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President's Column

It is hard to believe that December is here already and the snow is flying! I hope everyone had a wonderful thanksgiving with friends and family, and that all of you deer hunters out there have been successful!

Mark and I continue to hold down the fort in Steve's absence, working together to fulfill the duties of the TCSL President. Please feel free to contact us anytime. I'd like to remind everyone that it's the time of year to renew your membership, so keep an eye on your mailbox for your renewal notice. It is also almost time to hold the Tri-County elections for officers and board members. You will find more information on the election process in this newsletter. There are several events coming up this month that we need volunteers for. Please see the list below and help out if you can. Our next Burger Night is Thursday, December 16, beginning at 5pm, followed by our December Board and Membership meetings beginning at 6:30pm.

I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!!

Thanks,
[Carlos Soto, 1st Vice President](#)



Volunteer Opportunities

Wicked Jeeps Christmas Party

Saturday, December 4	3-11pm	Bartenders, Servers, Clean-up, Kitchen
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Country Breakfast

Sunday, December 5	8am-1:30pm	Servers
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Burger Night

Thursday, December 16	5-6:30pm	Servers
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Lindemann Christmas Party

Sunday, December 19	10am-6pm	Bartender
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To volunteer, contact Mark S.: marks@comcast.net, 734-276-2514
or
sign up in "The Book"

Memorial & Wellbeing Celebrations & Thanks



Luther Nagel passed away on November 12 at the age of 83. He married Mary Marion in 1960, and they enjoyed 61 years of marriage, and he was a devoted family man.

Luther retired from the University of Michigan after 30+ years as a carpenter. He also operated his own woodshop doing carpentry and custom mill work. Luther was widely known in the area and respected for his skills and abilities.

He was an avid deer hunter and fisherman, and he enjoyed spending time at the family cabin in Lewiston, Michigan.

In addition to his wife, Luther is survived by his children: Ann (David) Latowski and Faith; his daughter-in-law, Nancy; his sister, Beverly Bross; and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service has taken place at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Saline.

Memorial contributions may be made in Luther's honor to Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church.

For the complete obituary, please see [Nie Family FuneralHome's website](#).



Please send items to newsletter@tcs1.org.



185-Yard Bench Rifle Match Held

Our first 185 yard Rifle Match of 2021 was held on Saturday September 4th at the 185 yard rifle range with 5 shooters.

Results of the match:

<u>Place</u>	<u>Shooter</u>	<u>Rifle</u>	<u>Round</u>	<u>Score</u>
<u>Iron Sight Division</u>				
1 st Place	Dave Vandermark	1896 U.S. Krag	30-40 Krag	74
2 nd Place	Chris Leite	M1 Garand	30/06	54

Scoped Division

1 st Place	Jerry Marken	AR-15	.223 Rem	96-2x
2 nd Place	Dave Harris	Howa 1500	6mm Creed.	94-1x
3 rd Place	Mark Smokowicz	AR-15	.223 Rem	93-3x

Our next 185 Yard Bench Match will be held in 2022 (check the calendar next year), and is open to all TCSL members and guests. Registration starts at 11am and the match begins at **noon**. 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** rifle (no full autos), foreign or domestic, modern or vintage, with iron sights or scope, as long as you can fire the 10 rounds in 10 minutes. You will need 20 rounds of safe ammunition, safety or shooting glasses, and ear protection. Spotting scopes are helpful.

The course of fire for the event shall be: (10) rounds of slow fire from the bench for sight-in within 10 minutes. For score; (10) rounds slow fire from the bench within 8 minutes. Shooters may elect to use their score from the sight-in stage, but in doing so would forfeit shooting the 2nd round.

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

100 Yard .22LR Bench Match Held

Our third 100 yard .22LR bench match for 2021 was held on Saturday October 30th at the 100-yard rifle range with 9 shooters.

Results of the match:

<u>Shooter</u>	<u>Round 1</u>	<u>Round 2</u>	<u>Round 3</u>	<u>Round 4</u>	<u>Overall Score</u>
Dave Vandermark	80-1x	87	87-1x	91-2x	345-4x
Mark Smokowicz	97	93	96-6x	98-3x	384-9x
Loylle Settlemyre	97-2x	99-5x	97-1x	99-7x	392-15x
Jerry Marken	?	?	?	?	385-10x
Brad Orr	100-9x	100-5x	97-2x	98-4x	395-20x
Matt Orr	97-3x	95-1x	97-1x	100-7x	389-12x
Ted Meadow	?	?	?	?	373-13x
Jeff Gage	57	88-1x	96-1x	89	330-2x
Steve Staszeh	?	?	?	?	366-9x

Winners –

Overall:1st – Brad Orr

2nd – Loylle Settlemyre

3rd – Matt Orr

Shooting consisted of one ten (10) shot sight-in round, followed by four ten (10) shot relays for score, all from a bench with rests at 100 yards. Any .22LR chambered rifle was eligible, and shooters were responsible for bringing their own ammunition. Cost of the match was \$10 for members and \$15 for guests

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

How Did We Do This Season?

