trap	18 9am - Ballroom 5pm - Burger Night 6:30pm - Board 7pm - Membership	19 5pm - Dance Party	20 9am - Military Rifle 9am - New Member
21 8am - CPL NRA 12pm - PCC & .22	22 9am - Ballroom 7pm - BSA Troop	23 5pm - S.H.S. Trap	24 10am - Wednesday 5pm - S.H.S. Trap	25 9am - Ballroom	26 NRA Annual Meetings and Exhibits @ 4pm - American Heritage Girls camp outing 4pm - IDPA Friday 5pm - Flame Broiled	27 8am - IDPA Match 9am - American
28 NRA Annual 10am - Private Party 12pm - Bowling Pin 12pm - Trap	29 9am - Ballroom 7pm - BSA Troop	30 5pm - S.H.S. Trap	1	2	3	4

[Please see the calendar online for complete, up-to-date information.](#)

Tri-County Sportsmen League Events

May 2019 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	1 10am - Wednesday 5pm - S.H.S. Trap	2 9am - Ballroom	3	4 8am - NRA
5 8am - NRA 2pm - Trap	6 9am - Ballroom 7pm - BSA Troop	7 4pm - Multi-gun 5pm - S.H.S. Trap 6pm - WOT/KORD	8 10am - Wednesday 5pm - S.H.S. Trap	9 9am - Ballroom 6:30pm - Education	10 5pm - Dance Party	11 8am - CPL NRA 10am - 50th
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Upstairs Clubhouse Closed (floor refinishing) @ Tri-County Sportsmen's League, 8640 Moon Rd, Saline, MI 48176, USA						
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