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President's Report

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2020! At the end of each year it's a time to reflect on accomplishments made during the year and to plan for the upcoming New Year. But none of those accomplishments we have made or any of our future plans could be remotely possible without your efforts, you who have generously given your time to make the club run smoothly. In all aspects of the operation of the club. Looking forward to working with everyone in 2020.

Heartfelt
THANKS
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Elections are coming to TCSL. Your help in running the club is essential. Nominations are being taken for Directors position and, for those who have been a member for at least 2 years, to run for an Officers position. In all four regions there is a Director's position open that will be on the ballot and the 2nd Vice Presidents position (Hall Regulation) will be open,

as well as all other Officers positions will be on the Officers ballot this year. You can have a voice in the management of your club. Send a note of your interest to run in one of these open spots.

Nominations will be taken up to the January Board/Membership Meeting. TCSL Elections will be held on February 20th from 10AM until 8PM. You must bring your membership card to vote. If any member is unable to make it to that day to vote, an absentee ballot will be made available upon request (30) days in advance of the election. Send the membership secretary a self-addressed stamped envelope for the ballot to be returned to you. Mail in this request in by January 21.

The ballot will be posted here in this column next month.

The next Board/Membership meeting will be held on Thursday, January 16. Come enjoy a burger meal from 5-6:30 and stay for the Board Meeting and Membership Meeting. And earn hours.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Mark Smokowicz

Hall Rental

2019 Hall Rental Events has come to an end with 40 events having taken place. Along with the rentals, Friends of Veterans held Friday monthly dances upstairs of the clubhouse.

Thank you to all of the volunteers who came in to help prepare, serve, and clean for all of the events. We constantly receive compliments, not only on the delicious food, but on the friendliness shown by all of our volunteers.

Without including Women On Target, KORD, and the IDPA event, we had close to 2000 volunteer hours! October through December alone had 70 volunteers! We are a busy club! Four hall rental events are already on the calendar for 2020.

On a personal note, I have enjoyed spending some fun hours with all the volunteers and meeting quite a few new members whom I would probably never have met otherwise.

Sincere thanks for a wonderful year!

[Carol Parent](#)

Memorial & Well Being



Member John Walter Dicks, 89, passed away on December 23, surrounded by his family. John was born in Saline on September 15, 1930, to Una (Lamb) and John Selah Dicks. He is survived by his wife Ruby, daughter Cindy (Chris) Kelly of Flint, granddaughter Brooke Kelly of Grand Rapids, grandson Christopher Kelly III of Flint, brother Lloyd (Marge) Dicks of Saline, niece and numerous nephews, and dear friends Paul and Karen Losey. He was preceded in death by his parents, his son Roger Dicks, and sister Elizabeth Greene of Medford, Oregon. A funeral service was held on Monday, December 30 at the First Presbyterian Church of Saline. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Saline Masonic Lodge #133 or the Saline American Legion.

Please send Memorial/Well Being items, to newsletter@tcsl.org.

Women On Target

Saturday, June 8 - 8am-5pm

Registration begins April 1, and the \$80 fee includes a light breakfast, lunch, t-shirt, and all the ammunition for each range. Eyes and ears, will be available if needed. Ladies can register as a group (10 ladies maximum per group), with a friend, or individually. We have a limit of 70 ladies for the day.

contact: [Carol Parent, 734-417-6895](#)
[Sharon Beckey](#)

Meetings

Our first meeting (WOT and KORD) will be Tuesday, January 7, at 6pm downstairs at the clubhouse. Our February 4 meeting will be a safety training for ALL of our range leads, but everyone is welcome to attend the meetings.

Additional meetings will be on the first Tuesday of each month.

Kids on the Range Day

Saturday, July 13 - 8am-5pm

Registration for KORD also begins April 1, and forms will be available on TCSL.org and at the club house. The \$10 participation fee includes use of firearms, eyes and ears, all ammunition, and a pizza party at the end of each session. Participation is limited to 60 kids and the slots fill quickly, so don't let that April 1 date pass you by.

contact: [Val Kabat](#)

If You Still Have Some Hunt Left in You. Upcoming Opportunities

Kick off the new year with three additional Michigan deer hunting opportunities! Understand the important hunt information below.