November has come and gone. What to do now? Well . . . we still have deer hunting in muzzle loader, archery, and late antlerless firearm private land only to get us outside. Other seasons are back in action also. Small game hunting is a great time to introduce new hunters to the sport. Check with the [Michigan Hunting Digest](#) for seasons and bag limits.

Did you know that you can report your deer harvest @ <https://www.mdnr-elicense.com/HarvestReport?>

Let's see how we did this season. The top ten hunting violations during firearm deer season as reported by the DNR (not necessarily listed in order):

1. Using the wrong tag or improper filling out a tag.
2. Not wearing orange.
3. Being unfamiliar with a firearm or how it functions.
4. Committing safety zone violations.
5. Trespassing.
6. Staking claims to public land hunting blinds.
7. Littering.
8. Baiting/attracting deer.
9. Hunting out of hours or out of season.
10. Harassing hunters.

I hope you didn't get any of them! See the [DNR's website](#) for more information.

Hunter Education teaches hunters about safety and ethical hunting practices, and a valid hunter safety certificate is required in order to purchase a hunting license in Michigan if you were born on or after January 1, 1960.

We hope everybody who gets out hunting this year has a safe and successful season, and remember

SAFETY BEGINS WITH YOU!

Have blessed Christmas. 🎄

The Hunters Education Committee
Jon N Yost



Booster Club!

Notices for membership renewals are being mailed, and the board is waiving the work hours repayment for this year!

When you renew, please consider including a donation to the Booster Club (specially if you owe hours).

The Treasurer (AKA Santa) thanks you!!!

[John Harden](#)



Booster Club

DONATE TO

Tri-County Sportsmen's League

Suggested donations:

\$10 \$50 \$100

Or choose your amount.

You can also make this a recurring, monthly donation.

To donate via PayPal, scan the QR Code below with your smart phone or tablet.



Or mail a check to:

Tri-County Sportsmen's League
Attn: Booster Club

8640 Moon Road, Saline, MI 48176



The mission of the Booster Club is to raise funds to supplement TCSL's traditional funding through member dues. These funds will help to ensure that TCSL can continue to: Promote sportsmen and women in the betterment of hunting, fishing, hiking, camping, boating, shooting.

- Host social activities for our members.
- Provide leadership for our youth.
- Participate in citizen action in the legislative process.
- Protect our environment.

Membership

Seven people applied and were presented to the board for approval on November 18. They include:

Ronald Kimlin
Debbie Harden
Terry O'Berg
Melissa Siler
Thomas Pottebaum
Charles Siler
Jonathan Patterson

Thomas is a Junior, and Debbie and Charles are Associates.

Five people attended orientation on November 13. They include:

Matt Rogers
Christopher Pottebaum
Ronald Kimlin
Jonathan Patterson
James Kolongowski
Christopher Pottebaum
Jonathan Patterson

Please join me in welcoming them to the club.

As you all will soon see, we sent out the 2022 renewal notices on Wednesday, November 24. While the renewal is not due until February 28, 2022, please consider sending it in as soon as possible to support the club. Also, you will notice that Regular member dues have increased to \$170, Seniors have increased to \$85, and Juniors have increased to \$35. Associates remain at \$35. The board of directors has again voted to suspend the 10-hour volunteer requirement for 2021, so there are no assessments for hours due. If you did not fulfill the 10-hour minimum or even if you did, please consider adding a donation to help support the club. (See John's article above.) Any help would be greatly appreciated.

[Charlie Unbehaun](#)
Membership Secretary



Final Rifle Match for 2021

December 11
100-yd White Elephant Match

contact: [Dave Vandermark](#)



TCSL RANGE HOURS

Monday-Saturday:
Shooting may begin
no earlier than 10am

Sunday:
Shooting may begin
no earlier than 12 noon

Every Day:
Shooting must cease
by 8pm or dusk, whichever
occurs earlier.