Thank you, hunters for your interest in Michigan deer hunting, and good luck this season as you enjoy the hunt while contributing to the conservation of Michigan's natural resources!

Ionia and Montcalm Firearm Hunt

Where and when can I hunt?

Jan. 4-7 and 11-14

Public and private land in the following townships: Easton, Ionia, Keene, Lyons, North Plains, Orleans, Otisco, and Ronald in Ionia County; and Bloomer, Bushnell, Crystal, Day, Evergreen, and Ferris in Montcalm County.

What equipment can I use?

This is a firearm-only hunt.

The following licenses are valid: deer license, combination deer license, private/public-land antlerless deer licenses for DMU 354 (must be used in DMU 354), private/public-land antlerless deer licenses for DMU 419 (must be used in DMU 419).

Antlerless deer may be tagged using the deer license or combination deer license. All other license restrictions apply.

Mandatory deer check and additional information:

Hunters participating in this hunt will be required to turn in heads of harvested deer within 72 hours of harvest for disease testing. Visit www.mi.gov/deercheck for a list of available check stations and self-service drop boxes. All rules and regulations for the firearm deer season apply. See the [Michigan Hunting and Trapping Digest](#) for details.

As a reminder, bait cannot be used after Jan. 1.

Remember to wear hunter orange!

Urban Deer Management Zone Extended Archery Season

Where and when can I hunt?

Jan. 1-31

Public and private land in the following counties: Macomb, Oakland, and Wayne.

What equipment can I use?

This is an archery-only hunt.

The following licenses are valid: deer license, combination deer license, or antlerless deer license.

Additional information:

All rules and regulations for the archery deer season apply. See the [Michigan Hunting and Trapping Digest](#) for details.

As a reminder, bait cannot be used after Jan. 1.

Alpena County Antlerless Firearm Hunt

Where and when can I hunt?

Jan. 4-7 and 11-14

Private land only in Alpena County south of M-32.


What equipment can I use?

This is an antlerless, firearm-only season.

The following licenses are valid to take an antlerless deer during this hunt: deer license, deer combination license, or private-land antlerless deer license for DMU 487.

Deer check and additional information:

Hunters participating in this hunt are encouraged to turn in heads of harvested deer for bovine TB testing. Visit www.mi.gov/deercheck for a list of available check stations. All rules and regulations for the firearm deer season apply. See the [Michigan Hunting and Trapping Digest](#) for details.



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White Elephant Match Held

Our first ever White Elephant Rifle bench match was held on Saturday December 14th at the 100-yard rifle range with 7 shooters.

Results of the match:

<u>Place</u>	<u>Shooter</u>	<u>Rifle</u>	<u>Round</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Adj. Score</u>
Iron Sight Division					
1st Place	Dave Vandermark	1903A3 Springfield	30/06	191-2x	204-2x
2 nd Place	Bill Rushmore	Tikka T3 Lite	308 Win	198-7x	203-7x
3 rd Place	Chris Lavery	Savage 10PC	223 Rem	200-16x	200-16x
	Jerry Marken	AR-15	223 Rem	200-14x	200-14x
	Michael DeGryse	Browning X Bolt Pro	6.5 Creedmoor	200-18x	198-18x
	Dave Harris	AR-15	223 Rem	195-5x	195-5x
	Mark Smokowicz	AR-15	223 Rem	196-6x	191-6x

This was called a 'White Elephant' match because there was some random 'gifting' involved. Between scoring rounds, shooters drew a number from a hat to establish an order, and then in that order picked from a selection of sealed, unmarked envelopes. Each shooter had the option of picking an envelope from the stack, or taking one from a shooter who had already picked. If their envelope was taken, then that shooter had to pick another from the stack. After the second round, scores were tallied and the envelopes opened. Each envelope had instructions for whether to add or subtract to your or another shooter's score. What you see as the Adjusted Score was the result of these changes. All in all, it was a pretty amazing display of shooting.

Our next Rifle Match will be held on Saturday, January 18th (a 100yd Bench Match) 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.

The upcoming winter matches are conducted from the bench rest, and course of fire is 10 rounds sight-in over a period of 5 minutes followed by 10 rounds for score over a period of 10 minutes. Highest score wins. Bring 20 rounds of safe ammunition, safety or shooting glasses, hearing protection, registration fee and appropriate warm clothing. A spotting scope is useful, and you may also bring rests or other positioning gear. Some rests, blocks and sand bags are available.

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

For further information or questions contact Dave Vandermark at rifle@TCSL.org.

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Rent Our Hall

Seating Capacity:
187 Upstairs, 147 Downstairs
tcsl.org/facility-rentals

Outstanding Member Benefit!

Celebrations

Weddings & Receptions
Wedding/Baby Showers
Banquets, Parties, Reunions

Dances

Memorials

Business Functions

Meetings, Seminars, Workshops,
Conferences, Classes
Expos, Sales Shows, Demonstrations

We Offer Full Amenities:

Full Catering Kitchen
(food service available)
Full-Service Bar
Public Address System
Free WiFi.
Stage
(suitable for performances, D.J.s, etc.)
Gazebo and Outdoor Patio
Large Charcoal Grilling Area
Outdoor Children's Play Area
Plenty of Free Parking

contact: Carol Parent
reservations@tcsl.org

Rent Our Range

contact: safety@tcsl.org

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Happy New Year

Tri-County Sportsmen League Events
Jan 2020 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
RSO on Duty: 8am - NRA CCW @ 12pm - Trap	RSO on Duty: Mark 7pm - BSA Troop		RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - Wednesday			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
RSO on Duty: 8am - Breakfast at 12pm - Trap	RSO on Duty: Mark 9am - Friends of 7pm - BSA Troop	6pm - WOT/KORD	RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - Wednesday	9am - Friends of 6:30pm - Education	5pm - Friends of	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
RSO on Duty: 8am - Michigan CPL 12pm - Trap	RSO on Duty: Mark 9am - Friends of 7pm - BSA Troop		RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - Wednesday	9am - Friends of 5pm - Burger Night 6:30pm - Board 7pm - Membership		9am - Military Rifle
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
RSO on Duty: 12pm - Trap	RSO on Duty: Mark 9am - Friends of 6:30pm - Safety 7pm - BSA Troop	Cutoff Date to	RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - Wednesday 6:30pm - Gun	9am - Friends of	5pm - Flame Broiled 5pm - Friends of	9am - New Member
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
RSO on Duty: 12pm - Trap	RSO on Duty: Mark 9am - Friends of 7pm - BSA Troop		RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - Wednesday	9am - Friends of		

[For up-to-date information, please see the online calendar.](#)

Tri-County Sportsmen League Events
Feb 2020 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
RSO on Duty: 12pm - Trap	RSO on Duty: Mark 9am - Friends of 7pm - BSA Troop		RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - Wednesday	9am - Friends of		
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
8am - Breakfast at 12pm - Trap	9am - Friends of 7pm - BSA Troop	5pm - Saline HS 6pm - WOT/KORD	10am - Wednesday 5pm - Saline HS	9am - Friends of		
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
12pm - Trap	9am - Friends of 7pm - BSA Troop	5pm - Saline HS	10am - Wednesday	9am - Friends of 6:30pm - Education	5pm - Friends of	10am - .22LR 100 yd
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
12pm - Trap	9am - Friends of 6:30pm - Safety 7pm - BSA Troop	5pm - Saline HS	10am - Wednesday	Elections for TCSL 9am - Friends of 5pm - Burger Night 6:30pm - Board 7pm - Membership		5pm - Saline
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
12pm - Trap	9am - Friends of 7pm - BSA Troop	5pm - Saline HS	10am - Wednesday 6:30pm - Gun	9am - Friends of	5pm - Flame Broiled 5pm - Friends of	