January Newsletter

Absolute deadline for article submission:
December 24
newsletter@tcsl.org



Country Breakfasts Return to Tri-County Sportsmen's League!

**Sunday, December 5
8-11:30am**

Come Enjoy Breakfast with Friends.

**Open to the Public.
It's a great place to meet old friends
and make new ones.**

**\$8 for adults
\$4 children (12 and under)
Children under 5 are FREE**

**Three more breakfasts coming up:
January 2, February 6, March 6**

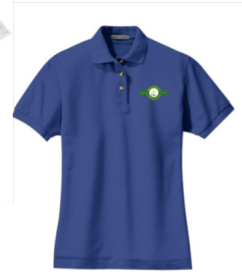
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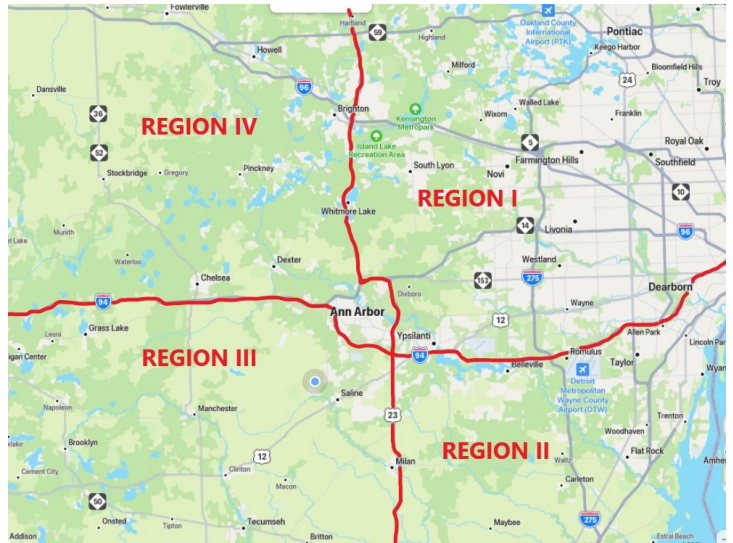
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Elections at TCSL

At the January meeting, nominations will be taken for Officers of TCSL: President, two (2) Vice-presidents, Treasurer, Recording/Corresponding Secretary, Membership Secretary and (12) Directors, three (3) each from the regions of Region I, Region II, Region III and Region IV.

Directors shall come from four geographic areas., which will be divided by I-94 north and south and by US-23 east and west. (Please see below.)



The **President** and **Vice Presidents** must be members in good standing for at least three (3) years and must have served at least two (2) years as an Officer or Director or on a Standing Committee.

The **Treasurer** must be a member in good standing for at least two (2) years and, if possible, must have bookkeeping knowledge and/or experience and must have served at least one (1) year as an Officer or on a Standing Committee.

The **Membership Secretary** must be a member in good standing for at least two (2) years and must have served at least one (1) year as an Officer or Director or on a Standing Committee.

Recording/Corresponding Secretary must be a member in good standing for at least two (2) years.

The President, Vice Presidents and Recording/Corresponding Secretary may not serve more than four (4) successive one-year terms.

There is no term limitation for the Treasurer.

No Director can serve for more than three (3) successive three-year terms.

Voting shall take place at the Annual meeting in February. Should you have an interest in running for any of these open positions, please send an email to president@tcsl.org.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
RSO On Duty: 9am - NRA Range	RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - First Steps 7pm - BSA Troop		RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - Wednesday	12pm - Friends of	6pm - Troop 439 overnight lock in (lower	3pm - Wicked Jeeps
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
RSO On Duty: 8am - Breakfast at 1pm - Aaron	RSO on Duty: Mark 12pm - Friends of 7pm - BSA Troop		RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - Wednesday 6:30pm - Gun Safety	12pm - Friends of 6:30pm - Education		9am - 100 yd "White" 9am - New Member
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
RSO On Duty: 12pm - NRA First	RSO on Duty: Mark 12pm - Friends of 6:30pm - Safety 7pm - BSA Troop 7:30pm - Finance		RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - Wednesday	12pm - Friends of 5pm - Burger Night 6:30pm - Board 7pm - Membership		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
RSO On Duty: 8am - NRA CCW 10am - Lindemann	RSO on Duty: Mark 12pm - Friends of 7pm - BSA Troop		RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - Wednesday	12pm - Friends of		
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
RSO On Duty: 8am - Michigan	RSO on Duty: Mark 12pm - Friends of 7pm - BSA Troop		RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - Wednesday	12pm - Friends of		

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

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